

Please Stand

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in the battle, be our defense 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, thrust into Hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH

1. An - gels we have heard on high Sweet - ly sing - ing  
 2. Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous  
 3. Come to Beth - le - hem and see Him whose birth the  
 4. See him in a man - ger laid. Whom the choirs of

o'er the plains, And the moun - tains in re - ply  
 strains pro - long? Say what may the tid - ings be,  
 an - gels sing; Come a - dore, on bend - ed knee,  
 an - gels praise; Mar - y, Jo - seph, lend your aid.

Ech - o back their joy - ous strains.  
 Which in - spire your heav'n - ly song.  
 Christ, the Lord, the new - born King.  
 While our hearts in love we raise.

Glo - ri - a

in ex - cel - sis De - o, Glo - ri - a

ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.

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The Feast of

# The Holy Family

December, 27<sup>TH</sup> 2020

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:  
 The shepherds went in haste,  
 and found Mary and Joseph and the Infant lying in a manger.  
*Luke 2:16*



Welcome to St. Nicholas! Please help us to preserve the sanctity of this time and space by maintaining a reverent **silence** before and after the liturgy.

JOY TO THE WORLD

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- Joy to the world! The Lord is come Let earth receive her King; Let every heart prepare him room, And heav'n and nature sing, And heav'n and nature sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.
- Joy to the world! The Savior reigns; Le us our songs employ; While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy.
- He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the nations prove The glories of his righteousness, And wonders of his love, And wonders of his love, And wonders, wonders of his love.

GREETING **R:** And with your Spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

GLORIA

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.

Please Sit

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Genesis 15: 1-6; 21: 1-3

*"I will make your reward very great"*

Responsorial: Psalm 105: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9

**R.** The Lord re - mem - bers his cov - e - nant for ev - er.

Second Reading: Hebrews 11: 8, 11-12, 17-19

*"Abraham obeyed when he was called.."*

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GOSPEL

℟: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets; in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son. Hebrews 1: 1-2

Luke 2: 22-40

“Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many...”

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HOMILY

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THE PROFESSION OF FAITH

Niceno-Constantinopolitan 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,

(bow) 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.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

℟: Lord, hear our prayer.

Please Sit

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Altar

Refrain: Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,  
Nowell, Born is the King of Israel.

1. The first Nowell, the angel did say,  
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields  
as they lay; In fields where they lay  
keeping their sheep, On a cold winter's  
night that was so deep.

2. They looked up and saw a star  
Shining in the east, beyond them far;  
and to the earth it gave great light, and  
so it continued both day and night.

3. And by the light of that same star  
Three wise men came from country far;  
to seek for a king was their intent, And  
to follow the start wherever it went.

THE FIRST NOWELL

4. This star drew nigh to the northwest,  
O'er Bethlehem it took its rest, And  
there it did both stop and stay. Right  
over the place were Jesus lay.

5. Then entered in those wisemen three,  
Full reverently upon the knee, And  
offered there, in his presence, Their  
gold and myrrh and frankincense.

6. Then let us all with on accord Sing  
praises to our heavenly Lord; Who with  
the Father we adore And Spirit blest  
forever more.

Please Stand

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy...

Please Kneel

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Priest: The Mystery of Faith

All: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death or Lord, until you come again

Please Stand

GREAT AMEN

AGNUS DEI

Please Kneel

At the Conclusion of Lamb of God please kneel

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:  
Our God has appeared on the earth, and lived among us. Baruch 3: 38

COMMUNION HYMN:

BREAD OF LIFE



Bread of life, hope of the world, Je-sus Christ, our broth - er:



feed us now, give us life, lead us to one an - oth - er.



3. A child is born for us, a son is giv'n to us, In our  
4. With our own eyes we see, with our own ears we hear The sal-  
5. You are the hope of all, our prom-ise and our call, Ra-diant



3. midst, Christ, our Lord and God comes as one who serves.  
4. va - tion of all the world, God's in - car - nate Word.  
5. light in our dark - ness, truth to set us free.

After Receiving  
communion,  
Please  
**Kneel**  
or sit