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**THE HOLY MASS**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent (B)**

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**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

*O people of Sion, behold, the Lord will come to save the nations, and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard in the joy of your heart.*

In the name of the Father and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**R. And with your spirit.**

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**PENITENCIAL RITE**

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*The priest invites the people to recall their sins and to repent of them.*

Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, that so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

*After the silence, all pray*

**I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, *They strike their breast:* through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

*The priest says the absolution*

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

*The people answer:*

**-Amen.**

*The priest invites all to repent of their sins.*

*A pause for silent reflection follows:*

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy.      Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

### **GLORIA**

**Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, Almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

### **OPENING PRAYER**

Let us pray.

**Almighty and merciful God, may no earthly undertaking hinder those who set out in haste to meet your Son, but may our learning of heavenly wisdom gain us admittance to his company. Who lives and reigns with you.**

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## **LITURGY OF THE WORD**

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**First reading: Book of Isaiah 40:1–5, 9–11**

Comfort, give comfort to my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and proclaim to her that her service is at an end, her guilt is expiated; indeed, she has received from the hand of the Lord double for all her sins.

A voice cries out: In the desert prepare the way of the Lord! Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God! Every valley shall be filled in, every mountain and hill shall be made low; the rugged land shall be made a plain, the rough country, a broad valley. Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Go up on to a high mountain, Zion, herald of glad tidings; cry out at the top of your voice, Jerusalem, herald of good news! Fear not to cry out and say to the cities of Judah: Here is your God! Here comes with power the Lord God, who rules by his strong arm; here is his reward with him, his recompense before him. Like a shepherd he feeds his flock; in his arms he gathers the lambs, carrying them in his bosom, and leading the ewes with care.

**The Word of the Lord.** Thanks be to God.

**R/. Responsorial Psalm**

**R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.**

I will hear what God proclaims;  
the Lord — for he proclaims peace to his people.

Near indeed is his salvation to those who fear him, glory dwelling in our land. R

Kindness and truth shall meet;  
justice and peace shall kiss.  
Truth shall spring out of the earth,  
and justice shall look down from heaven. R.

The Lord himself will give his benefits;  
our land shall yield its increase.  
Justice shall walk before him,  
and prepare the way of his steps. R.

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**Second reading: 2<sup>nd</sup> Letter of St. Peter  
3:8–14**

Do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years and a thousand years like one day. The Lord does not delay his promise, as some regard “delay,” but he is patient with you, not wishing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a mighty roar and the elements will be dissolved by fire, and the earth and everything done on it will be found out.

Since everything is to be dissolved in this way, what sort of persons ought you to be, conducting yourselves in holiness and devotion, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be dissolved in flames and the elements melted by fire. But according to his promise we await new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. Therefore, beloved, since you await these things, be eager to be found without spot or blemish before him, at peace.  
The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

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### **ALLELUIA**

**Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight his paths: all mankind shall see the salvation of God., and grant us your salvation.**

### **GOSPEL**

The Lord be with you.           **And with your spirit..**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to **Mark 1:1-8**

**R. Glory to you, Lord.**

The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ the Son of God. As it is written in Isaiah the prophet: Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way. A voice of one crying out in the desert: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths." John the Baptist appeared in the desert proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. People of the whole Judean countryside and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River as they acknowledged their sins. John was clothed in camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist. He fed on locusts and wild honey. And this is what he proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**FOR THE 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
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THE BEST WAY TO PREPARE FOR  
CHRISTMAS?"](#)**

## **HOMILY**

### **THE APOSTLE'S CREED**

**I believe in God the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth. And in  
Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, [at  
the words that follow, up to and including  
the Virgin Mary, all bow] who was  
conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the  
Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius  
Pilate, was crucified, died, and was  
buried.**

**He descended into hell; the third day He  
rose again from the dead; He ascended  
into heaven, and sits at the right hand of  
God the Father Almighty from thence  
He shall come to judge the living and the  
dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy  
Catholic Church, the communion of  
saints, the forgiveness of sins, the  
resurrection of the body and life  
everlasting. Amen.**

### **Universal Prayer**

#### **Priest's Introduction**

As we await with longing the coming of our  
Lord Jesus Christ, dear brothers and sisters,  
let us with renewed devotion beseech his  
mercy, that, as he came into the world to  
bring the good news to the poor and heal the  
contrite of heart, so in our own time, also,  
he may bring salvation to all in need.

#### **Intentions**

1. That Christ may visit his holy Church and  
keep watch over her always, let us pray to  
the Lord..

2. That under the protection of Christ our times may be peaceful, let us pray to the Lord.
3. That Christ in his mercy may free all who suffer persecution, let us pray to the Lord..
4. That Christ may find us watching when he comes, let us pray to the Lord.
5. That Christ may grant eternal repose to the souls of the faithfully departed, let us pray to the Lord.

### **Priest's Prayer**

Almighty ever-living God, who bring salvation to all and desire that no one should perish, hear the prayers of your people and grant that the course of our world may be directed by your peaceful rule, and your Church rejoice in tranquility and devotion. Through Christ our Lord.

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## **LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

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### **PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

**-Blessed be God forever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands it will become our spiritual drink

**- Blessed be God forever.**

**(ALL STAND)**

Pray, brethren [brothers and sisters], that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

*The people answer:*

**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 Church.**

### **PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

**Be pleased, O Lord, with our humble prayers and offerings, and since we have no merits to plead our cause, come, we pray, to our rescue with the protection of your mercy. Through Christ our Lord.**

### **PREFACE**

The Lord be with you.   **And with your spirit.**

Lift up your hearts.   **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right and just.**

**It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, [through Jesus Christ our Lord].**

**For he assumed at his first coming the lowliness of human flesh, and so fulfilled the design you formed long ago, and opened for us the way to eternal salvation, so that, when he comes again in glory and majesty and all is at last made manifest, we who watch for that day may inherit the great promise in which now we dare to hope. And so, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominions, and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, as we sing the hymn of your glory without end we acclaim:**

***The priest reads the preface of the day; when he finishes, everybody say:***

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of hosts,**

**heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

### **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER III**

**You are indeed Holy, O Lord, and all you have created rightly gives you praise, for through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, by the power and working of the Holy Spirit, you give life to all things and make them holy, and you never cease to gather a people to yourself, so that from the rising**

of the sun to its setting a pure sacrifice may be offered to your name.

(ALL KNEEL)

Therefore, O Lord, we humbly implore you: by the same Spirit graciously make holy these gifts we have brought to you for consecration, that they may become the Body and † Blood of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, at whose command we celebrate these mysteries.

For on the night he was betrayed he himself took bread, and giving you thanks he said the blessing, broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying:

***TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT, FOR THIS IS MY BODY, WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.***

In a similar way, when supper was ended, he took the chalice, and giving you thanks he said the blessing, and gave the chalice to his disciples, saying:

***TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT, FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD, THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL COVENANT, WHICH WILL BE Poured OUT FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS. DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.***

The mystery of faith.

***At the priest's invitation all sing or say:***

We proclaim you Death o Lord and profess you Resurrection until You come again.

Therefore, O Lord, as we celebrate the memorial of the saving Passion of your Son, his wondrous Resurrection and Ascension into heaven, and as we look forward to his second coming, we offer you in thanksgiving this holy and living sacrifice.

Look, we pray, upon the oblation of your

**Church and, recognizing the sacrificial Victim by whose death you willed to reconcile us to yourself, grant that we, who are nourished by the Body and Blood of your Son and filled with his Holy Spirit, may become one body, one spirit in Christ.**

**May he make of us an eternal offering to you, so that we may obtain an inheritance with your elect, especially with the most blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with St. Joseph, her spouse, your blessed Apostles and glorious Martyrs [with Saint N: the Saint of the day or Patron Saint] and with all the Saints, on whose constant intercession in your presence we rely for unfailing help.**

**May this Sacrifice of our reconciliation, we pray, O Lord, advance the peace and salvation of all the world. Be pleased to confirm in faith and charity your pilgrim Church on earth, with your servant N. our Pope and [N.] our Bishop, the Order of Bishops, all the clergy, and the entire people you have gained for your own.**

**Listen graciously to the prayers of this family, whom you have summoned before you: in your compassion, O merciful Father, gather to yourself all your children scattered throughout the earth.**

**† To our departed brothers and sisters and to all who were pleasing to you at their passing from this life, give kind admittance to your kingdom. There we hope to enjoy for ever the fullness of your glory through Christ our Lord, through whom you bestow on the world all that is good.**

**Through him, with him, in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory and honour is yours, almighty  
Father,  
forever and ever.**

*The people answer:* Amen.

**(ALL STAND)**

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## COMMUNION RITE

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At the Savior's command and formed by  
divine

teaching, we dare to say:

**Ama namin, sumasalangit Ka,  
Sambahin ang ngalan Mo. Mapasaamin  
ang kaharian Mo. Sundin ang Loob Mo  
Dito sa lupa, para lang sa langit. Bigyan  
Mo kami ngayon ng aming kakanin sa  
araw-araw. At patawarin Mo kami sa  
aming mga sala, Para ng pagpapatawad  
namin Sa mga nagkakasala sa amin.  
At huwag Mo kaming ipahintulot sa  
tukso,  
At iadya Mo kami sa lahat ng masama.  
Amen.**

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 Savior, Jesus Christ.

**For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours, now and forever.**

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles:

I leave you peace, my peace I leave you.

Look not on our sins, but on the faith of  
your Church, and graciously grant her peace  
and unity in accordance to your will, who  
live and reign for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

Let us offer each other the sign of peace

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of  
the world: have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of  
the world: have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of  
the world: grant us peace.**

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who  
takes away the sins of the world. Blessed  
are those 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.  
The Body of Christ. Amen.**

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:  
Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the  
heights, and behold the joy which comes  
to you from God.**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**  
Let us pray.  
**Replenished by the food of spiritual  
nourishment, we humbly beseech you, O  
Lord, that, through our partaking in this  
mystery, you may teach us to judge wisely  
the things of earth and hold firm to the  
things of heaven. Through Christ our  
Lord..**

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**CONCLUDING RITE**

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The Lord be with you.  
**And with your spirit.**  
May almighty God bless you, the Father,  
and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.  
Go in peace glorifying the Lord by your life.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**ENTRANCE SONG**  
**Sing a new song unto the Lord**  
**Let your song be sung from mountains**  
**high**  
**Sing a new song unto the Lord**  
**Singing alleluia**

**OFFERTORY: LORD, I OFFER MY  
LIFE TO YOU**

**All that I am, all that I have**  
**I lay them down before You, oh Lord**  
**All my regrets, all my acclaims**  
**The joy and the pain, I'm making them**  
**Yours**

**REFRAIN:**  
**Lord, I offer my life to You**  
**Everything I've been through, use it for**  
**Your glory**

**Lord I offer my days to You  
Lifting my praise to You as a pleasing  
sacrifice  
Lord I offer You my life**

**Things in the past, things yet unseen  
Wishes and dreams that are yet to come  
true  
All of my hope, all of my plans  
My heart and my hands are lifted to You.  
REFRAIN**

### **COMMUNION: GIVE THANKS**

**Give thanks with a grateful heart  
Give thanks to the Holy One  
Give thanks because He's given Jesus  
Christ, His Son 2x.**

**And now let the weak say, "I am strong"  
Let the poor say, "I am rich  
Because of what the Lord has done for  
us"2x  
Give Thanks.**

### **SOUL OF CHRIST**

**Soul of Christ, Sanctify me  
Body of Christ save me  
Water from the side of Christ  
Wash me, Passion of Christ  
Give me strength**

**Chorus:  
Hear me Jesus  
Hide me in thy wounds  
That I may never leave thy side  
From all the evil that surrounds me  
Defend me and when the call of death  
arrives  
Bid me come to thee  
That I may praise thee  
With thy saints forever.**

### **RECESSIONAL:**

**O Sanctissima, O piissima  
Dulcis Virgo Maria  
mater amata, intemerata  
Ora pro nobis (2x)**

