



## *The Second Sunday of Advent*

December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022

### **Solemn Mass at Eleven O'Clock**

*Missa "Æterna Christi munera"* — Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (c 1525–1594)

*Celebrant:* Fr Thompson

**Prelude** *Three Liturgical Improvisations*

George Oldroyd (1887–1956)

*II. Conditore alme siderum*

**Hymn 67** *Comfort, comfort ye my people*

*Psalm 42*

**Asperges me**

*Mode VII*

*Ant. Asperges me, Domine, hyssopo et mundabor, Lavabis me, et super nivem de albor. Psalm. Miserere mei, Deus, secundum magnam misericordiam tuam. Gloria Patri. Ant.*

*Ant. Thou shalt purge me, O Lord, with hyssop, and I shall be clean: thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Psalm. Have mercy upon me, O God: after thy great goodness. Gloria Patri. Ant.*

Ÿ. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

Ŕ. **And grant us thy salvation.**

Ÿ. O Lord, hear my prayer.

Ŕ. **And let my cry come unto thee.**

Ÿ. The Lord be with you.

Ŕ. **And with thy spirit.**

**Collect for Purity**

**Introit** *Populus Sion*

*Tone VII / Falsobordone by Healey Willan (1880–1968)*

*Ant. O people of Sion, behold, the Lord is nigh at hand to redeem the nations: and in the gladness of your heart the Lord shall cause his glorious voice to be heard. Psalm. Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel: thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep. Gloria Patri. Ant.*

## Kyrie

*Kyrie eleison.*

*Christe eleison.*

*Kyrie eleison.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

## Collects

Merciful God, who didst send thy messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## Epistle Romans 15:4–13

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will praise thee among the Gentiles, and sing to thy name"; and again it is said, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; and again, "Praise the Lord, all Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; and further Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, he who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him shall the Gentiles hope." May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

## Gradual *Ex Sion species*

*Mode V*

Out of Sion hath God appeared: in perfect beauty. *Ÿ*. Gather my saints together unto me: those that have made a covenant with me with sacrifice.

## Alleluia *Lætatus sum*

*Mode VI*

*Ÿ*. Alleluia. **R. Alleluia.** *Ÿ*. I was glad when they said unto me: we will go into the house of the Lord.  
**R. Alleluia.**

## Holy Gospel Matthew 3:1–12

**R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judea, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." For this is he who was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah when he said, "The voice of

one crying in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight." Now John wore a garment of camel's hair, and a leather girdle around his waist; and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then went out to him Jerusalem and all Judea and all the region about the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sad'ducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit that befits repentance, and do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into the granary, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

℞. **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

## Sermon

Fr Hanson

## Nicene Creed

*Credo I / Mode IV*

Hymnal, back cover

## General Intercession

## Confession of Sin

**ALMIGHTY GOD, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

¶ *The Celebrant pronounces the Absolution, and bids the people to prayer. The people are seated.*

℣. The Lord be with you.

℞. **And with thy spirit.**

℣. Let us pray.

## Offertory Verse *Deus tu convertens*

*Tone III / Falsobordone by Carolus Andreas (1550–1627)*

Wilt not thou turn again, O God, and quicken us; that thy people may rejoice in thee: show us thy mercy, O Lord; and grant us thy salvation.

## Offertory Anthem *Lætentur cæli, et exsultet terra*

William Byrd (1540–1623)

*Lætentur cæli, et exsultet terra. Jubilate montes laudem, quia dominus noster veniet, et pauperum suorum miserebitur. Orietur in diebus tuis justitia et abundantia pacis.*

*Sing O ye heavens, and be joyful O ye earth, and break forth into singing, O ye mountains, for our Lord will come and will have mercy upon his afflicted. In your time shall justice flourish, yea, and the abundance of peace.*

*[Processional Responsory for Advent Sunday, Sarum Rite; cf Isaiah 49:13, Psalm 72:7]*

**Sursum corda**

Hymnal, S 112

- ℣. The Lord be with you.  
℞. **And with thy spirit.**  
℣. Lift up your hearts.  
℞. **We lift them up unto the Lord.**  
℣. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.  
℞. **It is meet and right so to do.**

¶ *When the bell tolls, please kneel.*

**Sanctus & Benedictus**

*Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus  
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.  
Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.  
Hosanna in excelsis.  
✠ Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.  
Hosanna in excelsis.*

Holy, holy, holy,  
Lord God of hosts,  
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.  
✠ Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

**Canon of the Mass**

Prayer Book, page 334

**Our Father**

Hymnal, S 119

**Prayer for Peace**

- ℣. The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
℞. **And with thy spirit.**

**Agnus Dei**

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis. ii  
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,  
dona nobis pacem.*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. *ii.*  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

**Prayer of Humble Access**

**WE DO NOT PRESUME to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the Flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his Blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

**Invitation to Communion**

- ℣. Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.  
℞. **Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof,  
but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.**

*All persons baptized in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit are invited to the Altar to receive the Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. If you wish to receive a blessing, come to the Altar and cross your arms over your chest. For those who prefer to receive by intinction, the chalice bearer will take your wafer, dip it in the chalice, and place it on your tongue.*

**Communion Verse**    *Jerusalem surge*

*Mode I*

Jerusalem, haste thee, and stand on high: and behold the joy of gladness that cometh unto thee from God thy Savior.

**Communion Motet**    *A tender shoot*

Otto Goldschmidt (1829–1907)

A tender shoot hath started up from a root of grace, as ancient seers imparted from Jesse's holy race. It blooms without a blight, blooms in the cold bleak winter turning our darkness into light.

This shoot Isaiah taught us, from Jesse's root should spring. The Virgin Mary brought us in the branch of which we sing. Our God of endless might gave her this child to save us, thus turning darkness into light [Es ist ein Ros' entsprungen, *tr William Bartholomew (1793–1867)*]

**Postcommunion Collect**

ALMIGHTY AND EVERLIVING GOD, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

**Blessing & Dismissal**

- ☩. The Lord be with you.
- ☩. **And with thy spirit.**
- ☩. Depart in peace.
- ☩. **Thanks be to God.**

¶ *The people stand.*

**The Last Gospel**

- ☩. The Lord be with you.
- ☩. **And with thy spirit.**
- ☩. The beginning of the Holy Gospel according to St John.
- ☩. **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him, and without him was not anything made that was made: In him was life, and the life was the Light of men; and the Light shineth in darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe. He was not the Light, but was to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto

his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his Name, which were born not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

(genuflect) *And the Word was made flesh, (rise)*

and dwelt among us: and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

℞. **Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn** *Wake, awake, for night is flying* (see insert)

*Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme*

**Postlude** *Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme, BWV 645*

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

¶ *The Sacrament of Unction of the Sick, including the laying on of hands and anointing for healing, will be offered in the Lady Chapel after the Mass this morning.*

## **The Church of the Advent**

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Monday–Tuesday, Thursday–Friday — Morning Prayer at 8:00am; Low Mass at 12:15pm; Evening Prayer, 5:30pm.

Wednesday — Morning Prayer at 8:00am; Evening Prayer, 5:30pm; Low Mass and Healing Service, 6pm.

Saturday (and legal holidays) — Morning Prayer at 8:30am; Low Mass at 9:00am.

## Parish Notices

**IF YOU ARE VISITING** with us today, welcome!

- **PLEASE FILL OUT A VISITOR CARD** and put it in the collection plate at the Offertory, or hand it to an usher or a member of the clergy. You can find visitor cards on the backs of the pews.
- If you desire to receive **HOLY COMMUNION** on this occasion and are baptized with water in the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, we invite you to do so. Please feel free to consult on this matter with a member of the Clergy.
- To sign up for our **OUR WEEKLY EMAIL**, please send a blank email (with "EMAIL" in the subject line) to [office@theadventboston.org](mailto:office@theadventboston.org).

**THE ADVENT WREATH** is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Norman MacGregor Post, priest, and Jane Irene Post.

**PROFESSIONAL CHILD CARE** is provided in Moseley Hall during the 9am and 11am Masses. Parents at the 11am Mass are kindly requested to keep their children with them in church after Communion so that the nursery area can be cleared before Coffee Hour begins. In Christian charity, we do ask that you not bring children to the nursery if they have a cold or are sick.

**COFFEE HOURS.** This Sunday, Jonnet Holladay will host the 9am coffee hour; she could use an assistant. At 11am, we need a host to pour coffee and supplement the food, but an anonymous donor is providing some food. Next week, David Russo and Matt McNeff will host the 9am coffee hour; we still need 3-4 hosts for the 11am coffee hour.

We are in need of additional hosts for all Masses in the next quarter. Please sign up in Moseley Hall, by emailing [kharrington@theadventboston.org](mailto:kharrington@theadventboston.org), or using the **new electronic scheduler**. To sign up for the new electronic scheduler for coffee hour please scan this QR code or contact Karen Harrington.

Using this online system, you will be able to check your schedule from anywhere (there is a smartphone app), set up automatic email reminders, specify exactly what times do and do not work well for you to serve, and easily find a substitute when you can't make one of your scheduled dates. Please be patient, ask questions, and let Karen know if you have any difficulty.



**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS.** The greens and flowers that adorn the Church at Christmas are funded entirely by donations from members and friends of the Parish. Memorials and thanksgivings will be listed in the service leaflets during the twelve days of Christmas. Orders must be received no later than **December 21** and may be submitted by email ([office@theadventboston.org](mailto:office@theadventboston.org)), online at <https://onrealm.org/theadventboston/-/form/give/now> (select "Christmas Flowers" in the dropdown menu), or by completing the form found on the insert in this bulletin or in the back of the church and leaving it in the church office. Make checks payable to The Church of the Advent, and please help us by noting "Christmas Flowers" in the subject line.

**CHILDCARE NEEDS.** Due to work and school conflicts, we will soon be losing our regular Sunday childcare providers. We would like to develop a small team of providers who can serve on a rotating basis for approximately 3½ hours on Sunday mornings (and/or a few evenings throughout the year). But we also have an urgent need for one serve on Sunday, December 18 and for the early Mass on Christmas Eve. Anyone who may be interested in earning supplemental income

as a childcare provider is encouraged to contact the parish office.

**CAROLING.** All are invited to join the 20 & 30's group for Advent Caroling at **6pm this Thursday, December 8.** Meet at/near the parish office. As is traditional, we will proceed to the corner of Mt. Vernon and Charles St. to sing.

**THE BOOKSTORE** has unique Advent calendars, Christmas cards, and calendars for 2022 available.

**REACTIVATION OF OUR WARD OF THE SOCIETY OF MARY.** This **Wednesday, December 7<sup>th</sup>,** The Eve of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary, we will have the regular celebration of our daily Mass at 6pm, but it will be a Mass of thanksgiving for The Immaculate Conception. The Society of Mary is an international devotional society whose work and witness is to teach about and extend a proper doctrine of the Incarnation of Jesus Christ. This is accomplished by special devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Catholic devotional societies abound in the Anglican tradition, and The Society of Mary is one that honors her through special devotion in the lives of her members living under a Rule of Life. Mary has a unique place in the history of salvation, and in using liturgical and devotional practices to her, discipleship of Our Lord is strengthened; the worship and mission of the Church is forwarded; and the fullness of the Catholic Faith promoted. Please come and join us at our Healing Mass on December 7<sup>th</sup>, and stay after for a light supper with the Women's Group and hear about the opportunity to become part of The Society of Mary.

**ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY** was 239 (16+85+138). Advent Lessons & Carols attendance was 155.

## Christmastide & Epiphanytide

### December 24 – Christmas Eve (Saturday)

- 4:30pm Procession & Sung Mass\*
- 10:00pm Procession & Solemn Mass (9:15pm Choral Prelude). *Victoria: Missa "O magnum mysterium" and motets by Victoria and Howells*

### December 25 – Christmas Day (Sunday)

- 10:00am Low Mass & Hymns (*one mass*)

### December 31 – New Year's Eve (Saturday)

- 5:00pm A Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols. *Carols by Aston, Bednall, Biebl, Darke, Ešenvalds, Howells, Paulus and Willcocks*

### January 1, 2023 – Holy Name (Sunday)

- 10:00am Low Mass & Hymns (*one mass*)

### January 6 – The Epiphany (Friday)

- 6:30pm\* Solemn Mass & Procession\*  
*Hafslar: Missa "Dixit Maria" & carols by Ešenvalds and Jackson*

### January 8 – The Baptism of our Lord (Sunday)

- 8:00am Low Mass
- 9:00am Sung Mass\*
- 11:00am Solemn Mass\*. *Lassus: Missa octavi toni "Missa Venatorum" & motets of Hallock & Vásquez*

\*childcare available.