

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION

ORDER OF CELEBRATION FOR *The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God*

January 1, 2021

*If you are worshipping with us from home, you are invited to sing the hymns. If you are with us at church, please refrain from singing out loud for everyone's safety.

The Introductory Rites

OPENING HYMN

Sing of Mary



1. Sing of Mar - y meek and low - ly, Vir - gin - moth - er
pure and mild, Sing of God's own Son most ho - ly,
Who be - came her lit - tle child. Fair - est child of
fair - est moth - er, God the Lord who came to earth,
Word made flesh, our ver - y broth - er,
Takes our na - ture by his birth.

Text by Roland Palmer and Music from *The Christian Lyre*, 1830, Tune: PLEADING SAVIOR

GLORIA FOR CHRISTMAS

Angels We Have Heard On High
GLORIA

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING

Numbers 6:22-27

The LORD said to Moses: "Speak to Aaron and his sons and tell them: This is how you shall bless the Israelites. Say to them: The LORD bless you and keep you! The LORD let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you! The LORD look upon you kindly and give you peace! So shall they invoke my name upon the Israelites, and I will bless them."

PSALM

Psalm 67
Heetland

SECOND READING

Galatians 4:4-7

Brothers and sisters: When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to ransom those under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. As proof that you are sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son then also an heir, through God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Luke 2:16-21

The shepherds went in haste to Bethlehem and found Mary and Joseph, and the infant lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known the message that had been told them about this child. All who heard it were amazed by what had been told them by the shepherds. And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart. Then the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, just as it had been told to them. When eight days were completed for his circumcision, he was named Jesus, the name given him by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

HOMILY

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR

Away in a Manger (Verse 3)



1. A - way in a man - ger, no crib for a bed,
2. The cat - tle are low - ing; the ba - by a - wakes,
3. Be near me, Lord Je - sus; I ask you to stay



The lit - tle Lord Je - sus laid down his sweet head.
But lit - tle Lord Je - sus, no cry - ing he makes.
Close by me for - ev - er, and love me, I pray.



The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,
I love you, Lord Je - sus! Look down from the sky
Bless all the dear chil - dren in your ten - der care,



The lit - tle Lord Je - sus, a - sleep on the hay.
And stay by my cra - dle till morn - ing is night.
And fit us for heav - en, to live with you there.

Text: Verse 3 by John T. McFarland, Music by William J. Kirkpatrick

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

LAMB OF GOD

COMMUNION

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION (for those worshipping with us at home)

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.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

The Concluding Rites

DISMISSAL

RECEPTION OF COMMUNION

Born in a Barn, Where Cows and Sheep
Arranged by Fred Graham

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