



# NATIVITY OF THE LORD: CHRISTMAS DAY

## 25<sup>th</sup> December 2020

*The community of the Cathedral of St. Stephen acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land on which our parish stands.*

*Embracing  
Villa Maria Centre  
and  
St Patrick's  
Fortitude Valley*



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*A Happy and Holy  
Christmas to you all  
from  
Archbishop Mark,  
Fr Anthony,  
The Cathedral Clergy  
and Staff.*

*Readings for today: Isaiah 9:1-7; Titus 2:11-14; Luke 2:1-4*

The first words that the universe heard  
was "Let there be Light!"  
It was dark but behold!  
There was light.  
But what sort of light?

A blinding flash? A radiant glow?  
A brilliant daylight-kind of light?  
Or did God need to wait to shape the full  
force of light and be patient,  
and tend carefully  
to the slow process of creation?

Now, down the track of the ages, today  
we hear that the people who walk in  
darkness have seen a great light!  
Those who live among shadows  
now see the promise of dawn.  
This day, the slow process of creation and  
re-creation has gathered us up and claims  
us as people of light. The power of God's  
command echoes through the universe  
once more.

The gift of Light is not a pretence that  
darkness does not exist;  
that darkness is not real or possess  
an alluring, destructive power.  
The powers of darkness  
can take hold any moment  
and uncreate what has been made.  
Yet darkness can never be victorious.  
That's its delusion.  
But fear can creep, like the night, as a  
spreading pandemic; a virulent  
contagion, infecting us and make us ill.

Our vulnerabilities, now so obvious but  
too often denied, cover our sight with  
shadow. Living with fear, our sight is the  
first sense to go.

This is why, this Holy Day, we praise the  
coming of the vulnerable Light: a tender  
and soft light; inviting, not demanding,  
our attention. This Light pushes back the  
edges of darkness and returns our gift of  
sight.

Light comes by Divine command.

It remains a world where terrors lurk,  
where fragility is everywhere,  
where sorrow remains our burden,  
and the unseeable grips our mind's-eye.  
But there is Light, more than enough to  
re-claim our vision, to re-focus our sight.  
For this is what Divine Light does and  
why, of all things, Light comes first.  
And Light comes again. And again.  
And again. And now. At God's Word.

For the Light is this child. This adult. This  
Teacher. This Healer. This Friend.  
This Merciful One. This Bearer of Justice.  
This Proclaimer of New Creation.  
This Despised One. This Crucified One.

The Risen One. The Promised One.  
The Victorious One. The Rising Dawn,  
the Break of Day. The Unfading Light of  
the Ages. The first words that the  
universe heard was "Let there be Light!"  
It was dark but behold, Light!

*Fr. Anthony*



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St. Stephen  
249 Elizabeth St  
Brisbane*



*St. Patrick's  
58 Morgan St  
Fortitude Valley*



*Villa Maria Chapel  
171 St Pauls Tce  
Spring Hill  
No public Masses  
until further notice.*

*Please note the following changes to the regular Mass & Reconciliation schedule  
for 28 December 2020 to 8 January 2021.*

**Monday 28 December** Mass 10.00am  
**Tue 29 – Thu 31 Dec** Mass 8.00am; Reconciliation 9.00-9.30am  
**Friday 1 January 2021** Mass 10.00am (Solemnity of Mary, Mother of the Lord)  
**Saturday 2 January** Reconciliation 10.00-11.00am; Mass 11.30am  
Mass 6.00pm (for Sunday)  
**Sunday 3 January** Mass 8am; 10am; 12pm; 7.30pm St Patrick's: 9am & 11am  
**Mon 4 to Fri 8 January** Mass 8.00am; Reconciliation 9.00-9.30am  
Regular Mass & Reconciliation schedule will resume from Saturday 9 January 2021

# Music at 8.00am & 12.00pm Mass of Christmas Day – Cathedral of St Stephen

## PROCESSIONAL CAROL

CWB 267

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;  
come and behold him born the King of Angels:

*O come, let us adore him, O come let us adore him,  
O come let us adore him, Christ the Lord!*

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,  
sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above;  
Glory to God in the highest: **(Refrain)**

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning,  
Jesus to thee be glory giv'n;  
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing: **(Refrain)**

## KYRIE

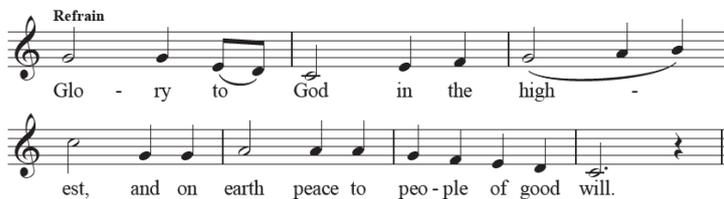
Mass Shalom – Smith

*All repeat after Cantor*

## GLORIA

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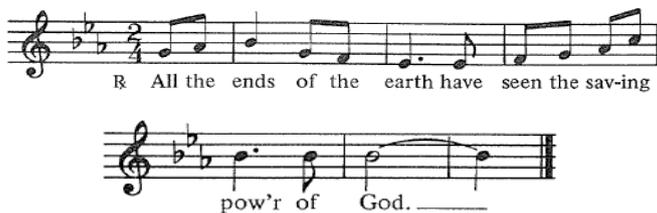
**Refrain**



Glo - ry to God in the high -  
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## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

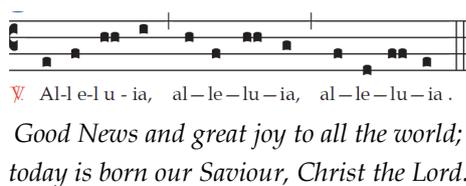
Ps 97



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## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Lk 2:10-11



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*Good News and great joy to all the world;  
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## OFFERTORY CAROL

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let earth receive her King;  
let ev'ry heart prepare him room,  
and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing,  
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

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let us our songs employ;  
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repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,  
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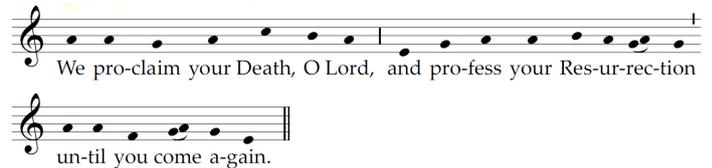
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Bless'd is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
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## MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

ICEL #1



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## LORD'S PRAYER

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grant us peace.

## COMMUNION CAROL

CWB 256

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the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.  
The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,  
the little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.

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I love thee, Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky,  
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Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask thee to stay  
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Bless all the dear children in they tender care,  
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Joyful, all you nations, rise, join the triumph of the skies;  
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Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Son of Righteousness!  
Light and life to all he brings, ris'n with healing in his wings.  
Mild he lays his glory by, born that man no more may die,  
born to raise us from the earth, born to give us second birth.

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INTROIT

Is.9:6

Puer natus est nobis, et filius  
datus est nobis: cuius impe-  
rium super humerum eius:  
et vocabitur nomen eius,  
magni consilii Angelus.

Unto us a child is born, unto  
us a son is given. Dominion is  
on his shoulder and his name  
shall be called the Angel of  
Great Counsel.

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OFFERTORY MOTET

Puer natus in Bethlehem,  
Unde gaudet Jerusalem,  
alleluia.

A child is born in  
Bethlehem, Exult for joy,  
Jerusalem! Alleluia.

*Music: Samuel Scheidt (1587-1654)*

HOLY HOLY

Mass XVIII

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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LORD'S PRAYER

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COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Psalm 97:3cd

Viderunt omnes fines  
terrae salutare Dei nostri.

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CWB 256

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ORGAN POSTLUDE

*Grand Choeur in G*

*T. Salome (1834-1896)*

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# Music at 9.00am Mass of Christmas Day – St Patrick's Church

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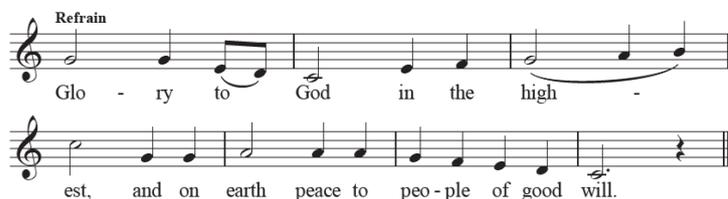
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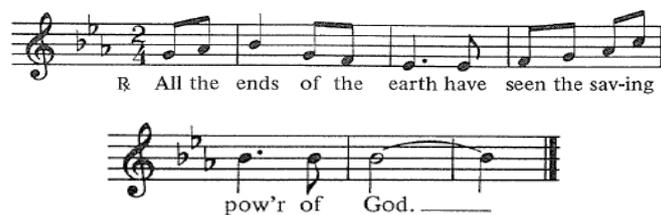
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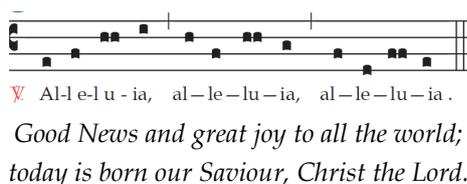
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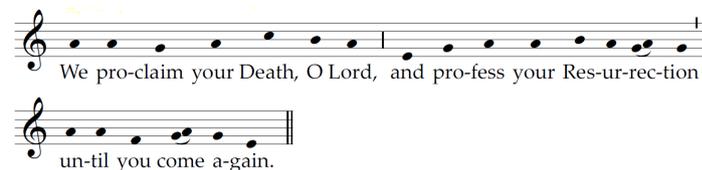
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