Mass for the Epiphany of the Lord

Sunday, January 2nd

Entrance Chant

We Three Kings

Kings of Orient

1. We three kings of Orient are; Bearing gifts we bring,
   To worship him in God's own right.
2. Born a King on Beth-le-hem's plain, Gold I bring to Thee,
   A Saviour, Who is King of men, and God for me.
3. Frankincense to offer have I: Incense owns an honour high.
   Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume Breathes a life of beauty near.
4. Glorious now, behold him arise, King and God and King;
   Gather into His fellowship All Earth's sorrows, and sorrows bring.

Refrain

1. Following yonder star, O star of wonder,
   Star of wonder, star of night,
   Star with royal beauty bright,
   Westward leading, still proceeding, Guide us to the perfect light.
2. Over us all to reign.
   Star of wonder, Star of joy.
   Star of wise men, Star of light.
   Lead us to the Perfect Light.
3. Worship him God on high.
   Star of wonder, Star of night,
   Star of wisdom, Star of light.
   Lead us to the Perfect Light.
4. Sealed in the stone-cold tomb.
   Star of wonder, Star of night,
   Star of love, Star of light.
   Lead us to the Perfect Light.
5. Sounds through the earth and skies.
   Star of wonder, Star of night,
   Star of welcome, Star of light.
   Lead us to the Perfect Light.

INTRODUCTORY RITE

Sign of the Cross
Greeting
Penitential Act
GLORY TO GOD

Mass of Christ the Savior
Dan Schutte

Refrain

Glo-ry to God. Glo-ry to God. Glo-ry to God in the high-
est, and on earth peace, on earth peace to peo-ple of good


Verse 1

1. We praise you, we bless you, we a-dore you, we
glo-ri fy you, we give you thanks for your great glo ry,

1. Lord God, heav’n-ly King, O God, al-might-y Fa- ther.

Verse 2

2. Lord Je-sus Christ, On-ly Be-got-ten Son, Lord God,

2. Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther, you take a-way the sins of the world,

2. have mer- cy on us; you take a-way the sins of the world,

2. re-ceive our prayer; you are seat ed at the right hand,

2. the right hand of the Fa-ther, have mer- cy on us.

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LITURGY OF THE WORD

1st Reading: Is 60:1-6

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come,
the glory of the Lord shines upon you.
See, darkness covers the earth,
and thick clouds cover the peoples;
but upon you the LORD shines,
and over you appears his glory.
Nations shall walk by your light,
and kings by your shining radiance.
Raise your eyes and look about;
they all gather and come to you:
your sons come from afar,
and your daughters in the arms of their nurses.

Then you shall be radiant at what you see,
your heart shall throb and overflow,
for the riches of the sea shall be emptied out before you,
the wealth of nations shall be brought to you.
Caravans of camels shall fill you,
dromedaries from Midian and Ephah;
all from Sheba shall come bearing gold and frankincense, and proclaiming the praises of the LORD.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

**Responsorial Psalm**

**Psalm 72: The Epiphany of the Lord, All Years**

_O God, with your judgment endow the king, and with your justice, the king’s son; He shall govern your people with justice and your afflicted ones with judgment._

Justice shall flower in his days, and profound peace, till the moon be no more. May he rule from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth

The kings of Tarshish and the Isles shall offer gifts; the kings of Arabia and Seba shall bring tribute. All kings shall pay him homage, all nations shall serve him.

For he shall rescue the poor when he cries out, and the afflicted when he has no one to help him. He shall have pity for the lowly and the poor; the lives of the poor he shall save.
2nd Reading: Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6
Brothers and sisters:
You have heard of the stewardship of God’s grace that was given to me for your benefit, namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation. It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation:

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We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.

Gospel: Mt 2:1-12
When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, “Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.”
When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, H
Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, He inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, “In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet: And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel.” Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star’s appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, “Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage.” After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

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

Homily
The Creed
I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen

The Universal Prayer (response: Lord, hear our prayer.)
Offertory Hymn:

**WHAT STAR IS THIS**

1. What star is this, with beams so bright, More lovely than the noon-day light? 'Tis sent to announce a new-born king, Glad tidings of our God to bring.
2. 'Tis now fulfilled what God decreed, "From Jacob shall a star proceed"; And lo! the eastern sages stand To read in heav'n the Lord's command.
3. O Jesus, while the star of grace Impels us on to seek thy face, Let not our slothful hearts refuse The guidance of thy light to use.
4. To God the Father, heav'n-ly Light, To Christ, revealed in earth-ly night, To God the holly Spirit raise An endless song of thank-ful praise!

Text: LM; Charles Coffin, 1676–1749; tr. by John Chandler, 1806–1876, alt.
**THE SNOW LAY ON THE GROUND**

**VENITE ADOREMUS**

**Verses**

1. The snow lay on the ground, the stars shone bright, When
2. 'Twas Mary, daughter pure of holy Anne, That
3. Saint Joseph, too was near to tend the child; To
4. And thus that manager poor became a throne; For

1. Christ our Lord was born on Christmas night. Ve-ní-te,
2. brought into this world the God made man. She laid him
3. guard him and protect his mother mild: The angels
4. he whom Mary bore was God the Son. O come, then,

1. a-do-ré-mus Dó-mi-num, Ve-ní-te, a-do-
2. in a stall at Beth-le-hem; The ass and ox- en
3. hov-er’d round, and sang this song: Ve-ní-te, a-do-
4. let us join this heav’n-ly host, To praise the Fa- ther,

**Refrain**

1. ré-mus Dó-mi-num. Ve-ní-te, a-do-ré-mus
2. shared the roof with them.
3. ré-mus Dó-mi-num.
4. Son, and Holy Ghost.

*Dó-mi-num, Ve-ní-te, a-do-ré-mus Dó-mi-num.*

Text: 10 10 10 with refrain; 19th cent.; anon.
Music: Old English Carol; melody adapt. by Charles W. Douglas, 1867–1944.
Rise Up, Shepherd, and Follow

1. There’s a star in the East on Christmas morn; Rise up,
   shepherd, and follow; It will lead to the place where the
   Christ was born; Rise up, shepherd, and follow. Follow,

2. Leave your sheep, leave your sheep, and leave your lambs; Rise up,
   shepherd, and follow; Leave your ewes and your rams, leave your
   herds; Rise up, shepherd, and follow. Follow the Star of

3. If you take good heed to the angel’s words; Rise up,
   shepherd, and follow; You’ll forget your flocks, you’ll for-
   get your herds; Rise up, shepherd, and follow. Follow the Star of

Bethlehem; Rise up, shepherd, and follow.

Text: 10 7 11 7 with refrain; Spiritual. Music: RISE UP, SHEPHERD.
Hymn of Sending Forth

CONCLUDING RITE

Blessing
Dismissal
Hymn of Sending Forth

GO, TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN

Refrain

Go, tell it on the mountain, Over the hills and everywhere;

Verses

1. While shepherds kept their watching O'er silent flocks by night,
2. The shepherds feared and trembled When high above the earth
3. And lo, when they had heard it, They all bowed down and prayed;
4. Down in a lowly manger The humble Christ was born,