

Saint Thomas's Huron Street Toronto



A Procession with Carols in The Season of Epiphany

during the course of

SOLEMN EVENSONG AND DEVOTIONS

at seven o'clock pm

*THE ORDER for Evensong begins with the
opening Versicles and Responses.*

- V. O LORD, open thou our lips;
R. And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.
V. O GOD, make speed to save us;
R. O LORD, make haste to help us.

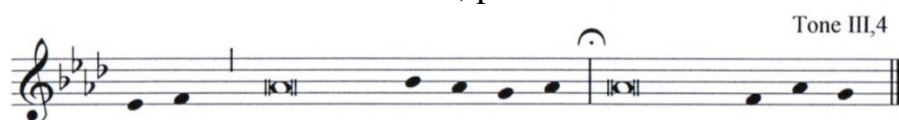
GLORY BE to the FATHER, and to the SON : and to the HOLY GHOST;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be :
world without end. Amen.

- V. PRAISE ye the Lord;
R. THE Lord's Name be praised.

INVITATORY HYMN
Hostis Herodis impie

- HOW VAIN the cruel Herod's fear
When told that CHRIST the King is near!
He takes not earthly realms away,
Who gives the realms that ne'er decay.
- 2 The eastern sages saw from far
And followed on his guiding star;
By light their way to Light they trod,
And by their gifts confessed their GOD.
- 3 Within the Jordan's sacred flood
The heavenly Lamb in meekness stood,
That he, to whom no sin was known,
Might cleanse his people from their own.
- 4 And O what miracle divine,
When water reddened into wine!
He spake the word, and forth it flowed
In streams that nature ne'er bestowed.
- 5 All glory, JESU, be to thee
For this thy glad Epiphany:
Whom with the FATHER we adore
And HOLY GHOST for evermore.

Psalm 119, pts 1 & 2



Please be seated after the first verse

- 1 BLESS-ED are those that are unde-**fi**-led in the way, and walk in the law **of** the LORD.
- 2 Blessèd are they that keep his **tes**-ti-mo-nies : and seek him with **their** whole heart;
- 3 Even they that **do** no wick-ed-ness : but walk **in** his ways.
- 4 Thou hast ordain-**ed** thy pre-cepts : that we should diligent-**ly** keep them.
- 5 O that my ways were **made** so di-rect : that I might keep **thy** sta-tutes!
- 6 So I shall not **be** con-found-ed : while I have respect unto all thy **com**-mand-ments.
- 7 I will thank thee with **an** un-feign-ed heart : when I shall have learnèd the judgements of **thy** righ-teous-ness.
- 8 I will **keep** thy sta-tutes : O forsake me **not** ut-er-ly.
- 9 Wherewithal shall a **young** man cleanse his way? : even by ruling himself af-**ter** thy word.
- 10 With my whole heart **have** I sought thee : O let me not go astray from thy **com**-mand-ments.
- 11 Thy word have I **hid** with-in my heart : that I should not sin **a**-gainst thee.
- 12 Blessèd **art** thou, O LORD : O teach me **thy** sta-tutes.
- 13 With my lips have **I** been telling : of all the judgments **of** thy mouth.
- 14 I have had as great delight in the way of thy **tes**-ti-mo-nies : as in all manner **of** rich-es.
- 15 I will meditate up-**on** thy precepts, and have respect un-**to** thy ways.
- 16 My delight shall be **in** thy sta-tutes: and I will not **for**-get thy word.
Glory be to the Father, **and** to the Son : and to **the** Ho-ly Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and **ev**-er shall be :
world without **end**. A-men

FIRST LESSON (YEAR 1): Isaiah 61

The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn; To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he might be glorified. And they shall build the old wastes, they shall raise up the former desolations, and they shall repair the waste cities, the desolations of many generations. And strangers shall stand and feed your flocks, and the sons of the alien shall be your plowmen and your vinedressers. But ye shall be named the Priests of the LORD: men shall call you the Ministers of our God: ye shall eat the riches of the Gentiles, and in their glory shall ye boast yourselves. For your shame ye shall have double; and for confusion they shall rejoice in their portion: therefore in their land they shall possess the double: everlasting joy shall be unto them. For I the LORD love judgment, I hate robbery for burnt offering; and I will direct their work in truth, and I will make an everlasting covenant with them. And their seed shall be known among the Gentiles, and their offspring among the people: all that see them shall acknowledge them, that they are the seed which the LORD hath blessed. I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth herself with her jewels. For as the earth bringeth forth her bud, and as the garden causeth the things that are sown in it to spring forth; so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before all the nations.

FIRST LESSON (YEAR 2): Isaiah 43.1-13

But now thus saith the LORD that created thee, O Jacob, and he that formed thee, O Israel, Fear not: for I have redeemed thee, I have called thee by thy name; thou art mine. When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee. For I am the LORD thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Saviour: I gave Egypt for thy ransom, Ethiopia and Seba for thee. Since thou wast precious in my sight, thou hast been honourable, and I have loved thee: therefore will I give men for thee, and people for thy life. Fear not: for I am with thee: I will bring thy seed from the east, and gather thee from the west; I will say to the north, Give up; and to the south, Keep not back: bring my sons from far, and my daughters from the ends of the earth; Even every one that is called by my name: for I have created him for my glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him. Bring forth the blind people that have eyes, and the deaf that have ears. Let all the nations be gathered together, and let the people be assembled: who among them can declare this, and shew us former things? let them bring forth their witnesses, that they may be justified: or let them hear, and say, It is truth. Ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, and my servant whom I have chosen: that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I am he: before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me. I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour. I have declared, and have saved, and I have shewed, when there was no strange god among you: therefore ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, that I am God. Yea, before the day was I am he; and there is none that can deliver out of my hand: I will work, and who shall let it?

MAGNIFICAT: *Luke 1.46 (Please stand)*

MY SOUL doth magnify the Lord :

And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
For he hath regarded : the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For, behold, from henceforth : all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me : and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him : throughout all generations.
He hath showed strength with his arm :
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat :
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things :
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy : hath holpen his servant Israel;
As he promised to our forefathers : Abraham, and his seed for ever.

GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

SECOND LESSON (YEAR 1): Matthew 2

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him. When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born. And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea: for thus it is written by the prophet, And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel. Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also. When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense and myrrh. And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way. And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him. When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt: And was there until the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet,

saying, Out of Egypt have I called my son. Then Herod, when he saw that he was mocked of the wise men, was exceeding wroth, and sent forth, and slew all the children that were in Bethlehem, and in all the coasts thereof, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had diligently inquired of the wise men. Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet, saying, In Rama was there a voice heard, lamentation, and weeping, and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children, and would not be comforted, because they are not. But when Herod was dead, behold, an angel of the Lord appeareth in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, Saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and go into the land of Israel: for they are dead which sought the young child's life. And he arose, and took the young child and his mother, and came into the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus did reign in Judaea in the room of his father Herod, he was afraid to go thither: notwithstanding, being warned of God in a dream, he turned aside into the parts of Galilee: And he came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, He shall be called a Nazarene.

SECOND LESSON (YEAR 2): John 12.20-36a

And there were certain Greeks among them that came up to worship at the feast: The same came therefore to Philip, which was of Bethsaida of Galilee, and desired him, saying, Sir, we would see Jesus. Philip cometh and telleth Andrew: and again Andrew and Philip tell Jesus. And Jesus answered them, saying, The hour is come, that the Son of man should be glorified. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit. He that loveth his life shall lose it; and he that hateth his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal. If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will my Father honour. Now is my soul troubled; and what shall I say? Father, save me from this hour: but for this cause came I unto this hour. Father, glorify thy name. Then came there a voice from heaven, saying, I have both glorified it, and will glorify it again. The people therefore, that stood by, and heard it, said that it thundered: others said, An angel spake to him. Jesus answered and said, This voice came not because of me, but for your sakes. Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out. And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me. This he said, signifying what death he should die. The people answered him, We have heard out of the law that Christ abideth for ever: and how sayest thou, The Son of man must be lifted up? who is this Son of man? Then Jesus said unto them, Yet a little while is the light with you. Walk while ye have the light, lest darkness come upon you: for he that walketh in darkness knoweth not whither he goeth. While ye have light, believe in the light, that ye may be the children of light.

After the Lesson there is sung NUNC DIMITTIS: Luke 2.29 (Please stand)

LORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace :
according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen thy salvation :
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles :
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be :
world without end. Amen.

Then is said the Confession of Faith, called the APOSTLES' CREED.

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the
Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into
hell; The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the
right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the
dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholic Church; The Communion of Saints; The
Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the Life everlasting. Amen.

THE LORD be with you;
R. And with thy spirit.

All kneel

V. Let us pray.
Lord, have mercy upon us.
R. Christ have mercy upon us.
V. Lord, have mercy upon us.

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 them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from
evil. Amen.

Then the Priest shall say:

O LORD, show thy mercy upon us;
R. And grant us thy salvation.

V. O Lord, save the Queen;
R. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

V. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;
R. And make thy chosen people joyful.

V. O Lord, save thy people;
R. And bless thine inheritance.

V. Give peace in our time, O Lord;
R. And evermore mightily defend us.

V. O God, make clean our hearts within us;
R. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

THE COLLECT OF THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY.

O LORD, we beseech thee mercifully to receive the prayers of thy people which call upon thee; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE SECOND COLLECT, FOR PEACE.

O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

THE THIRD COLLECT, FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS.

LIGHTEN OUR DARKNESS, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

HYMN
Fröhlich soll mein Herze springen
Please stand

ALL MY HEART this night rejoices,
As I hear,
Far and near,
Sweetest angel voices;
'CHRIST is born,' their choirs are singing,
Till the air
Everywhere
Now with joy is ringing.

2 Hark! a voice from yonder manger,
Soft and sweet,
Doth entreat,
'Flee from woe and danger!
Brethren, come! from all that grieves you
You are freed;
All you need
I will surely give you.'

3 Come, then, let us hasten yonder!
Here let all,
Great and small,
Kneel in awe and wonder!
Love him who with love is yearning!
Hail the Star,
That from far
Bright with hope is burning!

4 Thee, dear LORD, with heed I'll cherish,
Live to thee,
And with thee
Dying, shall not perish;
But shall dwell with thee for ever,
Far on high,
In the joy
That can alter never.

CAROLS BY THE CHOIR
(Please see accompanying leaflet)

*All stand to sing the following Carol
hymn, during which a collection will be taken.
Your generosity is necessary and greatly appreciated.*

- BRIGHTEST and best of the sons of the morning,
Dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid:
Star of the East, the horizon adorning,
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.
- 2 Cold on his cradle the dew-drops are shining,
Low lies his head with the beasts of the stall;
Angels adore him in slumber reclining,
Maker and Monarch and Saviour of all.
- 3 Say, shall we yield him, in costly devotion,
Odours of Edom and offerings divine?
Gems of the mountain and pearls of the ocean,
Myrrh from the forest and gold from the mine?
- 4 Vainly we offer each ample oblation,
Vainly with gifts would his favour secure;
Richer by far is the heart's adoration,
Dearer to GOD are the prayers of the poor.
- 5 Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,
Dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid:
Star of the East, the horizon adorning,
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

STELLA ORIENTIS
Healey Willan 1880-1968

Reginald Heber 1783-1826

Please be seated.

CAROLS BY THE CHOIR
(*See insert*)

THE PROCESSION
(*please stand*)

V. Let us go forth in peace;
R. In the Name of the Lord. Amen.

HYMN

Linquunt tecta Magi principis urbis

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| 1 LO! the pilgrim magi
Leave their royal halls,
And with eager footsteps
Speed to Bethlehem's walls;
As they onward journey,
Faith, which firmly rests,
Built on hope unswerving,
Triumphs in their breasts. | 4 At his crib they worship
Kneeling on the floor,
And their GOD there present,
In that Babe adore;
To our GOD and SAVIOUR
We, as Gentiles true,
Give our hearts o'erflowing,
Give our tribute due. |
| 2 O what joy and gladness
Filled each heart, from far
When, to guide their footsteps,
Shone that radiant star;
O'er that home so holy,
Pouring down its ray,
Where the cradled Infant
With his mother lay. | 5 Bringing of our substance
Gold unto our King;
Pure and chastened bodies
To our CHRIST we bring;
Unto him, like incense,
Vow and prayer address;
So with meetest offerings,
Him our GOD confess, |
| 3 Costly pomp and splendour
Earthly kings array;
He, a mightier Monarch,
Hath a nobler sway;
Straw may be his pallet,
Mean his garb may be,
Yet with power transcendent,
He all hearts can free. | 6 Glory to the FATHER,
Fount of Light alone;
Who unto the Gentiles,
Made his glory known.
Blessèd SON, to thee,
And to thee, blest SPIRIT,
Evermore shall be. |

At the Crib

V. The kings of Tarshish and of the isles give presents;

R. The kings of Arabia and Seba bring gifts.

Collect

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hast made known the Incarnation of thy dear Son by the bright shining of a star, which when the wise men beheld, they presented costly gifts and adored thy Majesty: Grant that the star of thy righteousness may always shine in our hearts; and that, as our treasure, we may give to thy service ourselves and all we possess; through the same Christ our Lord. *Amen*

HYMN

FROM THE eastern mountains
Pressing on they come,
Wise men in their wisdom,
To his humble home;
Stirred by deep devotion,
Hasting from afar,
Ever journeying onward,
Guided by a star.

3 Onward through the darkness
Of the lonely night,
Shining still before them,
With thy kindly light –
Guide them, Jew and Gentile,
Homeward from afar,
Young and old together,
By thy guiding star.

2 There their LORD and SAVIOR
Meek and lowly lay,
Wondrous Light that led them
Onward on their way;
Ever now to lighten
Nations from afar,
As they journey homeward,
By that guiding star

4 Until every nation
Whether bond or free,
'Neath thy starlit banner,
JESU, follow thee;
O'er the distant mountains
To that heavenly home,
Where nor sin nor sorrow
Evermore shall come.

KING'S WESTON

Ralph Vaughan Williams 1872-1958

Godfrey Thring 1823-1901

At the Rood

V. The Lord hath manifested forth his glory;

R. And all peoples shall bow before him.

Collect

O LORD GOD, who gavest to wise men of old a glorious star to lead them to Christ: Grant that we to whom thou hast given a yet more glorious sign, even his holy Cross, may both follow and be led by it the whole way to our salvation and thy heaven; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

HYMN

- THE PEOPLE that in darkness sat
A glorious light have seen;
The Light has shined on them who long
In shades of death have been.
- 2 To hail thee, Sun of righteousness,
The gathering nations come;
They joy as when the reapers bear
Their harvest treasures home.
- 3 For thou their burden dost remove,
And break the tyrant's rod,
As in the day when Midian fell
Before the sword of GOD.
- 4 For unto us a Child is born,
To us a Son is given,
And on his shoulder ever rests
All power in earth and heaven.
- 5 His Name shall be the Prince of Peace,
The Everlasting LORD,
The Wonderful, the Counsellor,
The GOD by all adored.
- 6 LORD JESUS, reign in us we pray,
And make us thine alone,
Who with the FATHER ever art
And HOLY SPIRIT One.

DUNDEE
Melody from the Scottish Psalter 1615
as set in Ravenscroft's Psalter 1621

John Morison 1750-98
based on Isaiah 9.2-7

DEVOTIONS

*All kneel when the bell rings and the Blessèd Sacrament
is removed from the Tabernacle and placed upon the Altar.*

HYMN

O salutaris hostia

O SAVING VICTIM, opening wide
The gate of heaven to man below,
Our foes press on from every side,
Thine aid supply, thy strength bestow.

2 All praise and thanks to thee ascend
For evermore, Blest ONE in THREE;
O grant us life that shall not end
In our true native land with thee. Amen.

*From the Latin of S^t Thomas Aquinas, 13th cent.
Tr. E. Caswall 1814-78 and J.M. Neale 1818-66*

MOTET

(See insert)

HYMN

Tantum ergo Sacramentum

THEREFORE WE, before him bending,
This great Sacrament revere;
Types and shadows have their ending,
For the newer rite is here;
Faith, our outward sense befriending,
Makes our inward vision clear.

2 Glory let us give, and blessing
To the FATHER, and the SON,
Honour, might, and praise addressing,
While eternal ages run;
Ever too his love confessing,
Who from BOTH with BOTH is ONE. Amen.

*From the Latin of S^t Thomas Aquinas, 13th cent.
Tr. E. Caswall 1814-78*

V. Thou gavest them Bread from heaven;
R. Containing in itself all sweetness.

COLLECT OF CORPUS CHRISTI

O GOD, who in a wonderful sacrament hast left unto us a memorial of thy passion: Grant us so to reverence the holy mysteries of thy Body and Blood, that we may ever know within ourselves the fruit of thy redemption; who livest and reignest with the Father in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

PSALM 117—Laudate Dominum; *Tone VI: with this* ANTIPHON

LËT ÜS a-döre Christ our Lord: in the Most Hö-ly Sa-cra-ment.

O PRAISE / the Lord, all ye **na**-tions : laud him, **all** yë peo-ples.
For his merciful kindness is ever more and more to-**wards** us :
and the truth of the Lord endureth for **ev-ër**. Praise the Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to **the** Son : and **to** thë Ho-ly Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever **shall** be :
world with-**out** änd. A-men.

Lët üs a-döre Christ our Lord: in the Most Hö-ly Sa-cra-ment.

*While all remain humbly kneeling, the Blessèd Sacrament is returned
in solemn procession to the Ambry at the Lady Altar.*

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