



*The Presentation of our Lord – Candlemas*  
(Septuagesima)

February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023

**Solemn Mass at Eleven O’Clock**

*Missa Sancti Wilhelmi devotio “Small Devotion” — John Taverner (c 1490–1545)*

*Celebrant: Fr Thompson*

**Prelude** *Little Canonic Variations on ‘Jesus bids us shine,’ op 72, n<sup>o</sup> 3*

Kenneth Leighton (1929–1988)

*Five Christmas Meditations*

Arthur Wills (1926–2002)

*V. “For mine eyes have seen thy salvation...”*

**The Blessing of Candles**

☩. The Lord be with you.

☩. **And with thy spirit.**

¶ *The congregation holds up their candles and the celebrant says*

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who on this day didst present thy only-begotten Son in thy holy temple to be received in the arms of blessed Simeon: We humbly entreat thy mercy, that thou wouldst vouchsafe to bless, ☩ hallow, and kindle with the light of thy heavenly benediction these candles, which we thy servants have received and will carry, lighted in honor of thy holy Name. By offering them to thee our Lord and God, may we be inflamed with the fire of thy love, and made worthy to be presented in the holy temple of thy glory. Through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth God, world without end. **Amen.**

¶ The candles are sprinkled and lighted during the singing of the Canticle.

**Canticle-Anthem** *Maria wallt zum Heiligtum*

Johannes Eccard (1553–1611)

*Maria wallt zum Heiligtum und bringt ihr Kindlein dar, das schaut der greise Simeon, wie ihm verheißten war. Da nimmt er Jesum in den Arm und singt im Geiste froh: "Nun fahr' ich hin mit Freud, dich Heiland sah ich heut, du Trost von Israel, das Licht der Welt."*

*Hilf uns, du leiber Jesu Christ, daß wir zu jeder Frist an dir, wie auch der Simeon, all unsre Freude han, und kommt die Zeit, sanft schlafen ein und also singen froh: "Nun fahr' ich hin mit Freud, dich Heiland sah ich heut, du Trost von Israel, das Licht der Welt."*

When to the Temple Mary went and brought her Infant there, him did the aged Simeon see, as it had been revealed. He took up Jesus in his arms and in the Spirit sang: "With joy I now depart, thee the Savior having seen this day, thou Hope of Israel, the Light of the World."

Help us, O thou dear Jesus Christ, that we may ever be, as once the faithful Simeon was, rejoicing but in thee, and come the time may gently sleep, and likewise gladly sing: "With joy I now depart, thee the Savior having seen this day, thou Hope of Israel, the Light of the World." [Peter Hagen (1569–1620) alt; tr chiefly by John Troutbeck (1832–1899) alt John Uhrig (1994)]

**The Solemn Procession** *(the people remain in place in their pews)*

∇. Let us go forth in peace.

℞. In the name of Christ, Àmén.

**Hymn** *Quod chorus vatum*

*Cœlites Plaudant*

1. All pro - phets hail\_ thee, from of old an - noun - cing,  
2. Thou the true Vir - gin, Moth - er of the High - est,  
3. In the high tem - ple Si - me - on re - ceives\_ thee,  
4. Now the fair realm\_ of Pa - ra - dise at - tain - ing,  
5. Glo - ry and wor - ship to the Lord of all\_ things

By the in - breath - èd Spi - rit of the  
Bear - ing in - car - nate God in awed o -  
Takes to his bent\_ arms with a ho - ly  
And to thy Son's— throne, Moth - er of th'E -  
Pay we un - rest - ing, who a - lone a -

Fa - ther, God's Mo - ther, bring - ing pro - phe - cies to  
be - dience, Meek - ly ac - cep - test for a sin - less  
rap - ture That pro - mised Sav - iour, vi - sion of re -  
ter - nal, Rais - èd all glo - rious, yet in earth's de -  
dor - èd, Fa - ther and Son\_ and Spi - rit, in the

full - ness Ma - ry the maid - en.  
off - spring Pu - ri - fi - ca - tion.  
demp - tion, Christ\_ long a - wait - ed.  
vo - tion Join— with us al - ways.  
high - est Reign - eth e - ter - nal.



1 Hail to the Lord who comes, comes to his tem - ple gate;  
 2 but, borne up - on the throne of Ma - ry's gen - le breast,  
 3 There Jo - seph at her side in rev - erent won - der stands;  
 4 O Light of all the earth, thy chil - dren wait for thee!

not with his an - gel host, not in his king - ly state;  
 watched by her du - teous love, in her fond arms at rest,  
 and, filled with ho - ly joy, old Si - meon in his hands  
 Come to thy tem - ples here, that we, from sin set free,

no shouts pro - claim him nigh, no crowds his com - ing wait;  
 thus to his Fa - ther's house he comes, the heaven - ly guest.  
 takes up the prom - ised child, the glo - ry of all lands.  
 be - fore thy Fa - ther's face may all pre - sent - ed be!

**Station at the Foot of the Altar**



V. We wait for thy loving kindness O Lord, R. In the midst of thy tem - ple.

Let us pray.

O God, who hast made this day holy by the presentation of thy Son in the temple, and by the purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary: Mercifully grant that we, who delight in her humble readiness to be the birth-giver of the Only-begotten, may rejoice forever in our adoption as his brothers and sisters; though Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Kyrie** *Mass for Three Voices*

William Byrd (1540–1623)

*Kyrie eleison.*

*Christe eleison.*

*Kyrie eleison.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

## Gloria

*Gloria in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax hominibus bonæ voluntatis. Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te, gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam, Domine Deus, Rex cælestis, Deus Pater omnipotens. Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe, Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis; qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis. Quoniam tu solus Sanctus, tu solus Dominus, tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu: ☩ in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.*

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men, we praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee, for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, ☩ art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## Collect

Almighty and everliving God, we humbly beseech thee that, as thy only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple, so we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts by the same Jesus Christ our Lord; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## Lesson Malachi 3:1–4

Thus says the Lord, "Behold, I send my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years."

## Gradual *Suscepimus*

*Mode V*

We have waited, O God, for thy loving-kindness in the midst of thy temple: according to thy Name, O God, so is thy praise unto the world's end. V. Like as we have heard, so have we seen in the city of our God: even upon his holy hill.

## Alleluia *Senex puerum*

*Mode VI, with falsobordone by Cesare de Zacharia (d 1597)*

∇. Alleluia, R̄. **Alleluia.** ∇. The old man carried the Child: but the Child governed the old man. R̄. **Alleluia.**

## Holy Gospel Luke 2:22–40

R̄. **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons." Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the

LORD's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, "Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel." And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed — and a sword will pierce your own soul too." There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

℞. **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

## Sermon

Fr Macdonald-Radcliff

## Nicene Creed

*Credo III / Mode V, with Et Incarnatus by Healey Willan (1880–1968)*  
¶ See pew card for music.

## 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 the people are seated for the Offertory.*

℣. The Lord be with you.

℞. **And with thy spirit.**

℣. Let us pray.

## Offertory Verse *Diffusa est*

*Mode II*

Full of grace are thy lips: because God hath blessed thee for ever.

**Offertory Anthem**    *Ave Maria (virgo serena)*

Josquin Desprez (c1450–1521)

*Ave Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum, virgo serena. Ave cuius conceptio, solemni plena gaudio, celestia, terrestria, nova replet letitia. Ave cuius nativitas, nostra fuit solemnitas, ut lucifer lux oriens verum solem preveniens. Ave pia humilitas, sine viro fecunditas, cujus annuntiatio nostra fuit salvatio. Ave vera virginitas, immaculata castitas, cujus purificatio nostra fuit purgatio. Ave preclara omnibus angelicis virtutibus, cuius fuit assumptio nostra glorificatio. O Mater Dei, memento mei. Amen.*

**Hail Mary**, full of grace, the Lord is with thee, virgin fair. Hail, thou whose joyful conception fills heaven and earth with new rejoicing. Hail, thou whose birth became our feast, as the morning star, a rising light, thou precededest the true sun. Hail, blessed humility, inviolate fecundity, whose annunciation became our salvation. Hail, true virginity, unspotted chastity, whose purification became our expiation. Hail thou, who shinest with all angelic virtues, whose assumption became our glorification. O Mother of God, remember me. Amen.

**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 cæli 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.**

**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.

### Agnus Dei

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.*

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.*

*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.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
grant us thy peace.

### 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    *Responsum accepit Simeon*

*Mode III*

It was revealed unto Simeon by the Holy Spirit: that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's Anointed.

### Communion Motet    *Ave Maria*

Tomás Luis de Victoria (c 1548–1611)

*Ave Maria gratia plena, Dominus tecum:  
Benedicta tu in mulieribus, et benedictus fructus  
ventris tui Jesus Christus.*

*Sancta Maria mater Dei, ora pro nobis peccatoribus  
nunc et in hora mortis nostræ. Amen.*

Hail Mary full of grace, the Lord is with thee:  
Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the  
fruit of thy womb, Jesus Christ.

Holy Mary mother of God, pray for us sinners  
now and at the hour of our death. Amen. (*Luke*  
*1:28,42*)

### 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 *O Jerusalem, beloved*

*Austria*

1. O Je - ru - sa - lem be - lov - ed, joy - ful morn has  
2. He the first be - got - ten on - ly Son of God to  
3. Light the Gen - tile world to light - en, and thy glo - ry,  
4. May we, Lord, with ho - ly Sime - on, and with An - na  
dawned on thee! Chant with joy and ex - ul -  
day is come, he the first be - got - ten  
Is - ra - el, beams on him the heav'n - ly  
wait for thee in the vi - sions of thy



ta - tion, chant a song of ju - bi - lee;  
 on - ly Son of Ho - ly Ma - ry's womb;  
 day - spring, God with us, Em - ma - nu - el:  
 tem - ple: may our hearts thy tem - ples be,

for the Lord whom thou art seek - ing, he for whom the  
 all the faith - ful sons of Is - ra - el are in him to  
 how the a - géd world re - ceives him in its arms with  
 so, with Saints and ho - ly An - gels may we all for -

na - tions pray, he, in hu - man flesh ap -  
 God al - lied, and, pre - sent - ed in the  
 faith's em - brace, and with Si - me - on re -  
 ev - er - more, In Je - ru - sa - lem the

pear - ing, to his tem - ple comes to - day.  
 tem - ple of the Lord are sanc - ti - fied.  
 joic - es in the sun - shine of his grace.  
 heav'n - ly, thee the Lord of all a - dore.

**Angelus** (See card in pew)

**Postlude** *Fugue in G Major "a la Gigue," BWV 577*

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

Those wishing to receive a blessing for healing in honor of St Blaise are asked to kneel at the Lady Chapel Altar rail immediately after the Masses.

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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).

**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.

**FLOWERS** today are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of Polly Warren. Last Sunday, flowers in the crossing were given to the Glory of

God and in loving memory of William Grime. We apologize for the omission.

**COFFEE HOURS.** Philip Sawyer and Ben Porteous host the 11am coffee hour today. Next week, Clementine Tufts and Mary Gier host the 9am; Jacob & Haley Martin host 11am. We could use additional hosts at 11am next week.

We are in need of additional hosts for all Masses in this 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.



**CANDLEMAS:** Today we observe a feast which has many names: *The Feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary; The Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord in the Temple;* and *Candlemas*. The first two refer to

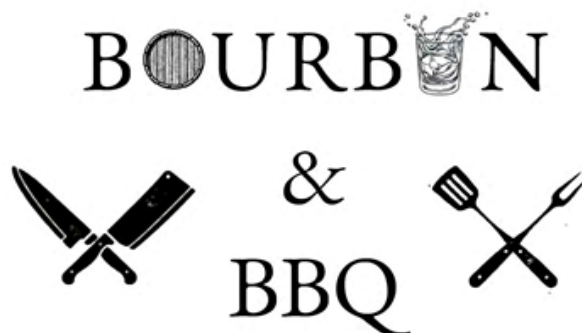
events recounted in today's Gospel reading. The last refers to a ceremony, peculiar to the day, which has been part of the practice of the Church since the seventh century. At the Masses candles are blessed then carried in procession to commemorate the entry of Christ, the Light of the World, into the Temple at Jerusalem. Jesus came, as the prophet Simeon said, in the words of the *Nunc Dimittis* which the choir will sing during the lighting of the candles, "to be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel."

Also, in honor of Saint Blaise Day (Feb. 3), we have the Blessing of Throats immediately following each Mass. Saint Blaise is a fourth-century saint to whom is attributed many miracles of healing. While being taken to prison and eventual martyrdom, he healed a boy who was choking on a fishbone. It has become the tradition for throats to be blessed on this day to maintain health from diseases affecting the voice and heal injuries and cure diseases of the throat. Those wishing to receive The Blessing of Throats are asked to kneel at the Lady Chapel Altar rail immediately after the Masses.

The celebration of Candlemas will continue this afternoon at 3:00pm, when our sister parish, All Saints', Ashmont, will offer Solemn Evensong, Solemn Procession, and Solemn Benediction for the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord. The combined choirs of All Saints', Ashmont, and All Saints', Worcester, will sing the service, Fr Thompson will be the guest preacher, and Andrew Scanlon will be playing the organ. Parishioners of the Advent are cordially invited to attend.

**ENTR'ACTE.** Robin Landrith begins a three-part reading of Genesis 1-2:4a as a source for discerning the work of the Holy Spirit in the church. Twelfth-century mystic Richard of St. Victor will be a guide to the reflections which will otherwise draw widely from Christian commentaries on this theme. Each Sunday will focus on a single topic taken from the text of Genesis 1-2:4a: the first Sunday will focus on speech, the second on light, and the third on joy. Robin is a PhD candidate at Boston College, where she is writing her dissertation on Richard of St. Victor's theology of love and the Trinity. She has written and presented papers on medieval and modern hermeneutics and theories of personhood.

**PLEDGE ENVELOPES.** Those who requested weekly giving envelopes when submitting their 2023 pledge can pick them up in the back of the church.



Church of the Advent's  
*Inaugural Men's Group Meeting*

Saturday February 11th at 6pm  
Moseley Hall

**MEN'S GROUP: "BOURBON & BBQ"**. All men of the parish are invited to "Bourbon & Barbecue", an inaugural men's group meeting. Join us at **6pm on Saturday, February 11**, for brotherly fellowship, food and drink, and a talk by Fr. Hanson, entitled "Why we call God our Father". Please email [noahkarger@gmail.com](mailto:noahkarger@gmail.com) to RSVP.

**FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT.** Grab your cowboy hats and saddle up! Our Spring Family Movie Night will be held on Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup> in the church library. Dinner will be at 5:30pm and the movie will begin at 6:00. We'll be watching *High Noon* – a tale of suspense and sacrifice set in the Wild West. RSVP to Maggie Westberg ([westberg.ma@gmail.com](mailto:westberg.ma@gmail.com)) so that we can get a count for food. Hope to see you there!

**ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY** was 243  
(16+76+151).

**STILL HAVE YOUR BLESSED PALMS?** There is a basket in the All Saints Chapel to receive palms from last Palm Sunday. These will be burned to make the ashes for Ash Wednesday, which falls on **February 22** this year.

**ADVENT 20s & 30s.** The 20s & 30s are meeting for mass & martinis on Wednesday, February 8, in the library right after the healing mass (around 6:30). Fr. Thompson will give a talk on "Dealing With Anxiety in the Christian Life". Please RSVP to Kyriell Palaeologue at [k.oldword@protonmail.com](mailto:k.oldword@protonmail.com).

**STUDIUM.** Join us on the first and third Saturdays of the month for Studium, a study hall that culminates in Evening Prayer. This is a great time to get work done while enjoying fellowship with other students and young professionals around the city. At each gathering, lunch, coffee, and refreshments are provided. During the Spring 2023 semester, Studium will meet from 11:00am–5:00pm on February 18, March 4, March 18, April 1, April 15, and May 6. Please contact [noahkarger@gmail.com](mailto:noahkarger@gmail.com) to be added to the email list.

**ANNUAL MEETING ELECTION RESULTS.**

At last Sunday’s Annual Parish Meeting, the following persons were elected:

**For Vestry (three-year term):**

John Boyd  
Thatcher Gearhart  
Carolyn McDermott  
Maggie Westberg

**Treasurer (one-year term):**

Ryan Taliaferro

**Clerk (one-year term):**

Andrew Huss

**For Diocesan Convention Delegate (one-year term):**

Kirthi Bellamkonda  
Gabriel Ellsworth

**For Diocesan Convention Alternate:**

Chrissy Glover

One report was omitted from the 2022 Annual Report. Revised copies are available in the church.

**UPCOMING**

*Wednesday, February 8*

6:30pm 20s and 30s

*Thursday, February 9*

6:30pm Beacon Hill Community Group

*Saturday, February 11*

6:30pm Men’s Fellowship

*Friday, February 17*

5:30pm Family Movie Night

*Saturday, February 18*

11:00am–5:00pm Studium

**SAVE THE DATE:** On Saturday, March 4, Advent parishioners will have a unique opportunity to visit two special sites in Worcester: St Matthew’s Episcopal Church, which has one of the finest collections of Tiffany stained glass on the East Coast; and a new exhibit at the Holy Cross College art gallery, “Bringing the Holy Land Home: The Crusades, Chertsey Abbey, and the Reconstruction of a Medieval Masterpiece”. Sign up in Moseley Hall, or contact Karen Harrington: [kharrington@theadventboston.org](mailto:kharrington@theadventboston.org).