

APOSTLE & MARTYR

Welcome.

We are an Anglo-Catholic Parish in the Diocese of Ottawa, celebrating 133 years of worship and service: 1889-2022.

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Mass Booklet Hymn Book



Virgin and Child with the Infant St John the Baptist, Pompeo Batoni (1708-1787)

The Third Sunday in Advent

11 December 2022

High Mass

Our Church stands on the unceded traditional territory of the Anishinabe Algonquin Nation.

Organ Prelude

Prelude on a 2nd Mode Melody Florence Durrell Clark (1891-1977)

Mass Setting

Service of Holy Communion

John Merbecke (c.1510-c.1585)

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Blessing and Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Behold, in the time appointed the Lord will come; The Lord is near at hand to redeem his people.

Jesus, Wisdom of the Most High God;

Come and teach us the way of understanding.

We thank you, O God our Father, for the gift of your Son, Jesus the Christ, whose coming to this world was foretold by the prophets of old. Give us the faith to receive your word, the understanding to know what it means, and the courage to put it into practice. **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Opening Hymn

Advent Prose (Rorate Coeli)

Plainsong

Drop down ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness

Introit Proper

Rejoice ye in the Lord, and again I say, rejoice ye; let your moderation be known unto all, the Lord is at hand: be careful for nothing, nor troubled; but in all things, by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving; let your requests be made known unto God. *Ps.* And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding: shall keep your hearts and minds. Glory be ... Rejoice ye ...

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Collect

God of power and mercy, you call us once again to celebrate the coming of your Son. Remove those things which hinder love of you, that when he comes, he may find us waiting in awe and wonder for him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility, that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Isaiah 35:1-10

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the Lord, the majesty of our God. Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you."

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Holy Way; the unclean shall not travel on it, but it shall be for God's people; no traveller, not even fools, shall go astray. No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there. And the ransomed of the

Lord shall return, and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God.

Psalm 146

Lauda, anima mea.

- ⁴ BLESSED is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, / and whose hope is in the LORD his God;
- ⁵ Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that therein is; / who keepeth his promise for ever;
- ⁶ Who helpeth them to right that suffer wrong; / who feedeth the hungry.
- ⁷ The LORD looseth men out of prison: / the LORD giveth sight to the blind.
- ⁸ The LORD raiseth up them that are fallen: / the LORD loveth the righteous.
- ⁹ The LORD careth for the strangers; he upholdeth the fatherless and widow: / as for the way of the ungodly, he turneth it upside down.

Second Reading

James 5:7-10

Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

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

Gradual Hymn

Gradual Proper

Shew thyself, O Lord, thou that sittest upon the Cherubim: stir up thy strength and come. \mathcal{V} . Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel: thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep. Alleluia, alleluia. \mathcal{V} . Stir up thy strength, O Lord: and come and help us. Alleluia.

Gospel

Matthew 11:2-11

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

★ The Holy Gospel is written in the eleventh chapter of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Matthew, beginning at the second verse.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples and said to him, "Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?" Jesus answered them, "Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. And blessed is anyone who takes no offence at me."

As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: "What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written, 'See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.' Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

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Offertory Proper

O Lord, thou art become gracious unto thy land; thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob: thou hast forgiven the offence of thy people.

Offertory Hymn

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Crüger

Prayer over the Gifts

God of hope, renew in us the joy of your salvation and make us a living sacrifice to you, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

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Communion Proper

Say to them that are of a fearful heart: Be strong, fear not; behold, your God will come and save you.

Music at Communion

O Adonai Plainsong

Prayer after Communion

Merciful God, may this eucharist free us from our sins, fill us with

unending joy, and prepare us for the birthday of our Saviour. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, who is Lord now and for ever. **Amen.**

Thanksgiving and Dismissal

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Post-Communion Hymn

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St Thomas

The Angelus

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Organ Postlude

Nun komm' der Heiden Heiland

J. Pachelbel (1653-1706)

Cantor: Bruce Patterson

NOTES AND NOTICES

Join us for an Advent Procession with Carols, "From Darkness to Light" tonight at 7pm.

An Anglican Church Calendar, published by St. Peter Publications and sponsored by the PBSC, is available from Wesley Warren at a cost of \$8.

UPCOMING SERVICES

Tuesday, December 13

9:30 am: Morning Prayer • 10:00 am: Mass, Book of Common Prayer

Thursday, December 15

12:15 pm: Mass, Book of Common Prayer

Friday, December 16

7:00 am: Morning Prayer • 7:30 am: Mass, Book of Common Prayer

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Isaiah 7:10-16 • Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19 • Romans 1:1-7 • Matthew 1:18-25

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