



All Saints
Twickenham

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Also known as

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.
IN 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.

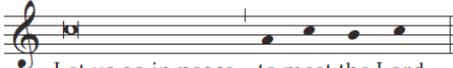
So let us also, gathered together by the Holy Spirit, proceed to the house of God to encounter Christ. There we shall find him and recognize him in the breaking of the bread, until he comes again, revealed in glory.

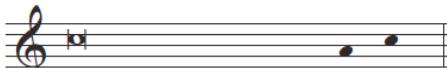
After the address the Priest blesses the candles, saying, with hands extended:

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.

Hail 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!

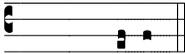
The Mass continues with the Gloria

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



THE COLLECT

Almighty 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.



All: **A-men.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

SIT
FIRST READING

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM



SECOND READING

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

STAND

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

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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.

At the end the reader says

v. The Gos-pel of the Lord. R. Praise to you, Lord Je- sus Christ.

THE HOMILY
SIT

THE PROFESSION OF FAITH
STAND

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,
*and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary
and became man.*

BOW

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.

THE PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Lord, hear us
Lord, graciously hear us.

OR

Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

Hail Mary, full of grace the Lord is with thee, blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now, and at the hour of our death. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND THE GIFTS

Of 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.

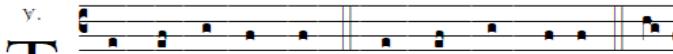
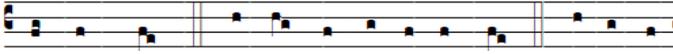
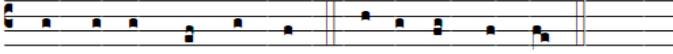
PRAYER OVER THE OBLATION

To which we respond:



All: Amen

PREFACE DIALOGUE

v.
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 the prayer the priest sings or says the conclusion we respond:



All: A - men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER
STAND

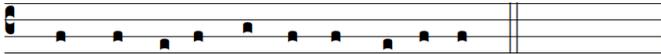
At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

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.

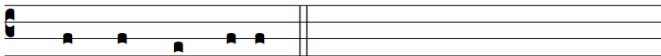
Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

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

5
Lamb of God you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy up - on us.

11
Lamb of God you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy up - on us.

17
Lamb of God you take a-way the sins of the world; Grant us peace.

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

The 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.

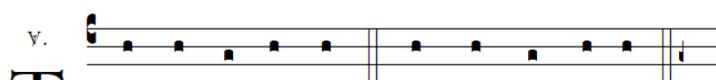
4. His name shall be the Prince of Peace
for evermore adored,
the Wonderful, the Counsellor,
the great and mighty Lord

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

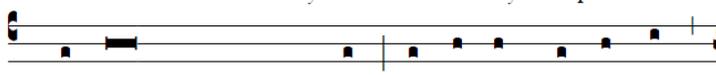
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
STAND

THE CONCLUDING RITES

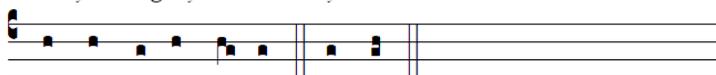
BLESSING



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

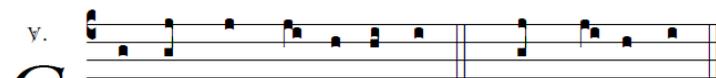


v. May almighty God bless you, the Fa-ther, and the Son, ✠



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

DISMISSAL



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

The Altar Party go to the shrine of our Lady; we turn and face it and honour her and sing:

Mother of Christ, hear thou thy people's cry
Star of the sea and Portal of the sky!
Mother of Him who thee from nothing made.
Sinking we strive and call to thee for aid:
O, by what joy which Gabriel brought to thee,
Thou Virgin first and last, thy mercy see.

V: The Angel of the Lord announced unto Mary.

R. **And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.**

Let us pray

Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts: that as we have known the incarnation of Thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an Angel, so too by His Cross and passion may we be brought to the glory of His resurrection. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FINAL HYMN

Longing 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

