ORDER OF CELEBRATION

Prelude

Vigil March upon Handel’s Lift Up Your Heads  
10:30 from the Messiah, Op. 15 No. 2  
12:00  
9:00 Ricercare

Alexandre Guilmant  
(1837-1911)

Johann Jacob Froberger  
(1616-1667)

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Processional Hymn

1. Lift up your heads, O mighty gates; Behold the
2. O blest the land, the city blest, Where Christ the
3. Fling wide the portals of your heart; Make it a
4. Come, Savior, come with us abide; Our hearts to

King of glory waits! The King of kings is drawing
ruler is confessed! O happy hearts and happy
temple, set apart From earthly use for heav’n’s em-
you we open wide: Your Holy Spirit guide us

near; The Savior of the world is here.
homes To whom this King of triumph comes!
ploy, Adorned with prayer and love and joy.
on, Until our glorious goal is won.
Penitential Act

(12:00) Assembly: I confess to almighty God, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary, ever-virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Celebrant: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

Assembly: Amen.

Cantor: Assembly:

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

(Choirm) Mass of St. Louis

Lord have mercy

Frank Speller
(1938-2017)

Collect
LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading I
Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10

Psalm Response
Psalm 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10

Lord, come and save us.

Reading II
James 5:7-10

Gospel Acclamation
Isaiah 61:1

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor.

Deacon: The Lord be with you.
Assembly: And with your spirit.

Deacon: A reading from the holy Gospel according to N.
Assembly: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel
Matthew 11:2-11

Homily
I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,

(All bow during these two lines.)

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

General Intercessions

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

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Novena Prayer in Honor of the Immaculate Conception

Immaculate Virgin Mary, you were pleasing in the sight of God from the first moment of your conception in the womb of your mother, Saint Anne.

You were chosen to be the Mother of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. I believe the teaching of Holy Mother Church, that in the first instant of your conception, by the singular grace and privilege of Almighty God, in virtue of the merits of Jesus Christ, Savior of the human race and your beloved Son, you were preserved from all stain of original sin. I thank God for this wonderful privilege and grace He bestowed upon you as I honor your Immaculate Conception.

Look graciously upon me as I implore this special favor: (Mention your request).

Virgin Immaculate, Mother of God and my Mother, please intercede for me as these prayers now rise before God. Filled with confidence in your goodness and power, I ask you to help me in this journey of life and to preserve me from all that is displeasing to God. I entrust myself entirely to you, knowing that you will help me to avoid sin and to always live a humble and pure life. I consecrate myself to you forever, for my firm desire is to love your Divine Son Jesus. Mary, since those devoted to you have never been known to perish, pray that I too may be saved. Amen.
LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

1. Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding:
2. Wakened by the solemn warning,
3. Lo! the Lamb, so long expected,
4. so when next he comes with glory,
5. Honor, glory, might, and blessing

“Christ is nigh,” it seems to say; “Cast away the
from earth’s bondage let us rise; Christ, our sun, all
comes with pardon down from heav’n; let us haste, with
and the world is wrapped in fear, may he with his
to the Father and the Son, with the ever-

works of darkness, O ye children of the day.”
sloth dispelling, shines upon the morning skies.
tears of sorrow, one and all to be forgiven;
mercy shield us, and with words of love draw near.
last Spirit while endless ages run.
O Thou, the central orb of righteous love,
Pure beam of the most High, eternal Light
Of this our wintry world, Thy radiance bright
Awakes new joy in faith, hope soars above.

Come, quickly come, and let thy glory shine,
Gilding our darksome heaven with rays Divine.

Thy saints with holy lustre round Thee move,
As stars about thy throne, set in the height
Of God’s ordaining counsel, as Thy sight
Gives measured grace to each, Thy power to prove.

Let Thy bright beams disperse the gloom of sin,
Our nature all shall feel eternal day
In fellowship with thee, transforming day
To souls erewhile unclean, now pure within. Amen.
**Preface Dialogue**

**Preface Acclamation**

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

**Memorial Acclamation**

We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection, until you come again.

**Great Amen**

Amen, amen, amen.
COMMUNION RITE

Lord’s Prayer & Doxology

Sign of Peace

Litany at the Breaking of Bread

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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Lamb of God

Frank Speller

(1938-2017)

Communion Antiphon

Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear.
Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.
My Jesus,
I believe that You are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.
Lord, we beseech thee,
give ear unto our prayers,
and by thy gracious visitation
lighten the darkness of our hearts,
by our Lord Jesus Christ.
Amen.

(G Choir) Lord, We Beseech Thee

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Amen.

(G Choir) Gaudete in Domino

Gaudete in Domino semper,
iterum dico, gaudete.
Rejoice in the Lord always;
again I say, rejoice.

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(G Choir) Gaudete in Domino
We ask you to respect our custom of standing in place and singing the complete Recessional Hymn.

Recessional Hymn

1. People, look East. The time is near Of the crown-ing of the year. Make your house fair as you are able, Trim the hearth and set the ta-ble. People look East and sing to-day: Love the Guest is on the way.

2. Furs-rows, be glad. Though earth is bare, One more seed is plant-ed there: Give up your strength the seed to nest that must be filled. E-ven the hour when wings are light the bowl shall brim, Shining be-yond the frost-y brings new life to earth. Set ev-'ry peak and val-ley a-ble, Trim the hearth and set the ta-ble. People look nour-ish, That in course the flow’r may flour-ish. People look frozen He for fledg-ing time has cho- sen. People look weath-er, Bright as sun and moon to-geth-er. People look hum-ming With the word, the Lord is com-ing. People look East and sing to-day: Love the Rose is on the way.

3. Birds, though you long have ceased to build, Guard the light the bowl shall brim, Shining be-yond the frost-y brings new life to earth. Set ev-'ry peak and val-ley a-ble, Trim the hearth and set the ta-ble. People look nour-ish, That in course the flow’r may flour-ish. People look frozen He for fledg-ing time has cho- sen. People look weath-er, Bright as sun and moon to-geth-er. People look hum-ming With the word, the Lord is com-ing. People look East and sing to-day: Love the Bird is on the way.

4. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim One more seed is plant-ed there: Give up your strength the seed to nest that must be filled. E-ven the hour when wings are light the bowl shall brim, Shining be-yond the frost-y brings new life to earth. Set ev-'ry peak and val-ley a-ble, Trim the hearth and set the ta-ble. People look nour-ish, That in course the flow’r may flour-ish. People look frozen He for fledg-ing time has cho- sen. People look weath-er, Bright as sun and moon to-geth-er. People look hum-ming With the word, the Lord is com-ing. People look East and sing to-day: Love the Star is on the way.

5. Angels announce with shouts of mirth Him who East and sing to-day: Love the Lord is on the way.

We are giving you the musical score for the Recessional Hymn as it is printed in the document.
Sung Advent Vespers at the Basilica

We invite you to join us in celebrating Sung Vespers.

Sundays in Advent at 4:00 P.M.
Great Upper Church  ♦  4:30 P.M. Mass following
All are welcome to this special celebration of Evening Prayer during the season of Advent.

Postlude

Vigil   iv. Toccata from 10 Pièces pour orgue
10:30
12:00
4:30
9:00 Corrente

Eugène Gigout
(1844-1925)

Corrente Girolamo Frescobaldi
(1583-1643)

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On December 18, following the 4:30 P.M. Mass, the Basilica will hold the “Blessing of the Bambinelli” and the Blessing and Lighting of the Christmas Tree in the Hall of American Saints on the lower level. We invite you to bring the Baby Jesus from your Nativity Scene to be blessed in preparation for the celebration of Christmas.
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