Vigil Mass of The Epiphany of the Lord

104th Annual Meeting of the American Catholic Historical Association

Saturday, the Sixth of January
Two Thousand and Twenty Four
Six-thirty in the Evening

Église Notre Dame Des Victoires
566 Bush Street
San Francisco, California

Father Steven M. Avella, Celebrant
INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Hymn

THE FIRST NOWELL

Verses

1. The first No - well, the an - gel did say,
2. They look - ed up and saw __ a star
3. And by the light of that same star
4. This star drew nigh to the north - west,
5. Then en - tered in those wise men three,
6. Then let us all with one ac - cord

1. Was to cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields as they lay;
2. Shin - ing in ___ the east, ___ be - yond ___ them far;
3. Three __ wise __ men came ___ from coun - try far;
4. O’er ___ Beth - le - hem ___ it took ___ its rest,
5. Full __ rev - ‘rent - ly ___ up - on ___ the knee,
6. Sing __ prais - es to ___ our heav - ‘nly Lord;

1. In fields where they lay keep - ing their sheep,
2. And to the ___ earth it gave ___ great light,
3. To seek for a king was their ___ in - tent,
4. And there it ___ did both stop ___ and stay,
5. And of - fered ___ there, in his ___ pres - ence,
6. Who with the ___ Fa - ther we ___ a - dore

1. On a cold win - ter’s night ___ that was ___ so deep.
2. And ___ so it con - tin - ued both day ___ and night.
3. And to fol - low the star ___ wherever it went.
4. Right ___ o - ver the place ___ where Je - sus lay,
5. Their ___ gold ___ and myrrh ___ and frank - in - cense.
6. And ___ Spir - it blest ___ for ev - er - more.

Refrain

No - well, No - well, No - well, No - well,

Born is the King of Is - ra - el.

Glory to God

Heritage Mass
Owen Alstott

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,

Lord God, heav'nly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God,

Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.
LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6        Karen Park

Responsorial Psalm:

“Lord, ev’ry nation on earth will adore you.”

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6        Tuan Hoang

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12        Fr. Steven M. Avella

Homily        Fr. Steven M. Avella

Intercessions        Charles T. Strauss

We remember friends and members of the American Catholic Historical Association who passed away since our last Annual Meeting in January 2023, all deceased members of the ACHA, and all the faithful departed. May they rest in peace.

Fr. Ian Ker, November 5, 2022
Dale K. Van Kley, March 14, 2023
Jay P. Dolan, ACHA President (1995), May 7, 2023
Fr. Martin Zielinski, June 25, 2023
Msgr. Robert Frederick Trisco, ACHA Executive Secretary, (1961-2009), July 29, 2023
LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Altar and the Gifts

GO, TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN

Refrain

Go, tell it on the mountain, O-ver the hills and ev’ry-where; Go, tell it on the mountain That Je-sus Christ is born.

Verses

1. While shep-herds kept their watch-ing O’er si-lent flocks by night,
2. The shep-herds feared and trem-bled When high a-bove the earth
3. And lo, when they had heard it, They all bowed down and prayed;
4. Down in a low-ly man-ger The hum-ble Christ was born,

1. Be-hold, through- out the heav-en-s There shone a ho-ly light.
2. Rang out the an-gel cho-rus That hailed our Sav-iour’s birth.
3. They trav-eled on to-geth-er To where the Babe was laid.
4. And God sent us sal-vation That bless-ed Christ-mas morn.

Music: Spiritual.

Preface and Eucharistic Prayer
Mass Acclamations

WHEN WE EAT THIS BREAD

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro-claim your

Death, O Lord, un-til you come a-gain.

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THE SUPPER OF THE LORD

Laurence Rosania

Refrain
Precious body, precious blood, seen as bread and wine;
here the Lord prepares the feast divine.

Bread of love is broken now, cup of life is poured:
come, share the supper of the Lord.

Verses
1. This is the bread of God coming down from heav’n,
2. “I am the living spring of eternal life;
3. “I am the bread of heav’n giving life to you;
4. “All those who feed on me have their life in me,
5. All praise to you, O Christ, present in this feast;

to Refrain
1. giving life to us, to all the world.
2. you that drink from me shall not thirst again.”
3. you that eat this bread shall never die.”
4. as I have my life in the living God.”
5. in this bread, we share in one life, one Lord.

Text: Verses 1–4 based on John 4, 6.
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Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

1. Songs of thankful ness and praise, Jesus, Lord, to you we raise, Man i fest ed by the star
2. Man i fest at Jordan’s stream, Prophet, Priest, and King supreme; And at Cana, wedding guest,
3. Man i fest in mak ing whole Pals ied limbs and faint ing soul; Man i fest in val iant fight,
4. Grant us grace to see you, Lord, Mirrored in your ho ly word; May we im i tate you now,

To the sag es from a far; Branch of roy al
In your God head man i fest; Man i fest in Quell ing all the dev il’s might; Man i fest in
And on us your grace en dow; That we like to

Da vid’s stem In your birth at Beth lehem; pow’r di vine, Chang ing wa ter in to wine;
gra cious will, Ev er bring ing good from ill;
you may be At your great e piph a ny;

An thems be to you ad drest, God in flesh made man i fest.
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And may praise you ev er blest, God in flesh made man i fest.

Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1807-1885
Tune: SALZBURG, 77 77 D. Jakob Hintze, 1622-1702, alt; harm. by J.S. Bach, 1685-1750
The ACHA is grateful to Rev. Juan J. González, S.M. and the parish community of Notre Dame des Victoires for welcoming us this evening, to Jeff Burns for arranging our time here, and to Thomas Rzeznik and Sidney Boquiren for leading us in song.