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Hopefully you’ve had a chance to read our email that shares our students’, alumni, and community members’ stories. If you haven’t read the stories yet, you can pick up the link to them on our home page at stanfordcatholic.org

**Fourth Sunday of Advent — December 19, 2021**

**Gathering**  “Creator of the Stars of Night”

*Cónditor alme síderum,*  
*aetéRNA lux credéntium,*  
*Christe, redémptor ómnium,*  
*exáudi preces súpplicum.*

1. **Creator of the stars of night,**  
2. **In sor - row that the an - cient curse**  
3. **When this old world drew on toward night,**

Your peo - ple’s ev - er - last - ing light,  
Should doom to death a uni - verse,  
You came; but not in splen - dor bright,

O Christ, Re - deem - er of us all,  
You came, O Sav - ior, to set free  
Not as a mon - arch, but the child

We pray you hear us when we call.  
Your own in glo - rious lib - er - ty.  
Of Mar - y, blame - less moth - er mild.

4) repeat Latin text

*Words: Latin, 7th c., tr. in The Hymnal 1982; Tr. © 1985, Church Pension Fund*

**First Reading**  Micah 5:1–4

*The Lord says this: “Out of tiny Bethlehem will come one who is to be ruler over all Israel. The greatness and peace of the Lord God will reach to the ends of the earth.”*
Second Reading  Hebrews 10:5–10

God took no delight in holocausts and sin offerings, even those that fulfilled the law.
Rather, God desired Christ. By death, Jesus took away the first covenant to set up the second.

Gospel Acclamation

Psalm

“For Lowly People” (Ps. 72)

1) You shall stand up alongside the poor.
You shall suppress the pow’r of the ruthless, break and restrain it.
You shall live forever, infinite as the sun.

2) As morning dew falls on thirsty ground, so is your coming,
and on that day faithfulness shall bloom and truth shine,
and peace shall flow like a stream in full flood.

3) Then shall the mountains bear sheaves of peace,
and the hillsides a harvest of righteousness,
wheat in full flood and fields of gold, a city rising from a sea of green.

Words: Huub Oosterhuis, from Psalm 72; translation by Tony Barr. Music: Tom Löwenthal.

December Mass Schedule

For a complete schedule of Masses during December (Stanford’s winter break), see our website
https://stanfordcatholic.org/holiday-season-mass-times-2021

Christmas Masses

Held in Memorial Church

Fri., Dec. 24 Christmas Midnight Mass,
carol singing at 11:45 PM  Organ, Harp, and Choir

Sat., Dec. 25 Christmas Day Mass, 12:30PM
carol singing at 12:15 PM  Organ, Harp, and Choir

Renewed announcement

* Singers Are Invited to Join in Our Annual Christmas Choir!

Choir sings at Christmas Eve Midnight Mass and/or 12:30pm Christmas Day Mass.
Carols and psalms from the Christmas Liturgy.
Organ and harp accompaniment.
All ages are welcome!
Rehearsals:
• Sun, Dec. 19 (2-3:30 PM)
• Wed, Dec. 22 (7-9 PM)
Contact Teresa, tpleins@stanford.edu
All rehearsals and liturgies will be held in Memorial Church.

Gospel

Luke 1:39–45

When Mary visited Zechariah’s house, Elizabeth greeted her: “Blest are you among women and blest is the fruit of your womb.” Mary said, “My being magnifies the Lord.”
### Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

[bowing:] who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.

Amen.

### Offertory

If you have found spiritual encouragement from our Sunday Mass, please consider making an offering. CC@S relies on individual donations from supporters all over the country to fund Sunday Mass, spiritual programs for students, faculty, staff and other permanent community members.

- To make an online donation through Venmo, Venmo @stanford-catholic
- To make a tax-deductible donation through PayPal, Check, or stock transfers, see stanfordcatholic.org/give/ways-to-give

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**Sanctus from “Missa Emmanuel”**

**Cantor first/all repeat:**

\[\text{Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord, Ho-ly Lord} \quad \text{God of hosts,}\]

**Cantor: Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Response:

\[\text{Ho-san-na in the high-est, ho-san-na in the high-est.}\]

**Cantor: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

(Repeat Response)

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**Memorial Acclamation from “Missa Emmanuel”**

**Cantor, then all:**

\[\text{When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro-}\]

\[\text{claim your Death, O Lord, un-til you come a-gain.}\]

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**Great Amen from “Missa Emmanuel”**

**1st Cantor / All repeat**

\[\text{A-men, a-men, a-men, a-men.}\]

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**Agnus Dei from “Missa Emmanuel”**

**Cantor: (Invocation)**

\[\text{...have mercy on us,}\]

\[\text{(last)} \quad \text{...grant us peace,}\]

**All respond:**

\[\text{have mercy on us. Grant us peace.}\]

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**Exploring Catholicism / RCIA**

**First announced December 12**

**Save the Date: January 6—CC@S Epiphany Party**

**January 6th from 7pm-9pm**

1231 Arbor Road, Menlo Park (our Dominican friars’ house). Fr. Xavier will no doubt be serving his famous (lethal) eggnog and Fr. Dominic will no doubt be leading some singing! To help with desserts and hosting, please contact Alicia Restrepo at restrepo@stanford.edu

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**Reading Group**

Our next meeting, via Zoom, will be on **Monday January 10th** to talk about Thomas Merton’s *New Seeds of Contemplation*. It is a classic and considered by some to be his masterpiece, and it should be good reading during the Christmas season. A Zoom link will be sent closer to the date to those on the emailing list. Anyone interested not on our contact list can get in touch with Albert Gelpi (agelpi@stanford.edu).

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**First announced December 12**

**Missa Emmanuel—Holy, Holy, Holy / Memorial Acclamation / Amen / Lamb of God—arranged by Richard Proulx;**

First announced November 14

* Family Giving Tree Holiday Wish Drive

Christmas is coming fast! And Catholic Community @ Stanford is once again participating in The Holiday Wish Drive through the non-profit organization, The Family Giving Tree. This year the need is still great for those in the Bay Area, with the pandemic, fires, and economic turmoil affecting thousands of our neighbors. We will be participating through a Virtual Giving Tree only this year. Just go to this link: https://vtree.fgt.org/CatholicCommunityatStanford, shop for a gift or a donation amount, add to your cart, and then check out securely. For more information, ask Larry, lhu_ccas@yahoo.com

Important notice

* COVID-19 Safety

In the event that you show symptoms or test positive for COVID-19 within forty-eight (48) hours of being at Mass in Memorial Church, please report this promptly to Ruby Mo, rubymo@stanford.edu, the COVID manager for Office for Religious and Spiritual Life at Stanford.

Communion

In compliance with the directive of our local bishop, CC@S receives communion only in the hand in this time of pandemic. See our website for more information. https://stanfordcatholic.org/communion-during-covid

Communion

“The Cry of the Poor”


Communion

“The angel Gabriel from heaven came,
His wings as drifted snow, his eyes as flame;
“All hail,” said he, “thou lowly maiden Mary,
Most highly favored lady.” Gloria!

For known a blessed Mother thou shalt be,
All generations laud and honor thee.
Thy Son shall be Emmanuel, by seers foretold.
Most highly favored lady. Gloria!

Then gentle Mary meekly bowed her head;
“To me be as it pleaseth God,” she said.
“My soul doth laud and magnify his holy name.”
Most highly favored lady. Gloria!

Of her, Emmanuel, the Christ was born
In Bethlehem, all on a Christmas morn,
And Christian folk throughout the world will ever say:
“Most highly favored lady, Gloria!”

Recessional  “O Come, Divine Messiah”

1. O come, Divine Messiah, The
   world in silence waits the day When hope shall sing its
   triumph, And sadness flee away.

2. O come Desired of nations, Whom
   the priest and prophet long foretold, Will break the captive
   fetters, Redeem the long lost fold.

3. O come in peace and meekness, For
   though clothed in human weakness We shall your Godhead see.

Dear Savior, haste! Come, come to earth. Dispel the
night and show your face, And bid us hail the dawn of
grace. O come, Divine Messiah, The
world in silence waits the day When hope shall sing its
triumph, And sadness flee away.


Year-Round Community: Our Church Needs YOU!

We have been working on rebuilding our ministry lists for all Masses. Students have been AMAZING at stepping forward. However, these student ministers will be away during break times and the staff is concerned that we won’t be able to adequately provide ministry during those times.

If you are a non-student, would you consider serving in one of these ministries?

- **Greeting Ministry** (9:00 AM & 4:30 PM Masses)—Serve as a welcoming presence, check in parishioners before Mass, clean up after Mass. Scheduled approximately once every 3 weeks. Contact Alicia Restrepo, restrepo@stanford.edu

- **Tech Support** (9:00 AM & 4:30 PM Masses)—Set up and run sound equipment at 9:00 AM Mass, work on a production team for live streaming at 4:30 Mass. Scheduled approximately once every 2-3 weeks after initial training.

- **Singers, especially Men** (4:30 PM Mass)—2-4 experienced bass/tenor singers for the Schola Ensemble; 2 rehearsals per month, sing 1 time per month.

Training is provided. Flexible scheduling. For info, please contact Teresa, tpleins@stanford.edu

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