

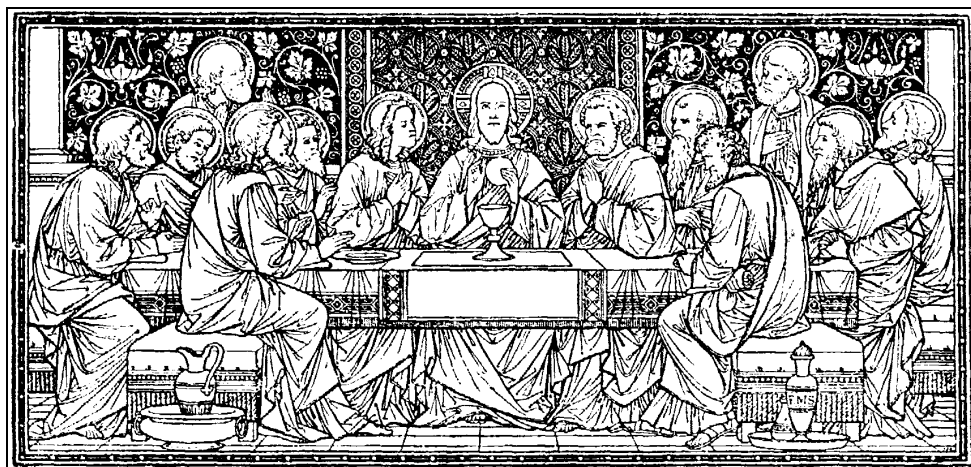
EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER -Roman Canon –see Mass book page 12  
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**Agnus Dei from the Mass by Palestrina**

## K COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Jerusalem surge, et sta in excelso: et *Arise, O Jerusalem, and stand on high,*  
 vide iucunditatem, quae veniet tibi a *and behold the joy that comes to thee*  
 Deo tuo.!

## Communion Motet "Beata es Virgo Maria" by William Byrd (1543-1623)

*Blessed art thou, Virgin Mary, who gave birth to the Creator of all things. thou didst bear the very One Who made thee, and thou remainest for ever a virgin*



## L POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Repleti cibo spiritualis alimoniae, *We who have been satisfied by this spiri-*  
 supplices te, Domine, deprecamur, *tual food humbly beg and beseech Thee, O*  
 ut, huius participatione mysterii, doceas nos *Lod, that through our sharing in this Mys-*  
 terrena sapienter perpendere, et caelestibus *tery, Thou shouldst teach us to weigh*  
 inhaerere. Per Christum dominum nostrum. *wisely the things of earth, and to hold fast*  
 Amen *to the things of heaven.*

## VESPERS AND BENEDICTION

**ARE SUNG HERE TONIGHT AT 7.30 P.M.**

YOU ARE VERY WELCOME TO TAKE THIS SHEET HOME

**PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE THE MASS BOOK**

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Advent enters its second week of preparation for the Coming of our Saviour with the figure of St. John the Baptist, the "Voice crying in the wilderness: Prepare the Way for the Lord".

St. Luke's account of the Baptist places his appearance firmly in history. There is nothing legendary or mythical about the people in the Gospel



Luke is writing. The Roman Emperor Tiberius, the Governor of Judea, Pilate and the others who are mentioned in today's reading are all known to us from history.

St. Luke is saying:

Our Lord and John, His cousin and herald are no less real, no less truly historical persons.

## A INTROIT

Populus Sion, ecce Dominus veniet ad salvandas gentes: et auditam faciet Dominus gloriam vocis suae, in laetitia cordis vestri. *Psalm: Qui regis Israel, intende: qui deducis velut ovem Joseph.*

*People of Sion, behold the Lord shall come to save the nations: and the Lord shall make the glory of His voice to be heard, in the joy of your heart. Psalm: Give ear, O Thou that rulest Israel: Thou hast ledest Joseph like a sheep.*

Introductory rite - see Mass book page 3.

**Kyrie from "Missa Aeterna Christi Munera" by Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594)**

## B COLLECT

Omnipotens et misericors Deus, in tui cursus Filii festinantes nulla opera terreni actus impedian, sed sapientiae caelestis eruditio nos faciat eius esse consortes. Per Dominum nostrum Jesum Christum...saecula saeculorum. Amen

*O Almighty and merciful God, let no worldly deeds detain us as we hasten to meet Thy Son, but may the learning of heavenly wisdom make us sharers of His life.*

## C First Reading is taken from the Baruch.

Jerusalem, take off your dress of sorrow and distress, put on the beauty of the glory of God for ever, wrap the cloak of the integrity of God around you, put the diadem of the glory of the Eternal on your head: since God means to show your splendour to every nation under heaven, since the name God gives you for ever will be, Peace through integrity, and honour through devotedness. Arise, Jerusalem, stand on the heights and turn your eyes to the east: see your sons reassembled from west and east at the command of the Holy One, jubilant that God has remembered them. Though they left you on foot, with enemies for an escort, now God brings them back to you like royal princes carried back in glory. For God has decreed the flattening of each high mountain, of the everlasting hills, the filling of the valleys to make the ground level so that Israel can walk in safety under the glory of God. And the forests and every fragrant tree will provide shade for Israel at the command of God; for God will guide Israel in joy by the light of his glory with his mercy and integrity for escort.

Verbum Domini. **R Deo gratias.**

## D GRADUAL

Ex Sion species decoris eius: Deus manifeste veniet. *Out of Sion comes the loveliness of His beauty: God shall come manifestly.* V. V. Congregate illi sanctos eius, qui ordinauerunt testamentum eius super sacrificia. *Gather together His saints to Him, who have put His covenant before sacrifices*

## E The second reading is taken from St. Paul's Epistle to the Philippians

Every time I pray for all of you, I pray with joy, remembering how you have helped to spread the Good News from the day you first heard it right up to the present. I am quite certain that the One who began this good work in you will see that it is finished when the Day of Christ Jesus comes. God knows how much I miss you all, loving you as Christ Jesus loves you. My prayer is that your love for each other may increase more and more and never stop improving your knowledge and deepening your perception so that you can always recognise what is best. This will help you to become pure and blameless, and prepare you for the Day of Christ, when you will reach the perfect goodness which Jesus Christ produces in us for the glory and praise of God.

Verbum Domini. **R. Deo gratias.**

## F GOSPEL ALLELUIA

Laetatus sum in his quae dicta sunt mihi: in domum Domini ibimus. *I rejoiced at the things that were said to me: We shall go into the house of the Lord.*

## G GOSPEL. A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke

At that time: In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberi-us Caesar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judea, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene, in the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechariah in the wilderness; and he went into all the region about the Jordan, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet, "The voice of one crying in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be brought low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways shall be made smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

Verbum Domini. **R. Laus, tibi Christe.**

## CREDO IV —see Mass Book page 29 or 30

At the end of the Bidding Prayers we sing this ancient prayer to Our Lady.

*We fly to thy protection, O holy Mother of God.*

*Despise not our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us from all dangers, O ever glorious and blessed Virgin.*

7. **S** UB tú-um praesi-di-um confúgimus, \* sáncta Dó-i  
Génitrix : nóstras depre-ca-ti-ónes ne despí-ci-as in ne-ces-  
si-tá-tibus : sed a per-í-cu-lis cúntis líbe-ra nos sem-  
per, Vírgo gló-ri-ó-sa et be- ne-dícta.

## Offertory Motet "Ecce Concipies" by Jacob Händl (1550-1591)

*Behold, thou shalt conceive and bear a son, and shalt call His name "Jesus". He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High God.'*

## H PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Placare, Domine, quaesumus, nostrae precibus humilitatis et hostiis, et, ubi nulla suppetunt suffragia meritorum, tuae nobis indulgentiae succurre praesidiis. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen. *Be pleased, we beseech Thee, O Lord, with our humble prayers and sacrifices, and since our own merits are powerless before Thee, come to our assistance with the aid of Thy merciful kindness.*

## J PREFACE

Vere dignum et iustum est, aequum et salutare, nos tibi semper et ubique gratias agere: Domine, sancte Pater, omnipotens aeternae Deus: per Christum Dominum nostrum. *It is truly meet and right and incumbent upon us for our salvation that we should always and everywhere give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty everlasting God.,*

Qui, primo adventu in humilitate carnis assumptae, dispositionis antiquae munus implevit, nobisque salutis perpetuae tramitem reseravit: ut, cum sedundo venerit in suae gloria maiestatis, manifesto demum munere capiamus, quod vigilantes nunc audemus exspectare promissum. *Who at his first coming humbly took flesh in fulfilment of the ancient covenant and opened up for us the path of eternal salvation, so that when He comes again in the glory of His majesty, we may at last manifestly obtain what now we await in earnest expectation.*

Et ideo cum Angelis et Archangelis, cum Thronis et Dominationibus, cumque omni militia caelestis exercitus, hymnum gloriae tuae canimus, sine fine dicentes: *Wherefore with angels and archangels, with thrones and dominations and with all the company of heaven, we sing the hymn of Thy glory, evermore saying:*

## Sanctus from plainsong Mass XVII

San- ctus, \* San- ctus, San- ctus Dóminus De- us Sá- ba- oth. Ple- ni sunt cae- li et  
ter- ra gló-ri- a tu- a. Ho- sánna in excél- sis. Bene- díctus qui ve- nit in  
nó-mi-ne Dómini. Ho- sánna in excél- sis.