

St. Mary of Victories Church, 744 South 3rd Street, Saint Louis
In Nativitate Domini, 25 Decembris MMXV
 Christmas Day, Friday, December 25, 2015

Holy Mass in the ordinary form of the Roman Rite, according to the Roman Gradual and the 3rd typical edition of the Roman Missal reformed by Decree of the Second Vatican Council

Instrumental Prelude: (Brende family)

Solemn Proclamation of the Birth of Christ (chanted from the *Roman Martyrology*)

Introit Entrance Antiphon

Puer natus est nobis, et filius datus est nobis: cuius imperium super humerum eius : et vocabitur nomen eius, magni consilii Angelus. **(Ps):** Cantate Domino canticum novum : quia mirabilia fecit. Gloria Patri, et Filio et Spiritui Sancto; sicut erat in principio, et nunc et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen. Puer natus est nobis, et filius datus est nobis: cuius imperium super humerum eius : et vocabitur nomen eius, magni consilii Angelus.

Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given. His dominion rests upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called the Angel of Great Counsel. (Ps): Sing unto the Lord a new song, for he has accomplished wondrous deeds. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given. His dominion rests upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called the Angel of Great Counsel.

Salutatio et Ritus Paenitentialis Greeting & Penitential Rite, *Vatican II Hymnal (V2H)*, pp. 4-5.

Kyrie eleison Mass VIII (*De Angelis*), *Parish Book of Chant (PBC)*, p. 52.

Gloria in excelsis Deo Glory to God in the Highest (*PBC*, pp. 52-53)

Collecta

Opening Prayer

Deus, qui humanae substantiae dignitatem et mirabiliter condidisti, et mirabiliter reformasti, da, quaesumus, nobis eius divinitatis esses consortes, qui humanitatis nostrae fieri dignatus est particeps. Qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitate Spiritus Sancti, Deus, per omnia saecula saeculorum. Amen.

God our Father, in marvelous fashion you established the dignity of the human race, and even more marvelously renewed it. Please grant that we may share in the divinity of him who saw fit to share in our humanity. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Liturgia verbi Liturgy of the Word (*V2H*, pp. 396-398).

Response to the Psalm: “All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.”
 (The music for this Response is on p. 59, *V2H*. bottom line.)

Credo Creed (*Credo III*, *PBC*, p. 77) (Today we kneel at the words “*Et incarnatus est*”.)

Oratio universalis Prayers of the Faithful

Offertory hymn **O Come, All Ye Faithful** (*V2H*, p. 231)

Praeparatio donorum Preparation of the Gifts (*V2H*, pp. 10-13)
(Please respond to the *Orate fratres* by reciting the prayer “**Suscipiat Dominus . . .**” at the top of p. 13.)

Super Oblata

Oblatio tibi sit, Domine, hodiernae sollemnitatis accepta, qua et nostrae reconciliationis processit perfecta placation, et divini cultus nobis est indita plenitudo. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

Prayer over the Gifts

Lord, may what we offer you on the solemn feast we celebrate today be acceptable to you. Through this offering, the perfect atonement needed for our reconciliation to you has been furthered, and the fullness of divine worship has been given to us. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prefex Eucharistica Eucharistic Prayer: Opening Dialogue (*V2H*, p. 13)

Praefatio I de Nativitate

Vere dignum et iustum est, aequum et salutare, nos tibi semper et ubique gratias agere, Domine, sancte Pater, omnipotens aeternae Deus: Quia per incarnati Verbi mysterium nova mentis nostrae oculis lux tuae claritatis infulsit: ut, dum visibiliter Deum cognoscimus, per hunc in invisibilium amorem rapiamur. Et ideo, cum Angelis et Archangelis, cum Thronis et Dominationibus, cumque omnia militia caelestic exercitus, hymnum gloriae tuae canimus, sine fine dicentes: ‘Sanctus’, *PBC*, p. 53]

First Preface of Christmas

*It is truly fitting and just, right and salutary, that we give you thanks always and everywhere, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. For, by means of the mystery of your Word enfleshed, a new degree of the radiance of your own splendor has been added to what our mind’s eye perceives, so that in coming to know this God who has become visible, we might also through him be swept up into a love of things invisible. Thus, in company with the Angels, the Archangels, the Thrones, the Dominations, in company with the entire host of the heavenly army, we sing our song of praise to your glory, chanting without ceasing: [followed by ‘Sanctus’, *PBC*, p. 53]*

Canon Romanus Roman Canon (1st Eucharistic Prayer) (*V2H*, pp. 20-25)

Ritus Communionis Communion Rite (*V2H*, pp. 14-17)

Agnus Dei Lamb of God (*PBC*, p. 54)

Antiphona ad Communionem Communion Antiphon (chanted by schola): Psalm 97: 3

Viderunt omnes fines terrae salutare Dei nostri.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation that comes from our God

Post-Communion Antiphon *Hodie Christus natus est* (chanted by schola) PBC, p. 137 (or V2H, p. 234)

Post Communionem

Praesta, misericors Deus, ut natus hodie Salvator mundi, sicut divinae nobis generationis est auctor, ita et immortalitatis sit ipse largitor. Qui vivit et regnat in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

Merciful God, the Savior of the world has been born this day. Grant that, just as he has been the source of our divine rebirth, so may he grant us life everlasting. For he lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.

Ritus Conclusionis Concluding Rite (V2H, p.18-19)

Benedictio sollemnis in Nativitate Domini

Deus infinitae bonitatis, qui incarnatione Filii sui mundi tenebras effugavit, et eius gloriosa nativitate hanc diem sacratissimam irradiavit, effuget a vobis tenebras vitiorum, et irradiet corda vestra luce virtutum.

R. Amen.

Quique eius salutiferae nativitatis gaudium magnum pastoribus ab Angelo voluit nuntiari, ipse mentes vestras suo gaudio impleat, et vos Evangelii sui nuntios efficiat.

R. Amen.

Et qui, per eius incarnationem terrena caelestibus sociavit, dono vos suae pacis et bonae repleat voluntatis, et vos faciat Ecclesiae consortes esse caelestis.

R. Amen.

Et benedictio Dei omnipotentis, Patris, et Filii, et Spiritus Sancti, descendat super vos et maneat semper.

R. Amen.

Recessional Hymn Joy to the World (V2H, p. 232)

Instrumental Postlude: (Brende family)

Solemn Christmas Blessing

May the God of infinite goodness, who has dispelled the world's darkness through the incarnation of his Son and brightened this most holy day by his glorious birth, dispel from your hearts the darkness of vice and make them radiant with the light of virtue.

R. Amen

And may God, by whose will an Angel announced to the shepherds the great joy of Christ's saving birth, fill your souls with joy and lead you to become heralds of his Gospel.

R. Amen

And may he who, through the incarnation, has joined the things of heaven to those of earth fill you with the gifts of his peace and good will, and bring you to fellowship with the Church in heaven.

R. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, come down upon you and remain with you forever.

R. Amen