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ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL CHURCH



The Nativity of Our Lord (Christmas Eve)

> December 24, 2023 7:00pm

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Organ Pre-Service Music

Sit: "Solemn Prelude on 'Cranham'" by Larry Visser

Hymn #19, Carol

"Lullay, Thou Little Tiny Child" (The Coventry Carol)

Hymn #36, Greensleeves

"Meditation on 'Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming'" by John Barr

"O Holy Night" by Adolphe Adam

Hymn #43, Cradle Song

The Nativity Proclamation

In the five thousand one hundred ninety ninth year of the creation of the world, from the time when in the beginning God created heaven and earth; from the flood, the two thousand-nine-hundred fifty seventh year; from the birth of Abraham, the two-thousand fifteenth year; from Moses and the going-out of the people of Israel from Egypt, the one-thousand-five hundred tenth year; from the anointing of David as king, the one thousand thirty second year; in the sixty fifth week according to the prophecy of Daniel; in the one hundred ninety fourth Olympiad; from the founding of the city of Rome, the seven hundred fifty seventh year; in the forty second year of the rule of Octavian Augustus, when the whole world was at peace, in the sixth age of the world: Jesus Christ, the eternal God and Son of the eternal Father, desiring to sanctify the world by His most merciful coming, having been conceived by the Holy Ghost, and nine months having passed since His conception was born in Bethlehem of Judah of the Virgin Mary, having become man [All kneel]. The Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the flesh [All rise].

Blessing of the Crèche

Stand: Let us proceed in peace.
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In the Name of the Lord. Amen.

Stand: Hymnal 27 Mendelssohn

Procession to the Crèche

- "The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us;
- " And we beheld his glory, full of grace and truth.
- " The Lord be with you.
- " And with thy spirit.
- " Let us pray.

Stand: Glory to God in the Highest;

"And on earth peace, goodwill towards men.

" Let us bless the Lord.

"
It is meet and right so to do.

THANKSGIVING and honor and glory be unto thee, Almighty God, who for us men and for our salvation didst give thine only Son to be born in great humility of the Virgin Mary his mother. Accept and Beless to our use this Christmas Crèche, that it may set before us the exceeding love of our Saviour, and bring us with the shepherds and magi to pay him our true devotion; to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all praise and worship, world without end. *Amen*.

The figure of the baby Jesus is now placed into the Crèche. The Bishop (or Priest) sprinkles the Crèche with Holy Water and censes it with incense.

The congregation remains standing for the Entrance Hymn

The Christ Mass

Liturgy of the Word

Stand: Hymnal 12 Adeste Fideles Processional Hymn Kneel: The Collect for Purity BCP p. 67 Missalette p. 1

" The Introit

Dominus dixit

THE Lord hath said unto me: Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee. **Ps. 2.** Why do the heathen so furiously rage together: and why do the people imagine a vain thing?

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Lord hath said unto me: Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee.

Kneel: The Summary of the Law BCP p. 69 Missalette p. 2 "Hymnal 710 Kyrie eleison (ninefold) BCP p. 70 Missalette p. 2 Stand: Hymnal 713 Gloria in excelsis BCP p. 84 Missalette p. 2 Kneel: Collect for Christmas at Midnight Mass

O GOD, who makest us glad with the yearly remembrance of the birth of thine only Son, Jesus Christ; Grant that as we joyfully receive him for our Redeemer, so we may with sure confidence behold him when he shall come to be our Judge, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen*.

Sit: The Lesson (Isaiah 9:2-7)

Here beginneth the 2nd verse of the 9th chapter of Isaiah:

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined. Thou hast multiplied the nation, thou hast increased its joy; they rejoice before thee as with joy at the harvest, as men rejoice when they divide the spoil. For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, thou hast broken as on the day of Midian. For every boot of the tramping warrior in battle tumult and every garment rolled in blood will be burned as fuel for the fire. For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government will be upon his shoulder, and his name will be called "Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, upon the throne of David, and over his kingdom, to establish it, and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and for evermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

Here endeth the Lesson Thanks be to God

Sit: The Epistle (St. Titus 2:11-15)

The Epistle is written in the 2nd chapter of the St. Paul's Epistle to Titus, beginning at the 11th verse:

Dearly Beloved: the grace of God has appeared for the salvation of all men, training us to renounce irreligion and worldly passions, and to live sober, upright, and godly lives in this world, awaiting our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all iniquity and to purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds. Declare these things; exhort and reprove with all authority. Let no one disregard you.

Here endeth the Epistle

Thanks be to God

Stand: Gradual & Alleluia

Ps. 110. In the day of thy power shall the people offer thee free-will offerings with an holy worship: the dew of thy birth is of the womb of the morning. *V*. The Lord said unto my Lord: Sit thou on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.

Alleluia, alleluia. V. The Lord said unto me: Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee, alleluia.

Stand: Hymnal 27 *Mendelsohn* [vv. 1 & 2] Sequence Hymn
"The Gospel (St. Luke 2:1-14)

The Holy Gospel is written in the 2nd chapter of the Gospel According to St. Luke, beginning at the 1st verse:

Glory be to Thee, O Lord

And it came to pass in those days that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be taxed. (And this taxing was first made when [Quirinius] was governor of Syria.) And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee out of the city of Nazareth into Judea, unto the City of David which is called Bethlehem (because he was of the house and lineage of David) to be taxed with Mary, his espoused wife, who was great with child. And so it was that while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling clothes and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn. And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them, and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the City of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the Babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men!"

The Gospel of the Lord Praise be to Thee, O Christ

Stand: Hymnal 27 Mendelsohn [v. 3] Sequence Hymn The Nicene Creed

BCP p. 71 Missalette p. 5

Sit: The Sermon

The Liturgy of the Sacrifice

Sit: Offertory Verse

Ps. 96. Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad: before the Lord, for he is come.

Stand: Hymnal 42 Gloria Offertory Hymn The Prayer for the Church BCP p. 74 Missalette p. 6 Kneel: Kneel The General Confession p. 75 Missalette p. 7 Sursum Corda Missalette p. 8 Hymnal 734 p. 76 Hymnal 797 Sanctus & Benedictus p. 77 Missalette p. 9

The Canon of the Mass

Kneel:	The Prayer of Consecration	BCP p. 80 Missalette p. 9
66	Hymnal 722 The Our Father	p. 82 Missalette p. 11
66	Hymnal 712 Agnus Dei	Missalette p. 12
66	The Prayer of Humble Access	p. 82 Missalette p. 12

Communion of the Faithful

Meditation: "O Little Town of Bethlehem" Kneel: Dennis Janzer Communion Hymn Hymnal 21 St. Louis The Prayer of Thanksgiving p. 83 Missalette p. 14 " Communion Verse

Ps. 110. The dew of thy birth: is of the womb of the morning.

Kneel: Post Communion Prayer

O GOD, who hast made this most holy night to shine with the brightness of the true light: grant, we beseech thee; that we who have known the mysteries of his light on earth may attain unto the fruition of his joys in heaven. Who with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth God, world without end. Amen.

The Blessing BCP p. 84 Missalette p. 14 Kneel: The Dismissal Missalette p. 15 Stand: The Last Gospel (St. John 1:1-14)

The Lord be with you *And with thy spirit*

The beginning of the Holy Gospel according to St. John:

Glory be to Thee, O Lord

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God; all things were made through him, and without him was not anything made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came for testimony, to bear witness to the light, that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to bear witness to the light. The true light that enlightens every man was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world knew him not. He came to his own [], and his own [] received him not. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God; who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God. [All genuflect]

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us [*All rise*]; we have beheld his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father [full of grace and truth].

Stand: Hymnal 319 Antioch Procession into the World

The congregation may be seated for the Interlude during which the congregational candles shall be lit.

Interlude: "The Silent Night" Ellen Jane Lorenz

Closing Hymn before the Crèche

Kneel: Hymnal 33 Holy Night Postlude: "Hallelujah Chorus"

George Frederick Handel

THOSE FOR WHOM OUR PRAYERS ARE DESIRED

For the Patriarch of the West, the Patriarchs of the East, ++Shane the Primate, +Juan our Presiding Bishop, Patrick our own Bishop, and other ministers.

And especially to this congregation here present: as well as all clergy and people of the Diocese of the Missouri Valley, the Diocese of the Midwest, the Traditional Anglican Church, and our sister Churches.

For the Sick, Suffering, and Infirm:

Bishop Daren Williams	Angel Strawn	Mina Geise	Gavin Gotcher
Canon Bart Ryan	Audrey Chapman	Jeff Spear	Tom Frisbe
Br. Ed Arambasich	Robert Nicholson	Rick S.	John Flynn
Jennifer Dixon	Julie Gunnerson	Ann McIntyre	Jim Schaller
Keith Albertson	Kirk Woltman	Mark Trent	Susan Rose
JoAnne Werr	Bob High	Larry Roland	Judi Mohrman
Andy Tappe	Gary Sprouse	Jennifer Perkins	Bill & Barb
Natalia Green	Sue Sprouse	Deborah Lipsky	Velvet Brown
Charlene Copeland	Edward Schwan	Michl Hiatt	Becky Vogel
Tom Lepper	Diane Durbin	Shay Williams	Will Hartig
Ricky Strawn	Rachel Wegs	Tiffany Roach	Eric Graham
Matthew Mast	Joy Williams	Kathy Haugay	Anne Scott
Kristofor Peterson	Sharon Gardner	Tomo Sakurai	Brenda Harmon
Tish	Diane	Andrea Brad &	& Buffy Schulze

For the Place Bound:

Katherine Durst Anne Hughes Dean Johnston Melba Wiseman

For Christians suffering persecution throughout the world.

For all those serving in our armed forces abroad; all those serving in dangerous civilian occupations, especially all police, fire, and rescue workers; and all those harmed by recent natural disasters, diseases, or attacks. We also pray for a just end to armed conflict throughout the world, especially in Ukraine, Israel, and Gaza.

We also offer our prayers of thanksgiving for our Cathedral family here at St. John's, especially Isobel McCarthy (12/27), Joseph (Joey) Engelmeyer (12/28), and Luke Engelmeyer (12/29) on the anniversary of their birth and Fr. John & Isobel McCarthy (12/28) on the anniversary of their marriage.

For the repose of the souls of the faithfully departed, especially Fr. Walter Wilson, Art Keller, Herbert E. Green, and Harless Strawn; all Christians who have died from recent natural disasters, diseases, or attacks; all who have been murdered in the name of "mercy" or by abortion or infanticide; as well as all the new martyrs throughout the world.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD:

In loving memory of Deacon Charles Akright by Sharon Akright.

In thanksgiving for Canon Tutor by anonymous.

In loving memory of Clarence & Etta Goodapple by Sue Bruce.

In loving memory of Monte Christner by Ruth Ann Christner.

In loving memory of Bill Euwer by Ginny Euwer.

In loving memory of James & Alice DiPirro and Carl Fodor by Nancy, Karl, and Tyler Fodor.

In thanksgiving for our family by Mike & Cheryl Ift.

In loving memory of Carene Peterson, Sue Brackevelt, Kent Peterson, and Rensie & Irma Klimstra by Dick & Joan Klimstra.

In thanksgiving for our blessings and family and in loving memory of Dad, always in our thoughts by Jim & Carrie Sohn.

In thanksgiving for our many blessings by Annette Strawn.

In thanksgiving for God's many blessings by David & Julie Williams.

In trust and thanksgiving for coming blessings by Jim & Margie Williams.

AND TO THE GLORY OF GOD BY:

Sandy Fluent

Bishop Patrick & Crista Fodor

Glenn Hogge

THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

Today, Dec 24 Regular Sunday Schedule for Advent 4 in the morning

Christmas Eve Schedule: 6:30pm Hymn Sing 7:00pm High Mass

Monday, Dec 25 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (Nativity of Our Lord)

Tuesday, Dec 26 6:00 pm Holy Eucharist

(St. Stephen)

Wednesday, Dec 27 6:00 pm Holy Eucharist

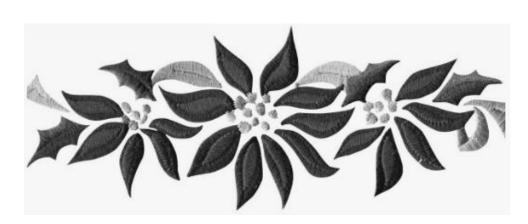
(St. John, Apostle)

7:00 pm St John's Party

Thursday, Dec 28 6:00 pm Holy Eucharist

(Holy Innocents)

Saturday, Dec 30 6:00 pm Chess Club



Announcements:

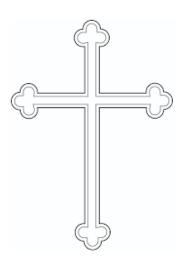
IN A PASTORAL EMERGENCY, please contact Fr. Christian directly anytime at 603-545-9079. He can also be contacted by text at the same number or by email at elegantines@hotmail.com.

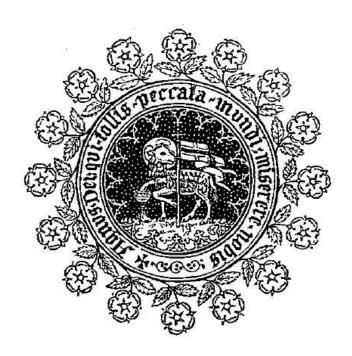
WE WELCOME MELBA WIESEMANN, Dale Wiesemann's mother, into the St. John's Cathedral family through her Baptism and reception on December 20. Please remember her in your good prayers.

We email our weekly bulletin and/or monthly calendar to those who have requested it. If you or anyone you know would like to receive a digital copy of either or both of these items, please email the church office at stjohnscathedralquincy@adams.net.

OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR NEXT YEAR are on the card table in the narthex. Please take yours with you, but do not use them until 2024.

IF YOUR ADDRESS HAS CHANGED this year, please make sure the office has your current information so your year-end giving statement doesn't get lost in the mail. Thank you!





Jesus Christ, Yesterday, Today, and Forever!

Welcome to St. John Anglican Cathedrall Whether you are new to the area or a long-time resident, we warmly welcome you to the life of this community of Historic Christian Faith.

For those who have been Initiated (Baptized and Confirmed/Chrismated) in an Apostolic Catholic Church (Eastern Orthodox, Roman Catholic, Traditional Anglican, Oriental Orthodox, Polish National Catholic, Byzantine Catholic) and are free from manifest grave sin are invited to partake of the Holy Communion. Others are welcome to receive a blessing at the altar rail and may indicate this by crossing arms across their chest.

The Right Rev. Patrick S. Fodor, D. Min
The Very Rev. Christian Canon Tutor, OSA
Mr. James Sohn

Mr. John C. Fodor

Mr. Gary L. Blickhan, CPA

Diocesan Bishop

Cathedral Dean Senior Warden

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Organist