

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

December 28, 2025

Liturgical Year “A”

St. Michael Poplar Springs, Mount Airy, MD

10:30 a.m. is live-streamed

PRELUDES

“What Child Is This”

“The Snow Lay On the Ground”

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MUSICIANS

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Gathering Song

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

ADESTE FIDELES

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Verses

1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O
 2. † Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion, †
 3. † Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing, †
 4. Ad - é - ste fi - dé - les, lae - ti tri - um - phán - tes, Ve -

1. come ye, O come — ye to Beth - le - hem;
 2. Sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav'n a - bove!
 3. Je - sus, to thee — be all glo - ry giv'n;
 4. ní - te, ve - ní - te in Béth - le - hem.

1. Come and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
 2. Glo - ry to God, all glo - ry in the high - est;
 3. Word of the Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing;
 4. Na - tum vi - dé - te Re - gem an - ge - ló - rum.

Refrain

O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him, O
 Ve - ní - te, a - do - ré - mus, ve - ní - te, a - do - ré - mus, ve -

come, let us a - dore him, Christ, the Lord!
 ní - te, a - do - ré - mus Dó - mí - num.

Sign of the Cross

Greeting

Penitential Act

GLORIA

“A Joyful Christmas Gloria”

Arranged by Tony Alonso and Jeanne Cotter

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Musical score for 'A Joyful Christmas Gloria' in G major (three sharps) and 4/4 time. The score consists of four staves. The lyrics are: Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o. Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.

Collect

LITURGY OF THE WORD

C.L.O.W. Dismissal (10:30 Only)

“The Word of God”

M. D. Ridge

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Musical score for 'The Word of God' in F major (one flat) and 4/4 time. The score consists of three staves. The lyrics are: Chil-dren, as you go to hear the word of God, may your ears be o-pened; may you see God's light. May the word of God be with you all your days: may it



First Reading

Sirach 3: 2-6, 12-14

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 128

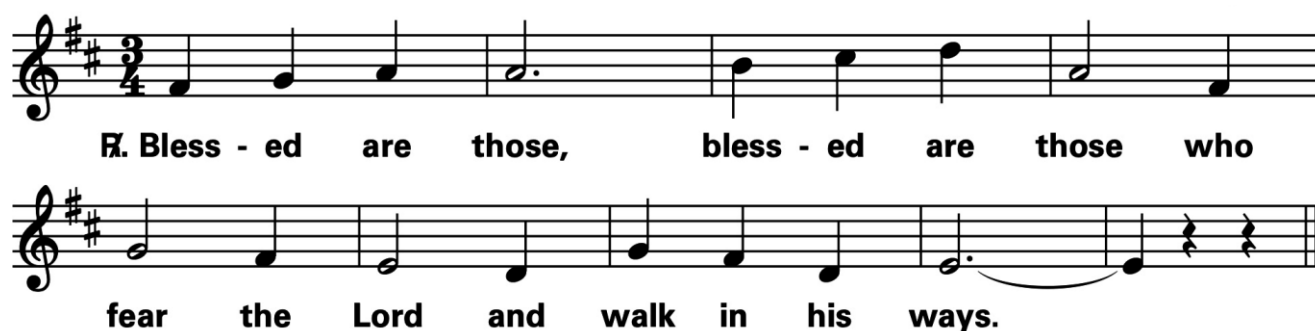
**“Blessed Are Those Who Fear the Lord
and Walk In His Ways”**

Steve Angrisano

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Second Reading

Colossians 3: 12 - 21

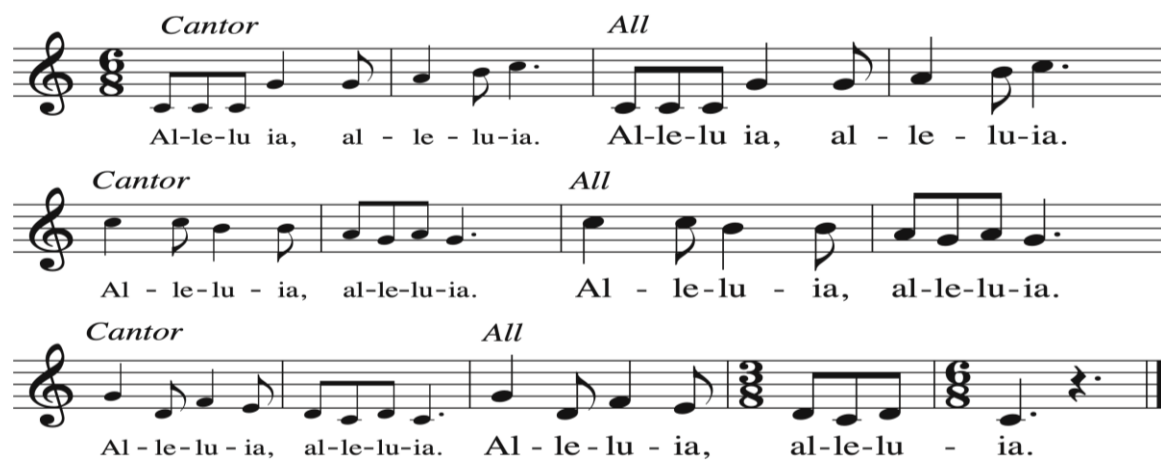
Gospel Acclamation **Advent and Christmastide Gospel**
Acclamation

Tony Alonso

Refrain based on BESANÇON, French Carol

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Gospel

Matthew 2: 13 – 15, 19 - 23

Homily

Profession of Faith

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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,
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.**

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts

“Of the Father’s Love Begotten”

DIVINUM MYSTERIUM

Breaking Bread Book Number 92

Text: 87 87 87 7; Verses 1-4, Corde natus ex parentis; Marcus Aurelius Clemens Prudentius, 348-413; tr. by John M. Neale, 1818-1866, and Henry W. Baker, 1827-1877, alt.; Verse 5, Horatius Bonar, 1808-1889.

Music: Sanctus trope, 11th cent.; Chant, Mode V; adapt. fr. Piae Cantiones, Greifßwald, 1582.

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1. Of the Fa - ther's love be - got - ten, Ere the worlds be -
 2. Bless - ed was the day for ev - er When the Vir - gin,
 3. This is he whom seers in old time Chant - ed of with
 4. O ye heights of heav'n, a - dore him; An - gel hosts, his
 5. Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, Glo - ry be to

1. gan to be, He is Al - pha and O - me - ga,
 2. full of grace, By the Ho - ly Ghost con - ceiv - ing,
 3. one ac - cord, Whom the voic - es of the proph - ets
 4. prais - es sing; All do - min - ions, bow be - fore him,
 5. God the Son, Glo - ry to the Ho - ly Spir - it,

1. He the source, the end - ing he, Of the things that
 2. Bore the Sav - ior of our race, And the child, the
 3. Prom - ised in their faith - ful word; Now he shines, the
 4. And ex - tol our God and King; Let no tongue on
 5. Per - sons three, yet God - head one. Glo - ry be from

1. are, that have been, And that fu - ture years shall see,
 2. world's Re - deem - er, First re - vealed his sa - cred face,
 3. long - ex - spect - ed; Let cre - a - tion praise the Lord,
 4. earth be si - lent, Ev - 'ry voice in con - cert ring,
 5. all cre - a - tion While e - ter - nal a - ges run,

Final
 1-5. Ev - er - more and ev - er - more. 5. A - men.

Or "Jesus Christ, the Long Awaited"

DIVINUM MYSTERIUM

MUSICIANS ALONE

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1. Je - sus Christ, the long - a - wait - ed, God with us, Em-
 2. Hear the voice of John the Bap - tist On the Jor - dan's
 3. At the hour by God ap - point - ed, Christ, at Ca - na,
 4. Ris - en Lord, we sing your prais - es With the heav'n - ly

1. man - u - el, Glo - ri - fied by an - gels sing -
 2. bank pro-claim: "Lo, the Lamb of God! Be - hold
 3. worked a sign: He, the host of heav - en's ban -
 4. host on high; Shep - herd, Sav - ior, and Re - deem -

1. ing, Word - made - flesh, a - mong us dwells: Morn - ing -
 2. him! All our sin he takes a - way." We have
 3. quet, Changed the wa - ter in - to wine. Now to
 4. er, Pas - chal priest and sac - ri - fice, God the

1. star of all the na - tions, Son of God at Jor - dan's
 2. found the true Mes - si - ah, And he calls us: "Fol - low
 3. God be all the glo - ry, Pledg-ing our ce - les - tial
 4. Son of God the Fa - ther, Born of God the Spir - it's

1. stream;
 2. me." Ev - er - more and ev - er - more.
 3. feast.
 4. love,

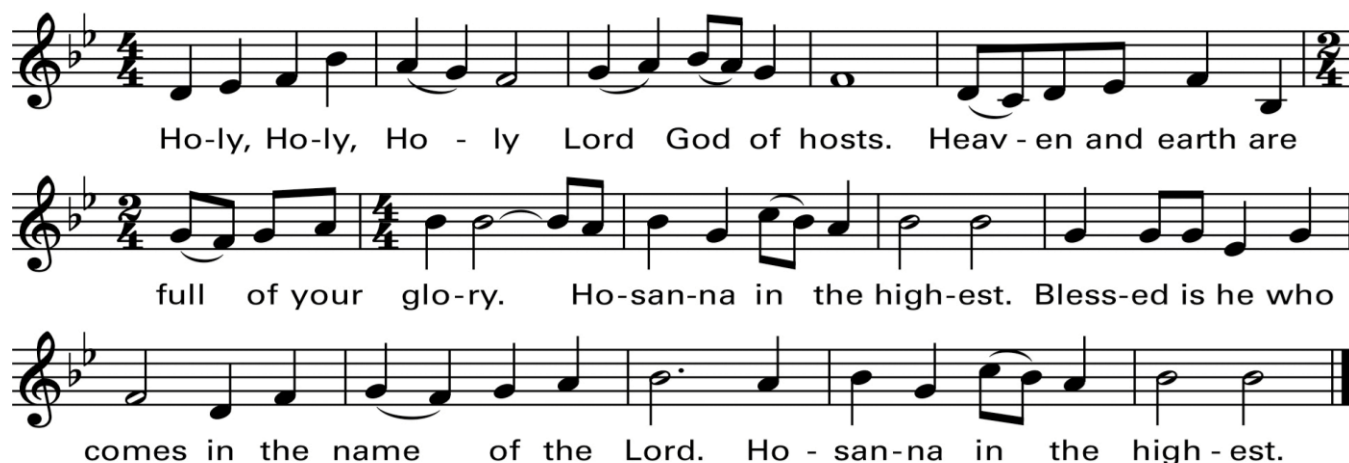
Eucharistic Prayer

Acclamations from the MASS OF SAINT FRANCES CABRINI

Kevin Keil

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“Holy, Holy”



Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav - en and earth are
full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est.

“Memorial Acclamation”



We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your Res - ur -
rec - tion un - til you come a - gain.

“Great Amen”



A - men. A - men. A - men.

Communion Rite

The Lord’s Prayer

Sign of Peace

The Lamb of God

the MASS OF SAINT FRANCES CABRINI

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Cantor



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world,

1, 2 Final



1, 2. mi-se-ré-re no - bis. Mi-se-ré-re no - bis.
3. do-na no-bis pa - cem. Do-na no-bis pa - cem.

Communion Procession

Communion Antiphon


“Holy Family”

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Our God has ap-peared on the earth,
and lived a-mong us.

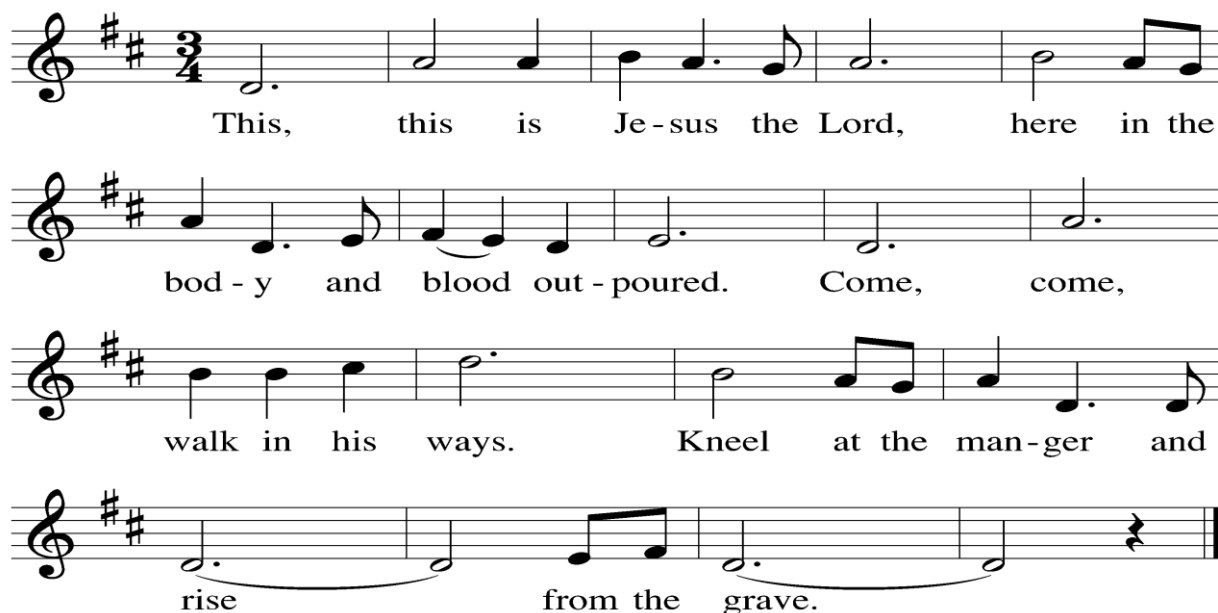
Song during Communion

“Wood of the Cradle”

Francis Patrick O’Brien

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer after Communion

CONCLUDING RITES

Prayer for Vocations

Loving and Generous God,
it is You who call us by name
and ask us to follow You.

Help us to grow in the Love
and Service of our Church
as we experience it today,
and give us the energy and courage of Your Spirit to shape its future.

Grant us faith-filled leaders,
who will embrace Christ's mission
of love and justice.

Bless the Parish of St. Michael
Poplar Springs, by raising up dedicated and generous leaders
from our families and friends
who will serve Your people as Sisters, Priests, Brothers, Deacons,
and Lay Ministers.

Inspire us to know You better
and open our hearts
to hear Your call.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Dismissal

“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”

MENDELSSOHN

Breaking Bread, number 105

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adapted by William H. Cummings, 1831-1915.

Verses



1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing: "Glo - ry to the
 2. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er -
 3. Hail the heav'n - born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of

1. new - born King; Peace on earth, and mer - cy mild,
 2. last - ing Lord; Late in time, be - hold him come,
 3. Righ-teous-ness! Light and life to all he brings,

1. God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!" Joy - ful, all ye
 2. Off-spring of a vir - gin's womb. Veiled in flesh the
 3. Ris'n with heal - ing in his wings. Mild he lays his

1. na-tions, rise, Join the tri-umph of the skies; With an -
 2. God-head see! Hail th'in-car-nate De - i - ty! Pleased as
 3. glo - ry by, Born that we no more may die, Born to

1. gel - ic hosts pro-claim: "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"
 2. man with us to dwell; Je - sus, our Em-man - u - el!
 3. raise us from the earth, Born to give us sec - ond birth.

Refrain

Hark! the her-ald an-gels sing, "Glo-ry to the new-born King."