

**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph**  
**December 29, 2024**  
**Liturgical Year "C"**

St. Michael Poplar Springs, Mount Airy, MD  
10:30 a.m. is live-streamed

**10:30 a.m.**                      **Father Sparklin, w/Deacon Harbey**

## PRELUDES

“God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen”

BB96

## ***ANNOUNCEMENT BEFORE MASS BEGINS MADE BY MUSIC MINISTRY MEMBER***

### ***Announcing for all Masses...***

- *Good morning. MERRY CHRISTMAS!*
- *Welcome to St. Michael Poplar Springs as our Christmas celebration continues for the Season – and we celebrate The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph.*

**10:30 – WELCOME to all who join us for Mass via livestream!**

**Thank you for tuning in to worship with us this morning.**

**You can find your worship aid on our web page.**

- *Today our Presider is ...*
  - *10:30 our pastor, Father Paul. He is assisted by Deacon Harbey.*

*Let us all take a moment to silence our mobile devices and come to a quiet awareness of God’s presence here, the great gift of His Son, and remembering the needs of our loved ones and our world, giving thanks for the many blessings we have received this week.*

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***Please stand and offer welcome to those around you.***

***Turn in the Breaking Bread Book to number 102, “O Come, All Ye Faithful,” number one-zero-two.***

# INTRODUCTORY RITES


## Gathering Song

## “O Come, All Ye Faithful”

### ADESTE FIDELES

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Verses



1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O  
2. † Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion, †  
3. † Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing, †  
4. Ad - é - ste fi - dé - les, lae - ti tri - um - phán - tes, Ve -



1. come ye, O come — ye to Beth - le - hem;  
2. Sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav'n a - bove!  
3. Je - sus, to thee — be all glo - ry giv'n;  
4. ní - te, ve - ní - te in Béth - le - hem.



1. Come and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;  
2. Glo - ry to God, all glo - ry in the high - est;  
3. Word of the Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing;  
4. Na - tum vi - dé - te Re - gem an - ge - ló - rum.

Refrain



O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him, O  
Ve - ní - te, a - do - ré - mus, ve - ní - te, a - do - ré - mus, ve -



come, let us a - dore him, Christ, the Lord!  
ní - te, a - do - ré - mus Dó - mi - num.

## Sign of the Cross

## Greeting

## Penitential Act

## GLORIA

### “A Joyful Christmas Gloria”

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Glo -  
ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o. Glo -  
ri - a  
in ex - cel - sis De - o.

## Collect

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### First Reading

**1 Samuel 1: 20 – 22, 24 - 28**

### Responsorial Psalm

**Psalm 84**

### “Blessed Are They Who Dwell in Your House, O Lord”

*Iván Díaz*

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**R. Bless-ed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord.**

**Second Reading**

**1 John 3: 1 – 2, 21 - 24**

**Gospel Acclamation**

**“Christmas Season Gospel Acclamation”**

*Barbara Bridge*

*Breaking Bread 104*

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

**Gospel**

**Luke 2: 41 - 52**

**Homily**

**Profession of Faith**

**NICENE CREED**

I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;

through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,

*At the words that follow, up to and including "And became man," all bow.*

and by the Holy Spirit  
was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**UNIVERSAL PRAYER**  
**HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH**  
December 28/29, 2024

**Our response is, “Lord, hear our prayer.”**

**LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**  
**Preparation of the Gifts**

**“Far Away in a Manger”/“Away in a Manger”**

*Kevin Keil/MUELLER*

*Breaking Bread Book Numbers 81 and 80*

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Refrain

Far a - way, in a stall, Je - sus was born for all.  
Sheep and cat - tle gath - er 'round. An - gels sing this song:  
"Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.  
Glo - ry be to God on high; peace on earth."

1. Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,  
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.
2. The cattle are lowing; the baby awakes,  
But little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes.  
I love thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky,  
And stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.
3. Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask thee to stay  
Close by me forever, and love me, I pray;  
Bless all the dear children in thy tender care,  
And fit us for heaven to live with thee there.

## Eucharistic Prayer

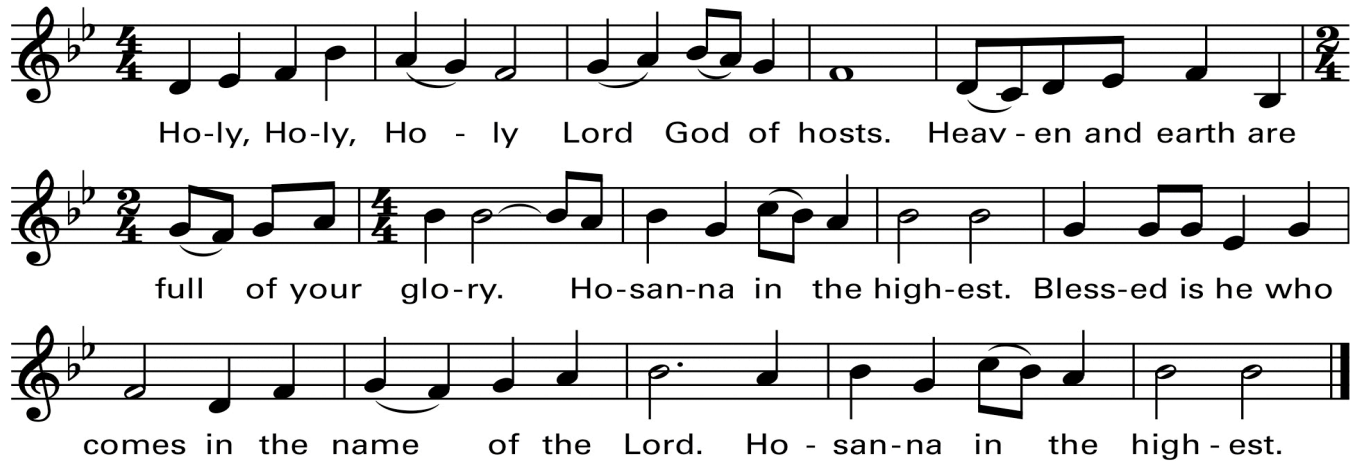
### Acclamations from the MASS OF SAINT FRANCES CABRINI

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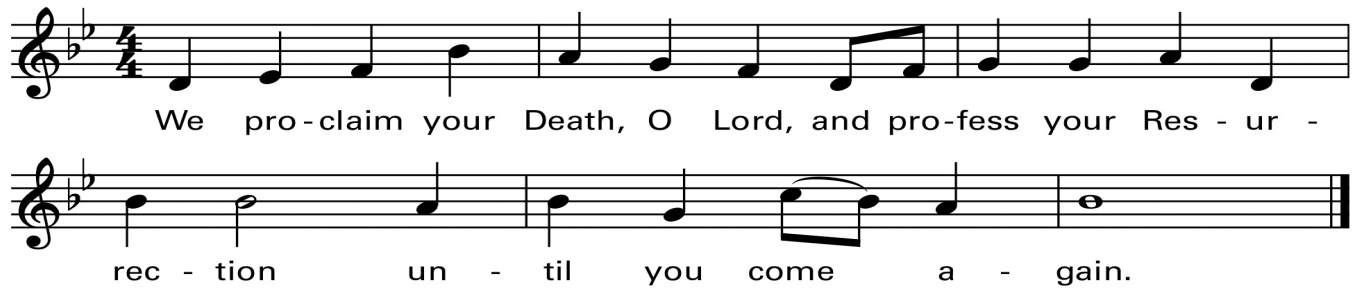


“Holy, Holy”



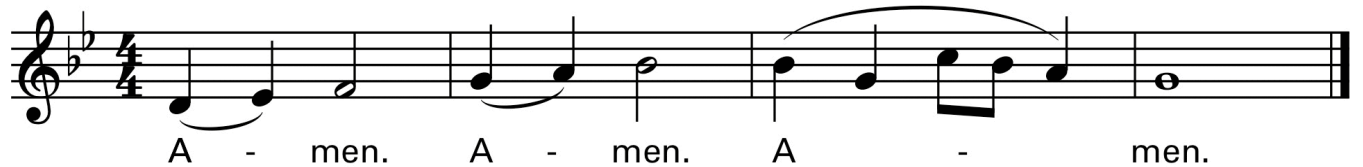
Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav - en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est.

“Memorial Acclamation”



We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your Res - ur - rec - tion un - til you come a - gain.

“Great Amen”



A - men. A - men. A - men.

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**Communion Rite**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**Sign of Peace**


**The Lamb of God**

**the MASS OF SAINT FRANCES CABRINI**

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Cantor



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world,

All



1, 2. *mi-se-ré-re no - bis.*      *Mi-se-ré-re no - bis.*  
 3. *do-na no-bis pa - cem.*      *Do-na no-bis pa - cem.*

## Communion Procession

## Communion Antiphon

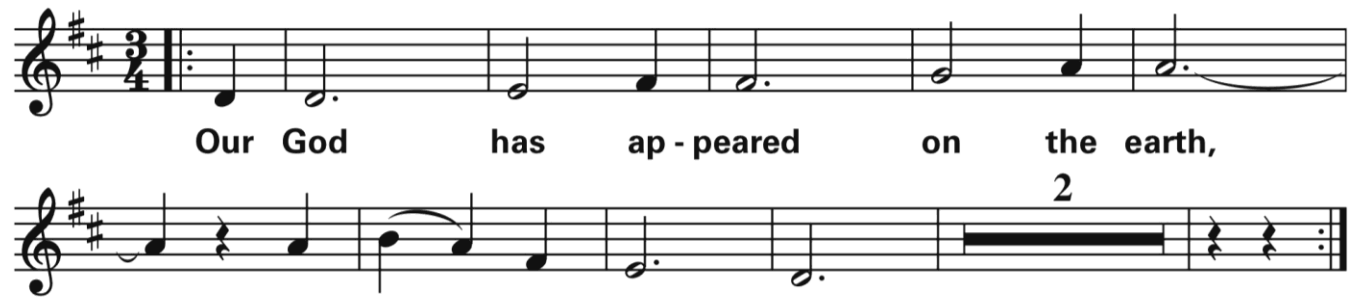
## “Holy Family”

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Our God has ap - peared on the earth,

and lived a - mong us.

## Communion Song

## “Gift of God”

*Marty Haugen*

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Gift of God, O Em - man - u - el.

Gift of God, O Em - man - u - el.

Gift of God, O Em - man - u - el,

Gift of God, O Em - man - u - el,

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

– please allow silence before beginning...

- If you are having a medical procedure or surgery soon, or if you are in need of healing, please meet the Priest at the Reconciliation Room for the Sacrament of the Sick, after he greets parishioners.
- Happy New Year: A reminder that this year the Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God is a Holy Day of Obligation, there will be 5 p.m. Mass on December 31 (Tuesday) and at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, January 1, 2025.

- If you were away over the Christmas holiday, please take a copy of the book you'll find at the Welcome desk, a gift from Fr. Paul to each parish family.

## **Prayer after Communion**

## **CONCLUDING RITES**

### **Prayer for Vocations**

**Presider:** Please join me in praying for vocations.

**The prayer is found on the card inserted  
in the Breaking Bread books...**

Loving and Generous God,  
it is You who call us by name  
and ask us to follow You.

Help us to grow in the Love  
and Service of our Church  
as we experience it today,  
and give us the energy and courage of Your Spirit to shape its future.

Grant us faith-filled leaders,  
who will embrace Christ's mission  
of love and justice.

Bless the Parish of St. Michael  
Poplar Springs, by raising up dedicated and generous leaders  
from our families and friends  
who will serve Your people as Sisters, Priests, Brothers, Deacons,  
and Lay Ministers.

Inspire us to know You better  
and open our hearts  
to hear Your call.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**(If you wish to use it.)**

**SOLEMN BLESSING (The Beginning of the Year)**

Bow down for the blessing

**PRESIDER:**

**May the God of infinite goodness,  
who by the Incarnation of his Son  
has driven darkness from the world  
and by that glorious Birth  
has illumined this most holy night (day),  
drive far from you the darkness of vice  
and illumine your hearts with the light of virtue.  
e and active in charity.**

*All: Amen.*

**May God, who willed that the great joy  
of his Son's saving Birth  
be announced to shepherds by the Angel,  
fill your minds with the gladness he gives  
and make you heralds of his Gospel.**

*All: Amen.*

**And may God, who by the Incarnation  
brought together the earthly and heavenly realm,  
fill you with the gift of his peace and favor  
and make you sharers with the Church in heaven.**

*All: Amen.*

**And may the blessing of almighty God,  
the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit,  
come down on you and remain with you for ever.**

*All: Amen.*

## **Dismissal**

**“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”**

*MENDELSSOHN*

*Breaking Bread, number 105*

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Verses



1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing: "Glo - ry to the  
2. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er -  
3. Hail the heav'n - born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of



1. new - born King; Peace on earth, and mer - cy mild,  
2. last - ing Lord; Late in time, be - hold him come,  
3. Righ - teous - ness! Light and life to all he brings,



1. God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!" Joy - ful, all ye  
2. Off - spring of a vir - gin's womb. Veiled in flesh the  
3. Ris'n with heal - ing in his wings. Mild he lays his



1. na - tions, rise, Join the tri - umph of the skies; With an -  
2. God - head see! Hail th'in - car - nate De - i - ty! Pleased as  
3. glo - ry by, Born that we no more may die, Born to



1. gel - ic hosts pro - claim: "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"  
2. man with us to dwell; Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el!  
3. raise us from the earth, Born to give us sec - ond birth.

Refrain



Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born King."