

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER—Roman Canon—see Mass book page 12
 Acclamation after the Consecration—see Mass book page 18
 The Lord's Prayer—see Mass book page 21

The Agnus
 Dei is from.
 Plainsong
 Mass II



K COMMUNION ANTIPHON
 Vidimus stellam eius in Oriente, et *We have seen His star in the East, and are*
 venimus cum muneribus adorare *come with gifts to adore the Lord.*
 Dominum.

Communion Motet "Magi viderunt stellam" by Tomás Luis de Victoria (1548-1611)
"The Magi saw the star, and said one to another "This is the sign of a great king, let us go and find Him, and offer Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh" Alleluia

L POST COMMUNION PRAYER
 Caelesti lumine, quaesumus, Domine,
 semper et ubique nos praevieni, ut mysterium,
 cuius nos participes esse voluisti, et pur-
 cernamus intuitu, et digno percipiamus affectu.
 Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

Go before us, O Lord, we beseech Thee, always and everywhere by Thy heavenly light, so that we may perceive with pure sight the mystery in which Thou wishest us to share, and receive it with worthy hearts

Organ Voluntary: "In dir ist Freude" (In Thee is joy) by J.S. Bach

**YOU ARE REMINDED THAT VESPERS AND BENEDICTION
 WILL BE SUNG HERE TONIGHT AT 7.30 P.M.
 YOU ARE VERY WELCOME TO TAKE THIS SHEET HOME
 WHY NOT TAKE A COPY FOR ANYONE HOUSEBOUND?
 PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE THE MASS BOOK**

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Today we celebrate the 'Manifestation' of the Son of God as man, and as Saviour of the Gentile peoples. Today's feast is centred on the Coming of the Magi, as we hear in the Gospel. They have followed the star as far as it can take them without the further necessary guidance of God's revelation in the Scriptures. So guided, they



find the Lord with His Mother and worship Him, offering their gifts. Note how God allows them not only to find His Son, by using their Reason and Faith, but also allows them to offer Him gifts. We, too, must remember that we must give God the gift of ourselves.

A INTROIT
 Ecce advenit dominator Dominus: et regnum in manu eius, et potestas, et imperium. *Psalm.* Deus, iudicium tuum regi da: et iustitiam tuam filio regis. Reges Tharsis et insulae munera offerent: reges Arabum et Saba dona adducent. Et adorabunt eum omnes reges terrae: omnes gentes servient ei.

Behold the Lord the Ruler is come: and the Kingdom is in His hand, and power, and dominion. Psalm. Give to the king Thy judgement, O God: and to the king's son Thy justice. The Kings of Tharsis and the islands shall offer gifts. The Kings of Araby and Saba shall bring presents. And all the kings of the earth shall adore Him; all peoples shall serve Him.

Introductory rite—see Mass book page 3.
 Kyrie & Gloria from Missa in C by Franz Schubert (1797-1828)

B COLLECT
 Deus, qui hodierna die Unigenitum tuum genitibus stella duce revelasti, concede propitius, ut qui iam te ex fide cognovimus, usque ad contemplandam speciem tuae celsitudinis perducamur. Per Dominum nostrum Jesum Christum.....Per omnia saecula saeculorum. Amen.

O God, who on this day didst reveal Thine Only-begotten Son to the nations by the guiding of a star, grant, we beseech Thee, that we who now know Thee by Faith, may be led to contemplate the beauty of Thy shining.

C First Reading is taken from the prophet Isaiah.
 Arise, shine out, Jerusalem, for your light has come, the glory of the Lord is rising on you, though night still covers the earth and darkness the peoples. Above you the Lord now rises and above you his glory appears. The nations come to your light and kings to your dawning brightness. Lift up your eyes and look round: all are assembling and coming towards you, your sons from far away and your daughters being tenderly carried. At this sight you will grow radiant, your heart throbbing and full; since the riches of the sea will flow to you, the wealth of the nations come to you; camels in throngs will cover you, and dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; everyone in Sheba will come, bringing gold and incense and singing the praise of the Lord.
 Verbum Domini. **R. Deo gratias**

D GRADUAL
 Omnes de Saba venient, aurum et thus deferentes, et laudem Domino annuntiantes. V. Surge, et illuminare Jerusalem: quia gloria Domini super te orta est.

All they from Saba shall come, bringing gold and frankincense and showing forth praise to the Lord. V. Arise and be enlightened, O Jerusalem: for the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.

Second Reading is taken from St. Paul's Epistle to the Corinthians

E You have probably heard how I have been entrusted by God with the grace he meant for you, and that it was by a revelation that I was given the knowledge of the mystery. This mystery that has now been revealed through the Spirit to his holy apostles and prophets was unknown to any men in past generations; it means that pagans now share the same inheritance, that they are parts of the same body, and that the same promise has been made to them, in Christ Jesus, through the Gospel. Verbum Domini. **R. Deo gratias.**

GOSPEL ALLELUIA

F Vidimus stellam eius in Oriente, et venimus cum muneribus adorare Dominum *We have seen His star in the East, and are come with gifts to adore the Lord.*

GOSPEL. A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

G After Jesus had been born at Bethlehem in Judaea during the reign of King Herod, some wise men came to Jerusalem from the east. 'Where is the infant king of the Jews?' they asked. 'We saw his star as it rose and have come to do him homage.' When King Herod heard this he was perturbed, and so was the whole of Jerusalem. He called together all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, and enquired of them where the Christ was to be born. 'At Bethlehem in Judaea,' they told him, 'for this is what the prophet wrote: And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, you are by no means least among the leaders of Judah, for out of you will come a leader who will shepherd my people Israel.' Then Herod summoned the wise men to see him privately. He asked them the exact date on which the star had appeared, and sent them on to Bethlehem. 'Go and find out all about the child,' he said 'and when you have found him, let me know, so that I too may go and do him homage.' Having listened to what the king had to say, they set out. And there in front of them was the star they had seen rising; it went forward and halted over the place where the child was. The sight of the star filled them with delight, and going into the house they saw the child with his mother Mary, and falling to their knees they did him homage. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts of gold and frankincense and myrrh. But they were warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, and returned to their own country by a different way. 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 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 Dé-i Génitrix : nóstras depre-ca-ti-ónes ne despí-ci-as in ne-cessi-tá-tibus : sed a per-í-cu-lis cúntis líbe-ra nos sem-per, Vírgo glo-ri-ó-sa et be- ne-dícta.

Offertory Motet "Orietur stella" by Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

"There shall a star from Jacob come forth and a sceptre from Israel riseth"

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

H Ecclesiae tuae, quaesumus, Domine, dona propitius intueri, quibus non iam aurum, thus et myrrha profertur, sed quod eisdem muneribus declaratur, immolatur et sumitur, Jesus Christus, Dominus noster, qui vivit et regnat in saecula saeculorum. Amen. *Look favourably, we beg Thee, O Lord upon the gifts of Thy Church, by which gold, frankincense and myrrh are no longer laid before Thee, but He is sacrificed and received who by these very gifts was signified, Jesus Christ our Lord..*

PREFACE

J Vere dignum et iustum est, aequum et salutare, nos tibi semper et ubique gratias agere:

Domine, sancte Pater, omnipotens aeternae Deus:

Quia ipsum in Christo salutis nostrae mysterium hodie ad lumen gentium revelasti, et, cum in substantia nostrae mortalitatis apparuit, nova nos immortalitatis eius gloria reparasti.

Et ideo cum Angelis et Archangelis, cun Thronis et Dominationibus, cumque omni militia caelestis exercitus, hymnum gloriae tuae canimus, sine fine dicentes:

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; O Lord, holy Father, almighty everlasting God for Thou didst on this day reveal the very mystery of our salvation in Christ to the enlightening of all peoples, and when he appeared, in the substance of our mortality, didst restore us by the new glory of His immortality.

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 is from the plainsong Mass II

XII-XIII. s.

1. **S** An-ctus, * Sán-ctus, Sán-ctus Dó-minus Dé-us Sába-oth. Pléni sunt caéli et tér-ra gló-ri-a tú-a. Hosánna in excél-sis. Bene-díctus qui vé-nit in nó-mine Dómini. Hosánna in excél-sis.