

Communion Hymn

1. My soul doth mag - ni - fy the Lord,  
2. All ge - ne - ra - tions call me blest;  
3. His arm is strong to all who fear;

4. He fills the hun - gry with good things;  
5. Re - mem - ber - ing His mer - cy sure,  
6. All glo - ry to the Fa - ther God,

in God, my Sa - vior shall re - joice;  
yea, God has done great things for me!  
the proud He scat - ters in their greed!  
the right He sends a - way in shame.  
His ser - vants, Is - ra - el, em - brace:  
and to the Son, Whom we a - dore,

He rais - es me from low es - tate,  
And ho - ly is His right - eous name,  
He casts the might - y from their thrones,  
The hum - ble He has lift - ed high,  
As proph - e - sied in days of old,  
the Ho - ly Spir - it, Three - in - One,

and gives a hun - dred bless - ings voice!  
to those who know His maj - es - ty!  
and lifts the low - ly from their need.  
to mag - ni - fy His ho - ly name!  
to A - bra - ham and all his race.  
for - ev - er, and for - ev - er more!

The Alma Redemptoris Mater will precede the  
Recessional Hymn at all Masses.  
(see pew card or inside front cover of pew Missals)

Recessional Hymn

- 1. Immaculate Mary, Your praises we sing,  
You reign now with Jesus, our Savior and King.  
*Ave, ave, ave, Maria! Ave, ave, Maria!*
- 2. In heaven the blessed Your glory proclaim;  
On earth we, Your children, invoke Your fair name:
- 3. Your name is our power, Your virtues our light;  
Your love is our comfort, Your prayers are our might.



“O Mary, conceived without sin,  
pray for us who have recourse to Thee!”

Credits:

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Solemnity of the Immaculate  
Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary



1. I re - joice in God my Sav - ior,  
2. I ex - tol my Lord and Sav - ior,  
3. Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther,

my soul’s joy is in the Lord,  
for He came to res - cue me:  
Glo - ry be to God the Son,

for He clothed me with a gar - ment  
and the Lord has not per - mitt - ed  
Glo - ry be to God the Spir - it,

of sal - va - tion ev - er - more!  
vic - t’ry for mine en - e - mies.  
Glo - ry to the Three - in - One.

Wrapped in jus - tice like a man - tle,  
God, You brought me forth from She - ol,  
From the heart of bless - èd Mar - y,

am I robed in right - eous - ness,  
saved me from the depths of hell:  
from all Saints the song as - cends,

like a bride a - dorned in glad - ness,  
You have healed and saved my life, that  
and the church the strain re - ech - oes

with a crown of hum - ble - ness.  
in the pit I may not fall.  
un - to earth’s re - mot - est ends!

**Priest:**

LO - RY to God in the high - - est, \*

**All:** and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will. We praise

You, we bless You, we a - dore You, we glo - ri -

-fy You, we give You thanks for Your great glo - ry.

Lord God heav'n-ly King, O God al-migh-ty Fa - ther,

Lord, Je - sus Christ, On - ly Be - got - ten Son,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther,

You take a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy

on us. You take a - way the sins of the world,

re - ceive our prayer. You are seat-ed at the right

hand of the Fa - ther, have mer - cy on us.

For You a - lone are the Ho - ly One, You a - lone

are the Lord, You a - lone are the Most High

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the

glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Music for the Kyrie, Credo, Sanctus, & Pater Noster  
can be found on the laminated pew cards.

Responsorial Psalm

98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4

Sing to the Lord a new song,

for He has done mar-v'lous deeds.

Sing a new song to the LORD, for He has worked wonders. His right hand and His holy arm have brought salvation.

The LORD has made known His salvation, has shown His deliverance to the nations. He has remembered His merciful love and His truth for the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song, and sing out your praise!

Venite, venite populi!

The St. John's choir will be singing in a **Lessons & Carols service at Saint Thomas Catholic church in Elkhart on Monday, Dec. 18, at 7PM.** The service will contain scripture readings, a children's choir, and the adult choirs from St. John's, St. Mary's, St. Vincent's and St. Thomas.

Gospel Acclamation

Modern

Al - le - lù - ia, Al - le - lù - ia, Al - le - lù - ia.

Square Note

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with You;  
blessed are You among women!

Offertory Hymn

1. Bless - èd Mar - y ev - er - Vir - gin,  
2. Sin - less one at Thy con - cep - tion,  
3. • Vir - gin when be - trothed to Jo - seph,  
4. When Your earth - ly life was end - ed,  
5. Now you reign as Queen of Heav - en,  
6. Bless - èd Mar - y ev - er - Vir - gin,

Rose of Is - rael in full bloom,  
born to Jo - a - chim and Anne,  
• Vir - gin still in cat - tle - stall,  
Soul and bod - y, pure as light,  
Light of Broth - er Sun Your gown,  
The - o - to - kos, grant this grace:

Moth - er to a world of sin - ners,  
nev - er has a sweet - er maid - en  
• Vir - gin as Our Lord grew dai - ly,  
were as - sumed by God to Heav - en,  
Sis - ter Moon Your path il - lu - mines  
may our souls give birth to Je - sus;

The - o - to - kos, in Your womb  
lived on earth since time be - gan;  
• Vir - gin when He raised His call,  
man - i - fest - ing lov - ing might;  
and twelve stars a - dorn Your crown;  
make our hearts His dwell - ing - place

Christ of all the star - ry heav - ens  
Who else could have borne our Je - sus,  
• Vir - gin wit - ness to His Pas - sion,  
how the an - gels bade You wel - come,  
whirl - ing plan - ets pause in greet - ing,  
till like stars we rise to greet Him

came to make His earth - ly home.  
ver - y God and ver - y Man?  
• Vir - gin Moth - er of us all:  
how the saints sang their de - light!  
count - less gal - ax - ies bow down.  
and be - hold Him face to face!