Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord 24th December 2020

First Reading: Is 9:1-7

A son is given to us.

The people that walked in darkness has seen a great light; on those who live in a land of deep shadow a light has shone. You have made their gladness greater, you have made their joy increase; they rejoice in your presence as men rejoice at harvest time, as men are happy when they are dividing the spoils. For the yoke that was weighing on him, the bar across his shoulders, the rod of his oppressor, these you break as on the day of Midian. For all the footgear of battle, every cloak rolled in blood, is burnt and consumed by fire. For there is a child born for us, a son given to us and dominion is laid on his shoulders; and this is the name they give him: Wonder-Counsellor, Mighty-God, Eternal-Father, Prince-of-Peace. Wide is his dominion in a peace that has no end, for the throne of David and for his royal power, which he establishes and makes secure in justice and integrity. From this time onwards and for ever, the jealous love of the Lord of hosts will do this.

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 95:1-3. 11-13 R. Lk 2:11 R/ Today is born our Saviour, Christ the Lord.

Second Reading: Ti 2:11-14

God's grace has been revealed to all people.

God's grace has been revealed, and it has made salvation possible for the whole human race and taught us that what we have to do is to give up everything that does not lead to God, and all our worldly ambitions; we must be self-restrained and live good and religious lives here in this present world, while we are waiting in hope for the blessing which will come with the Appearing of the glory of our great God and saviour Christ Jesus. He sacrificed himself for us in order to set us free from all wickedness and to purify a people so that it could be his very own and would have no ambition except to do good.

The Word of Lord

Gospel Acclamation: Luke 2:10-11

Alleluia, Alleluia! Good News and great joy to all the world: today is born our Saviour, Christ the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 2:1-14

Today a saviour has been born for you.

Caesar Augustus issued a decree for a census of the whole world to be taken. This census – the first – took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria, and everyone went to his own town to be registered. So Joseph set out from the town of Nazareth in Galilee and travelled up to Judaea, to the town of David called Bethlehem, since he was of David's House and line, in order to be registered together with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. While they were there the time came for her to have her child, and she gave birth to a son, her first-born. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger because there was no room for them at the inn. In the country-side close by there were shepherds who lived in the fields and took it in turns to watch their flocks during the night. The angel of the Lord appeared to them and the glory of the Lord shone round them. They were terrified, but the angel said, 'Do not be afraid. Listen, I bring you news of great joy, a joy to be shared by the whole people. Today in the town of David a saviour has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. And here is a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger.' And suddenly with the angel there was a great throng of the heavenly host, praising God and singing:

'Glory to God in the highest heaven and peace to men who enjoy his favour.'

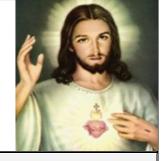
The Gospel of the Lord



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Weekend Masses:

Saturday: 6:00pm **Sunday:** 9:00am (*Italian*), 10:30 am, 6:00 pm

Weekday Masses:

Monday to Friday: 9.10am

Healing Mass: 1st Thursday of the month at 1.30pm

Devotional Practices:

Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament: Wednesday after

9.10am Mass

Holy Rosary: Thursday (English)

Reconciliation:

Weekdays: 30 minutes before Mass or by appointment

By appointment only

Family Mass Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord 24th December 2020

The First Noel

The first Noel the angel did say

Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay In fields where they lay keeping their sheep On a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Noel, Noel

Noel, Noel

Born is the King of Israel

They looked up and saw a star Shining in the east beyond them far And to the earth it gave great light And so it continued both day and night.

Noel, Noel

Noel, Noel

Born is the King of Israel.

And by the light of that same star Three wise men came from country far To seek for a king was their intent And to follow the star wherever it went.

Noel, Noel Noel, Noel

Born is the King of Israel.

This star drew nigh to the northwest O'er Bethlehem it took its rest And there it did both stop and stay Right over the place where Jesus lay.

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel

Born is the King of Israel.

Then entered in those wise men three Full rev'rently upon their knee And offered there in His presence Their gold and myrrh and frankincense.

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel

Born is the King of Israel.

Then let us all with one accord
Sing praises to our Heavenly Lord
That hath made heaven and earth of nought
And with His blood mankind hath bought.

For a spell or two no one seems
This comes to pass when a child
It's all a dream, an illusion now.
It will come true sometime soon

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel

Born is the King of Israel.

When a Child is born

A ray of hope flickers in the sky A tiny star lights up way up high. All across the land dawns a brand new morn. This comes to pass when a child is born.

A silent wish sails the seven seas.

The winds of change whisper in the trees.

And the walls of doubt crumble tossed and torn.

This comes to pass when a child is born.

A rosy hue settles all around. You got the feel you're on solid ground. For a spell or two no one seems forlorn. This comes to pass when a child is born.

It's all a dream, an illusion now.
It will come true sometime soon somehow.
Far across the land dawns a brand new morn.
This comes to pass when a child is born.

O Come All Ye Faithful

O come, all ye faithful, Joyful and triumphant, O come ye! O come ye to Bethlehem. Come and behold him, born the King of angels!

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. O sing, all you citizens of heaven above! Glory to God, all glory in the highest!

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

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning; Jesus, to Thee be glory given; Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing.

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

Angels We Have Heard on High

Angels we have heard on high Sweetly singing o'er the plains; And the mountains in reply Echoing their joyous strains.

Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Shepherds, why this Jubilee? why your rapturious strain prolong? what may the gladsome tiding be which inspire your heav'nly song?

Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Come to Bethlehem and see Him whose birth the angels sing, Come adore on bended knee Christ the Lord, the new born King.

Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo.

See him in a manger laid, Whom the choirs of angels praise. Mary. Joseph, lend your aid while our hearts in love we raise.

Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Away in a Manger

Away in a manger
No crib for a bed
The little Lord Jesus
Laid down His sweet head
The stars in the bright sky
Looked down where He lay
The little Lord Jesus
Asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing
The baby awakes
But little Lord Jesus
No crying He makes
I love Thee Lord Jesus
Look down from the sky
And stay by my side
Until morning is nigh.

Be near me Lord Jesus I ask Thee to stay Close by me forever And love me I pray Bless all the dear children In Thy tender care And fit us for heaven To live with Thee there.

Do You Hear What I Hear?

Said the night wind to the little lamb Do you see what I see? (Do you see what I see?) Way up in the sky, little lamb Do you see what I see? (Do you see what I see?)

A star, a star, dancing in the night With a tail as big as a kite With a tail as big as a kite

Said the little lamb to the shepherd boy Do you hear what I hear? (Do you hear what I hear?) Ringing through the sky, shepherd boy Do you hear what I hear? (Do you hear what I hear?)

A song, a song high above the trees With a voice as big as the sea With a voice as big as the sea

Said the shepherd boy to the mighty king
Do you know what I know? (Do you know what I know?)
In your palace warm, mighty king
Do you know what I know? (Do you know what I know?)

A Child, a Child shivers in the cold Let us bring him silver and gold Let us bring him silver and gold

Said the king to the people everywhere Listen to what I say! (Listen to what I say!) Pray for peace, people, everywhere

Listen to what I say! (Listen to what I say!)

The Child, the Child sleeping in the night He will bring us goodness and light



Long time ago in Bethlehem so the Holy Bible say, Mary's Boy Child Jesus Christ was born on Christmas day.

Hark now hear the angels sing A new King born today, And we shall live forever more Because of Christmas Day.

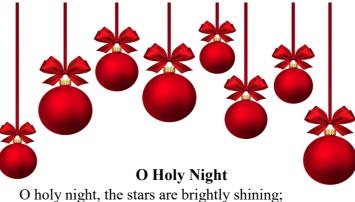
While shepherds watch their flock by night They see a bright new shining star They hear a choir of angels sing The music seemed to come from afar. Now Joseph and his wife Mary, Came to Bethlehem that night, They found no place to bear her child Not a single room in sight.

Hark now hear the angel sing A new King born today, And we shall live forever more Because of Christmas Day.

By and by they found a little nook In a stable all forlorn And in a manger cold and dark Mary's little boy was born.

Hark now hear the angel sing A new King born today, And we shall live forever more Because of Christmas Day. Trumpets sound and angels sing Listen to what they say That we shall live forever more Because of Christmas Day.





O holy night, the stars are brightly shining; It is the night of the dear Saviour's birth. Long lay the world in sin and error pining Till He appeared and the Spirit felt its worth.

A thrill of hope, the weary world rejoices, For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn. Fall on your knees! Oh hear the angel voices! O night divine! O night when Christ was born. O night divine! O night, O night divine!

Led by the light of faith serenely beaming, With glowing hearts by His cradle we stand. So led by light, a star is sweetly gleaming, Here came the wise men from Orient land.

The King of kings, lay thus in lowly manger; In all our trials born to be our friend. He knows our need, our weakness is n o stranger, Behold your King! Before Him lowly bend! Behold your King! Before Him lowly bend!

Truly he taught us to love one another. His law is love and his gospel is peace. Chains shall he break for the slave he is our brother, And in His name all oppression shall cease.

Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we, Let all within us praise Hs holy name. Christ is the Lord! O praise His name forever! His power and glory evermore proclaim, His power and glory evermore proclaim

Joy to the World!

Joy to the world! The Lord is come.
Let earth receive her King.
Let every heart prepare Him room.
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n and heav'n and nature sing.

Joy to the world! The Saviour reigns. Let all their songs employ. While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the nations prove The glories of His righteousness And wonders of His love, And wonders of His love, And wonders, wonders of His love.

Silent Night

Silent night, holy night,
All is calm, all is bright,
'Round yon Virgin, Mother and Child,
Holy Infant so tender and mild;
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight
Glories stream from heaven afar
Heavenly hosts sing alleluia!
Christ the Saviour is born,
Christ the Saviour is born.

Silent night, holy night.
Son of God love's pure light.
Radiant beams from thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord at thy birth,



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