

BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE
OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



EVENING PRAYER

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

30 NOVEMBER 2025

4:00 P.M.

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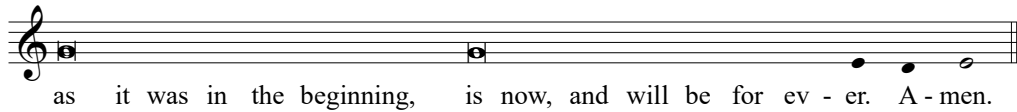
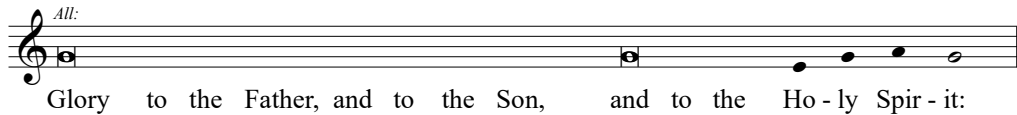
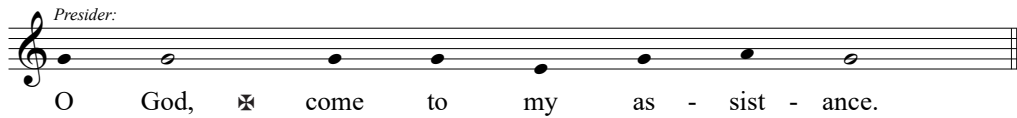
INTRODUCTORY RITE

PROCESSION

All stand.

INTRODUCTORY VERSE

All sign themselves in the form of the cross.



HYMN



1. Lo! he comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, once for
 2. Ev - 'ry eye shall now be - hold him, robed in
 3. Those dear to - kens of his pas - sion still his
 4. Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on



our sal - va - tion slain; thou - sand, thou - sand
 dread - ful ma - jes - ty; those who set at
 daz - zling bo - dy bears, cause of end - less
 thine e - ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the



saints at - tend - ing swell the tri - umph of his
 nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the
 ex - ul - ta - tion to his ran - somed wor - ship -
 power and glo - ry; claim the king - dom for thine



train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 tree, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing,
 ers; with what rap - ture, with what rap - ture,
 own: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.
 deep - ly wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.
 with what rap - ture, gaze we on those glo - rious scars!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.

PSALMODY

All sit.

PSALM 110:1–5, 7

Antiphon: Rejoice, daughter of Zion; shout for joy, daughter of Jerusalem, alleluia.



(Schola) The Lord's revelation to my Master:
"Sit on my right:
your foes I will put beneath your feet."

(All) The Lord will wield from Zion
your scepter of power:
rule in the midst of all your foes.

(Schola) A prince from the day of your birth
on the holy mountains;
from the womb before the dawn I begot you.

(All) The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change.
"You are a priest for ever,
a priest like Melchizedek of old."

(Schola) The Master standing at your right hand
will shatter kings in the day of his great wrath.

(All) He shall drink from the stream by the wayside
and therefore he shall lift up his head.

(All) Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Antiphon: Rejoice, daughter of Zion; shout for joy, daughter of Jerusalem, alleluia.

PSALM 114

Antiphon: Christ our King will come to us, the Lamb of God foretold by John.



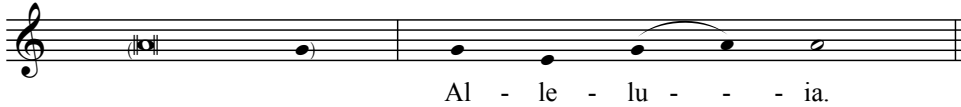
- (Schola) When Israel came forth from Egypt,
Jacob's sons from an alien people,
Judah became the Lord's temple,
Israel became his kingdom.
- (All) The sea fled at the sight:
the Jordan turned back on its course,
the mountains leapt like rams
and the hills like yearling sheep.
- (Schola) Why was it, sea, that you fled,
that you turned back, Jordan, on your course?
Mountains, that you leapt like rams,
hills, like yearling sheep?
- (All) Tremble, O earth, before the Lord,
in the presence of the God of Jacob,
who turns the rock into a pool
and flint into a spring of water.
- (All) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be for ever. Amen.

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CANTICLE

Revelation 19:1–7

Antiphon: I am coming soon, says the Lord;
I will give to everyone the reward his deeds deserve.



(All) **Alleluia.**

(Schola) Salvation, glory, and power to our God:

(All) **Alleluia.**

(Schola) his judgments are honest and true.

(All) **Alleluia.**

(Schola) Sing praise to our God, all you his servants,

(All) **Alleluia.**

(Schola) all who worship him reverently, great and small.

(All) **Alleluia.**

(Schola) The Lord our all-powerful God is King;

(All) **Alleluia.**

(Schola) Let us rejoice, sing praise, and give him glory.

(All) **Alleluia.**

(Schola) The wedding feast of the Lamb has begun,

(All) **Alleluia.**

(Schola) and his bride is prepared to welcome him.

(All) **Alleluia.**

(Schola) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,

and to the Holy Spirit:

as it was in the beginning, is now,

and will be for ever. Amen.

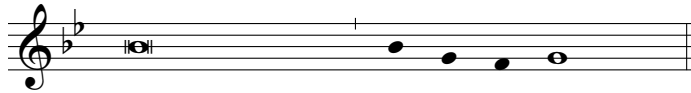
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READING

Philippians 4:4–5

Rejoice in the Lord always! I say it again. Rejoice! Everyone should see how unselfish you are. The Lord is near.

RESPNSORY



Cantor: Lord, show us your mercy and love.
All: Lord, show us your mercy and love.

Cantor: And grant us your salvation,
All: your mercy and love.

Cantor: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
All: Lord, show us your mercy and love.

MAGNIFICAT

Luke 1:46–55

All stand.

Antiphon: Do not be afraid, Mary, you have found favor with God;
 you will conceive and give birth to a Son, alleluia.



(Cantor) Magnificat ✕
 (All) anima mea Dominum:

(Schola) et exultavit spiritus meus
 in Deo salutari meo.

(All) Quia respexit humilitatem ancillæ suæ:
 Ecce enim ex hoc beatam me dicent omnes generationes

(Schola) Quia fecit mihi magna qui potens est:
et sanctum nomen eius.

(All) Et misericordia eius a progenie in progenies
timentibus eum.

(Schola) Fecit potentiam in brachio suo:
dispersit superbos mente cordis sui.

(All) Deposuit potentes de sede
et exaltavit humiles.

(Schola) Esurientes implevit bonis:
et divites dimisit inanes.

(All) Suscepit, Israel puerum suum,
recordatus misericordiæ suæ.

(Schola) Sicut locutus est ad patres nostros,
Abraham, et semini eis in sæcula.

(All) Gloria Patri et Filio,
et Spiritui Sancto.
Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper,
et in sæcula, sæculorum. Amen.

Antiphon: Do not be afraid, Mary, you have found favor with God;
you will conceive and give birth to a Son, alleluia.

INTERCESSIONS

All remain standing.

Presider: To Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, the way, the truth, and the life,
let us make our humble prayer:

All: Come and stay with us, Lord.

Lector: Son of the Most High,
your coming was announced to the Virgin Mary by Gabriel,

All: come and rule over your people for ever.

Lector: Holy One of God, in your presence John the Baptist leapt in Elizabeth's womb,

All: bring the joy of salvation to all the earth.

Lector: Jesus the Savior, the angel revealed your name to Joseph the just man,

All: come and save your people from their sins.

Lector: Light of the world, for whom Simeon and all the just waited,

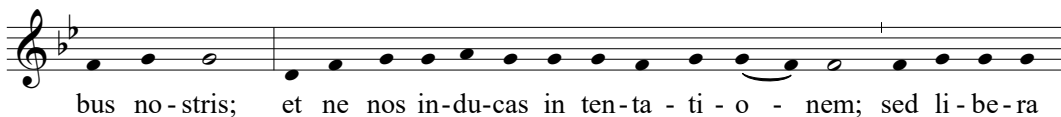
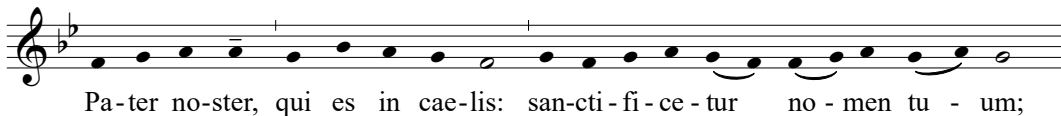
All: come and comfort us.

Lector: O Rising Sun that never sets, Zechariah foretold
that you would visit us from above,

All: come and shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death.

LORD'S PRAYER

Presider: Præceptis salutaribus moniti, et divina institutione formati, audemus dicere:



PRAYER

Presider: Grant your faithful, we pray, almighty God,
the resolve to run forth to meet your Christ
with righteous deeds at his coming,
so that, gathered at his right hand,
they may be worthy to possess the heavenly Kingdom.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Presider: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Presider: May almighty God bless you,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Presider: Go in peace.

All: Thanks be to God.

MARIAN ANTIPHON



Al - ma Re-dem-pto-ris Ma-ter, quæ per-vi-a cæ-li por-ta ma-nes,
et stel-la ma-ris, suc-cur-re ca-den-ti, sur-ge-re qui cu-rat po-pu-lo:
tu quæ ge-nu-i-sti, na-tu-ra mi-ran-te, tu-um sanc-tum Ge-ni-to - rem:
Vir-go pri-us ac pos-te-ri-us, Gab-ri-e-lis ab o-re
su-mens il-lud A-ve, pec-ca-to-rum mi-se-re - re.

*Loving Mother of the Redeemer, who remains the gate by which we mortals enter heaven, and star of the sea,
help your fallen people who strive to rise: You who gave birth, amazing nature, to your sacred Creator:
Virgin prior and following, taking from the mouth of Gabriel that Hail! have mercy on our sins.*

SUNG VESPERS AT THE BASILICA

We invite you to join us in celebrating Sung Vespers

Sundays in Advent at 4:00 P.M.

4:30 P.M. Mass following

December 7, 14, 21

Great Upper Church

*All are welcome to this special celebration of
Evening Prayer during the Season of Advent*



SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

December 8, 2025

7:00 A.M., 8:00 A.M., 10:00 A.M. ♦ Crypt Church

5:15 P.M. ♦ Great Upper Church

SOLEMN MASS AT 12:10 P.M.

CHRISTOPHE CARDINAL PIERRE

Apostolic Nuncio to the United States

Principal Celebrant and Homilist

Great Upper Church

MISA SOLEMNE EN ESPAÑOL A LAS 2:30 P.M.

REVERENDÍSIMO EVELIO MENJIVAR-AYALA

Obispo auxiliar de Washington

Celebrante principal y homilista

Gran Iglesia Superior



IN CONCERT

Follow the Star: Choral Music for the Christmas Season

Choir of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

Peter Latona, *conductor*

December 20, 2025 ♦ 6:00 P.M.

Great Upper Church

Free and open to the public

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