

BULLETIN

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MASSES Sundays (September to June): 10:00am Sundays (July and August): 9:30am

Holy Days: as announced

Confessions: Prior to Liturgies

Sacraments: By appointment

Half Rentals: (905) 807-4255

Sunday before Christmas

Tropar, tone 2:

Great are the feasts of faith: in the well of fire the three holy youths exulted as though in refreshing waters; prophet Daniel shepherded lions as though they were sheep. By their intercession, Christ our God, save our souls.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit:

Thrice-blest youths, shielded by an ungraven being, you refused to worship the graven image and were glorified by your trial of fire. Standing in the midst of unendurable flames you called upon God: hasten, compassionate Lord; in your mercy speed to our aid; what You will You can do.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Today the Virgin is about to give ineffable birth to the Eternal Word in a cave. Hear, O world. Exult! With angels and shepherds give glory to God eternal who willed to manifest Himself as a new-born child.

Prokimen:

The Lord said to me: * You are my son; this day I have beggoten you.

Verse:

Ask me and I shall give you nations for your inheritance, the ends of the earth for your possession.

Instead of Dostoino:

Mother, do not wonder now that you behold as child Whom the Father begot from the womb before the daystar. Truly I have come to restore and glorify fallen human nature with me, and it extols you with faith and love.

Communion verse:

Praise the Lord from the heavens; * praise Him on high. Alleluia (3).



CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE:

December 24, Christmas Eve:

10:00 am - Holy Mass

9:30 pm - Confessions

10:00 pm - Complines

10:30 pm - Solemn Holy Mass

December 25: NATIVITY OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOUR

JESUS CHRIST

10:00 am - Holy Mass

December 26: SYNAXIS OF THE BLESSED MOTHER

10:00 am - Holy Mass

December 27: ST. STEPHEN PROTOMARTYR

10:00 am - Holy Mass

"Пресвятая Діва Мати, небесна Леліє,
Помагай нам, Тебе просимо, Пречудна Маріє.
Перед престол Твій, Пречиста, сміло прибігаємо,
Свої просьби в повній вірі Тобі засилаємо...
Чудотворна Мати Божа, Ти єдина наша слава,
Для любови Свого Сина, будь нам все ласкава.
На Тебе усю надію, ми всі покладаємо,
В тяжких бідах і недолі, к Тобі прибігаємо.
Помагай нам, Тебе просимо, Пречудна Маріє....
Ти вславлена чудесами в Кристинополі,
Не забудь нас, дітей своїх, не забудь ніколи...
Пригорни нас, наша Мати, як люблячі діти,
Хорони від всякої злоби, дай в небі Тя зріти..."

God of infinite love, in whose Providence Thy world once echoed with the heavenly songs of Peace on earth, good will to men, We beseech Thee once more to gladden Thy people with the light which centuries ago shone round about the hills of Bethlehem.

Renew in us the Christmas faith, that remembering how Thou gavest us Thy Son, we may dare to believe that with Him Thou wilt freely give us all those things for which He makes us long—brotherhood, and righteousness and mercy.

Shed abroad throughout the earth His friendliness, until ancient animosities are forgotten, and lingering prejudices disappear, and no want goes unrelieved, and all mankind bows before the Prince of Peace.

As once more we take upon our lips the Christmas songs and Christmas truth, let Thy Word be made flesh again in human life and in our lives, and love Incarnate walk the ways of men. Be to our waiting earth once more Emmanuel—God with us.

Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, AMEN.

The holy Fathers were the eminent Saints of the Old Testament that had some relation to the earthly origin of Our Lord, Jesus Christ. They lived after the proclamation of the Decalogue by Moses.

Some of them were great Saints, and some besides being Saints were also prophets. The Church honors Moses, Josue, King David Susanna, and the great prophets who foretold the coming of the Messias.

The feast presents some admirable models of faith and hope from the Old Testament that her faithful may follow them in loving and serving the Savior for Whom the Saints of the Old Testament were waiting.

Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the Power of God, thrust in to Hell, Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls.

Amen.