



St. Gregory the Great

South Ruislip

06/12/2020

Year B / Ordinary Time / Purple

2nd Sunday of Advent

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

1. ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Stand

O people of Sion, behold,
the Lord will come to save the nations,
and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard
in the joy of your heart.

All make the Sign of the Cross as the Priest says:
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of
the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Priest greets everyone present.

The people reply: And with your spirit.

2. PENITENTIAL ACT

The Priest invites the people to repentance.
Alternatively, the Rite for the Blessing and
Sprinkling of Water may be used.

**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,**

And, striking their breast, 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.**

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

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
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4. THE COLLECT

Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God,
may no earthly undertaking hinder those

who set out in haste to meet your Son,
but may our learning of heavenly wisdom
gain us admittance to his company.
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the
Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

All sit

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

5. FIRST READING

(Isaiah 40: 1-5,9-11)

‘Console my people, console them’
says your God.

‘Speak to the heart of Jerusalem
and call to her that her time of service is ended,
that her sin is atoned for, that she has received
from the hand of the Lord double punishment for
all her crimes.’

A voice cries, ‘Prepare in the wilderness
a way for the Lord.

Make a straight highway for our God
across the desert.

Let every valley be filled in,
every mountain and hill be laid low.

Let every cliff become a plain,
and the ridges a valley;

then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed
and all mankind shall see it;

for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.’

Go up on a high mountain,
joyful messenger to Zion.

Shout with a loud voice,

joyful messenger to Jerusalem.

Shout without fear,

say to the towns of Judah,

‘Here is your God.’

Here is the Lord coming with power,
his arm subduing all things to him.

The prize of his victory is with him,
his trophies all go before him.

He is like a shepherd feeding his flock,
gathering lambs in his arms,

holding them against his breast
and leading to their rest the mother ewes.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

6. RESPONSORIAL PSALM **Psalm 84(85):9-14(Advent)**

**Let us see, O Lord, your mercy, and give us
your saving help.**

I will hear what the Lord God has to say,
a voice that speaks of peace,
peace for his people.
His help is near for those who fear him
and his glory will dwell in our land.

Mercy and faithfulness have met;
justice and peace have embraced.
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth
and justice look down from heaven.

The Lord will make us prosper
and our earth shall yield its fruit.
Justice shall march before him
and peace shall follow his steps.

7. SECOND READING (Peter 3:8-14)

There is one thing, my friends, that you must never forget: that with the Lord, 'a day' can mean a thousand years, and a thousand years is like a day. The Lord is not being slow to carry out his promises, as anybody else might be called slow; but he is being patient with you all, wanting nobody to be lost and everybody to be brought to change his ways. The Day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then with a roar the sky will vanish, the elements will catch fire and fall apart, the earth and all that it contains will be burnt up.

Since everything is coming to an end like this, you should be living holy and saintly lives while you wait and long for the Day of God to come, when the sky will dissolve in flames and the elements melt in the heat. What we are waiting for is what he promised: the new heavens and new earth, the place where righteousness will be at home. So then, my friends, while you are waiting, do your best to live lives without spot or stain so that he will find you at peace.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

All Stand

The assembly stands to say the Gospel Acclamation to welcome the Gospel. Then remain standing in honour of the Gospel reading, the high point of the Liturgy of the Word.

8. GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Prepare a way for the Lord,
make his paths straight,
and all mankind shall see the salvation of
God.
Alleluia!

9. GOSPEL (Mark 1:1-8)

The beginning of the Good News about Jesus Christ, the Son of God. It is written in the book of the prophet Isaiah:

Look, I am going to send my messenger before you; he will prepare your way.
A voice cries in the wilderness:
Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight.

and so it was that John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. All Judaea and all the people of Jerusalem made their way to him, and as they were baptised by him in the river Jordan they confessed their sins. John wore a garment of camel-skin, and he lived on locusts and wild honey. In the course of his preaching he said, 'Someone is following me, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to kneel down and undo the strap of his sandals. I have baptised you with water, but he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit.'

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

10. THE 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 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.

11. THE PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Lord, Hear our prayer.

After the conclusion prayer all say: **Amen.**

Sit

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink

Blessed be God for ever.

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

The people reply:

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.

12. PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Prayer over the Offerings

Be pleased, O Lord, with our humble prayers and offerings, and, since we have no merits to plead our cause, come, we pray, to our rescue with the protection of your mercy. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

13. THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right and just.

Preface

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.

Kneel

The mystery of faith.

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

Doxology

Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

Amen.

14. THE COMMUNION RITE

The Lord's Prayer

At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

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.

The Priest alone continues, saying:

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 Saviour, Jesus Christ.

The people conclude the prayer, acclaiming:

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

Then the Priest alone says aloud:

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. **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And with your spirit.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

During the breaking of the host the following is said:

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Kneel

The Priest shows the host to the people and says:

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.

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

15. COMMUNION ANTIPHON Bar 5: 5; 4: 36

Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights, and behold the joy which comes to you from God.

The Priest or other minister says to each communicant:

The Body [Blood] of Christ.

The communicant replies:

Amen.

16. PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Replenished by the food of spiritual nourishment, we humbly beseech you, O Lord, that, through our partaking in this mystery, you may teach us to judge wisely the things of earth and hold firm to the things of heaven. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Blessing

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Dismissal

Then the Deacon, or the Priest himself, says:

Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

Thanks be to God.

Sanctuary Lights

6th December to 13th December

Francis Bailey (RIP)

Mass Intentions for

6th December to 13th December 2020

Sunday 6th December

2nd Sunday of Advent

5.30 pm(Sat) James Reilly (RIP)

10.00 am Steve Howley (RIP)

12 noon Colin O'Brien (RIP)

6.00 pm Gretta Mythen (RIP)

Monday 7th December

St. Ambrose

10.00 am Josie Lambert (Intentions)

6.00 pm Rosary

Tuesday 8th December

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

10.00 am Tim Downey (Birthday Intentions)

6.00 pm Rosary

7.00 pm All the People of the Parish

Wednesday 9th December

10.00 am Anne O'Sullivan (RIP)

12 noon **Funeral Mass**

Maisie Connolly (RIP)

6.00 pm Rosary

Thursday 10th December

NO MASS HERE TODAY

Church will also be closed.

Friday 11th December

10.00 am Patrick Walsh (RIP)

6.00 pm Rosary

Saturday 12th December

10.00 am Gillian Burke (Intentions)

NEXT WEEKEND 13th December 2020

3rd Sunday of Advent

5.30 pm (Sat) Donal O'Sullivan (RIP)

10.00 am Andrew, April & Bert Howe (RIP)

12 noon Francis & Clara Silva Rosa (RIP)

6.00 pm Donal Farrell (RIP)