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THE PRESENTATION  
*Of the Lord*

*Also called the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

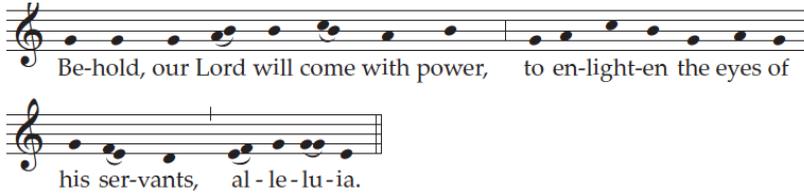


PROCESSION, BLESSING OF  
CANDLES & HIGH MASS



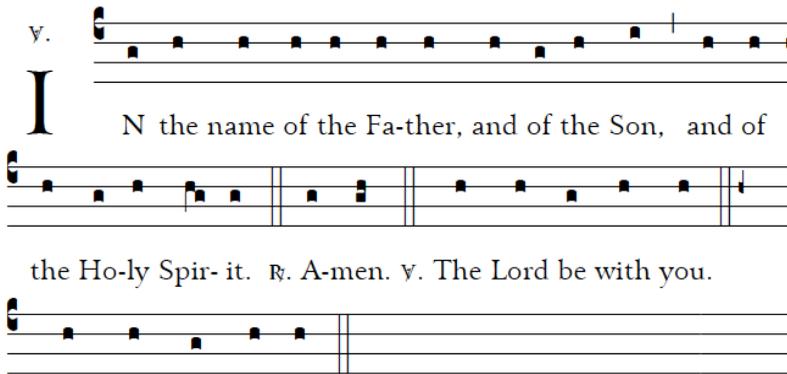
## THE BLESSING OF CANDLES AND PROCESSION

The people Gather at the back of the church with candles. As the Altar party enters the following is sung by the schola.



Be-hold, our Lord will come with power, to en-light-en the eyes of  
his ser-vants, al-le-lu-ia.

### GREETING



v. **I**N the name of the Fa-ther, and of the Son, and of  
the Ho-ly Spir-it. R. A-men. v. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spir-it.

Dear brothers and sisters, forty days have passed since we celebrated the joyful feast of the Nativity of the Lord. Today is the blessed day when Jesus was presented in the Temple by Mary and Joseph. Outwardly he was fulfilling the Law, but in reality he was coming to meet his believing people. Prompted by the Holy Spirit, Simeon and Anna came to the Temple.

Enlightened by the same Spirit, they recognized the Lord and confessed him with exultation.

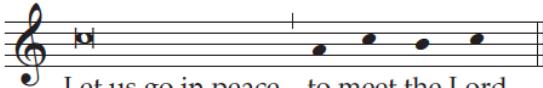
So let us also, gathered together by the Holy Spirit, proceed to the house of God to encounter Christ. There we shall find him and recognize him in the breaking of the bread, until he comes again, revealed in glory.

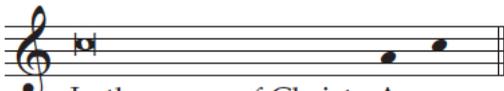
After the address the Priest blesses the candles, saying, with hands extended:

Let us pray.

**O** God, source and origin of all light, who on this day showed to the just man Simeon the Light for revelation to the Gentiles, we humbly ask that, in answer to your people's prayers, you may be pleased to sanctify with your blessing ✠ these candles, which we are eager to carry in praise of your name, so that, treading the path of virtue, we may reach that light which never fails. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### THE PROCESSION

V:  Let us go in peace to meet the Lord.

R:  In the name of Christ. A-men.

**H**ail to the Lord who comes,  
comes to his temple gate!  
Not with his angel host,  
not in his kingly state;  
no shouts proclaim him nigh,  
no crowds his coming wait;

2. But, borne upon the throne  
of Mary's gentle breast,  
watched by her duteous love,  
in her fond arms at rest;  
thus to his Father's house  
he comes, the heav'nly Guest.

3. There Joseph at her side  
in reverent wonder stands,  
and, filled with holy joy,  
old Simeon in his hands  
takes up the promised Child,  
the glory of all lands.

4. Hail to the great First-born  
whose ransom-price they pay!  
The Son before all worlds,  
the Child of man today,  
that he might ransom us  
who still in bondage lay.

O Light of all the earth,  
thy children wait for thee!  
come to thy temples here,  
that we, from sin set free,  
before thy Father's face  
may all presented be!

The Mass continues with the Gloria

### GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glor \_\_\_\_\_ ri - a!

In ex - cel - sis de - - - o!

### THE COLLECT

**A**lmighty ever-living God,  
we humbly implore your majesty  
that, just as your Only Begotten Son  
was presented on this day in the Temple  
in the substance of our flesh,  
so, by your grace,  
we may be presented to you with minds made pure.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for  
ever and ever. **Amen.**

### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*SIT*  
FIRST READING

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Who is this king of glo - ry? It is the Lord!

SECOND READING

The word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

STAND

*Alleluia! Your words, O Lord are spirit and life.  
Alleluia! Open our hearts to your word.*

The first good joy that Mary had, it was the joy of one.  
To see the blessed Jesus Christ when he was first her Son.

The next good joy that Mary had, it was the joy of two.  
To see her own son Jesus Christ, making the lame to go.

The next good joy that Mary had it was the joy of three.  
To see her own son Jesus Christ, making the blind to see.

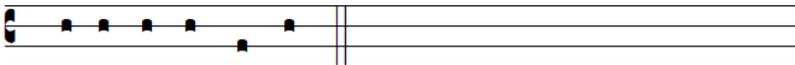
THE HOLY GOSPEL

v. 

**T** He Lord be with you. R. And with your spir- it.



v. A reading from the holy Gospel according to *N*.



R. Glo-ry to you, O Lord.



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.

## THE PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Lord, hear us

OR

Lord, in your mercy.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

**Hear our prayer.**

## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

### PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND THE GIFTS

**O**f the Father's heart begotten  
Ere the world from chaos rose,  
He is Alpha: from that Fountain,  
All that is and hath been flows;  
He is Omega, of all things  
Yet to come the mystic Close,  
*Evermore and evermore.*

2. By his word was all created;  
He commanded and 'twas done;  
Earth and sky and boundless ocean,  
Universe of three in one,  
All that sees the moon's soft radiance,  
All that breathes beneath the sun,  
*Evermore and evermore.*

3. He assumed this mortal body,  
Frail and feeble, doomed to die,  
That the race from dust created  
Might not perish utterly,  
Which the dreadful Law had sentenced  
In the depths of hell to lie,  
*Evermore and evermore.*

4. O how blest that wondrous birthday,  
When the Maid the curse retrieved,  
Brought to birth mankind's salvation,  
By the Holy Ghost conceived,  
And the Babe, the world's Redeemer,  
In her loving arms received,  
*Evermore and evermore.*

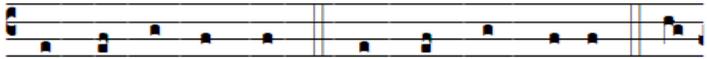
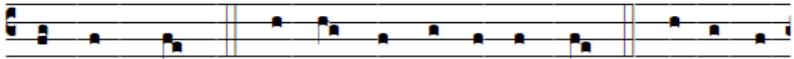
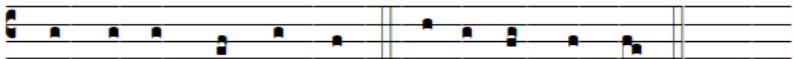
5. This is he, whom seer and sybil  
 Sang in ages long gone by;  
 This is he of old revealed  
 In the page of prophecy;  
 Lo! he comes, the promised Saviour;  
 Let the world his praises cry!  
*Evermore and evermore.*

6. Sing, ye heights of heaven, his praises;  
 Angels and Archangels, sing!  
 Wheresoe'er ye be, ye faithful,  
 Let your joyous anthems ring,  
 Every tongue his name confessing,  
 Countless voices answering,  
*Evermore and evermore.*

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

**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.**

PREFACE DIALOGUE

Y.   
**T** He Lord be with you. R. And with your spir-it. 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.

*The celebrant continues with the Eucharistic prayer until we sing:*

5  
Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord. Lord, God of Hosts. Heav'n and earth are

10  
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bles - sed is He who comes,

15  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san

19  
na. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*We all KNEEL as the Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.*

*After the Lord's words are said over the bread and the cup we use the following response:*

The Mystery of Faith:

O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him Christ the Lord.

At the end of prayer we all sing:

**Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER  
STAND

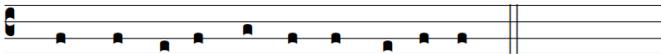
At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

**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.**

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.

**For the Kingdom, the power  
and the glory are yours  
Now and for ever.**

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.

*Then, if appropriate, the Deacon, or the Priest, adds:*

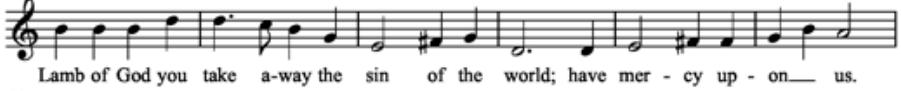


∇. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

## AGNUS DEI



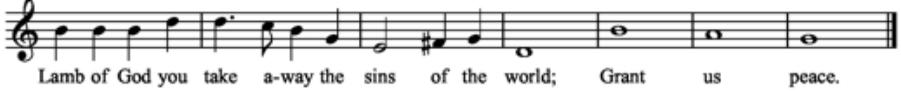
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## COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are 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.**

*When offered the Host and the Chalice or when given a blessing the response is always:*

**Amen.**

## DURING HOLY COMMUNION

**T**he race that long in darkness pined  
have seen a glorious light;  
the people dwell in day, who dwelt  
in death's surrounding night.

2. To hail thy rise, thou better Sun,  
the gathering nations come,  
joyous as when the reapers bear  
the harvest-treasures home.

3. To us a Child of hope is born,  
to us a Son is given;  
him shall the tribes of earth obey,  
him all the hosts of heaven.

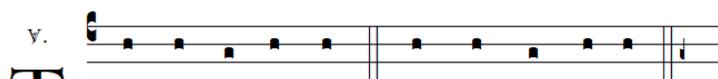
4. His name shall be the Prince of Peace  
for evermore adored,  
the Wonderful, the Counsellor,  
the great and mighty Lord

His power increasing still shall spread,  
his reign no end shall know;  
justice shall guard his throne above  
and peace abound below.

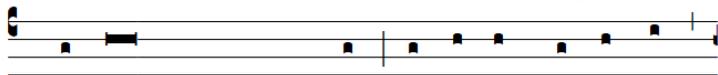
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION  
STAND

THE CONCLUDING RITES

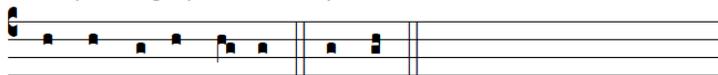
BLESSING



**T** He Lord be with you. *R.* And with your spir- it.

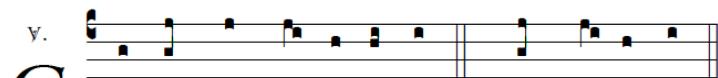


v. May almighty God bless you, the Fa-ther, and the Son, ✠



and the Ho-ly Spir- it. *R.* A-men.

DISMISSAL



**G** O forth, the Mass is end-ed. *R.* Thanks be to God.

FINAL HYMN

**L**onging for light, we wait in darkness.  
Longing for truth, we turn to you.  
Make us your own, your holy people,  
light for the world to see.

*Christ, be our light!  
Shine in our hearts.  
Shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light!  
Shine in your church gathered today.*

2. Longing for peace, our world is troubled.  
Longing for hope, many despair.  
Your word alone has power to save us.  
Make us your living voice.  
*Christ, be our light ....*

3. Longing for food, many are hungry.  
Longing for water, many still thirst.  
Make us your bread, broken for others,  
shared until all are fed.  
*Christ, be our light ....*

4. Longing for shelter, many are homeless.  
Longing for warmth, many are cold.  
Make us your building, sheltering others,  
walls made of living stone.  
*Christ, be our light ....*

5. Many the gifts, many the people,  
many the hearts that yearn to belong.  
Let us be servants to one another,  
making your kingdom come.  
*Christ, be our light ....*





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