December 27, 2020 — The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

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Opening Song "Angels We Have Heard on High"

- Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o'er the plains, And the mountains in reply echoing their joyous strains: Glo - - - ria in excelsis Deo! Glo - - - ria in excelsis Deo!
- 2) Shepherds why this Jubilee, why your joyous strains prolong? What the gladsome tidings be which inspire your heavenly song? Glo - - - ria in excelsis Deo! Glo - - - ria in excelsis Deo!
- Come to Bethlehem to see him whose birth the angels sing;
 Come, adore on bended knee Christ the Lord the newborn King.
 Glo - ria in excelsis Deo! Glo - ria in excelsis Deo!

Gloria

Priest:	Glory to God in the highest,
	and on earth peace to people of good will.
	We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,
	we give you thanks for your great glory,
	Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

People (singing):

Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, ou take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

People (singing):

Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father.

People (singing):

Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!

First Reading Genesis 15:1–6; 21:1–3

The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, saying: "Fear not. Abram! *I am your shield; I will make your reward very great.*" But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what good will your gifts be, *if I keep on being childless* and have as my heir the steward of my house, Eliezer?" Abram continued, "See, you have given me no offspring, and so one of my servants will be my heir." *Then the word of the LORD came to him:* "No, that one shall not be your heir; your own issue shall be your heir." The Lord took Abram outside and said, "Look up at the sky and count the stars, if you can. Just so," he added, "shall your descendants be." Abram put his faith in the LORD, who credited it to him as an act of righteousness.

The LORD took note of Sarah as he had said he would; he did for her as he had promised. Sarah became pregnant and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the set time that God had stated. Abraham gave the name Isaac to this son of his whom Sarah bore him.

Reader: The word of the Lord.*People:* Thanks be to God.

Updated info

Holiday Season Liturgy Schedule

(all times Pacific)

Weekday Mass

continues Monday through Friday at 12:20pm on Zoom, except Friday, December 25

Friday, January 1, 2021

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

Sunday, January 3, 2021

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

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

Reading Group

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 & 4:30) (Ps. 105)

(spoken response) R: The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.

Give thanks to the LORD, invoke his name; make known among the nations his deeds. Sing to him, sing his praise, proclaim all his wondrous deeds. (R.)

Glory in his holy name; rejoice, O hearts that seek the LORD! Look to the LORD in his strength; constantly seek his face. (*R*.)

You descendants of Abraham, his servants, sons of Jacob, his chosen ones! He, the LORD, is our God; throughout the earth his judgments prevail. (*R*.)

He remembers forever his covenant which he made binding for a thousand generations which he entered into with Abraham and by his oath to Isaac. (R_{\cdot})

Second Reading Hebrews 11:8, 11–12, 17–19

Brothers and sisters: By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; he went out, not knowing where he was to go. By faith he received power to generate, even though he was past the normal age --and Sarah herself was sterile-for he thought that the one who had made the promise was trustworthy. So it was that there came forth from one man, himself as good as dead, descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as countless as the sands on the seashore.

By faith Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was ready to offer his only son, of whom it was said,

"Through Isaac descendants shall bear your name." He reasoned that God was able to raise even from the dead, and he received Isaac back as a symbol.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel

Luke 2:22-40

Priest:	The Lord be with you.
People:	And with your spirit.
Priest:	A reading from the Holy Gospel According to Luke.
People:	Glory to you, O Lord.

When the days were completed for their purification according to the law of Moses, They took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord, just as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every male that opens the womb shall be consecrated to the Lord," and to offer the sacrifice of "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons," in accordance with the dictate in the law of the Lord.

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon. This man was righteous and devout, awaiting the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he should not see death before he had seen the Christ of the Lord. *He came in the Spirit into the temple;* and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to perform the custom of the law in regard to him, *He took him into his arms and blessed God, saying:* "Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in sight of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel." The child's father and mother were amazed at what was said about him; and Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, "Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted *—and you yourself a sword will pierce* so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed." There was also a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived seven years with her husband after her marriage, and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She never left the temple, but worshiped night and day with fasting and prayer. And coming forward at that very time, she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were awaiting the redemption of Jerusalem.

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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.

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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Gospel (continued)

When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

Priest:The Gospel of the Lord.People:Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Questions for reflection and discussion

Where is God deeply present in your life, in the world, even if in seed form? How will you tell people? How will you let your life be changed?

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.

Prayer of the Faithful

After each petition, the people respond: Christ our light, hear our prayer.

Preface Dialogue

Priest:	The Lord be with you.
People:	And with your spirit.
Priest:	Lift up your hearts.
People:	We lift them up to the Lord.
Priest:	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People:	It is right and just.

Sanctus

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.

The mystery of faith

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

Great Amen

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and longive us our respusses, as we longive those who respuss aga and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Agnus Dei

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.

Invitation to Communion

Priest:	Behold the Lamb of God,
	behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

People: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Communion Prayer

Lord Jesus, you promised to be with your church until the end of time. 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.

Dismissal

Priest:	The Lord be with you.
People:	And with your spirit.
Priest:	May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spir- it.
People:	Amen.
Priest:	Go in peace.
People:	Thanks be to God.

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Closing Song "Joy to the World"

- Joy to the World, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King; Let every heart prepare Him room, and Heaven and nature sing, And Heaven and nature sing, and Heaven, and Heaven, and nature sing.
- Joy to the World, the Savior reigns! Let all their songs employ; While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains repeat the sounding joy, Repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.
- He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove The glories of His righteousness, and wonders of His love, And wonders of His love, and wonders, wonders, of His love.

