

The First Sunday of Advent

SOLEMN MASS

Sunday, November 27, 2022, 11:00 AM

The Church of Saint Mary the Virgin in the City of New York

Saint Mary's, Times Square

Saint Mary's was founded in 1868 to be the Episcopal parish church for the new residential neighborhood, then called Longacre Square, here in midtown Manhattan. Our doors have been open daily for welcome and worship since December 8, 1870. Hundreds of visitors discover us for the first time each week. Our members and friends now live both near and far from Times Square. We invite you to join us.

All Are Welcome

Solemn Mass is a traditional form of Sunday morning Christian worship. Week by week, the congregation gathers to hear the Word of God, to sing God's praises, to offer thanks for God's gifts, to receive Holy Communion, and to be sent forth to love and serve. Before God's Holy Table, we unite as the Body of Christ and respond to God's call to proclaim Christ in our lives by word and deed. The service itself is not the focus of our worship but God and God's people. The ministers of the congregation, like the service itself, are servants of the assembly so that the people of God can praise and respond to the presence of God. Newcomers to this tradition are invited to participate along with everyone else, from the youngest to the oldest.

About the Service

Today is the First Sunday of Advent, a season in which the Christian Church waits and watches. Through scripture, song, and silence we hear the story of God's people who longed for a Savior. Living in the reality that Jesus Christ has come, that he has died, and that he has risen, we await his coming again in glory. On the Sundays of Advent *Kyrie eleison*, "Lord, have mercy," replaces *Gloria in excelsis* as the opening song of praise. The new liturgical year begins today. We begin Year A in the Lectionary for Sundays (*The Book of Common Prayer*, 889). Please note that here at Saint Mary's, with the permission of our bishop, we use the Lectionary first prepared for use in the Book of Common Prayer 1979. Today we also begin Year One in the Daily Office Lectionary (*The Book of Common Prayer*, 936).

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About the Music

Today's organ voluntaries are two of the three settings of *Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland* from the *Great Eighteen Leipzig Chorales* of Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750). The chorale (54 in *The Hymnal 1982*) is Martin Luther's sixteenth-century adaptation of the fourth-century Latin hymn *Veni Redemptor gentium* attributed to Ambrose of Milan (55 in *The Hymnal 1982*). BWV 659, played for the prelude, presents a poignant ornamented version of the chorale melody above a walking bass and two accompanying voices. BWV 660, played for the postlude, is an animated trio featuring an ornamented version of the chorale melody above two quasi-canonic accompanying voices played by the left hand and on the pedals.

The setting of the Mass this morning is *Intercession Mass* by David Hurd, organist and music director at the Church of Saint Mary the Virgin. This setting of the Rite II Ordinary was originally named *Mass 1974*, having been composed in that year for use at the Chapel of the Intercession (Trinity Parish), Manhattan, where Dr. Hurd was Director of Music from 1973 to 1978. Although the setting was originally designed for congregational singing with choral and organ support, additional layers of choral and instrumental content soon were added to the *Gloria in excelsis* and *Sanctus* movements, making the setting more desirable for festive occasions. Since its publication in 1979, when it was renamed at the publisher's request, individual movements of this setting have been included in various liturgical music collections. The *Lord's Prayer* from *Intercession Mass*, for example, is found at S 150 in *The Hymnal 1982*. The *Sanctus* of this Mass is especially notable for its bold opening with brightly animated organ accompaniment which merges into a gentler mood at *Benedictus qui venit*. On this first Sunday of Advent, *Kyrie*, *Sanctus*, and *Agnus Dei* will be sung.

During the administration of Communion, the choir will sing *Laetentur coeli* by William Byrd (1543–1623). Byrd, like the slightly older Thomas Tallis, enjoyed the favor of Queen Elizabeth I and composed extensively for both the Anglican and Latin Rites of his time. This Latin motet from Byrd's *Liber primus sacrarum cantionum* of 1589 is in five voices. The text of the motet is derived from Isaiah 49:13 and Psalm 72:7. It is, both textually and musically, an exuberant expression of seasonal hopeful expectation.

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Advent Quiet Day

Saturday, December 3, 2022, 9:30 AM-2:30 PM

"All will be well'

Led by Father Sammy Wood

Please call the parish office to RSVP.

SOLEMN MASS

The Prelude

Chorale Prelude: Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland, BWV 659 J. S. Bach (1685–1750)

THE ENTRANCE RITE

The Entrance Song

All stand at the signal of the bell. The ministers of the assembly enter, and the Choir sings the appointed Introit.

Ad te levavi animam meam:
Deus meus in te confido.
Vias tuas, Domine, demonstra mihi:
et semitas tuas edoce me.
Gloria Patri,
et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto.
Sicut erat in principio, et nunc,
et semper, et in saecula saeculorum.
Amen.

To you I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you.
Show me your ways, O LORD; and teach me your paths.
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.

The Sprinkling of Holy Water

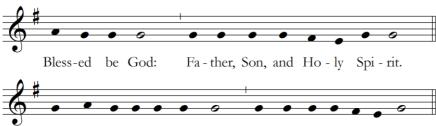
The assembly is sprinkled with holy water while Asperges me is sung.

Asperges me, Domine, hyssopo, et mundabor: lavabis me, et super nivem dealbabor. Miserere mei, Deus, secundum magnam misericordiam tuam.

You will sprinkle me with hyssop, O Lord, and I shall be cleansed; you will wash me and I shall be made whiter than snow. Have mercy upon me, O Lord, according to your great mercy.

The Opening Acclamation

The Celebrant sings



People And bless-ed be his king-dom, now and for ev-er. A-men.

Setting: Louis Weil (1935-2022)

The Song of Praise

The Choir sings Kyrie eleison. The setting of the Mass ordinary is Intercession Mass by David Hurd (b. 1950).

Kyrie eleison.

Kyrie eleison.

Kyrie eleison.

Christe eleison.

Christe eleison.

Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison.

Kyrie eleison.

Kyrie eleison.

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant sings

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All AMEN.

The Lessons

All are seated for the Lessons. The first Lesson, Isaiah 2:1–5, is now read.

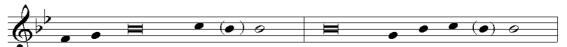
The word which Isaiah the son of A'moz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; and all the nations shall flow to it, and many peoples shall come, and say: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall decide for many peoples; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into

pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD.

After the Lesson, the Reader says

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

All sing Psalm 122 to plainsong tone 8.2.



Cantor All

People

- 1 *I was* glad when they said to / me, *
 "Let us go to the / house of the LORD."
- Now our feet are / standing * within your gates, / O Jerusalem.
- 3 Jerusalem is built as a / city * that is at u-/nity with itself;
- To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the / LORD, * the assembly of Israel, to praise the / Name of the LORD.
- 5 For there are the thrones of / judgment, * the thrones of the / house of David.
- 6 Pray for the peace of Je-/rusalem: *
 "May they pros-/per who love you.
- 7 Peace be within your / walls * and quietness with-/in your towers.
- 8 For my brethren and com-/panions' sake, * I pray for / your prosperity.
- 9 Because of the house of the LORD our / God, * I will / seek to do you good."

The second Lesson, Romans 13:8–14, is now read.

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for he who loves his neighbor has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not kill, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this sentence, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this you know what hour it is, how it is full time now for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed; the night is far gone, the day is at hand. Let us then cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us conduct ourselves becomingly as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

After the Lesson, the Reader says

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Acclamation

All stand. The ministers of the assembly prepare for the Gospel as Alleluia and the appointed verse are sung.

Alleluia, alleluia.
Ostende nobis Domine misericordiam tuam.
Alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia. Show us your mercy, O Lord, Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

A Minister proclaims the Gospel, first singing

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Minister

▼ The Holy Gospel

▼ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

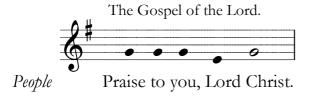


People Glo-ry to you, Lord Christ.

The appointed Gospel, Matthew 24:36-44, is now proclaimed.

On the Mount of Olives, Jesus said to his disciples privately, "But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father only. As were the days of Noah, so will be the coming of the Son of man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, and they did not know until the flood came and swept them all away, so will be the coming of the Son of man. Then two men will be in the field; one is taken and one is left. Two women will be grinding at the mill; one is taken and one is left. Watch therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But know this, that if the householder had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have watched and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready; for the Son of man is coming at an hour you do not expect."

After the Gospel, the Minister sings

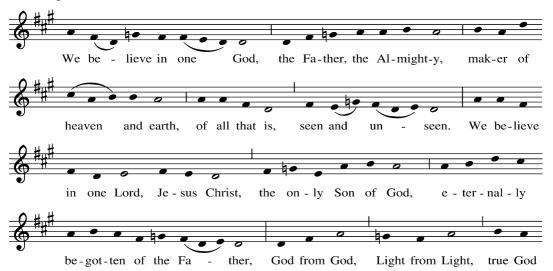


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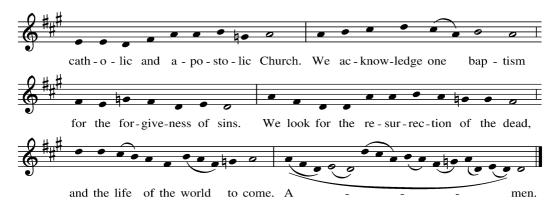
The Reverend Sammy Wood

The Nicene Creed

All stand. The Creed is sung by all. It is customary for those who are able to bow at the words "...he came down from heaven...and was made man."







Setting: Plainsong, Mode 5; Credo 3; adapt. Bruce E. Ford (b. 1947). © 1985, Bruce E. Ford.

The Prayers of the People

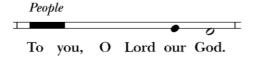
A Minister bids the prayers of the assembly. At the end of each petition, except for the last, the People sing



Then, the final petition is sung by the Minister,

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the glorious and ever-blessed Virgin Mary, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

Then the People respond to the final petition, singing



Setting: Mason Martens (1933-1991))

After a period of silence, the Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

The Confession of Sin

The Minister says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The People kneel. Silence is observed.

Celebrant and People

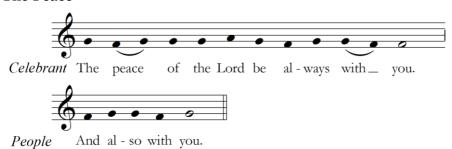
Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Celebrant says

Almighty God have mercy on you, ♣ forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People AMEN.

The Peace



Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Preparation of the Gifts

All are seated as the appointed antiphon is sung and the offerings of the assembly are collected.

Ad te Domine levavi animam meam:
Deus meus, in te confido, non erubescam:
neque irrideant me inimici mei:
etenim universi qui te exspectant, non confundentur.

To you, O LORD,
I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you;
let me not be put to shame,
nor let my enemies triumph over me;
for none who look to you
will be put to shame.

Hymn: "Sleepers wake!" A voice astounds us The Hymnal 1982 #61 All stand and sing the hymn as the People's gifts are received and the Altar is prepared.

The Great Thanksgiving

All remain standing. The Celebrant faces the People and sings



Celebrant

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Choir sings Sanctus and Benedictus. The setting is by David Hurd.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, 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.

The People stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,





We re-mem-ber his death, We pro-claim his res-ur-rec-tion,



We a-wait his com-ing in glo-ry.

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Mary, the Virgin Mother of God, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

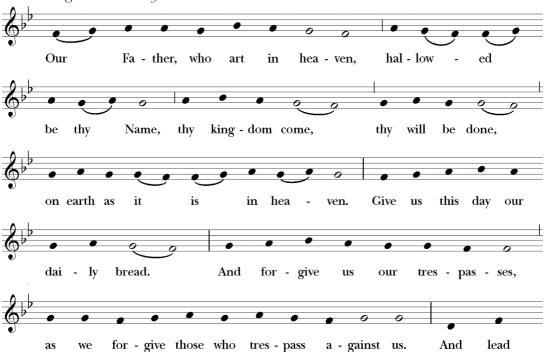
By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

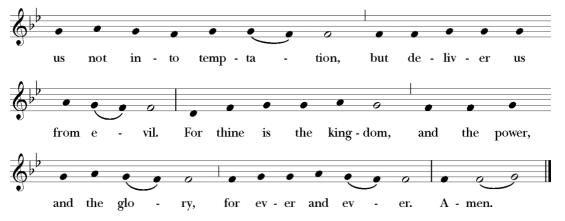


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Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Then all sing the Lord's Prayer.

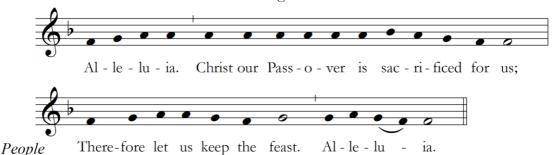




Setting: Plainsong; adapt. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944)

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread and sings



Setting: Ambrosian Chant adapt. Mason Martens (1933–1991)

The Choir sings Agnus Dei. The setting is by David Hurd.

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, have mercy on us.

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

The Invitation

The Celebrant invites the People to receive the Holy Communion.

We are all invited to the Lord's Table

Those who wish to receive Communion should proceed to the Communion rail, guided by the ushers.

At the rail, you may either stand or kneel.

In the Episcopal Church all baptized persons are invited to receive the Holy Communion.

Members of other Christian churches who are baptized are also invited to receive the Body and Blood of Christ.

If you wish to learn more about haptism or confirmation in the Episcopal Church, please speak to a member of the clergy. They would all be very happy to answer any questions you might have.

Persons who do not wish to receive the Holy Communion are also invited to come forward to receive a blessing. If you would like someone to bring you Communion at your seat, please notify an usher. We would be happy to accommodate you.

The Communion Song & Motet

As the ministration of Communion begins, the appointed antiphon is sung.

Dominus dabit benignitatem: et terra nostra dabit fructum suum.

The LORD will show [us] his kindness, and our land will show forth its fruits.

During the ministration of Communion, the Choir sings Laetentur Coeli. The setting is by William Byrd (1543–1623).

Laetentur coeli, et exsultet terra. Jubilate montes laudem, quia Dominus noster veniet, et pauperum suorum miserebitur. Orietur in diabus tuis justitia, et abundantia pacis, et pauperum suorum miserebitur.

Be glad ye heavens, and be joyful, O earth. Hills and mountains sing ye praises, for the Lord our God, he shall come again, and unto all that fear him will be merciful. There shall rise up in the day when he comes his righteousness, and he shall manifest his peace, and unto all that fear him will be merciful.

Hymn: Jesus came, adored by angels All stand and sing the hymn.

The Hymnal 1982 #454

The Postcommunion Prayer

The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant Almighty and everliving God,

All we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food

of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries

that we are living members of the Body of your Son,

and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out

to do the work you have given us to do,

to love and serve you

as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,

be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

The Celebrant says

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant The blessing of God Almighty, ♥ the Father, the Son, and the

Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

People Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

All are seated for the announcements.

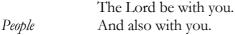
Hymn: Lo! he comes with clouds descending

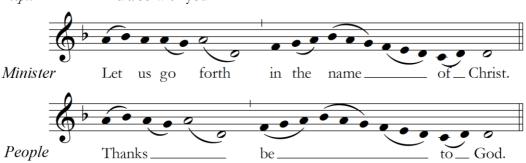
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The Congregation stands and sings the hymn.

The Dismissal

A Minister dismisses the assembly, first singing





Setting: Missa orbis factor

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The Postlude

Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland, BWV 660

J. S. Bach

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The Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday, December 8, 2022

Morning Prayer 8:00 AM

Said Mass in the Lady Chapel 12:10 PM Sermon by Father Matthew Jacobson

Organ Recital 5:30 PM Michael Hey, Saint Patrick's Cathedral, New York City

> Solemn Mass 6:00 PM Sermon by Father Matthew Jacobson

Neighbors in Need

Saint Mary's outreach program to those in need in the Times Square Neighborhood

At our monthly Drop-by Days—and when we receive emergency requests—we distribute clothing and toiletry and personal items to those in need in the Times Square neighborhood, both long-time New Yorkers and recent arrivals.

Since the weather is beginning to grow colder, we are looking to receive donations of sweatshirts, thermal underwear, jackets, and coats in all sizes for both men and women. All these will be much needed for the next few months.

Our Drop-by Days usually take place on the third Tuesday and Friday of every month—on the Tuesdays we specialize in working with recent Spanish-speaking immigrants, on the Fridays with long-term New York residents, some who are unsheltered. Our volunteers work from 1:00 PM until 3:30 PM. Our guests are invited into the church at around 1:30 PM, and we close our doors at 3:00 PM. We need at least six (6) volunteers for each Drop-by. If you would like to volunteer, please have a conversation with Marie Rosseels, MaryJane Boland, or Father Jay Smith to find out more about this work.

We've learned, not surprisingly, that those we serve are quite individual, each with different needs. They have become our neighbors. We try to take Saint Benedict's advice and to see Christ in them. It is our hope that they will see Christ in us.

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