

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Opening Song: O Jordan's Bank G 451

1 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
announces that the Lord is nigh.
Awake and harken, for he brings
glad tidings of the King of kings!

2 Then cleansed be every life from sin:
make straight the way for God within,
and let us all our hearts prepare
for Christ to come and enter there.

3 We hail you as our Savior, Lord,
our refuge and our great reward.
Without your grace we waste away
like flowers that wither and decay.

4 Stretch forth your hand, our health restore,
and make us rise to fall no more.
O let your face upon us shine
and fill the world with love divine.

5 All praise to you, eternal Son,
whose advent has our freedom won,
whom with the Father we adore,
and Holy Spirit, evermore.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

C.L.O.W. Dismissal (9 a.m. only): Seek Ye First **G 715**

Psalms 85: *Show us, O LORD, your mercy, and grant us your salvation.*

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Second Reading: 2 Peter 3:8-14

Gospel Acclamation: Advent Gospel Acclamation (Wright)

Gospel: Mark 1:1-8

Homily

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Dismissal of Catechumens (10:30 a.m. Mass): Go Now in Peace **G 125**

Preparation of Gifts & Altar: Creator of the Stars of Night **G 458**

1 Creator of the stars of night,
your people's everlasting light,
O Christ, Redeemer of us all,
we pray you, hear us when we call.

2 In sorrow that the ancient curse
should doom to death a universe,
you came to save a ruined race
with healing gifts of heav'nly grace.

3 When earth drew on to darkest night,
you came, but not in splendor bright,
not as a king, but the child
of Mary, virgin mother mild.

4 At your great name, majestic now,
all knees must bend, all hearts must bow;
all things on earth with one accord
join those in heav'n to call you Lord.

5 To God the Father, God the Son,
and God the Spirit, Three in One,
praise, honor, might, and glory be
from age to age eternally.

Eucharistic Acclamations: Missa Emmanuel **G 419-421**

Holy- When we eat- Amen

COMMUNION RITE

Our Father

Lamb of God: Mass of New Wine (Jakob)

Communion Song: Come to Us, O Emmanuel **G 469**

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469 Gift of God

Refrain

All.

Christmas: Gift of God, O Em-man-u-el. Gift of God, O Em-
 Advent: Come to us, O Em-man-u-el. Come to us, O Em-

Christmas Verses

Last time *Cantor.*

man-u-el. 1. Word of mer-cy, word of jus-tice;
 man-u-el. 2. In the still-ness of the night-fall;
 3. You are bread for all who hun-ger;
 4. With the shep-herds and the an-gels;
 5. To a world of strife and con-flict;
 6. To a world of grief and sad-ness;
 7. To a world that yearns for mean-ing;
 8. Let the stars of night-time praise you:

All. *Cantor.*

Gift of God, O Em-man-u-el. Word of proph-ets, word of
 Come to us, O Em-man-u-el. In the still-ness of each
 You are drink for all the
 With the an-a-wim and
 To a world of fears and
 To a world of pain and
 To a world of man-y
 Let the ho-ly dark-ness

All. *Cantor.*

po-ets: Gift of God, O Em-man-u-el. Ho-ly
 heart-beat: Come to us, O Em-man-u-el. In the
 thirst-ing: You are
 Ma-gi: We lift
 ha-treds: Comes the
 suf-f'ring: Comes the
 hun-gers: Comes the
 praise you: Let cre-

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Word of God made flesh.
 si-lence, you are here.
 sac-ri-fice and feast.
 up our prayers to you.
 gen-tle Prince of Peace.
 hope of joy re-newed.
 Liv-ing Bread of Life.
 a-tion join in song.

Advent Verses

1. Come, O Wisdom, breathe within us:
 Come, O mighty, tender Teacher:
 Come, and show us how to live.
2. Come, O Lord, of ancient Israel:
 You who lead us through the desert:
 Come, and set your people free.
3. Come, O Root of Jesse's lineage:
 Come, O ruler of all nations:
 Come, and be our Savior sure.
4. Come, O Holy Key of David:
 Come, and open hearts to knowledge:
 Come, and break the chains of death.
5. Come, O Radiant Sun of Justice:
 Come, and shine on those in darkness:
 All who dwell in shades of death.
6. Come, O Light of all the nations:
 Come, bright Morning Star of new hope:
 Come, and shine among us here.
7. Come, O Living Flame of Freedom:
 Living hope of our redemption:
 Come, and lead us to new life.

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CONCLUDING RITE

Dismissal Chant: People Look East **G 447**

1. People, look east. The time is near
Of the crowning of the year.
Make your house fair as you are able,
Trim the hearth and set the table.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the guest, is on the way.

2. Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare,
One more seed is planted there:
Give up your strength the seed to nourish,
That in course the flower may flourish.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the rose, is on the way.

3. Birds, though you long have ceased to build,
Guard the nest that must be filled.
Even the hour when wings are frozen
God for fledging time has chosen.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the bird, is on the way.

4. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim
One more light the bowl shall brim,
Shining beyond the frosty weather,
Bright as sun and moon together.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the star, is on the way.

5. Angels, announce with shouts of mirth
Christ who brings new life to earth.
Set every peak and valley humming
With the word, the Lord is coming.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the Lord, is on the way.

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