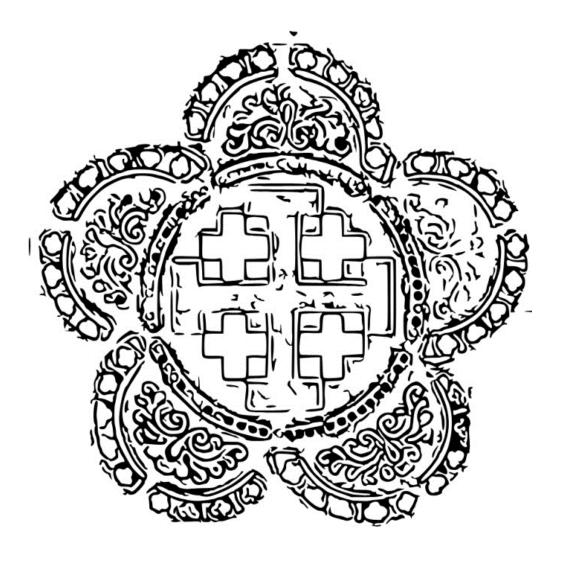
Advent Festival of Lessons & Carols



December 3, 2023 5:00pm

The Cathedral of St. Andrew 229 Queen Emma Square Honolulu, HI 96813



CHORAL INTROIT

Matin Responsory

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina

I look from afar and lo, I see the power of God coming, and a cloud covering the whole earth.

Go ye out to meet him and say:

"Tell us, art thou he that should come to reign over thy people Israel?"

High and low, rich and poor, one with another,

Go ye out to meet him and say:

"Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep, Tell us, art thou he that should come?"

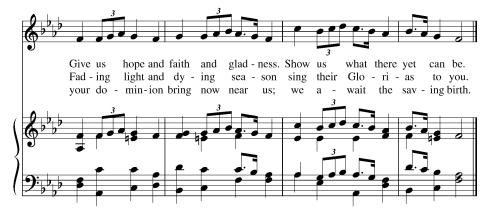
Stir up thy strength, O Lord, and come to reign over thy people Israel. Glory to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

Please stand.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN Wonder, Love, and Praise #721 Signs of endings all around us

Ton-y-Botel





THE BIDDING PRAYER

In the name of God, who has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and made a place for us in the kingdom of his beloved Son, we welcome you: grace to you and peace.

As we meet to celebrate anew the coming of God's kingdom, we hear revealed the mystery of God's loving purpose for us – how that when we were far off, he met us in his Son and brought us home; how he humbled himself to take our human nature, that we might share his divine glory.

Let us then so celebrate this coming with our carols and hymns of praise, that our lives may be charged with his life; that we may bear witness to his glory and so bring light to those who sit in darkness. So first we pray for those among whom the Christ was born: the poor and helpless, the aged and young children; the cold, the hungry and the homeless; the victims of poverty, injustice and oppression, the sick and those who mourn, the lonely and the unloved; those in despair or in the shadow of death.

Then, as we hear again the message of peace on earth and goodwill among all his people, we pray for the leaders of the nations, that all may be inspired to work together for the establishment of justice, freedom and peace the world over.

And that we may bear true witness to this hope in a divided world, we pray for the peace and unity of Christ's Body, the Church universal, that the whole earth may live to praise his name.

Finally, as we rejoice with the saints in heaven and on earth, we remember all who have gone before us with the sign of faith, whose hope was in the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we offer up our prayers for the coming of his kingdom, in the words he himself has taught us, saying:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,

your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Presider

And may the Lord when he comes find us watching and waiting, now and at all times.

All Amen.

Please be seated. During the singing of the chant, the candles at the altar are lit.

CHANT The Hymnal 1982 #60

Creator of the stars (vv. 1-3)

Conditor alme siderum

Creator of the stars of night, your people's everlasting light, O Christ, Redeemer of us all, we pray you hear us when we call. In sorrow that the ancient curse should doom to death a universe, you came, O Savior, to set free your own in glorious liberty.

When this old world drew on toward night, you came; but not in splendor bright, not as a monarch, but the child of Mary, blameless mother mild.

THE FIRST LESSON Genesis 3:1-15

The man and his wife heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and they hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." The Lord God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life.

I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

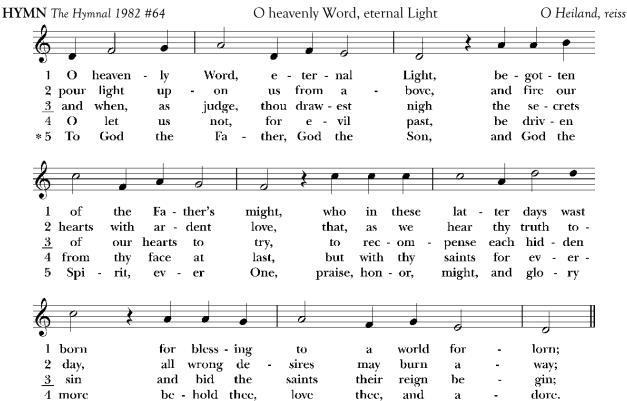
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Isaiah 40:1-11

THE SECOND LESSON

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.'

A voice says, 'Cry out!' And I said, 'What shall I cry?' All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flower fades, when the breath of the Lord blows upon it; surely the people are grass. The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand for ever. 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.

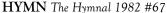
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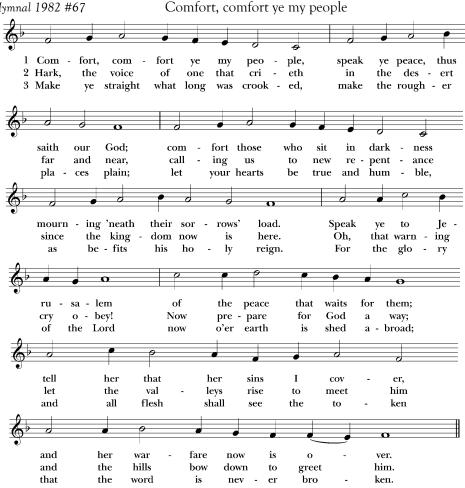
And the glory of the Lord from Messiah, HWV 56

G. F. Handel

And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

(Isaiah 40:5)





THE THIRD LESSON

Baruch 4: 36-5: 9

Look toward the east, O Jerusalem, and see the joy that is coming to you from God. Look, your children are coming, whom you sent away; they are coming, gathered from east and west, at the word of the Holy One, rejoicing in the glory of God.

Take off the garment of your sorrow and affliction, O Jerusalem, and put on forever the beauty of the glory from God. Put on the robe of the righteousness that comes from God; put on your head the diadem of the glory of the Everlasting; for God will show your splendor everywhere under heaven. For God will give you evermore the name, "Righteous Peace, Godly Glory." Arise, O Jerusalem, stand upon the height; look toward the east, and see your children gathered from west and east at the word of the Holy One, rejoicing that God has remembered them. For they went out from you on foot, led away by their enemies; but God will bring them back to you, carried in glory, as on a royal throne. For God has ordered that every high mountain and the everlasting hills be made low and the valleys filled up, to make level ground, so that Israel may walk safely in the glory of God. The woods and every fragrant tree have shaded Israel at God's command. For God will lead Israel with joy, in the light of his glory, with the mercy and righteousness that come from him.

ANTHEM

O Morgenstern from Sieben Magnificat-Antiphonen, No. 5

Arvo Part

O Morgenstern, Glanz des unversehrten Lichtes: der Gerechtigkeit strahlende Sonne: o komm und erleuchte die da sitzen in Finsternis,

und im Schatten des Todes, o Morgenstern.

O morning star, gleam of immutable light: shining sun of righteousness:

O come and lighten those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, O morning star.

(fifth of the O Antiphons)



THE FOURTH LESSON

Isaiah 7: 10-15

The Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test. Then Isaiah said: "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good."

ANTHEM

Vigilate

William Byrd. ed. Nicholas Keone Lee

Vigilate, nescitis enim Watch, for you know not quando dominus domus veniat: when the lord of the house cometh: sero, an media nocte. in the evening, or at midnight, an gallicantu, an mane. or at the cock-crowing, or in the morning. Vigilate ergo, ne cum venerit repente, Watch therefore, lest coming on a sudden, inveniat vos dormientes. he find you sleeping. Quod autem dico vobis, omnibus dico: And what I say to you, I say to all: Vigilate. Watch. (Mark 13: 35-37)



THE FIFTH LESSON

But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah,

who are one of the little clans of Judah,

from you shall come forth for me

one who is to rule in Israel,

whose origin is from of old,

Micah 5: 2-4

from ancient days.

Therefore he shall give them up until the time

when she who is in labor has brought forth;

then the rest of his kindred shall return

to the people of Israel.

And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the Lord,

in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God.

And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth.

ANTHEM

Bethlehem Down

Peter Warlock

"When He is King we will give him the Kings' gifts: Myrrh for its sweetness, and gold for a crown, Beautiful robes," said the young girl to Joseph, Fair with her first-born on Bethlehem Down.

Bethlehem Down is full of the starlight, Winds for the spices, and stars for the gold, Mary for sleep, and for lullaby music Songs of a shepherd by Bethlehem fold.

When He is King they will clothe Him in grave-sheets, Myrrh for embalming, and wood for a crown; He that lies now in the white arms of Mary, Sleeping so lightly on Bethlehem Down.

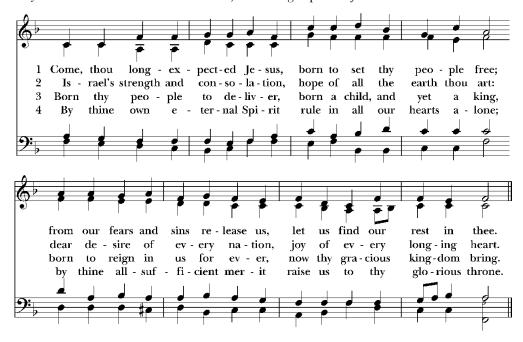
Here He has peace and a short while for dreaming, Close-huddled oxen to keep Him from cold, Mary for love, and for lullaby music Songs of a shepherd by Bethlehem fold. (poem by Bruce Blunt)

Please stand.

HYMN The Hymnal 1982 #66

Come, thou long-expected Jesus

Stuttgart



THE SIXTH LESSON Isaiah 11: 1-9

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse,

and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him,

the spirit of wisdom and understanding,

the spirit of counsel and might,

the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see,

or decide by what his ears hear;

but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,

and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;

he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,

and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist,

and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

The wolf shall live with the lamb,

the leopard shall lie down with the kid,

the calf and the lion and the fatling together,

and a little child shall lead them.

The cow and the bear shall graze,

their young shall lie down together;

and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,

and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.

They will not hurt or destroy

on all my holy mountain;

for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord

as the waters cover the sea.

ANTHEM A tender shoot Otto Goldschmidt

A tender shoot has started up from a root of grace, as ancient seers imparted from Jesse's holy race:

It blooms without a blight, blooms in the cold bleak winter, turning our darkness into light.

This shoot Isaiah taught us, from Jesse's root should spring; The Virgin Mary brought us the branch of which we sing; Our God of endless might gave her this child to save us, Thus turning darkness into light.

THE SEVENTH LESSON

Zephaniah 3: 14-18

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion;

shout, O Israel!

Rejoice and exult with all your heart,

O daughter Ierusalem!

The Lord has taken away the judgments against you,

he has turned away your enemies.

The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst;

you shall fear disaster no more.

On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem:

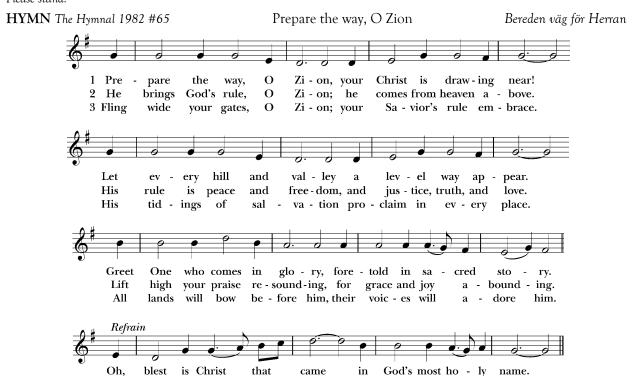
Do not fear, O Zion;

do not let your hands grow weak.

The Lord, your God, is in your midst,

a warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love; he will exult over you with loud singing as on a day of festival. I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it.

Please stand.



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Please be seated.

THE EIGHTH LESSON

Isaiah 65: 17-25

For I am about to create new heavens

and a new earth;

the former things shall not be remembered

or come to mind.

But be glad and rejoice forever

in what I am creating:

for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy,

and its people as a delight.

I will rejoice in Jerusalem,

and delight in my people;

no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it,

or the cry of distress.

No more shall there be in it

an infant that lives but a few days,

or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;

for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth,

and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them;

they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

They shall not build and another inhabit;

they shall not plant and another eat;

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,

and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

They shall not labor in vain,

or bear children for calamity;

for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord-

and their descendants as well.

Before they call I will answer,

while they are yet speaking I will hear.

The wolf and the lamb shall feed together,

the lion shall eat straw like the ox;

but the serpent~ its food shall be dust!

They shall not hurt or destroy

on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

ANTHEM

E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come

Paul Manz

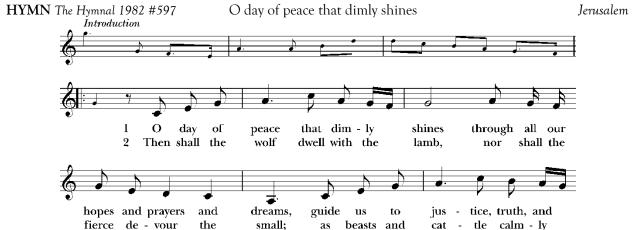
Peace be to you and grace from him Who freed us from our sins, Who loved us all and shed his blood That we might saved be.

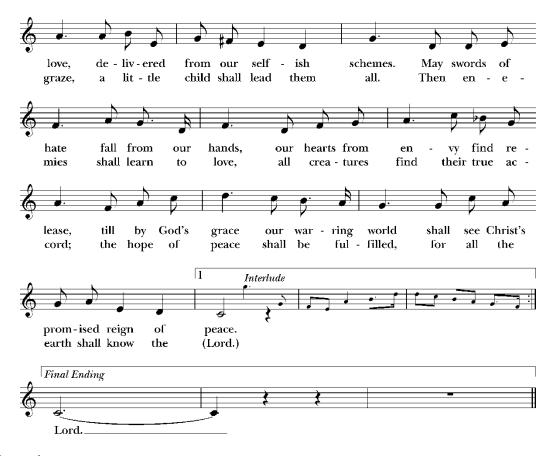
Sing Holy, Holy to our Lord, The Lord, almighty God, Who was, and is, and is to come— Sing Holy, Holy Lord!

Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell within;
Rejoice on earth, ye saints below!
For Christ is coming—
For Christ is coming soon!

E'en so Lord Jesus, quickly come And night shall be no more; They need no light, nor lamp nor sun, For Christ will be their All! (adapted from Revelation 22)

Please stand.





THE NINTH LESSON

Luke 1: 26-38

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God." Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

ANTHEM

Bogoroditse Devo from All-Night Vigil, Op. 37, No. 6

Sergei Rachmaninoff

Bogoroditse Devo, raduysia, Blagodatnaya Mariye, Ghospod' s Toboyu. Blagoslovenna Ti v zhenakh, i blagosloven Plod chreva Tvoyego, yako Spasa rodila yesi dush nashikh.

O Mother of God and virgin, rejoice, O Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, for thou hast borne the savior of our souls.

THE COLLECT FOR ADVENT

O God, who makes us glad with the yearly expectation of your coming, grant that we, who with joy receive your only-begotten Son as our Redeemer, may without fear behold him when he shall come to be our Judge, even your Son our Lord, Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

O magnum mysterium,

et admirabile sacramentum, and wonderful sacrament,

ut animalia viderunt Dominum natum that animals should see the new-born Lord

jacentem in praesepio: lying in a manger:

O beata Virgo, cujus viscera Blessed is that Virgin, whose womb

O great mystery

meruerunt portare Dominum Jesum Christum. deserved to bear Jesus Christ our Lord.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

(text from a Matin Responsory for Christmas Day)

Please stand.

COLLECT FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE ADVENT BLESSING

May Almighty God, by whose providence our Savior Christ came among us in great humility, sanctify you with the light of his blessing and set you free from all sin. *Amen.*

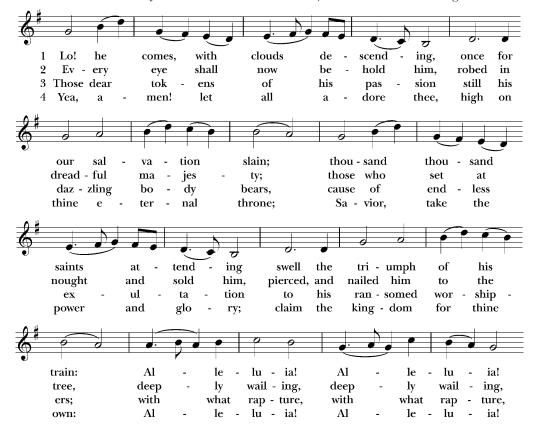
May he whose second Coming in power and great glory we await, make you steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love. Amen.

May you, who rejoice in the first Advent of our Redeemer, at his second Advent be rewarded with unending life. Amen.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN The Hymnal 1982 #57 Lo! he comes, with clouds descending

Helmsley





CHORAL POSTLUDE

Vesper Responsory

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina

Judah and Jerusalem, fear not nor be dismayed.

Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord, he will be with you!

Stand ye still and ye shall see the salvation of our God.

Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord, he will be with you!

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord, he will be with you!

ORGAN POSTLUDE Orgelkonzert über die Weise "Es sungen drei Engel" Hans Friedrich Micheelsen



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Upcoming Events

Sunday, December 17

Chamber Music Hawai'i and Cathedral Choir

Concert in the Cathedral, 5pm

*For ticket information, please visit

Chamber Music Hawai'i's website

Thursday, December 21

The Longest Night (Blue Christmas) Service in the Cathedral, 7pm

Sunday, December 24 - Christmas Eve 5:30pm

Come to the Manger Lessons & Carols service

8pm

Christmas Eve Mass (Hawaiian and English)

11:00pm

Christmas Eve Midnight Mass (English)

Monday, December 25 - Christmas Day

Christmas Day Mass, 9am

Simple, spoken Rite I Eucharist

