

# ORDER OF CELEBRATION

Solemn Votive Mass *Rorate Cæli* in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Advent

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Church, Tacoma  
16 December 2017

## Introit: Rorate cæli desuper

**R**orate cæli desuper, et nubes plúant jústum.  
Aperiatúr terra et germinet salvatorem.

*Ps.* Benedixísti Dómine terram tuam;  
avertísti captivitátem Jacob.

Glória Pátri, et Fílio et Spíritui Sáncto.  
Sicut érat in princípío, et núnc, et sémpér,  
et in sǽcula sǽculórum. Amen.

**D**rop down dew, ye heavens, from above, and let the clouds rain the just.  
Let the earth be opened and send forth a Saviour.

*Ps.* Lord, you have blessed your land;  
you have put an end to Jacob's captivity.  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.

## Opening Rites

**I**

**K**ý- ri- e \* e- lé- i-son. Ký-ri- e e- lé- i-son.  
Ký- ri- e \* e- lé- i-son. Chri- ste e- lé- i-son.  
Chri- ste e- lé- i-son. Chri- ste e- lé- i-son.  
Ký-ri- e e- le- i-son. Ký- ri- e, e- lé- i-son.  
Ký-ri- e e- le- i-son.

*Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.*

## The Liturgy of the Word

*First Reading: Isaiah 7:10–14*

**T**he LORD spoke to Ahaz, saying: Ask for a sign from the LORD, your God; let it be deep as the netherworld, or high as the sky! But Ahaz answered, “I will not ask! I will not tempt the LORD!” Then Isaiah said: Listen, O house of David! Is it not enough for you to weary people, must you also weary my God? Therefore the Lord himself will give you this sign: the virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall name him Emmanuel.

*Responsorial (Gradual Psalm): Psalm 24:7; 3, 4 (Choir)*

<b>T</b> ollite portas, príncipes, vestras: et elevámini portæ æternáles, et introíbit Rex gló-ri-æ. Quis ascéndet in montem Dómini? aut quis stabit in loco sancto ejus? Innocens mánibus et mundo corde.	<b>L</b> ift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in. Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart.
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*Second Reading: Galatians 4:4–7*

**B**rothers and sisters: When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to ransom those under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. As proof that you are sons, God sent the spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying out, “Abba, Father!” So you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son then also an heir, through God.

*Alleluia Verse: Cf. Luke 1:28, 42*

**A** L-LE- lú- ia. \* Al-le-  
lú- ia.

**A**ve María, grátia plena:  
Dóminus tecum:  
benedícta tu in muliéribus

**H**ail Mary, full of Grace,  
the Lord is with thee.  
Blessed art thou amongst women.

*Gospel: Luke 1:26–38*

**I**n the sixth month, the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the house of David, and the virgin’s name was Mary. And coming to her, he said, “Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with you.” But she was greatly troubled at what was said and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. Then the angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father, and he will rule over the house of Jacob forever, and of his Kingdom there will be no end.”

But Mary said to the angel, “How can this be, since I have no relations with a man?”

And the angel said to her in reply, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God. And behold, Elizabeth, your relative, has also conceived a son in her old age, and this is the sixth month for her who was called barren; for nothing will be impossible for God.”

Mary said, “Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.” Then the angel departed from her.

## The Liturgy of the Eucharist

*Offertory Antiphon: Cf. Luke 1:28, 42 (Choir)*

**A**ve María, grátia plena:  
Dóminus tecum:  
benedícta tu in muliéribus  
et benedictus fructus ventris tui.

**H**ail Mary, full of Grace,  
the Lord is with thee.  
Blessed art thou amongst women,  
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb.

### *Sanctus*

**IV**  
**S** ANCTUS, \* Sanc-tus, Sanctus Dómi-nus De-us Sá-  
ba-oth. Ple-ni sunt cæ-li et terra gló-ri-a tu-a.  
Ho-sán-na in ex-cél-sis. Be-ne-díctus qui ven-it  
in nó-mi-ne Dó-mi-ni. Ho-sán-na in ex-cél-sis.

*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.*

### *Memorial Acclamation*

**M**YSTÉ-RI-UM fide-i.  
**R** Mortem tu-am annunti-ámus, Dó-mi-ne et tu-am  
re-surrecti-ó-nem confi-témur, do-nec vé-ni-as.

*The mystery of faith:  
We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.*

*Agnus Dei*

**IV**  
**A** -GNUS De-i, \* qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mundi :  
mi-se-ré-re no-bis. Agnus De-i, \* qui tol-lis  
pec-cá-ta mundi : mi-se-ré-re no-bis. Agnus De-i, \*  
qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mundi : do-na no-bis pa-cem.

*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.*

*Communion Antiphon: Is 7:14; Vv: Psalm 19:2-7*

**E**cce virgo concípiet, et páriet fílium: **B**ehold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a son;  
et vocábitur nomen ejus Emmánuel. and his name will be called Emmanuel.

*Recessional*

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*Ut in Omnibus Glorificetur Dei.*

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