December 6, 2020 — Second Sunday of Advent

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First Reading Isaiah 40:1–5, 9–11

Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins.

A voice cries out:

"In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken."

Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, do not fear; say to the cities of Judah, "Here is your God!"

See, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep.

New announcement

Holiday Season Liturgy Schedule

(all times Pacific)

Tuesday, December 8

Mass for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception celebrated at our usual 12:20pm weekday Mass

Sunday, December 13

1:00pm outdoor Mass at St. Raymond 4:30pm live stream Mass

Sunday, December 20

1:00pm outdoor Mass at St. Raymond 4:30pm live stream Mass

Thursday, December 24

6:30pm carol service and 7:00pm Christmas Mass streamed live on YouTube

Friday, December 25

Christmas Mass outdoors at St. Raymond (early afternoon; exact time to be confirmed)

Sunday, December 27

1:00pm outdoor Mass at St. Raymond 4:30pm Mass on Zoom (also streamed to YouTube)

Friday, January 1

Mass for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, celebrated at our usual 12:20pm weekday Mass

Reconciliation

Friday, December 18 at 7:30pm Online Communal Reconciliation Service and preparation for individual confession https://stanford.zoom.us/ j/98962872821?pwd=Vkk5MUw0UG8wY0Y5emR4MGVySnI4Zz09

Sunday, December 20, 11:00am–1:00pm Tuesday, December 22, 12:00pm–2:00pm Outdoor Confessions at St. Raymond, in the rose garden

First announced November 29

* Their Stories: You're the Hero

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

First announced November 29

The next meeting will be on **Monday, January 18th at 7:30pm** to discuss Marilynne Robinson's recently published novel *Jack*, the fourth in the cycle of *Gilead* novels, which are deeply moving fictional meditations on history and family, faith and forgiveness. The Zoom link will be sent out closer to the meeting date. Anyone who is not on the mailing list and wants to join the conversation should send email to Albert Gelpi (agelpi@stanford.edu).

Psalm (1:00 Outdoor Mass) (Ps. 85)

(spoken response)

R: Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

Let me hear what God the Lord will speak, for he will speak peace to his people. Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land. (*R*.)

Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other. Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky. (R.)

The Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase. Righteousness will go before him, and will make a path for his steps. (R.)

Psalm (4:30 Live Stream) "Lord, Let Us See Your Kindness" (Ps. 85)



- Let us hear what our God proclaims: Peace to the people of God, Salvation is near to the ones who fear him.
- 2) Kindness and truth, justice and peace; Truth shall spring up as the water from the earth, Justice shall rain from the heavens.
- The Lord will come and you shall know his love, Justice shall walk in his pathways, Salvation the gift that he brings.

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Second Reading 2 Peter 3:8–15

Do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day. The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all to come to repentance.

But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and everything that is done on it will be disclosed. Since all these things are to be dissolved in this way, what sort of persons ought you to be in leading lives of holiness and godliness, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set ablaze and dissolved, and the elements will melt with fire? But, in accordance with his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness is at home.

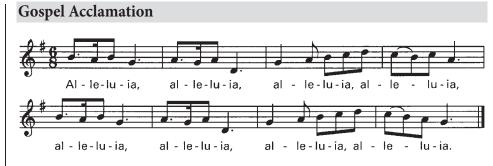
Therefore, beloved, while you are waiting for these things, strive to be found by him at peace, without spot or blemish; and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation.

Updated November 29 ★ St. Anthony's Padua Dining Room

During this time of pandemic, CC@S continues to help prepare take-away hot meals for those in need at St. Anthony's Padua Dining Room in Menlo Park (<u>http://paduadiningroom.com</u>) every first and fourth Saturday of the month. However, to reduce the risk of virus transmission we are not able to accept new volunteers, currently. Please stay tuned for volunteer opportunities to resume. For further information, please contact gary.glover@stanford.edu (650-302-6902).

Marriage Preparation

Were you going to be married at Stanford's Memorial Church or were you being prepared by the Catholic Community at Stanford to be married elsewhere but now are unable to find a wedding prep program? If so, contact Fr. Xavier (xavierop@stanford. edu) about the possibility of joining our online program.



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Gospel Mark 1:1–8

The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

As it is written in the prophet Isaiah, "See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way; the voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,"

John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey.

He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

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

"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

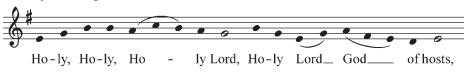
- 1) Come, thou long-expected Jesus, born to set thy people free! From our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in thee.
- 2) Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art; Dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.
- Born thy people to deliver, born a child, and yet a king; Born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring.
- 4) By thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone; By thine all-sufficient merit raise us to thy glorious throne.

Words: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788. Tune: "The Bonny Light Horseman" (Irish folk song), arranged by Charles Kennedy.

Sanctus

from "Missa Emmanuel"

Cantor first/all repeat:



Cantor: Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Response:



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

(Repeat Response)

Offertory

If you have found spiritual encouragement from our virtual 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.

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New announcement

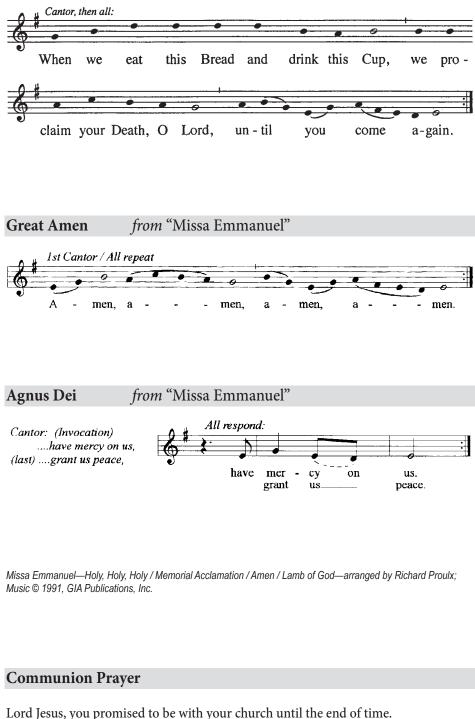
Seminar: Exploring the Infancy Narratives

Tuesdays at 7:30pm (Pacific) <u>Online via Zoom</u>

Matthew and Luke are really different. Join Fr. Xavier to explore their messages. In the first part of each class, we will be doing a close reading and discussion of the text, and then in the second part, we will call forth your own reflections and/or the reflections from others. This is a seminar: please come having read the scriptural text carefully. Come to as many or as few as you like.

Dec 8th: Where's Mary?: Annunciation to Joseph and Birth of Jesus, Matthew 1:18-25

Memorial Acclamation from "Missa Emmanuel"



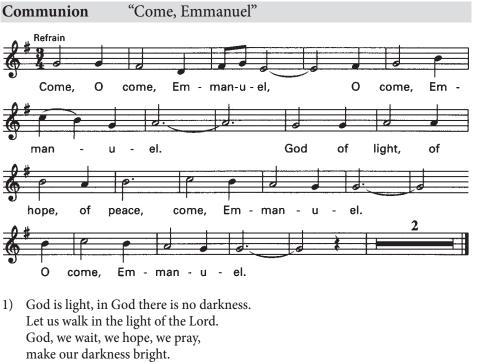
Help us to believe that you are with us now in our hour of need.

We long to experience your presence more deeply and more intimately, even when we can't gather together as your church to celebrate the Eucharist.

Deepen our belief that you are present within us and that you bind us together in communion with you.

May our communion with you and one another move us to reach out to others, especially those who seek justice.

We know that you abide with those whom you created. Never let us forget your love. Amen.



Come, Emmanuel.

 On that day, we will beat our swords to plowshares. On that day, we will all live as friends, valleys filled and mountains made low, peace for all the world. Come, Emmanuel.

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Today

* After-Mass Chat! BYOB (That's Bible)

5:40pm (Pacific)

Explore today's reading with Fr. Xavier on Zoom:

https://stanford.zoom.us/j/97570546067?pwd=UE9vdG1rUGp5bkZsemtueUtVZ3N-Mdz09

Share your ideas with others and explore a rich Gospel background.

Join the Live-Stream Choir!

At the end of our live streamed Masses, singers and instrumentalists from all over the world join together to lead our community in song.

Would you like to "join" the choir?

It's not difficult and you don't have to be a recording star to join in. The music is pre-recorded and then mixed together, so your voice is blended with others.

God is calling us in many different ways these days. Perhaps Live-stream choir is a way to help others pray through song about mercy, grace, forgiveness, and hope.

For more info, contact Eric (elebel@stanford.edu)

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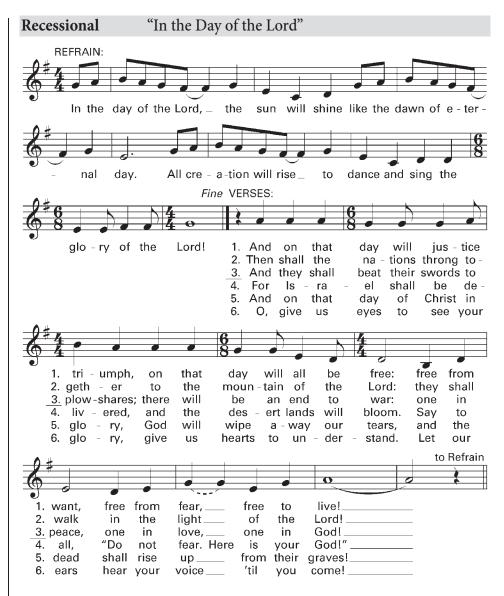
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