

ST. FRANCIS POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace! — St. Francis

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CHRISTMAS DAY

Saturday, December 25, 2010

9:00 AM - Celebration of the Eucharist

Niech Bedze pochwalony Jezus Chrystus.

R/. Na wieki, wiekow Amen.

Praised be the Lord, Jesus Christ.

R/. Now and forever. Amen.

ENTRANCE HYMN - "O Come All Yee Faithful"

CONTEMPORARY RITE - Mass Book pg. 63

READING I - How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings glad tidings, announcing peace, bearing good news, announcing salvation, and saying to Zion, "Your God is King!"

Hark! Your sentinels raise a cry, together they shout for joy, for they see directly, before their eyes, the LORD restoring Zion. Break out together in song, O ruins of Jerusalem! For the LORD comforts his people, he redeems Jerusalem. The LORD has bared his holy arm in the sight of all the nations; all the ends of the earth will behold the salvation of our God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6

R. All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

Sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done wondrous deeds; his right hand has won victory for him, his holy arm.

R. All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

The LORD has made his salvation known: in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice. He has remembered his kindness and his faithfulness toward the house of Israel.

R. All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation by our God. Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands; break into song; sing praise.

R. All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

Sing praise to the LORD with the harp, with the harp and melodious song. With trumpets and the sound of the horn sing joyfully before the King, the LORD.

R. All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

READING II - Hebrews 1:1-6

Brothers and sisters: In times past, God spoke in partial and various ways to our ancestors through the prophets; in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son, whom he made heir of all things and through whom he created the universe, who is the refulgence of his glory, the very imprint of his being, and who sustains all things by his mighty word. When he had accomplished purification from sins, he took his seat at the right hand of the Majesty on high, as far superior to the angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. For to which of the angels did

God ever say: You are my son; this day I have begotten you? Or again: I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me? And again, when he leads the firstborn into the world, he says: Let all the angels of God worship him.

GOSPEL - John 1:1-18

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came to be through him, and without him nothing came to be. What came to be through him was life, and this life was the light of the human race; the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. A man named John was sent from God.

He came for testimony, to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came to be through him, but the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, but his own people did not accept him. But to those who did accept him he gave power to become children of God, to those who believe in his name, who were born not by natural generation nor by human choice nor by a man's decision but of God. And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us, and we saw his glory, the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth. John testified to him and cried out, saying, "This was he of whom I said, 'The one who is coming after me ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.'" From his fullness we have all received, grace in place of grace, because while the law was given through Moses, grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. The only Son, God, who is at the Father's side, has revealed him. This is the gospel of the Lord. R/: Praise be to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS - RESPONSE -

Lord Hear Our Prayer!

OFFERTORY HYMN - "Hark the Herald Angels Sing"

OUR FATHER - page 95

COMMUNION HYMNS - "Away in A Manger" and "Tidings of Greatest Joy"

RECESSIONAL HYMN - "Christ Is Born"



Christmas Celebration

Entrance Hymn

O COME ALL YEE FAITHFUL

O come all ye faithful, joyful & triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem,
Come and behold Him, Born the King of Angels

Refrain: O come let us adore Him,
O come let us adore Him,
O come let us adore Him,
Christ the Lord!

Sing choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
Sing all ye citizens of heaven above!

Glory to God, All glory in the highest

Repeat Refrain

Blessing of Manger

Cicha Noc /Silent Night

Cicha noc, święta noc,
Wszystko śpi atoli,
Czuwa Józef i Marya,
Kiedy Boska dziecina,
W błogim pokoju śpi,
W błogim pokoju śpi.



Silent night, Holy night!
All is clam, all is bright!
'Round yon Virgin Mother and Child
Holy Infant so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace, —
Sleep in heavenly peace!

Offertory Hymn

HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING

Hark! The herald angels sing—
Glory to the new born king!
Peace on earth and mercy mild.
God and sinners reconciled!
Joyful, all ye nations rise,
Join the triumph of the skies,
With angelic host proclaim,
Christ is born in Bethlehem!

Chorus: Hark! the herald angels sing
Glory to the newborn King.

Communion Hymns

AWAY IN A MANGER (when everyone is seated)

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed.
The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head;
The stars in the sky looked down where He lay,
The little Lord Jesus, asleep in the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the poor Babe awakes,
But little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes;
I love Thee Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky,
and stay by my cradle 'til morning is nigh.

TIDINGS OF GREATEST JOY

Tidings of Greatest Joy, All Brethren Heeding
This Child of Heaven's Realm, Join me in Greeting!

Chorus: Blessed Joy Wondrous Tidings,
Where is This Child Abiding?
Tell us and we would Haste to see,
This Wondrous Child!

Heavenly host of God, His birth announces.
Glory to God on high, and peace pronounces.

Repeat Chorus

Born Unto us this child, of maiden lowly
Wrapped all in swaddling clothes, Infant so Holy.

Repeat Chorus

Recessional Hymn

CHRIST IS BORN!

Christ is born, sing the joyful tidings;
Christ is born, God has sent his blessings!

Chorus: Twice Come rejoice, ye men of earth,
Now proclaim the Savior's birth!

Christ is born, Christ is born, Christ is born!

