For the Departed Souls
Remember also our brothers and sisters
who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection, and all who have died in your mercy: welcome them into the light of your face.

In Communion with the Saints
Have mercy on us all, we pray,
that with the Blessed Virgin Mary,
Mother of God, with the blessed Joseph,
her Spouse, with the Blessed Apostles,
and all the Saints who have pleased you
throughout the ages,
we may merit to be coheirs to eternal life,
and may praise and glorify you
through your Son, Jesus Christ.

Concluding Doxology
Through him, and with him, and in him,
O God, almighty Father,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours,
for ever, and ever. **Amen.**

Communion Rite ***STAND***

The 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 lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
Priest:
Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant us peace in our days,
that, by the help of your mercy,
we may be always free from sin
and safe from all distress,
as we await the blessed hope
and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.
People:
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever.

Sign Of Peace

Priest :Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you; look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever.
People : ***Amen***
Priest : The peace of the Lord be with you always
People : ***And with your Spirit***
Priest : Let us offer each other the sign of peace

Breaking of the Bread
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.***

Reception of Communion ***KNEEL***

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.
Priest : The body of Christ.
Answer : **Amen**
Priest : The blood of Christ.
Answer : **Amen**

Communion

Prayer after Communion
[Preparation for Christ] ***STAND***

We implore your mercy, Lord,
that this divine sustenance may cleanse us of our faults
and prepare us for the coming feasts.
Through Christ our Lord.
R/ Amen.

General Announcements ***SIT***

Blessing ***STAND***

In this eucharist we heard the words of the prophet:
we have to make Jesus Christ visible
in the Church and in the world of today
by our concern for the poor and the humble.
If we can do this, then Christ is working in us.
R/ Amen.

May we carry out this task with joy,
and with the blessing of almighty God:
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit. **R/ Amen.**

Let us go and rejoice, for the Lord is near.
R/ Thanks be to God.

3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT < C

December 14 - 15, 2024

MC: Greeting

Entrance song ***STAND***

Introduction by the Celebrant

ENTRANCE ANT. ***[Mounting Joy]***

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.

Penitential Act

The good we do we give credit to ourselves;
the evil we commit we blame easily on others.
We ask now the Lord to forgive us:

(pause)

Lord Jesus, you are the Light.
Make us witnesses to speak for the light:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Jesus Christ, you stand among us
and often we do not recognize you:
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you work marvels in us;
holy be your name.
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Have mercy on us, Lord,
and forgive us all our sins.
Do great things in us
and lead us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

Gloria Is Not Said

C: **Collect** ***[Joy of Salvation]***

O God, who see how your people
faithfully await the feast of the Lord's Nativity,
enable us, we pray,
to attain the joys of so great a salvation
and to celebrate them always
with solemn worship and glad rejoicing.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. **R/ Amen.**

Liturgy of the Word ***SIT***

First Reading *Zep 3:14-18a*
[Joy Over the Mighty Savior]

Zephaniah writes that Israel should shout for joy. Her King the Lord, is in her midst. The Lord is a mighty savior. Israel should not be discouraged.

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Zephaniah

Shout for joy, O daughter Zion!
Sing joyfully, O Israel!
Be glad and exult with all your heart,
O daughter Jerusalem!
The Lord has removed the judgment against you, he has turned away your enemies;
the King of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst,
you have no further misfortune to fear.
On that day, it shall be said to Jerusalem:
Fear not, O Zion, be not discouraged!
The Lord, your God, is in your midst,
a mighty savior;
he will rejoice over you with gladness,
and renew you in his love,
he will sing joyfully because of you,
as one sings at festivals.
The word of the Lord.
R/ Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 12*
[Joy Over the Holy One]

R./ Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

God indeed is my savior;
I am confident and unafraid.
My strength and my courage is the Lord,
and he has been my savior.
With joy you will draw water
at the fountain of salvation. **(R.)**

Give thanks to the Lord, acclaim his name;
among the nations make known his deeds,
proclaim how exalted is his name. **(R.)**

Sing praise to the Lord for his glorious achievement;
let this be known throughout all the earth.
Shout with exultation, O city of Zion,
for great in your midst
is the Holy One of Israel! **(R.)**

Second Reading *Phil 4:4-7*
[Rejoice in the Lord]

Christians should rejoice in the Lord. They should take their prayers and petitions to him. God will watch over his children.

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

Brothers and sisters: Rejoice in the Lord always, I shall say it again: rejoice! Your kindness should be known to all. The Lord is near. Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
The word of the Lord.
R/ Thanks be to God.

Alleluia *Is 61:1* ***[Glad Tidings]*** **STAND**

R/ Alleluia, alleluia.
The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring glad tidings to the poor.
R/ Alleluia, alleluia.

"[John] preached good news to the people."

Gospel *Lk 3:10-18* ***[Majesty of the Messiah]***

John preached a law of sharing. He baptized and admonished all to be just and loving and to pray. John tells the people about the majesty of the Messiah.

R/ The Lord be with you.
R/ And with your spirit.
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.
R/ Glory to you, O Lord

The crowds asked John the Baptist, "What should we do?" He said to them in reply, "Whoever has two cloaks should share with the person who has none. And whoever has food should do likewise." Even tax collectors came to be baptized and they said to him, "Teacher, what should we do?" He answered them, "Stop collecting more than what is prescribed." Soldiers also asked him, "And what is it that we should do?" He told them, "Do not practice extortion, do not falsely accuse anyone, and be satisfied with your wages." Now the people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Christ. John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fan is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." Exhorting them in many other ways, he preached good news to the people.

The Gospel of the Lord.
R/ Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily **SIT**

I believe in God **STAND**

General Intercessions

Joy is the certitude that comes into the world because it has been touched by the mystery of Christ. In this joy we now pray to the Father:

(Pause)

For the Church: that she may be zealous in good works, so the Good News may reach the poor, healing to the broken-hearted, and liberty to captives. Let us pray to the Lord:
Lord, graciously hear us.

For all nations: that they may heed the message of Christ and embrance the way of the Gospel; and to see the dawn of justice, that the hungry may be filled with good things and that everyone may discover the joys of sharing. Let us pray to the Lord:
Lord, graciously hear us.

For our Parish Community: that we may be opened to the Holy Spirit, learn to discern between good and evil, and keep doing what is right and just; and that we may live in the light of Christ and to bear witness for Him. Let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, graciously hear us.**

For the disable, the aged, the ill, the unemployed, and the oppressed: that the Lord may strengthen them by our assistance and provide them with relief and encouragement through our support and concern. Let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, graciously hear us.**

For the faithful and our departed loved ones: that they may come to rejoice in the vision of God, face to face and to return to Him for eternal joy and peace. Let us pray to the Lord:
Lord, graciously hear us.

Lord Jesus, You are the head of the Church, we humbly seek Your providence of the St. Peter Canisius International Catholic Parish for the grace to be charitable and to be the Light to the nations. Let us pray to the Lord:
Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for those intentions offered for the Mass and for our personal intentions …

(Pause)

Let us pray to the Lord:
Lord, graciously hear us.

Loving Father, may we rejoice in the Lord always and may your peace that surpasses all understanding ever guard our hearts and minds. Through Christ our Lord.
R/ Amen.

Offertory hymn ***SIT***

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of the Bread

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,
for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you:
fruit of the earth and work of human hands,
it will become for us the bread of life.
All : ***Blessed be God for ever.***

Preparation of the Wine

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,
for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you:
fruit of the vine and work of human hands,
it will become our spiritual drink.
All : ***Blessed be God for ever.***

Invitation To Prayer **STAND**

Priest : Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.
People : May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his Holy Church

Prayer over the Offerings [Unceasing Sacrifice] **STAND**

May the sacrifice of our worship, Lord,
we pray, be offered to you unceasingly,
to complete what was begun in sacred mystery and powerfully accomplish for us your saving work.
Through Christ our Lord. **R/ Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer **STAND**

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

Preface I of Advent

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

For he assumed at his first coming the lowliness of human flesh, and so fulfilled the design you formed long ago, and opened for us the way to eternal salvation, that, when he comes again in glory and majesty and all is at last made manifest, we who watch for that day may inherit the great promise in which now we dare to hope.

And so, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominions, and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, we sing the hymn of your glory, as without end we acclaim:
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts....

Eucharistic Prayer No.2 ***KNEEL***

Praise to the Father
You are indeed Holy, O Lord,
the fount of all holiness.

Invocation of the Holy Spirit
Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray,
by sending down your Spirit upon them like the dewfall, so that they may become for us the Body and ✠ Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Lord's Supper
At the time he was betrayed and entered willingly into his Passion, he took bread and, giving thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take this, all of you, and eat of it,
for this is my Body,
which will be given up for you.

In a similar way, when supper was ended,
he took the chalice and, once more giving thanks, he gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take this, all of you, and drink from it,
for this is the chalice of my Blood,
the Blood of the new and eternal covenant,
which will be poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this in memory of me.

Memorial Acclamation
Priest : The mystery of faith.
All : When we eat this Bread
and drink this cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.

The Memorial Prayer
Therefore, as we celebrate the memorial of his Death and Resurrection, we offer you Lord, the Bread of life and the Chalice of salvation, giving thanks that you have held us worthy to be in your presence and minister to you.

Invocation of the Holy Spirit
Humbly we pray that, partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ, we may be gathered into one by the Holy Spirit.

Intercessions: For the Church
Remember, Lord, your Church, spread throughout the world, and bring her to the fullness of charity, together with N. our Pope and N. our Bishop and all the clergy