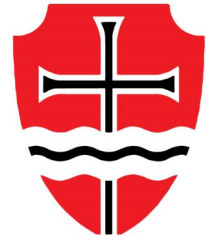


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WELCOME VISITORS TO  
**SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH!**  
NEW BRIGHTON, MINNESOTA  
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THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD AND  
SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST

LIVE STREAMING

*"A modern church from the heart of tradition."*

To our parish and school community  
and to all our friends who are praying with us online,  
we welcome you to join us in this celebration of the Mass.

We are grateful for your prayerful participation with us  
and we invite you to be in spiritual communion with the Risen Lord  
who is present in Word and Sacrament.

INTROIT— Psalm 2 The People standing

The Lord said to me: You are my Son; this  
day have I be - got - ten you.

Why do the nations rage, alleluia, and the peoples plot in vain?  
Alleluia, Alleluia.

“I have set my king on Zion, my holy hill,” Alleluia.

HYMN: O Come, All Ye Faithful

1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O  
2. God of God, Light of Light,  
3. Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,  
4. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing,

come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem;  
Lo! He comes forth from the Vir - gin's womb.  
Sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav'n a - bove!  
Je - sus, to thee be all glo - ry giv'n;

Come and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;  
Our ver - y God, be - got - ten not cre - a - ted,  
Glo - ry to God, all glo - ry in the high - est;  
Word of the Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing;

O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him,

O come, let us a - dore him, — Christ, the Lord!

## SIGN OF THE CROSS AND GREETING

*Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins,  
and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.*

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters,  
that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words,  
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

*And, striking their breast, they say:*

through my fault, through my fault,  
through my most grievous fault;  
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,  
all the Angels and Saints,  
and you, my brothers and sisters,  
to pray for me to the Lord our God.



The musical notation consists of three measures on a single staff with a treble clef. The first measure contains the notes G4, A4, B4, C5, with lyrics 'Ký-ri - e, e-lé - i-son.' below. The second measure contains the notes D5, E5, F5, G5, with lyrics 'Chri-ste, e-lé - i-son.' below. The third measure contains the notes G5, F5, E5, D5, with lyrics 'Ký-ri - e, e-lé - i-son.' below. Each measure is separated by a double bar line. Below each measure is the instruction 'Chanter, then all.'

Ký-ri - e, e-lé - i-son.      Chri-ste, e-lé - i-son.      Ký-ri - e, e-lé - i-son.

*Chanter, then all.*                      *Chanter, then all.*                      *Chanter, then all.*

# GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on  
earth peace to peo-ple of good will. We praise you, we  
bless you, we a - dore you, we glo - ri - fy you, we  
give you thanks for your great glo - ry.  
Lord God, heav'n - ly King, O God, al - might - y  
Fa - ther. Lord Je - sus Christ, On - ly Be - got - ten  
Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the  
Fa - ther, you take a - way the sins of the world, have  
mer - cy on us; you take a - way the sins of the world, re -  
ceive our prayer; you are seat - ed at the  
right hand of the Fa - ther, have mer - cy on us.  
For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a -  
lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus  
Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the  
Fa - ther. A - men, a - men.

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# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 9: 1-6

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;  
upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shone.  
You have brought them abundant joy and great rejoicing,  
as they rejoice before you as at the harvest,  
as people make merry when dividing spoils.  
For the yoke that burdened them,  
the pole on their shoulder, and the rod of their taskmaster  
you have smashed, as on the day of Midian.  
For every boot that tramped in battle,  
every cloak rolled in blood, will be burned as fuel for flames.  
For a child is born to us, a son is given us;  
upon his shoulder dominion rests.  
They name him Wonder-Counselor, God-Hero,  
Father-Forever, Prince of Peace.  
His dominion is vast and forever peaceful,  
from David's throne, and over his kingdom,  
which he confirms and sustains by judgment and justice,  
both now and forever.  
The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this!

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

*A period of silence follows the reading.*

# P

SALM 96



Sing to the Lord a new song  
sing to the Lord all you lands  
Sing to the Lord  
bless his name.

Announce his salvation, day after day,  
Tell his glory among the nations  
among all peoples,  
his wondrous deeds.

Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice  
let the sea and what fills it resound  
let the plains be joyful and all that is in them!  
Then shall all the trees of the forest exult.

They shall exult before the Lord, for he comes  
for he comes to rule the earth.  
He shall rule the world with justice  
and the peoples with his constancy.

Epistle: Titus 2: 11-14

The grace of God has appeared, saving all  
and training us to reject godless ways and worldly desires  
and to live temperately, justly, and devoutly in this age,  
as we await the blessed hope,  
the appearance of the glory of our great God  
and savior Jesus Christ,  
who gave himself for us to deliver us from all lawlessness  
and to cleanse for himself a people as his own,  
eager to do what is good.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Luke 2: 10-11

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia,  
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

I proclaim to you good news of great joy:  
today a Savior is born for us,  
Christ the Lord.

Gospel Lesson: Luke 2: 1-14

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus  
that the whole world should be enrolled.

This was the first enrollment,  
when Quirinius was governor of Syria.

So all went to be enrolled, each to his own town.

And Joseph too went up from Galilee from the town of Nazareth  
to Judea, to the city of David that is called Bethlehem,  
because he was of the house and family of David,  
to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child.

While they were there,  
the time came for her to have her child,  
and she gave birth to her firstborn son.

She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger,  
because there was no room for them in the inn.

Now there were shepherds in that region living in the fields  
and keeping the night watch over their flock.

The angel of the Lord appeared to them  
and the glory of the Lord shone around them,  
and they were struck with great fear.

The angel said to them,

“Do not be afraid;  
for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy  
that will be for all the people.

For today in the city of David  
a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord.

And this will be a sign for you:  
you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes  
and lying in a manger.”

And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel,  
praising God and saying:

“Glory to God in the highest  
and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.”

*Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord.*

*All: Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.*

HOMILY



## PROFESSION OF FAITH

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,

*all GENUFLECT during these two lines:*

*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

Deacon: Jesus, Lord of the Church,  
All: in your mercy hear us.

# THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

## THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS *Please be seated -*

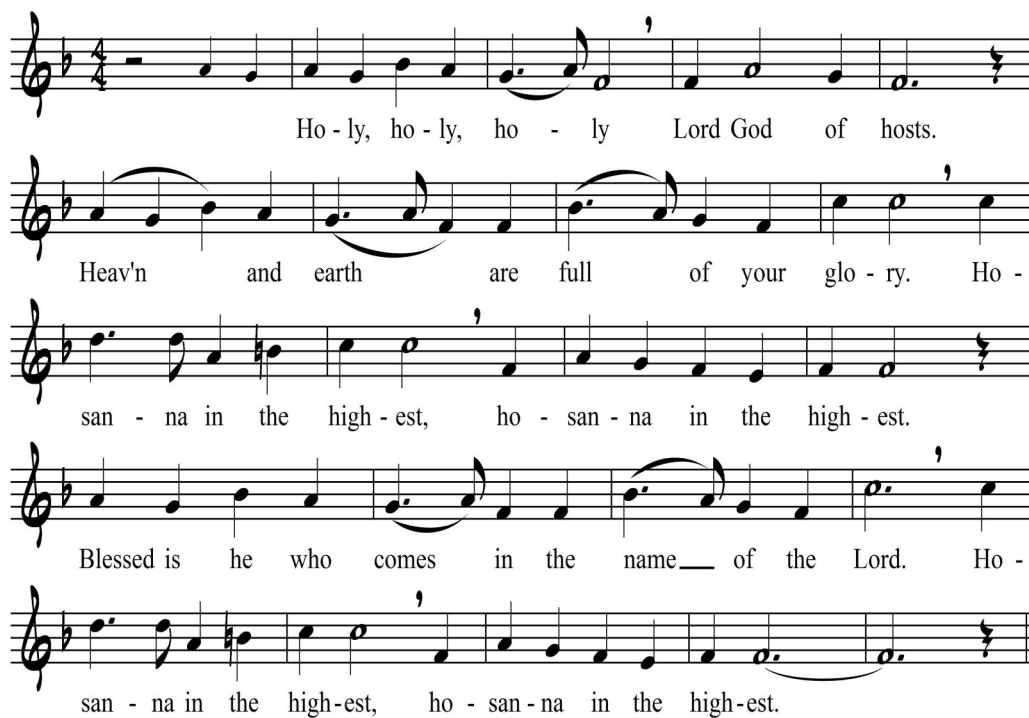
PRESENTATION OF THE BREAD, WINE AND MONETARY OFFERINGS.

"THE GIFTS OF GOD, FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD."

*Pray, brothers and sisters,...*

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands  
for the praise and glory of his name, for our good  
and the good of all his holy church.

## PREFACE ACCLAMATION



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

## MYSTERIUM FIDEI



When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro-  
claim your Death, O Lord, un til you come a gain.

## GREAT AMEN



A - men, a - men, a - men.

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## AGNUS DEI



A-gnus De - i, qui tol-lis pec-ca-ta mun-di: mi-se-re-re no - bis.  
A-gnus De - i, qui tol-lis pec-ca-ta mun-di: mi-se-re-re no - bis.  
A-gnus De - i, qui tol-lis pec-ca-ta mun-di: do-na no-bis pa - cem.

## AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,

I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament.

I love you above all things and I desire you in my soul.

Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart.

As though you were already there,

I embrace you and unite myself wholly to you;

permit not that I should ever be separated from you.

Amen



## COMMUNION HYMN: Angels We Have Heard On High



1. An - gels we have heard on high Sweet - ly sing - ing o'er the plains,
2. Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro - long?
3. Come to Beth - le - hem and see Him whose birth the an - gels sing;
4. See him in a man - ger laid, Whom the choirs of an - gels praise;



And the moun - tains in re - ply Ech - o back their joy - ous strains.  
 Say what may the ti - dings be, Which in - spire your heaven - ly song.  
 Come a - dore, on bend - ed knee, Christ, the Lord, the new - born King.  
 Mar - y, Jo - seph, lend your aid, While our hearts in love we raise.



Glo - - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o,



Glo - - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.

## POST-COMMUNION HYMN: Silent Night, Holy Night (*Midnight Mass Only*)



1. Si - lent night, ho - ly night, All is calm, all is bright
2. Si - lent night, ho - ly night, Shep - herds quake at the sight;
3. Si - lent night, ho - ly night, Son of God, love's pure light



Round yon Vir - gin Moth - er and Child, Ho - ly In - fant, so ten - der and mild,  
 Glo - ries stream from heav - en a - far, Heav'n - ly hosts\_\_\_ sing al - le - lu - ia;  
 Ra - diant beams from thy ho - ly face, With the dawn of re - deem - ing grace,



Sleep in heav - en - ly peace,\_\_\_ Sleep\_\_\_ in heav - en - ly peace. \_\_\_  
 Christ, the Sav - ior, is born,\_\_\_ Christ, the Sav - ior, is born!\_\_\_  
 Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth,\_\_\_ Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth. \_\_\_

# HYMN OF THANKSGIVING: Joy To The World

1. Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let  
 2. Joy to the world, the Sav - ior reigns: Let  
 3. No more let sin and sor - rows grow, Nor  
 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, And

earth re - ceive her king: Let  
 us, our songs em - ploy; While  
 thorns in - fect the ground; He  
 makes the na - tions prove The

ev - 'ry heart pre - pare him room And  
 fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains Re -  
 comes to make his bless - ings flow Far -  
 glo - ries of his his right - eous - ness, And

heav'n and na - ture sing, And heav'n and na - ture sing, And  
 peat the sound - ing joy, Re - peat the sound - ing joy, Re -  
 as the curse is found, Far as the curse is found, Far  
 won - ders of his love, And won - ders of his love, And

heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.  
 peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.  
 as, far as the curse is found.  
 won - ders, won - ders of his love.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

DISMISSAL

RECESSIONAL: Organ Symphony No. V, Toccata

Charles-Marie Widor