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TOMORROW, Thursday, December 26, Mattins at 9:30 am, Mass at 10:00 am.

On **Sunday, December 29**, Christmas I, morning Eucharists are at the normal times of 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 am. No Evensong.

The Feast of the Epiphany with Procession & Solemn Eucharist will be celebrated on Monday, **January 6** at 6:15 pm.

On **Sunday, January 12**, The Baptism of Our Lord will be celebrated, with **Solemn Evensong with Epiphany Carols and Procession** at 7:00 pm

Ordinary Weekday Introit: Isaiah 9: Psalm 98
Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given /
and the government shall be upon his shoulder:
and his name shall be called, Angel of mighty
counsel. (Ps) O sing unto the Lord a new song:
for he hath done marvellous things. Glory be...
[Repeat Antiphon]

THURSDAY (26) **HOLY DAY** (Red) 10:00 am
Saint Stephen the Martyr
Pr Bk Propers, page 108
Introit: Ps 119, pt 3; Gradual: Ps 119, pt 21
Please note—there will be no Evensong

FRIDAY (27) **HOLY DAY** (White) 5:30 pm
Saint John the Evangelist
Pr Bk Propers, page 110
Introit: Ps 92.1-4; Gradual: Ps 92.12-15

SATURDAY (28) **HOLY DAY** (Red) 10:00 am
The Holy Innocents
Pr Bk Propers, page 111
Introit: Ps 8.1-2; Gradual: Ps 124.5-7

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Saint Thomas's Church

(Congregation Established 1874)

Joyous Christmas : Joyeux Noël
Christmas Day

December 25, 2019

Christmas Day

EARLY EUCHARIST AT EIGHT O'CLOCK

Plain Celebration: Prayer Book, pages 67-86

Propers, page 107, Introit: Psalm 98.1-4; Gradual: Psalm 98.5-7

SUNG EUCHARIST AT HALF-PAST NINE

Book of Alternative Services Rite

Music of the Mass: Community Mass, *Richard Proulx*

Greeting

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Revised Common Lectionary

Homily: Fr Brinton

Creed

The Prayers of the People (*as announced*)

Confession & Absolution & the Peace

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn 81 'Angels, from the realms of glory'

REGENT SQUARE

Eucharistic Prayer no. 3

Our Father, etc.

Communion Motet: 'In the bleak mid-winter'

Harold Darke

In the bleak mid-winter Frosty wind made moan, Earth stood hard as iron, Water like a stone; Snow had fallen, snow on snow, Snow on snow, In the bleak mid-winter Long ago. Our God, Heav'n cannot hold him Nor earth sustain; Heav'n and earth shall flee away When he comes to reign: In the bleak mid-winter A stable place sufficed The Lord God Almighty Jesus Christ. Enough for him, whom cherubim Worship night and day, A breastful of milk And a mangerful of hay; Enough for him whom angels Fall down before, The ox and ass and camel Which adore. What can I give him, Poor as I am? If I were a shepherd I would bring a lamb, If I were a Wise Man I would do my part, Yet what I can I give him, Give my heart.

Christina Rossetti 1830-94

Hymn 361 'Joy to the world!'

ANTIOCH

Prayer after Communion, Blessing & Dismissal

MORNING PRAYER (MATTINS) AT HALF-PAST TEN

Prayer Book, pages 6-11, 107, Psalm 45; Isaiah 9.2-7 & Matthew 1.18-25

SOLEMN EUCHARIST AT ELEVEN O’CLOCK

Music of the Mass: Missa ‘Corde natus ex parentis,’ Healey Willan

Prelude: The Holy boy

Entrance Hymn 75 ‘O come, all ye faithful’ vv.1 & 2

John Ireland

ADESTE FIDELES

Station at the Crib

V/ The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.

R/ And we beheld his glory.

O God the Son, highest and holiest, who didst humble thyself to share our birth and our death: Bring us with the shepherds and the wise men to kneel before thy lowly cradle, that we may come to sing with thine angels thy glorious praises in heaven; where with the Father and the Holy Spirit thou livest and reignest God world without end. *Amen.*

The Entrance Hymn continues: 75 ‘O come, all ye faithful’ vv. 3-5

ADESTE FIDELES

Please kneel for the Kyrie Eleison, then stand for

Gloria in Excelsis (*Prayer Book, page 86*)

Missa de Angelis

Remain standing for Collect of the Day.

First Reading: Isaiah 52.7-10

Psalm: 98 1-6 - *Cantate Domino*

Tone I,2

Second Reading: Hebrews 1.1-12

Sequence Hymn 823 (AOH 11) "From east to west"

CHRISTE REDEMPTOR

Gospel: John 1.1-14

Homily: Fr Brinton

Offertory Hymn 82 ‘O little town of Bethlehem’

FOREST GREEN

*The people sit at the conclusion of the hymn
and stand again as the thurifer approaches for the censuring.*

Prayer over the Gifts

Intercessions (*please stand, kneel, or sit*) R / Lord, hear our prayer

Invitation, Confession and Absolution (*pages 76-77*)

Sursum Corda, Sanctus & Benedictus (*pages 78-81*)

Eucharistic Prayer (*pages 82-83*)

The Lord’s Prayer (*page 85*)

Merbecke

Prayer of Humble Access & Agnus Dei (*pages 83 & 84*)

Communion Hymn 81 ‘Angels from the realms of glory’

LARKIN

Motet: ‘O magnum mysterium’

Tomas Luis de Victoria

How great and wonderful a mystery that beasts should behold the new-born LORD lying in their stall!. Blessèd is the Virgin whose body was counted worthy to bear the LORD JESUS CHRIST. Alleluia! Alleluia!

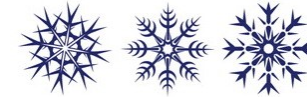
Prayer after Communion & Blessing (*page 85 & 86*)

Hymn 77 ‘Hark! the herald angels sing’

Postlude: Noël Suisse

*MENDELSSOHN
Louis-Claude Daquin*

***Please join us for refreshments in the Parish Hall
following the Service.***



Flowers and the Decorations in the Church
on Christmas Day are the gift of the congregation.
Please pick up your copy of the Christmas Flower Memorial Card.



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