



Monday, 8 April 2024

The Annunciation to the Blessed Virgin Mary

7.00 pm Solemn Mass

Prelude *Improvisation*

The Gathering of the People

Assistant: Let us go forth in peace.

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

Processional Hymn

ABBOT'S LEIGH 87 87 D

Cyril Taylor b 1907

SING we of the blessed Mother
Who received the angel's word,
And obedient to his summons
Bore in love the infant Lord;
Sing we of the joys of Mary
At whose breast that child was fed
Who is Son of God eternal
And the everlasting Bread.

2 Sing we, too, of Mary's sorrows,
Of the sword that pierced her through,
When beneath the cross of Jesus
She his weight of suffering knew,
Looked upon her Son and Saviour
Reigning high on Calvary's tree,
Saw the price of man's redemption
Paid to set the sinner free.

3 Sing again the joys of Mary
When she saw the risen Lord,
And in prayer with Christ's apostles,
Waited on his promised word:
From on high the blazing glory
Of the Spirit's presence came,
Heavenly breath of God's own being,
Manifest through wind and flame.

4 Sing the chiefest joy of Mary
When on earth her work was done,
And the Lord of all creation
Brought her to his heavenly home:
Virgin Mother, Mary blessed,
Raised on high and crowned with grace,
May your Son, the world's redeemer,
Grant us all to see his face.

G. B. TIMMS b 1910

Station at the Shrine of Our Lady

Celebrant: Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

People: **Be it unto me according to thy word.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, who was pleased that thy Word should take flesh of the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary at the message of an angel: Grant to thy humble servants that we who believe her to be truly the Mother of God may be aided by her intercession in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People: **Amen.**

Introit

Drop down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness; let the earth open, and let her bring forth salvation.

Kyrie eleison *Missa Regina Coeli, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina*

Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

Gloria in Excelsis DEUS SEMPTERNE *(The choir sings the text in italics.)*

Full



Glo - ry be to God on high And in earth ———— peace ————



good will to - wards all. We praise Thee.



We bless ———— Thee. We wor - ship Thee.



We glo - ri - fy Thee. We give thanks to Thee



for Thy great ——— glo - ry. O Lord God, Hea - ven - ly ——— King, God




the Fa - ther Al - might - ty. O Lord, the on - ly be - got - ten



Son, Je - su Christ. O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther.




That ta - kest a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.




Thou that ta - kest a - way the sin of the world, re - ceive




our pray - er. Thou that sit - test at the right hand of the Fa - ther



have mer - cy up - on us. For Thou on - ly art ho ly.



Thou on - ly art the Lord. Thou on - ly O Je - su Christ,



with the Ho - ly Ghost art most high in the



Glo - ry of God the Fa - - - ther. A - - - - men.

Celebrant: Let us pray. We beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts, that we who have known the incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ, announced by an angel to the Blessed Virgin Mary, may by his cross and passion be brought unto the glory of his resurrection, who liveth and reigneth with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People: Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading Isaiah 7:10-14

Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test. Then Isaiah said: "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel."

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia

Alleluia. Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women. Alleluia.

Second Reading Hebrews 10:4-10

For it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins. Consequently, when Christ came into the world, he said, "Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body you have prepared for me; in burnt offerings and sin offerings you have taken no pleasure. Then I said, 'See, God, I have come to do your will, O God' (in the scroll of the book it is written of me)." When he said above, "You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings" (these are offered according to the law), then he added, "See, I have come to do your will." He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia

Alleluia. Now hath blossomed Jesse's rod; a virgin bears both man and God; God restoreth peace to men; high and low are one again. Alleluia.

Sequence Hymn

MON DIEU, PRÊTE MOI L'OREILLE 88 77 D Melody contributed by
L. Bourgeois c 1510-61 to the
French Psalter 1542 (Ps 86)
Harmony by R.V.W.

Unison

1. Vir - gin born, we bow be - fore thee: Bless - èd
2. Bless - èd she by all cre - a - tion, Who brought

1. was the womb that bore thee; Ma - ry, Mother meek and
2. forth the world's sal - va - tion, And bless - èd they for ev - er

1. mild, Bless - èd was she in her Child.
2. blest, Who love thee most and serve thee best.

1. Bless - èd was the breast that fed thee; Bless - èd
2. Vir - gin born we bow be - fore thee; Bless - èd

1. was the hand that led thee; Bless - èd was the par - ent's
2. was the womb that bore thee; Ma - ry, Mo - ther meek and

1. eye That watched thy slum - bering in - fan - cy.
2. mild, Bless - èd was she in her Child.

BISHOP R. HEBER 1783-1826

Assistant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

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

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Gospel Reading Luke 1:26-38

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favoured one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favour with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob

forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God." Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

Assistant: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Homily

The Nicene Creed AUTHENTIC TONE



I be-lieve in one God, the Fá-ther Al-mígh-ty, Má-ker of héa-ven and earth,



and of all things ví-si-ble, and in - ví - si - ble. And in óne Lórd



Jé - sus Christ, 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 whom all things wére made. Who for ús all, and for our sal - va - tion,



came dówn from héaven.

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



And was crú - ci - fi - ed ál - so for ús: un - der Pón - ti - us Pí - late



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

ac - córd-ing to the Scríp-tures. And as-cénd-ed in-to héa-ven: And sí-teth on the
right hand of the Fá-ther. And he 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 Gív-er of life: Who pro-céed-eth from the
Fá-ther and the Són. Who with the Fá-ther and the Són to-géth-er is wór-ship-ped
and gló-ri-fi-ed: Who spáke by the Prophets, And I be-líeve one Hó-ly, Cá-tho-lic
and A-pos-tó-lic Church. I ac-knów-ledge one Báp-tism for the re-mís-sion of sins.
And I lóok for the Ré-sur-réc-tion of the déad, and the Lífe of the wórl-d to come.
A - - - men.

Prayers of the People

Hear us, Lord of glo - ry!

The Peace



Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be al-ways with you.



People: And with thy spir-it.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn

ST BOTOLPH CM

Gordon Slater 1896–1979



FOR Mary, Mother of the Lord
God's holy name be praised,
Who first the Son of God adored
As on her child she gazed.

2 The angel Gabriel brought the word
She should Christ's mother be;
Our Lady, handmaid of the Lord,
Made answer willingly.

3 The heavenly call she thus obeyed,
And so God's will was done;
The second Eve love's answer made
Which our redemption won.

4 She gave her body for God's shrine,
Her heart to piercing pain,
And knew the cost of love divine
When Jesus Christ was slain.

5 Dear Mary, from your lowliness
And home in Galilee,
There comes a joy and holiness
To every family.

6 Hail, Mary, you are full of grace,
Above all women blest;
Blest in your Son, whom your embrace
In birth and death confessed.

J. R. PEACEY 1896–1971‡

Offertory Sentence

Hail, Mary, full of grace; the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb.

Motet *Ave Maria*, Robert Parsons

Ave Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum; benedicta tu in mulieribus, et benedictus fructus ventris tui.

Amen. Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Amen.

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

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.

Celebrant: Let us pray. Almighty God, who hast given thy Church to be established in the incarnation of thine only Son, grant that in all things we may accept thy holy will, and with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, being full of grace, may rejoice in they salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

The musical score consists of three staves of music in a single system. The first staff is labeled 'Celebrant:' and the second and third are labeled 'People:'. The music is in a key with two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a common time signature. The lyrics are written below the notes.

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

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

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

Celebrant: It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, creator and preserver of all things, because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, thou hast caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of thy glory, in the face of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name; evermore praising thee and saying:

Sanctus *Missa Regina Coeli, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina*
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.

Celebrant: All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, who didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink this, all of you; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me." Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto

thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again with power and great glory. And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the body and blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

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

Celebrant: And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this holy communion may worthily receive the most precious body and blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end .

People: **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer



Celebrant And now, as our Sav-iour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say:



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 them that trés - pass a - gáinst us.



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



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

The Breaking of the Bread

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

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

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Agnus Dei *Missae Regina Coeli, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina*
Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: have mercy upon us.
Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: grant us thy peace.

The Communion

*At this time you are invited to come up to communion. Please follow the directions of the sidespeople. If you would prefer to make a spiritual communion, please remain in your pew. We invite you to use the following words as inspiration: **My Jesus, I believe that you are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.***

Communion Sentence

Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and his name shall be called Emmanuel. (The Ritual Choir repeats the Communion sentence, interspersed with verses from Psalm 19.)

The Sending Forth of the Community

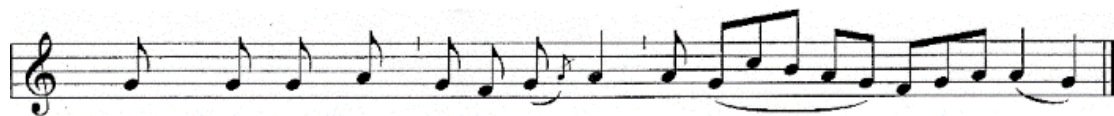
Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, who didst will thy Word to assume human flesh in the womb of the Virgin Mary, grant, we beseech thee, that we who partake of his body and blood in these holy mysteries may ever confess him as our Redeemer, and be conformed to his divinity; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People: Amen.

Th celebrant blesses the people, after which follow any notices or announcements.

Dismissal



Deacon De - part in peace, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
People Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia. al - le - lu - ia.

Final Hymn

WOODLANDS 10 10 10 10

Walter Greatorex 1877-1949

Unison



Magnificat

- TELL out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord:
Unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;
Tender to me the promise of his word;
In God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.
- 2 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name:
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has
done;
His mercy sure, from age to age the same;
His holy name, the Lord, the Mighty One.
- 3 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might:
Powers and dominions lay their glory by;
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
The hungry fed, the humble lifted high.
- 4 Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word:
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
To children's children and for evermore.

TIMOTHY DUDLEY-SMITH b 1926
based on ST LUKE I. 46-55 in
the *New English Bible*

Postlude *Improvisation*

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Celebrant Father Eric Beresford
Deacon Father Jake Cunliffe
Homilist Father James Shire
Subdeacon Phyllis McCurdy
Director of Music David Simon

A special welcome to Father James Shire and the members of St Thomas, Huron Street, who are joining us for this celebration.

Land acknowledgement for the Church of St Mary Magdalene

We wish to acknowledge this land on which the Church of St Mary Magdalene stands. For thousands of years it has been the traditional land of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, the Huron-Wendat, the Seneca, the Anishinaabe, and the Mississaugas of the Credit. This land is part of the Dish with One Spoon Treaty, and the Two Row Wampum Belt. Today, this meeting place is still home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island, and we are grateful to have the opportunity to care for the plants and creatures provided by the Creator, and to live and worship on this land. (Compiled by Jo-Ann Dawson and Richard Woolrich)