

# The First Sunday after the Epiphany The Baptism of Our Lord

## SOLEMN MASS

Sunday, January 7, 2024, 11:00 AM

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



## A Vision for Saint Mary's

Saint Mary's is a vibrant Anglo-Catholic witness in the heart of New York City. With our identity in Christ and a preference for the poor, we are an inclusive, diverse community called to love God and each other for the life of the world.

## About the Liturgy

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—Year B, the second year in the three-year lectionary cycle—most, though not all, of the Gospel passages are taken from the Gospel according to Mark. 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 Music**

The organ prelude 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 scalewise 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 choral setting of the Mass this morning is *Mass in the Dorian Mode* by Herbert Howells (1892–1983). This posthumously published work of Howells was his first to receive a professional London performance when it was sung at Mass in Westminster Cathedral in November 1912 under the direction of Sir Richard Terry, just six months after Howells became a student at the Royal College of Music. Over the next four years Howells composed several more pieces in Latin for the liturgy at Westminster Cathedral, all of which soon slipped into obscurity, and none of which were published in his lifetime. Fortunately, these remarkable earlier pieces subsequently have been published and are taking their place along with Howells' many later beloved settings for Anglican services. Howell's Dorian Mass is clearly a product of the resurgence of Renaissance polyphony which the papal *Motu Proprio* of 1903 had encouraged, and which Dr. Terry's work at Westminster Cathedral had anticipated. Almost a decade later Ralph Vaughan Williams' *Mass in G minor* (1921) would similarly reflect the inspiration and influence of Renaissance church music in early twentieth-century England.

Calvin Hampton (1938–1984) was a vibrant member of the New York music scene his entire adult life. A brilliant organist and imaginative composer, Hampton was music director at Calvary Church, Gramercy Park, from the early 1960s until shortly before his death. His distinctive art-song styled hymn settings and liturgical service music brought a distinctive spark to congregational singing in the years after the Second Vatican Council and the ecumenical wave of liturgical renewal which followed. The motet at Communion is one of the yet unpublished choral pieces which Calvin Hampton shared with the Mississippi Liturgy and Music conference in 1983. The bookend events of the Epiphany season are the Baptism of Christ and the Transfiguration. In both of these events, according to the synoptic Gospels, a voice from heaven affirms Jesus as the Son of God (e.g. Matthew 3:17 and 17:5). In the motet to be sung today, Hampton gives musical illumination to a small segment of scripture which resonates with these two occasions.

The postlude today is the fourth of David Hurd's Four Spiritual Preludes and was composed in 2000. The set, which is dedicated to Dr. Mickey Thomas Terry of Washington, D.C., is a suite of four short organ pieces modeled on the examples of the Baroque masters' chorale preludes. (Dr. Terry is to play the organ recital here at Saint Mary's on Ascension Day, May 9.) In Four Spiritual Preludes, each piece presents a well-known spiritual melody in an expressive texture and fresh harmonic context. In Deep River, which concludes the set, the melody of its chorus is largely supported by augmented triads and thirds in triplet figures. In the verse, the melody and alto voice are heard over repeated chords in triplet patterns. A reprise of the chorus ends the piece emphatically. — David Hurd



You are invited to join us for refreshments in Saint Joseph's Hall at the end of Mass.

An usher would be happy to show you the way to the Hall.

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## **SOLEMN MASS**

#### THE ENTRANCE RITE

#### The Prelude

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

**BWV 684** 

#### 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 Sprinkling of Holy Water

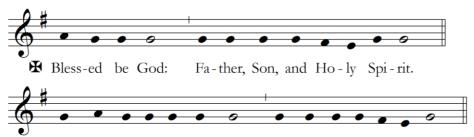
The assembly is sprinkled with holy water while Asperges me is sung.

Asperges me, Domine, hyssopo, et mundabor: lavabis me, et super nivem dealbabor.
Miserere mei, Deus, secundum magnam misericordiam tuam.
Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto.
Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum.
Amen

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. 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.

#### 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 Gloria in excelsis Deo. The setting of the Mass ordinary is Mass in the Dorian Mode by Herbert Howells (1892–1983).

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, H 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, \(\mathbf{H}\) in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant sings

The Lord be with you.

People 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 WORD OF GOD

#### The Lessons

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

Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my Spirit upon him, he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not fail or be discouraged till he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his law. Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread forth the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: "I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the LORD, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to graven images. Behold, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth I tell you of them."

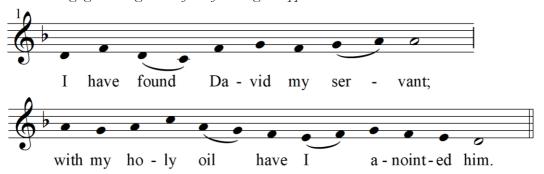
After the Lesson, the Reader says

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 89:20-22, 24-29

The Congregation remains seated. The Cantor sings the Refrain. The Congregation then repeats the Refrain. Then the Choir sings the psalm verses to an Anglican chant by James Turle (1802–1882), and the Congregation sings the Refrain following the appointed verses.

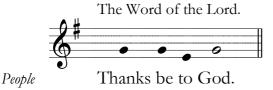


- 21 My hand will hold him fast \* and my arm will make him strong.
- No enemy shall deceive him, \*
  nor any wicked man bring him down. Refrain
- 24 My faithfulness and love shall be with him, \* and he shall be victorious through my Name.
- 25 I shall make his dominion extend \* from the Great Sea to the River. Refrain
- 26 He will say to me, 'You are my Father, \* my God, and the rock of my salvation.'
- 27 I will make him my first-born \* and higher than the kings of the earth. Refrain
- 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 heaven." Refrain

The second Lesson, Acts 10:34–38, is now sung.

And Peter opened his mouth and said to Cornelius and his kinsmen and close friends, "Truly I perceive that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the word which he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace by Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), the word which was proclaimed throughout all Jude'a, beginning from Galilee after the baptism which John preached: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him."

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, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

Inveni David servum meum: I have found David my servant; oleo sancto meum unxi eum. I have found David my servant; with my holy oil have I anointed him.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

#### The Holy Gospel

People

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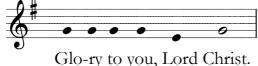
Minister

A Minister proclaims the Gospel, first singing

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

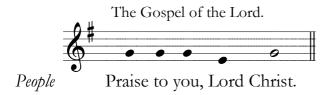
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.



The appointed Gospel, Mark 1:1-11, is now proclaimed.

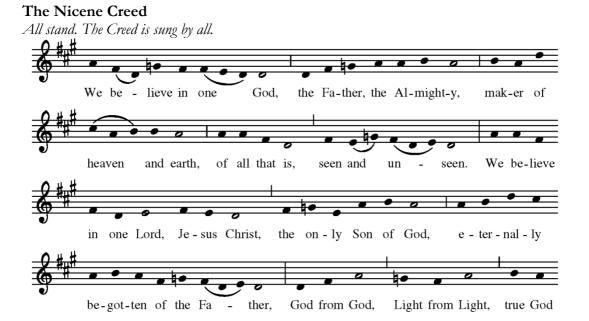
The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. As it is written in Isaiah the prophet, "Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, who shall prepare thy way; the voice of one crying in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight"— John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And there went out to him all the country of Jude'a, and all the people of Jerusalem; and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, and had a leather girdle around his waist, and ate locusts and wild honey. And he preached, saying, "After me comes he who is mightier than I, the thong of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opened and the Spirit descending upon him like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, "Thou art my beloved Son; with thee I am well pleased."

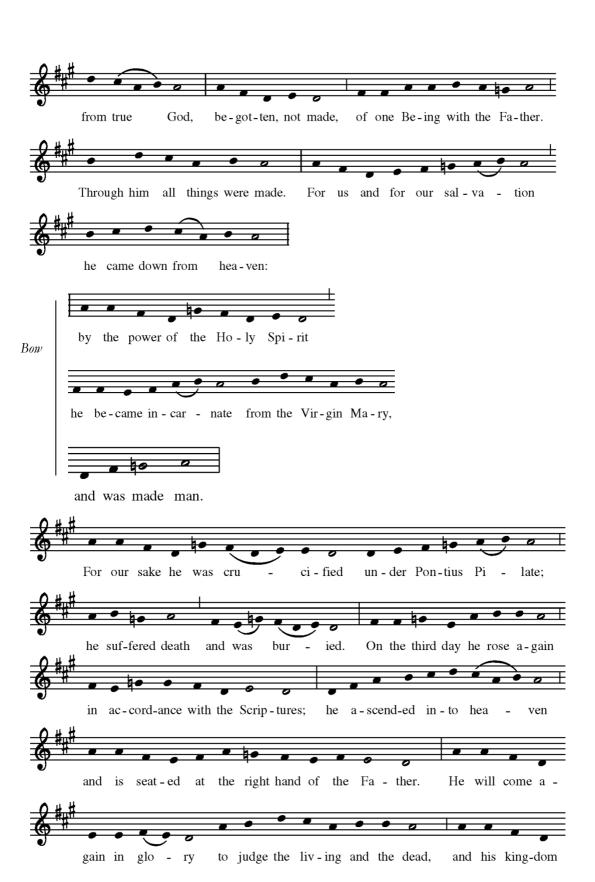
After the Gospel, the Minister sings

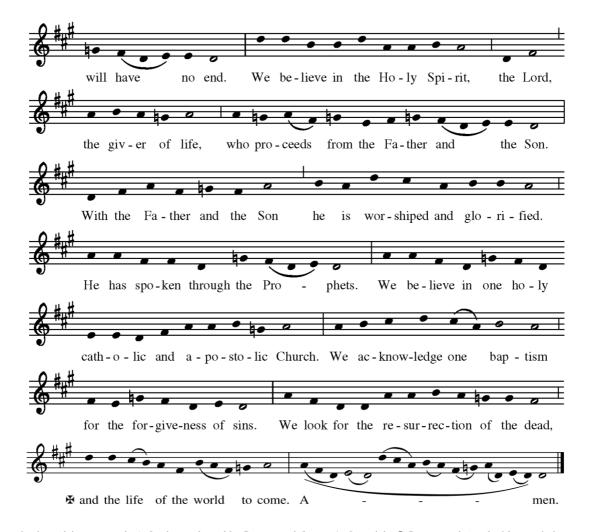


The Sermon

The Reverend Dr. Peter Ross Powell



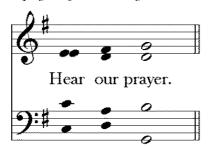




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#### The Prayers of the People

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

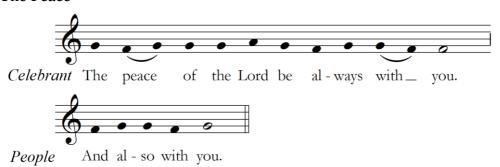


Setting: David Hurd (b. 1950)

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect. The People respond



#### The Peace



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.

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.
Benediximus vobis de domo Domini.
Deus Dominus,
et illuxit nobis, alleluia.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. We bless you from the house of the Lord. The Lord is our God, and he has shined upon us, alleuia.

Hymn: When Jesus went to Jordan's stream All stand and sing the hymn.

The Hymnal 1982 #139

#### 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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Choir sings Sanctus and Benedictus. The setting is by Herbert Howells.

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.

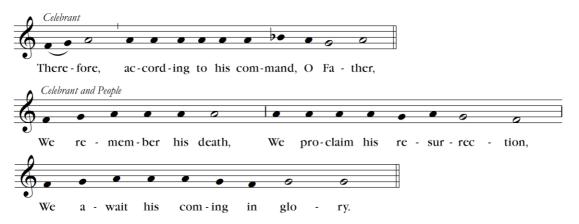
The People stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

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."



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 **A** 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 and sings



Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;



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

The Choir sings Agnus Dei. The setting is by Herbert Howells.

There-fore let us keep the feast.

Agnus Dei, Lamb of God,

qui tollis peccata mundi; you take away the sins of the world; miserere nobis. you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.

Agnus Dei, Lamb of God,

qui tollis peccata mundi; you take away the sins of the world;

miserere nobis. have mercy on us.

Agnus Dei, Lamb of God,

qui tollis peccata mundi; you take away the sins of the world;

dona nobis pacem. grant us peace.

#### The Invitation

People

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.

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 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, A voice came from heaven. The setting is by Calvin Hampton (1938–1984).

A voice came from heaven saying, "You are my Son, my beloved, in whom I am well pleased."

Text: Mark 1:11

## Hymn: The sinless one to Jordan came

The Hymnal 1982 #120

All stand and sing the hymn.

#### 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.

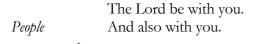
### Hymn: Christ, when for us you were baptized

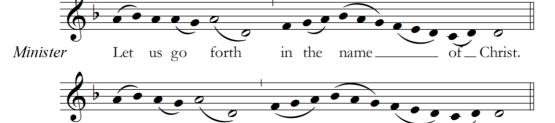
The Hymnal 1982 #121

All stand and sing the hymn.

#### The Dismissal

A Minister dismisses the assembly, first singing





Setting: Missa orbis factor

People

#### The Postlude

"Deep River" from Four Spiritual Preludes

Thanks

David Hurd (b. 1950)

# Troparion for the Afterfeast of the Theophany of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

When You, O Lord, were baptized in the Jordan the worship of the Trinity was made manifest, because the voice of the Father bore witness to You and called You His beloved Son. And the Spirit, in the form of a dove, confirmed the truthfulness of His word. O Christ, our God, You have revealed Yourself and have enlightened the world, glory to You!

A troparion is a short hymn or stanza sung during Eastern Orthodox religious services.

An Afterfeast is a period of celebration attached to one of the Great Feasts, such as the Epiphany, or Theophany, celebrated by the Orthodox Christian and Eastern Catholic Churches.

It is similar to what in the West is called an Octave.

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THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR
AND AT THE SHRINES
ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD
AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF
GEORGE HANDY
BY STEVEN ELDREDGE.

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS
ON THE ALTAR AND THROUGHOUT
THE CHURCH WERE CREATED BY
THE MEMBERS OF THE FLOWER GUILD OF THE
CHURCH OF SAINT MARY THE VIRGIN.



## We invite you to join us

We are enormously grateful to all the members and friends of Saint Mary's from far and wide who have supported the parish in recent years. Your gifts have encouraged us, and they have kept us going.

We hope that you will consider making a pledge to the parish for 2024 in this new year. 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 arrange to pay in other ways 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 one of the members of the Stewardship Committee, Father Sammy Wood, MaryJane Boland, Steven Heffner, Marie Rosseels, or Father Peter Powell.

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

### The Presentation

Friday, February 2, 2024

Morning Prayer 8:00 AM

The Angelus 12:00 PM Blessing of Candles & Sung Mass 12:10 PM

Organ Recital 5:30 PM

Janet Yieh

Church of the Heavenly Rest, NYC

The Blessing of Candles, Procession & Solemn Mass 6:00 PM

### The Annunciation

Monday, April 8, 2024 (transferred)

Morning Prayer 8:00 AM

The Angelus 12:00 PM Sung Mass 12:10 PM

Organ Recital 5:30 PM

Daniel Facarri

The Cathedral Church of Saint John the Divine, NYC

Procession & Solemn Mass 6:00 PM



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