

# THE CHURCH of the IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

† The Second Sunday of Advent • December 4, 2022 †

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### PRAYER for the DECEASED

Lector: Eternal rest grant

unto them, O Lord

All:

And let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



## INTRODUCTORY RITES

**OPENING HYMN:** O COME, O COME EMMANUEL

VENI, VENI EMMANUEL, CHANT MODE I

3. O come, O come, Thou Lord of might, Who to thy tribes on Sinai's height In ancient times didst give the law, In cloud and majesty and awe. **R** 

4. O come, Thou Rod of Jesse's stem, From every foe deliver them That trust thy mighty power to save, And give them victory over the grave.  $\hat{\mathbf{R}}$ 



**GREETING** 

PENITENTIAL RITE



# THE LITURGY of the WORD

FIRST READING

ISAIAH 11:1-10

On that day, a shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse, and from his roots a bud shall blossom. The spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him: a spirit of wisdom and of understanding, a spirit of counsel and of strength, a spirit of knowledge and of fear of the LORD, and his delight shall be the fear of the LORD. Not by appearance shall he judge, nor by hearsay shall he decide, but he shall judge the poor with justice, and decide aright for the land's afflicted. He shall strike the ruthless with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall slay the wicked. Justice shall be the band around his waist, and faithfulness a belt upon his hips. Then the wolf shall be a guest of the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; the calf and the young lion shall browse together, with a little child to guide them. The cow and the bear shall be neighbors, together their young shall rest; the lion shall eat hay like the ox. The baby shall play by the cobra's den, and the child lay his hand on the adder's lair. There shall be no harm or ruin on all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be filled with knowledge of the LORD, as water covers the sea. On that day, the root of Jesse, set up as a signal for the nations, the Gentiles shall seek out, for his dwelling shall be glorious.



MICHAEL JONCAS



- 1. Your ways, O Lord, make known to me; teach me your paths. Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my savior. R
- 2. Good and upright is the Lord; thus he shows sinners the way. The humble he guides to justice; he teaches the humble his way. **R**
- 3. Kindness and constancy the paths of the Lord for those who keep covenant with him. The friendship of the Lord with those who revere him, his covenant for their instruction.  $\hat{\mathbf{R}}$

SECOND READING ROMANS 15:4-9

Brothers and sisters: Whatever was written previously was written for our instruction, that by endurance and by the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to think in harmony with one another, in keeping with Christ Jesus, that with one accord you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, then, as Christ welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I

say that Christ became a minister of the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, to confirm the promises to the patriarchs, but so that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written: THEREFORE, I WILL PRAISE YOU AMONG THE GENTILES AND SING PRAISES TO YOUR NAME.

#### ADVENT GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ANDREW WRIGHT



Al- le- lu- ia, al- le- lu- ia

### THE GOSPEL of the LORD

MATTHEW 3:1-12

John the Baptist appeared, preaching in the desert of Judea and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!" It was of him that the prophet Isaiah had spoken when he said: A VOICE OF ONE CRYING OUT IN THE DESERT, PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD, MAKE STRAIGHT HIS PATHS. John wore clothing made of camel's hair and had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. At that time Jerusalem, all Judea, and the whole region around the Jordan were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River as they acknowledged their sins. When he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Produce good fruit as evidence of your repentance. And do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I tell you, God can raise up children to Abraham from these stones. Even now the ax lies at the root of the trees. Therefore every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire. I am baptizing you with water, for repentance, but the one who is coming after me is mightier than I. I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fan is in his hand. He will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

#### HOMILY

PROFESSION of FAITH

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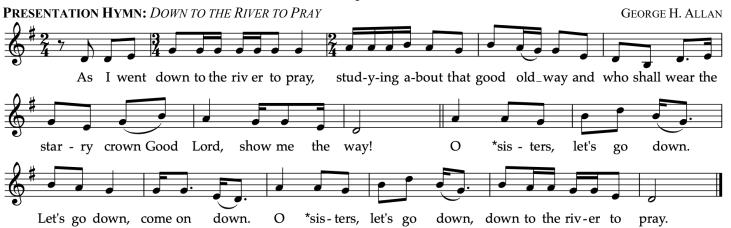
I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with 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. Amen.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

R: Lord, hear our prayer



# THE LITURGY of the EUCHARIST



\*brothers, fathers, mothers, sinners



CHOIR MEDITATION: LO, HOW A ROSE E'ER BLOOMING

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5. When life's great jour-ney ends,

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1. Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming From tender stem hath sprung! Of Jesse's lineage coming As men of old have sung. It came, a flower bright, Amid the cold of winter When half-gone was the night.

and cloud by day,

and day is done,

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then may our eyes

2. Isaiah 'twas foretold it, The Rose I have in mind: With Mary we behold it, The virgin mother kind. To show God's love aright She bore to men a Savior When half-gone was the night.

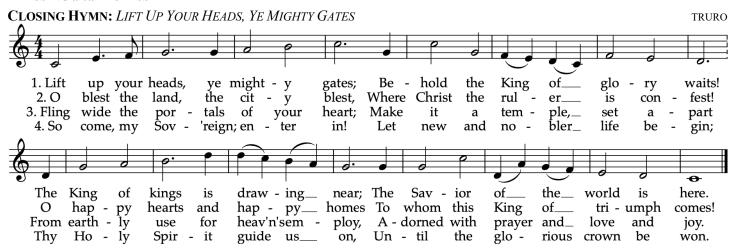
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#### **BLESSING** and **DISMISSAL**





## SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST PREACHING TO THE MASSES IN THE WILDERNESS

Pieter Brueghel the Younger (1564–1638)

<u>UPCOMING MUSIC MINISTRY EVENTS</u>	
12/8/22	Feast of the Immaculate Conception 6:00PM @ IC
12/21/22	Tri-Parish Penance Service 7:00PM @ IC
12/24/22	Christmas Eve Mass 4:00PM @ IC
12/24/22	Christmas Vigil Mass 6:00PM @ OLG
12/24/22	Christmas Midnight Mass 9:00PM @ SJ
12/25/22	Christmas Morning Mass 9:00AM @ IC
12/25/22	Christmas Day Mass 10:30AM @ SJ

In thanksgiving for all those at our liturgy who Preside at our prayer, welcome God's people, proclaim God's word, lead and inspire us in song, serve at our liturgy, prepare our liturgy and worship space, minister the Holy Eucharist, and for all who pray and celebrate with us this day.

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