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WEEKLY SUNDAY LITURGIES

8.00 am - Said Mass • 9.30 am - Sung Mass • 11.00 am - Solemn Mass



Native American Nativity - Flor Larios

THE FEAST *of the* NATIVITY *of* OUR LORD

24 December 2011

Solemn Mass and Procession – 11.00 pm

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WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF ST MARY MAGDALENE

SMM is known for its excellence in liturgy and music. We are an Anglican Church and represent a particular tradition within Anglicanism known as “Anglo-Catholic”. This means we emphasize the deep roots of the faith, beauty and mystery in worship and music, and we embrace the whole person and all the senses in worship. Incense, colour, movement, music, bells, symbols, ritual – these are all important parts of our worship, which finds its centre in the sacrament of the mass.

We strive to live out our faith by seeking justice and relief for those in need. Once a month, members of the parish prepare and serve dinner at the Out of the Cold/Out of the Heat program. We are currently preparing to welcome a family of refugees from Iraq. We also have a regular ministry to the O’Neill Centre long-term care home.

Sundays at SMM

At 9.30 am on Sunday mornings we celebrate a sung mass. We offer Sunday school programs for children aged ten and under during this mass. Older young people participate as musicians, readers and servers. The music at the 9.30 mass is diverse and eclectic, most of it sung by the congregation. Our 9.30 choir supports the congregation’s singing and offers other music during the mass. In addition, our instrumental ensemble, Orff Ensemble and choir for young people all join in music-making at the 9.30 mass.

At 11.00 am on Sunday mornings we celebrate a solemn high mass with rich ceremonial and a numinous sense of mystery. In the pattern set by Fr. Hiscocks and Dr. Healey Willan in the 1920's, our music is led by our Ritual Choir, which sings Gregorian chant, and by our award-winning Gallery Choir, which sings choral music written by a diverse range of composers, including Healey Willan and our current Director of Music, Stephanie Martin. The congregation joins in singing hymns and chant.

Once a month (usually the third Sunday of the month) at 4.30 pm, we celebrate Solemn Evensong and Benediction, a quite reflective service of prayer, and a wonderful way to centre oneself before the week that awaits.

Tomorrow, Christmas Day, there will be a said mass at 8.00 am and a Folk Mass at 10.00 am. The Folk Mass is designed in particular to be a child-friendly worship experience.

On the Feast of the Epiphany (Friday, January 6th) at 6.00 pm there will be a Procession and Solemn High Mass

The Clergy and the Wardens offer their warmest greetings to all parishioners, friends and visitors on this Feast of Our Lord’s Nativity and pray that God will bless us all with his peace and joy so that we may open our hearts to receive Christ into our lives in order to show forth the glory of God’s love and humility in our society.

Please join us downstairs for our Réveillon!

Heartfelt thanks to all those who have helped in the arrangements for Christmas – the **decoration**, the **cleaning**, the **music** and **ceremonial**, the **Réveillon** and the **food**.

Our parish of St Mary Magdalene is blessed with people who generously support the work of the church **financially** as well as with their **time and efforts**.

We are grateful to God for these gifts offered.

3. See how the shepherds,
Summoned to His cradle,
Leaving their flocks, draw nigh with lowly fear:
We too will thither
Bend our joyful footsteps:

O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

4. Sing, choirs of angels,
Sing in exultation;
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God,
In the highest:

O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

5. Yea, Lord, we greet Thee,
Born this happy morning;
Jesus, to Thee be glory given;
Word of the Father,
Now in flesh appearing:

O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

Postlude: *Dieu parmi nous*

Olivier Messiaen (1908-1992)



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*We hope that the liturgy will assist you in prayer and the worship of Almighty God.
After Mass please join our traditional Réveillon Christmas party downstairs in Hiscocks Hall.*

Prelude

Christmas Concerto Grosso in C major

Francesco Manfredini (1684-1762)

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

(Please stand as the procession enters.)

Introit: *The Lord spake, and said unto me: Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee. Ps. Why do the nations so furiously rage together: and why do the people imagine a vain thing? Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end Amen. The Lord spake...*

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Kyrie eleison

Messe de Minuit – Marc-Antoine Charpentier (1636-1704)
Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant: Fr David Harrison
Deacon: Canon Maylanne Maybee
Sub deacon: Peter Sinclair

Gloria in Excelsis (*choir sings text in italics*)

MISSA DE ANGELIS

Gló-ry be to Gód on high, And in éarth péace, good-will to - wáreds mén.
 We práise thee. We bléss thee. We wór - ship thee. We gló-ri-fy thee.
 We give thánks to thee for thy great gló-ry. O Lórd Gód, héa-ven-ly Kíng,
 Gód the Fá - ther Al - mígh - ty. O Lórd, the ón-ly be-got-ten Són,
 Jé - su Christ. O Lórd Gód Lámb of Gód, Són of the Fá - ther.
 That tá-kest a-wáy the sín of the wórlđ, have mér - cy up - ón us.
 Thou that tá-kest a - wáy the sín of the wórlđ, re - ceíve our práyer.
 Thou that síu-test at the right hánd of Gód the Fá - ther, have mér-cy up - ón us.
 For thou ón - ly art hó - ly. Thou ón - ly art the Lórd.
 Thou on - ly, O Je - su Christ, with the Hó-ly Ghóst, art most high
 in the gló-ry of Gód the Fá - ther. A men.

Celebrant: Let us pray

The celebrant prays the Collect of the Day.

Let us pray. We beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts, that as we have known the Incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his Cross and Passion we may be brought unto the glory of his Resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. **Amen.**

THE SENDING FORTH OF THE COMMUNITY

The Christmas Blessing

Celebrant: May Almighty God, who sent his Son to take our nature upon him, bless you in this holy season, scatter the darkness of sin, and brighten your hearts with the light of his holiness.

People: Amen.

Celebrant: May God, who sent his angels to proclaim the glad tidings of the Saviour's birth, fill you with joy, and make you heralds of the gospel.

People: Amen.

Celebrant: May God, who in the Word made flesh hath joined heaven to earth and earth to heaven, give you his peace and favour.

People: Amen.

Celebrant: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

People: Amen.

Dismissal

Deacon De _____ part _____ in peace. —
 People Thanks _____ be _____ to God —

Hymn: O Come all Ye Faithful

ADESTE FIDELES

1. O come, all ye faithful,
 Joyful and triumphant,
 O come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem.
 Come and behold Him,
 Born the King of angels:

2. God of God,
 Light of Light,
 Lo, He abhors not the Virgin's womb;
 Very God,
 Begotten, not created:

O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

7. Thee let old men, thee let young men,
Thee let boys in chorus sing;
Matrons, virgins, little maidens,
with glad voices answering;
Let their guileless songs re-echo,
And the heart its praises bring,
Evermore and evermore.

8. Christ, to Thee, with God the Father,
And, O Holy Ghost, to Thee
Hymn and chant and high thanksgiving
And unwearied praises be,
Honour, glory, and dominion,
And eternal victory,
Evermore and evermore.

The Blessing of the Crèche

V: The glory of the Lord hath been revealed. Alleluia.

R: And all flesh shall see the salvation of our God. Alleluia.

Collect

The Angelus *(Please put your kneeler down.)*

V. The angel of the Lord brought tidings to Mary.

R. And she conceived by the Holy Ghost.

V. Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women and
blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

R. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now, and at the hour of our death.

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

R. Be it unto me according to thy word.

V. Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women and
blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

R. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now, and at the hour of our death.

Please kneel.

V. And the Word was made flesh.

R. And dwelt among us.

Please stand.

V. Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women and
blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

R. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now, and at the hour of our death.

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 9: 2-7

Lector: Viola Lang

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gradual: *In the day of thy power shall the people offer thee free-will offerings: in the beauty of holiness, from the womb of the morning, have I begotten thee. Ps. The Lord said unto my Lord: Sit thou on my right hand: till I make thine enemies thy footstool.*

Second Reading: Titus 2: 11-14

Lector: Peter Sinclair

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia: *Alleluia. The Lord hath said unto me: Thou art my Son, today have I begotten thee. Alleluia.*

Sequence Hymn: *Once in Royal David's City*

IRBY

1. Once in royal David's city
Stood a lowly cattle shed,
Where a mother laid her baby
In a manger for his bed:
Mary was that Mother mild,
Jesus Christ her little Child.

2. He came down to earth from heaven
Who is God and Lord of all,
And his shelter was a stable,
And his cradle was a stall:
With the poor and mean and lowly,
Lived on earth our Saviour holy.

3. And through all his wondrous childhood,
Day by day like us he grew,
He was little, weak and helpless,
Tears and smiles like us he knew:
And he feeleth for our sadness,
And he shareth in our gladness

4. And our eyes at last shall see him
Through his own redeeming love,
For that Child so dear and gentle,
Is our Lord in heaven above:
And he leads his children on
To the place where he is gone.

5. Not in that poor lowly stable,
With the oxen standing by,
We shall see him: but in heaven,
Set at God's right hand on high,
Where like stars his children crowned,
All in white shall wait around.

Deacon: The Lord be with you. **People: And with thy spirit.**

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

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Gospel Reading: Luke 2: 1-20

Deacon: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Homily: Fr David Harrison

We sit in silent reflection. Please stand when those in the sanctuary stand.

The Nicene Creed

MISSA DE ANGELIS

(Please ensure that your kneeler is down.

On this Feast of the Nativity, we kneel at the words "And was incarnate.")



I be-líeve in óne Gód, the Fá-ther Al-mígh-ty, Má-ker of heá-ven and eárh,



and of áll things ví - si-ble, and in-ví - si-ble. And in óne Lórd Jé-sus Chríst,



the ón - ly be - gót - ten Són of Gód. Be - gót - ten of the Fá - ther



be - fóre all wórls. Gód of Gód, Líght of Líght, Vé - ry Gód of vé - ry Gód.



Be - gót - ten, not máde, Bé - ing of óne súb - stance with the Fá - ther:



Through whóm áll things were máde. Who for ús mén, and for oúr sal - vá - tion,



came dówn from heá - ven,

*Choir:
And was incarnate by the Holy
Ghost of the Virgin Mary:
And was made man.*

Motet: *O magnum mysterium*

Thomas Luis de Victoria (1548-1611)

O magnum mysterium, et admirabile sacramentum, ut animalia viderent Dominum natum jacentem in praesepio! Beata Virgo, cujus viscera meruerunt portare Dominum Christum, Alleluia! Domine, audivi auditum tuum et timui; consideravi opera tua et expavi in medio deorum animalium. (O great mystery, and wondrous sacrament, that animals should see the new-born Lord lying in their manger! Blessed is the Virgin whose womb was worthy to bear the Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia! O Lord, I hear your oracle and I was afraid; I considered your works, and I trembled in the midst of the two animals.).

Communion: *In the splendour of the saints, from the womb before the morning star I begot thee.* (Ps. 110: 1-5, 7)

After all have received communion, we sit in silent thanksgiving.

The Celebrant prays the Prayer after Communion.

THE PROCESSION

Deacon: Let us go forth in peace. Alleluia.

People: In the name of Christ. Amen. Alleluia.

Processional Hymn

DIVINUM MYSTERIUM

1. Of the Father's love begotten
Ere the worlds began to be,
He is Alpha and Omega,
He the Source, the Ending He,
Of the things that are, that have been,
And that future years shall see
Evermore and evermore.

2. At His Word the worlds were framèd;
He commanded; it was done:
Heaven and earth and depths of ocean
In their threefold order one;
All that grows beneath the shining
Of the moon and burning sun,
Evermore and evermore!

3. O that birth forever blessed,
when the virgin, full of grace,
By the Holy Ghost conceiving,
bare the Savior of our race;
And the Babe, the world's Redeemer,
First revealed His sacred face,
evermore and evermore!

4. O ye heights of heaven adore Him;
angel hosts, His praises sing;
Powers, dominions, bow before Him,
and extol our God and King!
Let no tongue on earth be silent,
Every voice in concert sing,
evermore and evermore!

5. This is He Whom seers in old time
chanted of with one accord;
Whom the voices of the prophets
promised in their faithful word;
Now He shines, the long expected,
Let creation praise its Lord,
evermore and evermore!

6. Righteous judge of souls departed,
Righteous King of them that live,
On the Father's throne exalted
None in might with Thee may strive;
Who at last in vengeance coming
Sinners from Thy face shalt drive,
Evermore and evermore!

Sanctus

Messe de Minuit – Marc-Antoine Charpentier

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.

Please kneel. The Eucharistic Prayer continues.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we thank thee, and we pray to thee, Lord our God.

At the end of the prayer all respond: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer



Our Fá-ther, who art in héav-en: Hál-low - ed be thý Name: Thy Kíng-dom cóme:



Thý will be dóne, on éarth as it is in héa - ven. Gíve us this dáy our dái-ly bréad.



And for - gíve us our trés - pass - es, as we for - gíve those who trés - pass a - gáinst us.



And léad us not ín - to temp - tá - tion, but de - lí - ver us from é - vil. For thíne is the Kíng - dom,



the pów - er, and the gló - ry, for év - er and év - er. A - men.

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

Agnus Dei

Messe de Minuit – Marc-Antoine Charpentier

O Lamb of God that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us; grant us peace.

All who are baptised with water in the mane of the Trinity are welcome to receive communion, regardless of age or Christian denomination. You may stand or kneel to receive communion. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please indicate this to the priest by crossing your arms across your chest.



And was crú - ci - fied ál - so for ús: un - der Pón - tius Pí - late.



He súf - fer - ed, and was bú - ri - ed, And the thírđ dáy he róse a - gáin,



ac - córd - ing to the Scríp - tures. And as - cénd - ed in - to héa - ven:



And sít - teth on the ríght hánd of the Fá - ther. And hé shall cóme a - gáin



with gló - ry, to júdge both the quíck and the déad: Whose kíng - dom



shall háve no énd. And I be - líeve in the Hó - ly Ghóst, the Lórd, the Gí - ver of lífe:



Who pro - céed - eth from the Fá - ther and the Són. Who with the Fá - ther and the Són



to - gé - ther is wór - ship - ped, and gló - ri - fi - ed: Who spáke by the Pró - phets.



And I be - líeve one Hó - ly Cá - tho - lic and A - pos - tó - lic Chúrch.

I ac-know-ledge óne Báp - tism for the re - mis - sion of sins.

And I lóok for the Re-sur-réc-tion of the dead, and the Life of the wórlđ to cóme.

A - - - - - men.

3. How silently, how silently
The wondrous gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of his heaven.
No ear can hear his coming;
But in this world of sin.
Where meek souls will receive him, still
The dear Christ enters in.

4. Where children pure and happy
Pray to the blessed Child.
Where misery cries out to thee,
Son of the mother mild;
Where charity stands watching
And faith holds wide the door,
The dark night wakes, the glory breaks,
And Christmas comes once more.

5. O holy Child of Bethlehem,
Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin, and enter in,
Be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell:
O come to us, abide with us,
Our Lord Emmanuel.

Prayers of the People

Deacon: Lord, hear our prayer.

People: (in harmony) Lord, hear our prayer.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: **And with thy spirit.**

We share a sign of God's peace by a handshake with our neighbours.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

During the hymn the bread and wine are presented and an offering is taken to support the life and work of this parish and the wider Church. Please sit when the hymn is finished.

Offertory Hymn: O Little Town of Bethlehem

FOREST GREEN

1. O little town of Bethlehem
How still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by.
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
The everlasting light;
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee tonight.

2. O morning stars, together
Proclaim the holy birth
And praises sing to God the King,
And peace to men on earth;
For Christ is born of Mary;
And, gathered all above,
While mortals sleep, the angels keep
Their watch of wondering love.

Offertory: *Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad before the Lord: for he is come.*

Motet: *Hodie Christus natus est* Healey Willan (1880-1968)
Hodie Christus natus est. Hodie Salvator apparuit. Hodie canunt angeli, laetantur archangeli; Hodie exultant justi dicentes: Gloria in excelsis Deo. (Today Christ is born. Today the Saviour appears; today the angels sing, the archangels rejoice. The righteous exult saying: Glory to God in the highest.)

Celebrant: Pray, my brothers and sisters, that this my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.

People: **The Lord receive this sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of his holy name, to our benefit and that of all his holy Church.**

The celebrant prays the Prayer over the Gifts.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lórd be with you. And with thy spí - rit.

People: Lift up your héarts. We lift them úp un - to the Lórd.

Lét us give thanks un - to our Lórd God. It is méet and ríght só to dó.