

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

**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 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,  
but 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*  
*[Giver of Immortality]*

STAND

Grant, O merciful God, that, just as the Savior of  
the world, born this day, is the author of divine  
generation for us, so he may be the giver even of  
immortality. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.  
**R/ Amen.**

General Announcements

SIT

Blessing

STAND

When he came to us as man, the Son of God  
scattered the darkness of this world, and filled this  
holy day with his glory. May the God of infinite  
goodness scatter the darkness of sin and brighten  
your hearts with holiness.  
**R/ Amen.**

When the Word became man, earth was joined to  
heaven. May he give you his peace and good will,  
and fellowship with all the heavenly host.  
**R/ Amen.**

May almighty God bless you: the Father, and the  
Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.  
**R/ Amen.**

Go in peace with Christ  
and bear witness to his love.  
**R/ Thanks be to God.**

MC: Greeting

Entrance song

STAND

Introduction by the Celebrant

**ENTRANCE ANT.** *[The Gift of God’s Son]*  
*A child is born for us, and a son is given to us; his  
scepter of power rests upon his shoulder, and his name  
will be called Messenger of great counsel.*

**Penitential Act**  
  
Jesus come among those who were his own,  
and his own people did not accept him.  
Do we accept him, always and fully?  
Let us examine ourselves:  
  
*(pause)*

Lord Jesus, you look down with favor  
on what is little and vulnerable:  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Jesus Christ,  
you fill the hungry with good things  
and the satisfied you send away empty handed:  
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus,  
you come to your people  
and set them free:  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Have mercy on us, Lord,  
and touch us with your forgiving mercy.  
Help us live as your sons and daughters  
and lead us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

Glory to God in the highest

**C: Collect** *[Share in Christ’s Divinity]*  
O God, who wonderfully created the dignity of  
human nature and still more wonderfully restored  
it, grant, we pray, that we may share in the divinity  
of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our  
humanity. 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** *Is 52:7-10* *[Your God Is King]*  
*The good news, the Gospel-the Lord comforts his  
people by announcing our salvation.*

A reading from the book of the Prophet Isaiah  
How beautiful upon the mountains  
are the feet of him who brings glad tidings,  
announcing peace, bearing good news,

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*At the Mass During the Day*  
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announcing salvation, and saying to Zion,  
“Your God is King!”  
Hark! Your sentinels raise a cry,  
together they shout for joy,  
for they see directly, before their eyes,  
the LORD restoring Zion.  
Break out together in song,  
O ruins of Jerusalem!  
For the LORD comforts his people,  
he redeems Jerusalem!  
The LORD has bared his holy arm  
in the sight of all the nations;  
all the ends of the earth will behold  
the salvation of our God.  
*The word of the Lord.*  
**R/ Thanks be to God.**

**Responsorial Psalm** *Ps 98 [Sing a New Song]*  
**R./ All the ends of the earth have seen the saving  
power of God.**  
Sing to the LORD a new song,  
for he has done wondrous deeds;  
his right hand has won victory for him,  
his holy arm. **(R.)**

The LORD has made his salvation known:  
in the sight of the nations he has revealed his  
justice.  
He has remembered his kindness and his faithful-  
ness toward the house of Israel. **(R.)**

All the ends of the earth have seen  
the salvation by our God.  
Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands;  
break into song; sing praise. **(R.)**

Sing praise to the LORD with the harp,  
with the harp and melodious song.  
With trumpets and the sound of the horn  
sing joyfully before the King, the LORD. **(R.)**

**Second Reading** *Heb 1:1-6*  
*[God Speaks through Jesus]*  
*Now God speaks to us more clearly than ever before.*  
*His Son is with us-God is with us;we are his people.*

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews  
Brothers and sisters: In times past, God spoke in  
partial and various ways to our ancestors through  
the prophets; in these last days, he has spoken to  
us through the Son, whom he made heir of all things  
and through whom he created the universe,  
who is the refulgence of his glory,  
the very imprint of his being,  
and who sustains all things by his mighty word.  
When he had accomplished purification  
from sins,

he took his seat at the right hand of the Majesty on high,  
as far superior to the angels  
as the name he has inherited is more  
excellent than theirs.

For to which of the angels did God ever say:  
*You are my Son; this day I have begotten  
you?*

Or again:  
*I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to  
me?*

And again, when he leads the firstborn into the world,  
he says:  
*Let all the angels of God worship him.  
The word of the Lord.*

**R/ Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation** [*Adore the Lord*] **STAND**

**R/ Alleluia, alleluia.**

A holy day has dawned upon us.  
Come, you nations, and adore the Lord.  
For today a great light has come upon the earth.  
**R/ Alleluia, alleluia.**



**Gospel** Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14 [*The True Light*]  
*The Word of God is the living Word. The Word became  
flesh and lives in our midst.*

**R/ The Lord be with you.**  
**R/ And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.  
**R/ Glory to you, O Lord**

In the beginning was the Word,  
and the Word was with God,  
and the Word was God.  
He was in the beginning with God.  
All things came to be through him,  
and without him nothing came to be.  
What came to be through him was life,  
and this life was the light of the human race;  
the light shines in the darkness,  
and the darkness has not overcome it.  
[A man named John was sent from God. He came  
for testimony, to testify to the light, so that all  
might believe through him. He was not the light, but  
came to testify to the light.]  
The true light, which enlightens everyone, was  
coming into the world.  
He was in the world,  
and the world came to be through him,  
but the world did not know him.  
He came to what was his own,  
but his own people did not accept him.  
But to those who did accept him he gave power  
to become children of God, to those who believe in

his name, who were born not by natural generation  
nor by human choice nor by a man's decision but of  
God.

And the Word became flesh  
and made his dwelling among us,  
and we saw his glory,  
the glory as of the Father's only Son,  
full of grace and truth.

[John testified to him and cried out, saying, "This  
was he of whom I said, 'The one who is coming  
after me ranks ahead of me because he existed before  
me.' "From his fullness we have all received, grace  
in place of grace, because while the law was given  
through Moses, grace and truth came through Jesus  
Christ. No one has ever seen God, The only Son,  
God, who is at the Father's side, has revealed him.]

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

**Homily**

**SIT**

**I believe in God**

**STAND**

**General Intercessions**

The shepherds rejoiced to hear the choir of angels  
sing. Glory to God in the highest. United in their  
joy, we glorify the Father by offering him our  
Christmas petitions:

*(Pause)*

For the Holy Father and the bishops who assist  
him: that their life, teaching, preaching, and  
pastoral care will proclaim the saving truth of the  
Incarnation to all. Let us pray to the Lord:  
**Lord, let your light shines on us.**

For those who govern: that true freedom and justice  
may reign; for lasting peace: that the coming of the  
Prince of Peace will put an end to all division in this  
world. Let us pray to the Lord:  
**Lord, let your light shines on us.**

For our Christian community: that the graces of  
Christmas will draw family members together in  
lasting bonds of love; and Christ like cares for the  
poor, the homeless, the unemployed, the forgotten  
and for the refugees. Let us pray to the Lord:  
**Lord, let your light shines on us.**

Lord Jesus, You are the head of the Church, we  
humbly seek Your providence of the St. Peter  
Canisius International Catholic Parish, the grace to  
respond to the universal call to holiness and to be  
the Light to the nations. Let us pray to the Lord:  
**Lord, let your light shines on us.**

We pray for those intentions offered for the Mass  
and for our personal intentions ...  
*(Pause)*

Let us pray to the Lord:  
**Lord, let your light shines on us.**

Loving Father, darkness is for ever changed because  
of the birth of the Eternal Light: our Lord Jesus  
Christ. Take all the darkness of our lives and replace  
it with the radiance of our newborn Saviour. Through  
Christ our Lord. **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**  
**[Reconciliation]**

**STAND**

Make acceptable, O Lord, our oblation on this  
solemn day, when you manifested the  
reconciliation that makes us wholly pleasing in your  
sight and inaugurated for us the fullness of divine  
worship. Through Christ our Lord. **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 II Of The Nativity Of The Lord**

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 on the feast of this awe-filled mystery,  
though invisible in his own divine nature,

he has appeared visibly in ours;  
and begotten before all ages,  
he has begun to exist in time;  
so that, raising up in himself all that was cast down,  
he might restore unity to all creation and call  
straying humanity back to the heavenly Kingdom.

And so, with all the Angels, we praise you,  
as in joyful celebration 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 healed 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,