

# ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL



## CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday of the Third Week of Advent

December 23, 2023

## INTRODUCTORY RITE

Entrance Hymn: O Come, O Come Emmanuel (vs. 7)  
7:00 AM - Kyrie

652 VENI EMMANUEL  
Litany of the Saints

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24

Thus says the Lord GOD:  
Lo, I am sending my messenger  
to prepare the way before me;  
And suddenly there will come to the temple  
the LORD whom you seek,  
And the messenger of the covenant whom you desire.  
Yes, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts.  
But who will endure the day of his coming?  
And who can stand when he appears?  
For he is like the refiner's fire,  
or like the fuller's lye.  
He will sit refining and purifying silver,  
and he will purify the sons of Levi,  
Refining them like gold or like silver  
that they may offer due sacrifice to the LORD.  
Then the sacrifice of Judah and Jerusalem  
will please the LORD,  
as in the days of old, as in years gone by.

Lo, I will send you  
Elijah, the prophet,  
Before the day of the LORD comes,  
the great and terrible day,  
To turn the hearts of the fathers to their children,  
and the hearts of the children to their fathers,  
Lest I come and strike  
the land with doom.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14

R. (see Luke 21:28) **Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand.**

Your ways, O LORD, make known to me;  
teach me your paths,  
Guide me in your truth and teach me,  
for you are God my savior.

**R. Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand.**

Good and upright is the LORD;  
thus he shows sinners the way.  
He guides the humble to justice,  
he teaches the humble his way.

**R. Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand.**

All the paths of the LORD are kindness and constancy  
toward those who keep his covenant and his decrees.  
The friendship of the LORD is with those who fear him,  
and his covenant, for their instruction.

**R. Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand.**

Acclamation before the Gospel: Alleluia ("Veni Emmanuel")

Jennifer Pascual

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

O King of all nations and keystone of the Church:  
come and save man, whom you formed from the dust!

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Gospel: Lk 1:57-66

When the time arrived for Elizabeth to have her child  
she gave birth to a son.

Her neighbors and relatives heard  
that the Lord had shown his great mercy toward her,  
and they rejoiced with her.

When they came on the eighth day to circumcise the child,  
they were going to call him Zechariah after his father,  
but his mother said in reply,

"No. He will be called John."

But they answered her,

"There is no one among your relatives who has this name."

So they made signs, asking his father what he wished him to be called.

He asked for a tablet and wrote, "John is his name,"

and all were amazed.

Immediately his mouth was opened, his tongue freed,  
 and he spoke blessing God.  
 Then fear came upon all their neighbors,  
 and all these matters were discussed  
 throughout the hill country of Judea.  
 All who heard these things took them to heart, saying,  
 "What, then, will this child be?  
 For surely the hand of the Lord was with him."

### **LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

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