

The First Sunday after the Epiphany The Baptism of Our Lord

SOLEMN MASS

Sunday, January 9, 2022, 11:00 AM

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



Welcome

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 every day of the week. All are welcome. Our members and friends now live both near and far from Times Square. We invite you to join us.

About this Service

This is the First Sunday after the Epiphany, traditionally observed as the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord Jesus Christ. This period of the Church year is known as the "Epiphany season." During these weeks between Christmastide and the beginning of Lent, the Gospel passages at Mass focus on the beginning of Jesus' ministry and how he is revealed to the world as the Christ. This year—the third year in the three-year lectionary cycle—most, though not all, of the Gospel passages are taken from the Gospel according to Luke. The Old Testament lesson and the psalm are chosen because they usually relate in some way to the words and message of Jesus contained in the day's gospel. The New Testament lesson is independent of those readings and is almost always taken from one of the letters in the New Testament that discuss the common life and mission of the first Christian communities.

About the Choral and Organ Music

The organ prelude this morning is an extended setting from the third part of J. S. Bach's *Clavierübung* that is based upon the traditional melody for Luther's text on the baptism of our Lord, translated "Christ, our Lord, to the Jordan came" (cf. *Hymnal 1982*, # 139). The melody is played on the pedals of the organ, sounding in the alto register, while consistent scale-wise motion of the left hand suggests the flowing of the Jordan River. The right hand, at the same time, provides additional rhythmic and harmonic texture. This chorale prelude anticipates the singing of the hymn at the Offertory of the Mass.

The musical setting of the Mass today is *Missa Surge propera* of Tomás Luís de Victoria (1548–1611). It was published in Victoria's *Missarum libri duo* in Rome in 1583. Victoria, considered the most important Spanish composer of Renaissance polyphony, was born in Avila, the seventh of eleven children. He began his musical education as a choirboy at Avila Cathedral, and his classical education at San Gil, a Jesuit school for boys founded in 1554. By 1565, Victoria had entered the Jesuit *Collegio Germanico* in Rome, where he was later engaged to teach music and eventually named *maestro di cappella*. He was ordained priest in 1575 after a three-day diaconate. Of Victoria's twenty authenticated Mass settings, fifteen—including *Missa Surge propera*—employ parody technique in which a new composition borrows musical elements of a pre-existing work. In this case, Victoria has parodied a four-voice motet of Palestrina (1525–1594), who may have been one of Victoria's teachers. Palestrina's motet, published in 1563, is a setting of Song of Solomon 2:10b–14. Victoria's manner of parody resists the usual practice of beginning each Mass

movement with a clear reference to the motet from which its themes are derived. Rather, he skillfully selects his borrowed themes and applies them where they best serve their new texts.

The motet sung during the administration of Communion, David Hurd's What Ruler Wades through Murky Streams, is a choral expansion in four to six unaccompanied voices of his original hymn setting Water of Baptism which was composed for The New Century Hymnal (1995) of the United Church of Christ. The text is a three-stanza poem by Thomas Troeger reflecting on the baptism of our Lord. Troeger, a prolific hymn author, is an Episcopal priest and professor emeritus of Christian Communication at Yale University.

Today's postlude is also a work of J. S. Bach. His *Fantasia in C minor* (the same key as today's prelude) may well have been modeled after the five-part fugues of Nicolas de Grigny. Its rich ornamentation, close imitation, and harmonic plan seem to combine features of the French, German, and Italian schools of Bach's time. The *Fantasia* begins as an extended tonic pedal-point with four imitative voices entering one at a time above it. After arriving at a cadence on the dominant, a section follows which is similar to the first except that it is based upon a dominant pedal. From this half-way point forward, the pedal becomes a more active member of the counterpoint and the pace of harmonic activity quickens as the music gradually winds its way back to a final tonic pedal. It is possible that a fugue was meant to follow this Fantasia, and a fragment of such a work exists.

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The Prelude

Chorale Prelude: *Christ, unser Herr, zum Jordan kam*, J. S. Bach (1685–1750) BWV 684

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THE WORD OF GOD

The Entrance Song

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

Dilexisti iustitiam, et odisti iniquitatem: propterea unxit te Deus, Deus tuus, oleo laetitiae prae consortibus tuis. Eructavit cor meum verbum bonum: dico ego opera mea regi. Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

You have loved justice and hated iniquity; therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness above your fellows. My heart is stirring with a noble song; I recite what I have fashioned for the King. 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 Opening Acclamation

The Celebrant sings

▼ Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.



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

Setting: Louis Weil (b. 1935)

The Song of Praise

The Choir sings Gloria in excelsis Deo. The setting of the Mass ordinary is Missa Surge propera by Tomás Luís de Victoria (1548–1611).

Gloria in excelsis Deo et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis. Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te, gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam.

Domine Deus, Rex coelestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.
Domine Fili unigenite, Iesu Christe,
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris;
qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis;
qui tollis peccata mundi,
suscipe deprecationem nostram;
qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,
miserere nobis.

Quoniam tu solus Sanctus, Tu solus Dominus, Tu solus Altissimus, Iesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu, in gloria Dei Patris. Amen. Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we worship you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory.

O Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father; you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant sings

People

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting.

All AMEN.

The Lessons

All are seated for the Lessons. The first Lesson, Isaiah 42:1–9, is now read. After the Lesson, the Reader says

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

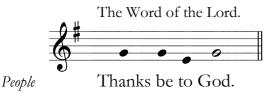
The Congregation sings Psalm 89:20–29 to plainsong tone 6C.



- Cantor 20 "I <u>bave</u> found David / my servant; *

 All with my holy oil have / I <u>a</u>-noint-ed him.
 - 21 My hand / will hold him fast * and my / arm will make him strong.
 - 22 No enemy shall / deceive him, * nor any wick-/ed man bring him down.
 - 23 I will crush his foes / before him * and strike down / those who hate him.
 - 24 My faithfulness and love / shall be with him, * and he shall be vic-/to-rious through my Name.
 - 25 I shall make his domin-/ion extend * from the Great Sea / to the Ri-ver.
 - 26 He will say to me, 'You are / my Father, * my God, and the rock of / my sal-va-tion.'
 - 27 I will make him / my first-born * and higher than / the kings of the earth.
 - I will keep my love for him / for ever, * and my covenant / will stand firm for him.
 - 29 I will establish his line / for ever * and his throne as the / days of heav-en."

The second Lesson, Acts 10:34–38, is now sung. After the Lesson, the Reader sings



The Gospel Acclamation

All stand. The ministers of the assembly prepare for the Gospel while the appointed antiphon is sung.

Alleluia.

Inveni David servum meum: oleo sancto meum unxi eum.

Alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia.

I have found David my servant; with my holy oil have I anointed him.

Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

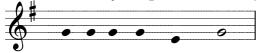
A Minister proclaims the Gospel, first singing

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

People And also Minister

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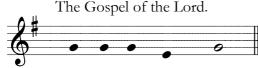
nister The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.



People

Glo-ry to you, Lord Christ.

The appointed Gospel, Luke 3:15–22, is now proclaimed. After the Gospel, the Minister sings



People

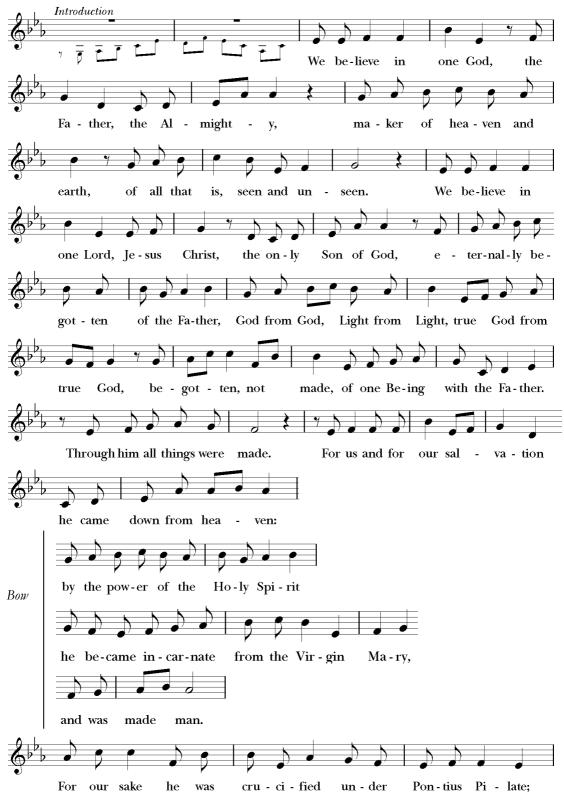
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Dr. Matthew Jacobson

The Nicene Creed

All stand. The Creed is sung by all.

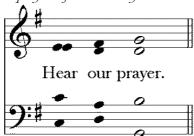




Setting: Calvin Hampton (1938–1984)

The Prayers of the People

A Minister bids the prayers of the assembly. At the end of each petition the People sing



Setting: David Hurd (b. 1950)

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect. The People respond



The Peace

The Celebrant sings

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

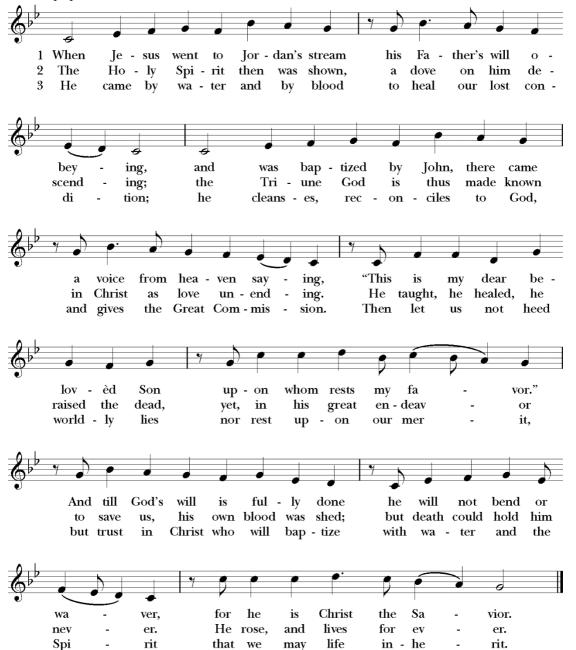
Then the Ministers and People may share with one another a sign of Christ's peace.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Preparation of the Gifts

Hymn: When Jesus went to Jordan's stream

All stand and sing the hymn while the ushers bring forward the People's gifts of bread and wine, and the Altar is prepared.



Words: Martin Luther (1483–1546); para. F. Bland Tucker (1895–1984), rev. Music: *Christ unser Herr zum Jordan kam*, melody from *Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn*, 1524

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 in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Choir sings Sanctus and Benedictus. The setting is by Victoria.

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.
Benedictus qui venit
in nomine Domini.
Hosanna in excelsis.

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

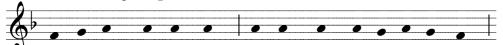
us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

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,

The Celebrant and the People sing



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.



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

Then all sing the Lord's Prayer.

All



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

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept. Then the Celebrant sings

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:



People There-fore let us keep the feast.

Music: Memorial Acclamation & Fraction Anthem, Ambrosian Chant, adapted by Mason Martens (1933-1991)

The Choir sings Agnus Dei. The setting is by Victoria.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi; miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi; miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi; dona nobis pacem. 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

In the Episcopal Church all baptized persons are invited to receive the Holy Communion. Members of other Christian churches who are baptized are invited to receive the Body of Christ.

If you wish to receive Communion, please proceed down the center aisle maintaining social-distancing.

The ushers will gladly answer any questions and will provide directions.

The Bread is carefully placed in the hand of each Communicant.

Please return to your seat via the side aisles.

The Celebrant will be happy to offer a blessing to those who do not wish to receive Communion.

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The Communion Song and Motet

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

Omnes qui in Christo baptizati estis, Christum induistis, alleluia. All who have been baptized in Christ, have put on Christ, alleluia.

During the ministration of Communion, the Choir sings the motet, What ruler wades through murky streams. The setting is by David Hurd (b. 1950).

What ruler wades through murky streams and bows beneath the wave, ignoring how the world esteems the powerful and brave?

Water, River, Spirit, Grace,

sweep over me, sweep over me!

Re-carve the depths your fingers traced in sculpting me.

Christ gleams with water brown with clay from land the prophets trod.

Above while heaven's clouds give way descends the dove of God.

Water, River, Spirit, Grace,

sweep over me, sweep over me!

Re-carve the depths your fingers traced in sculpting me.

Come bow beneath the flowing wave, Christ stands here at your side and raises you as from the grave God raised the crucified.

Water, River, Spirit, Grace,

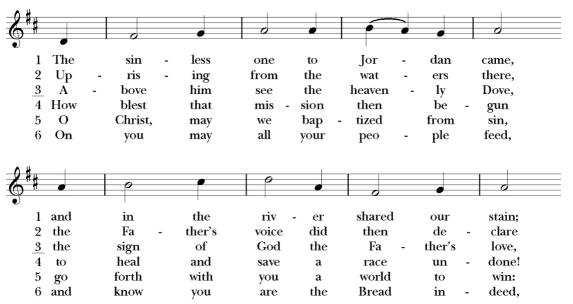
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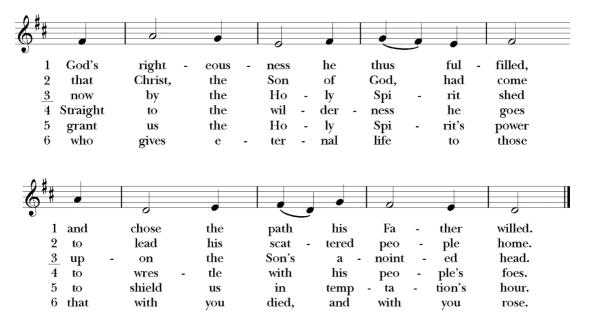
Re-carve the depths your fingers traced in sculpting me.

Text: Thomas Troeger (b. 1945)

Hymn: The sinless one to Jordan came

All stand and sing the hymn.





Words: George B. Timms (b. 1910), alt.

Music: Solemnis haec festivitas, melody from Graduale, 1685

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.

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

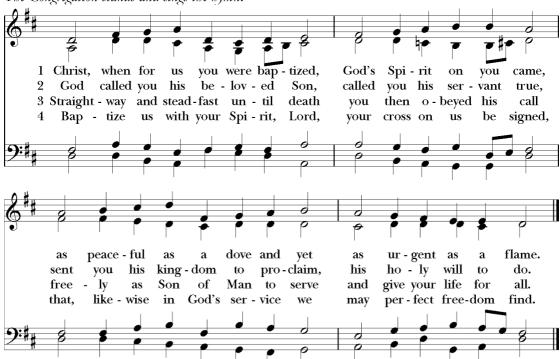
People Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

All are seated for the announcements.

Hymn: Christ, when for us you were baptized

The Congregation stands and sings the hymn.



Words: F. Bland Tucker (1895–1984)

Music: Caithness, melody from The Psalmes of David in Prose and Meeter, 1635;

harm. The English Hymnal, 1906

The Dismissal

A Minister dismisses the assembly, first singing

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.



Minister Let us go forth in the name of Christ.



Setting: Missa orbis factor



The Postlude

Fantasia in C minor, BWV 562

J. S. Bach



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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, toiletry and hygiene items, and Metro Cards when they are available, to those in need in the Times Square neighborhood.

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.

We also welcome donations of socks and underwear in all sizes for both men and women. Our Drop-by Days usually take place on the third Friday of every month. Volunteers work from 1:30 PM until 3:30 PM. Our guests are invited into the church at 2:00 PM, and we close our doors at 3:00 PM. We need six (6) volunteers for each Drop-by. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Marie Rosseels, MaryJane Boland, or Father Jay Smith. You may reach them by calling the Parish Office at 212-869-5830.

We've learned, not surprisingly, that those we serve, some of whom are unsheltered, some of whom are not, 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 sometimes see Christ in us.

We Need Your Help

We are enormously grateful to all the members and friends of Saint Mary's from far and wide who have supported the parish during the extraordinary events of the past twenty-two months. Your gifts have encouraged us, and they have kept us going.

We hope that you will make a pledge to the parish for 2022 at this time. Pledge cards may be found on the ushers' table at the Forty-sixth Street entrance to the church. If you can make an additional donation to support the parish at this time, we would happily receive it. Donations may be made online via the Giving section of the parish website. You may also make arrangements for other forms of payment by contacting our parish administrator, Christopher Howatt, who would be happy to assist you. He may be reached at 212-869-5830 x 10.

If you have questions about pledging, please speak to a member of the clergy or to one of the members of the Stewardship Committee, MaryJane Boland, Steven Heffner, or Marie Rosseels.

We are grateful to you for your crucial support of Saint Mary's at this time.

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