

Nativity of the Lord Mass at Dawn



St. Joseph Catholic Church,
Mishawaka, IN
Dec. 25th, 2020, 9:15am

Organ Prelude: Nun Komm, der Heiden Heiland, BWV 659 - J.S. Bach

Bell: [STAND]

Introit: ALL JOIN after music has stopped

The Lord said to me: You are my Son.
It is I who have begotten you this day.

Ps. 2: 7

Greeting

V. In the name of the Father,
And of the Son,
And of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your Spirit.

Penitential Act

V. Brethren (Brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins,
and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

Confiteor

R. I Confess to almighty God
And to you, my brothers and sisters,
That I have greatly sinned,
In my thoughts and in my words,
In what I have done and in what I have failed to do,
(All strike their breast as they say)

Through my fault, through my fault,
Through my most grievous fault;

Therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
All the Angels and Saints,
And you, my brothers and sisters,
To pray for me to the Lord our God.

V. May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

R. Amen

Kyrie (Cantor only—Mass IX)

Kyrie Eleison
Christe Eleison
Kyrie Eleison

Gloria: (Cantor only—Mass IX)

R. Glory to God in the highest
And on earth, peace to people
Of good will.
We Praise you.
We Bless you.
We Adore you.
We Glorify you.
We give you thanks
For your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly king,
O God, Almighty Father.
Lord, Jesus Christ, Only-Begotten Son
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father
You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One.
You alone are the Lord.
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
In the Glory of God the Father.
Amen.

Collect

O God, who have made this most sacred night
radiant with the splendor of the true light,
grant, we pray, that we, who have known the mysteries of his
light on earth,
may also delight in his gladness in heaven.
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.
R. Amen.

Reading 1 - Is 9: 1-6

The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;
upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom
a light has shone.
You have brought them abundant joy
and great rejoicing,
as they rejoice before you as at the harvest,

as people make merry when dividing spoils.
For the yoke that burdened them,
the pole on their shoulder,
and the rod of their taskmaster
you have smashed, as on the day of Midian.
For every boot that tramped in battle,
every cloak rolled in blood,
will be burned as fuel for flames.
For a child is born to us, a son is given us;
upon his shoulder dominion rests.
They name him Wonder-Counselor, God-Hero,
Father-Forever, Prince of Peace.
His dominion is vast
and forever peaceful,
from David's throne, and over his kingdom,
which he confirms and sustains
by judgment and justice,
both now and forever.
The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this!

L. The Word of the Lord
R. Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm – Ps 96: 1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13

[Respond & Acclaim, OCP]

R. Today is born our Savior, Christ the Lord.

Sing to the LORD a new song;
sing to the LORD, all you lands.
Sing to the LORD; bless his name.

Announce his salvation, day after day.
Tell his glory among the nations;
among all peoples, his wondrous deeds.

Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice;
let the sea and what fills it resound;
let the plains be joyful and all that is in them!
Then shall all the trees of the forest exult.

They shall exult before the LORD, for he comes;
for he comes to rule the earth.
He shall rule the world with justice
and the peoples with his constancy.

R. Today is born our Savior, Christ the Lord.

Reading 2 – Ti 2: 11-14

Beloved:

The grace of God has appeared, saving all
and training us to reject godless ways and worldly desires
and to live temperately, justly, and devoutly in this age,
as we await the blessed hope,
the appearance of the glory of our great God
and savior Jesus Christ,
who gave himself for us to deliver us from all lawlessness
and to cleanse for himself a people as his own,
eager to do what is good.

V. The Word of the Lord

R. Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation: Lk 2: 10-11

[Respond & Acclaim, OCP]

I proclaim to you good news of great joy:
today a Savior is born for us,
Christ the Lord.

Gospel – Lk 2: 1-14

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

V. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus
that the whole world should be enrolled.
This was the first enrollment,
when Quirinius was governor of Syria.
So all went to be enrolled, each to his own town.
And Joseph too went up from Galilee from the town of Nazareth
to Judea, to the city of David that is called Bethlehem,
because he was of the house and family of David,
to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child.
While they were there,
the time came for her to have her child,
and she gave birth to her firstborn son.
She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger,
because there was no room for them in the inn.
Now there were shepherds in that region living in the fields
and keeping the night watch over their flock.
The angel of the Lord appeared to them
and the glory of the Lord shone around them,
and they were struck with great fear.

The angel said to them,
“Do not be afraid;
for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy
that will be for all the people.
For today in the city of David
a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord.
And this will be a sign for you:
you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes
and lying in a manger.”
And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel,
praising God and saying:
“Glory to God in the highest
and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.”

V. The Gospel of the Lord.
R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Profession of Faith (Nicene Creed)

I believe in one God,
The Father almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
Of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
The only Begotten Son of God,
Born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
True God from true God,
Begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
Through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
He came down from heaven,

At the words that follow, up to and including “and became man,” ALL KNEEL

And by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
And became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
He suffered death and was buried,
And rose again on the third day
In accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
And is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
To judge the living and the dead
And his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
Who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
Who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
And I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
And the life of the world to come. Amen.

Universal Prayer (Prayer of the Faithful)

Please respond: "Lord, hear our prayer."

Offertory Antiphon: ALL JOIN [right after sitting down]

Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice before the Lord,
for he comes.

Ps 96: 11a, 13a

Preparation of the Gifts

V. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters),
That my sacrifice and yours
May be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands
For the praise and glory of his name,
For our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Prayer over the Offerings

May the oblation of this day's feast
be pleasing to you, O Lord, we pray,
that through this most holy exchange
we may be found in the likeness of Christ,
in whom our nature is united to you.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

Preface: Preface I of the Nativity: Christ the Light (or another preface of the Nativity)

V. The Lord be with you.
R. And with your spirit.

V. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For in the mystery of the Word made flesh
a new light of your glory has shone upon the eyes of our mind,
so that, as we recognize in him God made visible,
we may be caught up through him in love of things invisible.

And so, with Angels and Archangels,
with Thrones and Dominions,
and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven,
we sing the hymn of your glory,
as without end we acclaim:

[Cantor only, Mass IX]

R. Holy, Holy, Holy,
Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Memorial Acclamation:

R. We proclaim your death, O Lord,
and profess your resurrection,
until you come again.

Doxology

V. Through him, and with him, and in him,
O God, almighty Father,
In the unity of the Holy Spirit,
All glory and honor is yours,
For ever and ever.

R. Amen

Our Father

V. At the Savior's command
And formed by divine teaching,

We dare to say:

R. Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.

V. Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
Graciously grant peace in our days,
That, by the help of your mercy,
We may be always free from sin and safe from all distress,
As we await the blessed hope
And the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

R. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
Now and forever.

Sign of peace

V. Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles:
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you,
Look not on our sins
but on the faith of your church
and graciously grant her peace and unity
in accordance with your will.
Who live and reign for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

V. The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

R. And with your Spirit.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.	Cantor Only
Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.	Mass IX
Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, Grant us peace	

Invitation to share in Holy Communion:

V. Behold the Lamb of God,
Behold him who takes away the sins of the world.

Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

R. Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
But only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Communion Antiphon: ALL JOIN [right after bell]

The Word became flesh,
And we have seen his glory.

Jn 1: 14

Prayer for Vocations

Priest:

Let us ask God to give worthy Priests, Brothers,
and Sisters to His Holy Church.

ALL:

O God, we earnestly beseech Thee
To bless this diocese
with many Priests, Brothers, and Sisters,
who will gladly spend their entire lives to serve Thy Church
and to make Thee known and loved.

Priest:

Bless our families; bless our children.

ALL:

Choose from our homes those who are needed for Thy work.
Amen.

Priest:

Mary, Queen of the clergy
And Blessed Joseph her spouse:

ALL:

Pray for us;
Pray for our priests and religious;
Obtain for us many more.
Amen.

Prayer after Communion

Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God,
that we, who are gladdened by participation
in the feast of our Redeemer's Nativity,
may through an honorable way of life become worthy of union with
him.

Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

Dismissal

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

Solemn Blessing

V. May the God of infinite goodness,
who by the Incarnation of his Son
has driven darkness from the world
and by that glorious Birth has illumined this most holy night (day),
drive far from you the darkness of vice
and illumine your hearts with the light of virtue.

R. Amen.

V. May God, who willed that the great joy
of his Son's saving Birth
be announced to shepherds by the Angel,
fill your minds with the gladness he gives
and make you heralds of his Gospel.

R. Amen.

V. And may God, who by the Incarnation
brought together the earthly and heavenly realm,
fill you with the gift of his peace and favor
and make you sharers with the Church in heaven.

R. Amen.

V. And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, X and the Holy Spirit,
come down on you and remain with you for ever.

R. Amen.

OR

V. May Almighty God bless you,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit [make sign of cross]

R. Amen

V: Go forth, the Mass is ended.

R: Thanks be to God.

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle,
be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him we humbly pray;
and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host,
by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all evil spirits who prowl
about the world seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.

Marian Antiphon: Alma Redemptoris Mater (For Advent through Candlemas)

ALL JOIN

Loving mother of the Redeemer,
gate of heaven, star of the sea,
assist your people who have fallen yet strive to rise again,
To the wonderment of nature you bore your Creator,
yet remained a virgin after as before,
You who received Gabriel's joyful greeting,
have pity on us poor sinners.

Organ Postlude: In Dulci Jubilo, BWV 729 - J.S. Bach

Sunday Masses:

Sat 4:30pm (check bulletin for gym Mass)
Sun 7:15am,
9:15am (check bulletin for gym Mass)
& 11:15am

Daily Masses:

Mon-Sat 7:00am
Wed 5:30pm
Mon 5:30pm (EF Latin Low Mass)

Confession:

Mon-Sat 7:30am
Tues 5:30pm
Wed 5:00pm – 5:20pm
Sat 9:30am – 10:15am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Mon-Sat 7:30-8:30am
Tues 5:30-6:30pm (with Benediction)