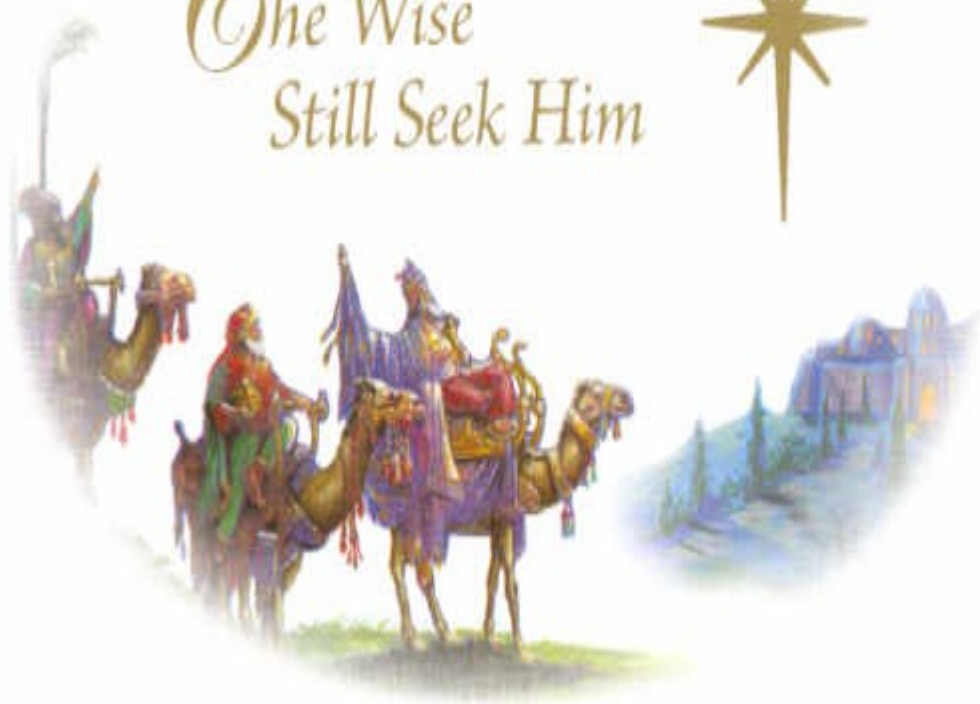


*The Wise  
Still Seek Him*



# OUR ORDER OF WORSHIP

(a liturgical aid to today's Mass)

The Feast of the Epiphany

## INTRODUCTORY RITES

Gathering Song: We Three Kings

### Verse 1:

We three kings of Orient are Bearing gifts we traverse afar  
Field and fountain, moor and mountain Following yonder star  
Born a baby on Bethlehem's plain  
Gold we bring to crown Him again  
King forever, ceasing never Over us all to rein

### Refrain:

Star of wonder, star of night  
Star with royal beauty bright  
Westward leading, still proceeding  
Guide us to Thy perfect light

### Verse 2:

Frankincense to offer have I  
Incense owns a Deity nigh  
Pray'r and praising, all men raising  
Worship Him, God on high

### Refrain

## Greeting

*Celebrant: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.*

**ALL: A-MEN.**

*Celebrant: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God ;  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.*

**ALL: AND ALSO WITH YOU.**

*Invitation: Celebrant: Gathered together as one people the body of Christ,  
let us give glory to God.*

A Christmas Gloria

1. Glory to God in the highest, peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God heav'n-ly King, mighty God and Fa – ther.

REFRAIN:

GLO-----RIA! IN EXCELSIS DEO!

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2. We worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God.

REFRAIN

3. You take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;  
You are seated at the Father's right hand: receive our prayer.

REFRAIN

4. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ.

REFRAIN

LITURGY OF THE WORD

*1st Reading* Isaiah (60:1-6)

Psalm Response:

*"Lord, every nation on earth shall adore you.*

*Lord, every people will call on your name.*

*Every knee shall bow,*

*every tongue confess your name: Jesus, the Lord.*

*2nd Reading* Ephesians (3:1-6)

*Gospel Acclamation*

**Al le lu ia! Al le lu ia! Al le lu ia! Al le lu ia!**

*The Gospel Reading*

*Priest: A reading from the holy gospel according to Matthew (2:1-12)*

**All: Glory to you, Lord.**

*The gospel is read. When the reading is over:*

*Deacon/Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

**All: PRAISE TO YOU LORD, JESUS CHRIST. (repeat Alleluia )**

*Homily*

## Profession of Faith

*Do you believe in God the Father, Almighty,  
Creator of Heaven and of the earth?*

*ALL: AMEN! AMEN! AMEN! AMEN! AMEN, WE DO BELIEVE.*

*Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son,  
our Lord, who was born of Mary,  
was crucified and died, and was buried? -*

*YET HE ROSE FROM THE DEAD  
AND IS SEATED AT THE RIGHT HAND OF THE FATHER.  
AMEN! AMEN! AMEN! AMEN! AMEN, WE DO BELIEVE.*

*DO YOU BELIEVE IN THE HOLY SPIRIT, THE HOLY CATHOLIC CHURCH,  
THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS, THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS,  
RESURRECTION, AND LIFE EVERLASTING?  
AMEN! AMEN! AMEN! AMEN! AMEN, WE DO BELIEVE.*

*Prayer of the Faithful*

*Sign Of Peace*

### LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The Giving of our Gifts

Song At Offertory : WHAT CHILD IS THIS?

**1. What child is this who laid to rest  
On Mary's lap is sleeping  
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet  
While shepherds watch are keeping  
Refrain:**

***THIS, THIS IS CHRIST THE KING  
WHOM SHEPHERDS GUARD  
AND ANGELS SING  
HASTE, HASTE TO BRING HIM LAUD  
THE BABE, THE SON OF MARY.***

**2. Why lies he in such mean estate  
where ox and ass are feeding?  
Good Christian, fear, for sinners here  
The silent Word is pleading.  
Refrain**

**3. So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh,  
Come peasant, King, to own him;  
The King of kings salvation brings,  
Let loving hearts enthrone him.  
Refrain**

*Presider: Pray my brothers and sisters that our sacrifice.....*

**ALL: MAY THE LORD ACCEPT THE SACRIFICE AT YOUR HANDS, FOR THE PRAISE AND THE GLORY OF HIS NAME, FOR OUR GOOD AND THE GOOD OF ALL HIS CHURCH.**

*Eucharistic Prayer*

Introductory Dialogue *Priest:* The Lord be with you.

***All: And also with you.***

*Priest:* Lift up your hearts

***All: We lift them up to the Lord.***

*Priest:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***All: It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

*Preface*

**The Holy**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna! Hosanna, in the highest.**

**Blest is he, blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna! Hosanna, in the highest.**

*The Eucharistic Prayer continues.....*

*Words of Consecration:*

***"TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT IT.  
THIS IS MY BODY WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU."***

***"TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT.  
THIS IS THE CUP OF MY BLOOD,  
THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND EVERLASTING COVENANT.  
IT WILL BE SHED FOR YOU AND FOR ALL  
SO THAT SINS MAY BE FORGIVEN.  
DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME."***

**The Memorial Acclamation**

**Christ has died, Christ is Risen! Christ will come again. (repeat)**

**Doxology & Great Amen**

**Through him, with him, and in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father,  
forever and ever.**

**Amen! Amen! Amen!**

## COMMUNION RITE

### The Lord's Prayer

#### Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
grant us peace.

*Celebrant: Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.  
Happy are they to be called to this supper.*

**ALL: LORD, I AM NOT WORTHY TO RECEIVE YOU,  
BUT ONLY SAY THE WORD AND I SHALL BE HEALED.**

*Celebrant: May the body and blood.....ALL: AMEN.*

### Communion Song: Come to Us

**1. Scattered and broken, bent in our way,  
we are your people gathered to praise you.  
A vineyard uprooted, narrow in sight.  
Come, Lord of Glory! Come, Lord of Light!**

#### *Refrain*

*Come to us, O Child of Glory  
be born in our hearts.*

*Come to us, O Lord of Glory  
and make us anew.*

*We adore you. We adore you.  
We adore you. Sweet Child of Glory.*

**2. Come, Lord, our dayspring,  
come from on high,  
as we your people gather to praise you.  
Unworthy to taste from your heavenly vine,  
but your word will heal us. Come, Light Divine!**

#### *Refrain*

**3. Come, Root of Jesse; come, David's son;  
come, Star of Morning; we come to praise you.  
Hope of creation, of all humankind,  
reign over body, spirit and mind.**

#### *Refrain*

## CONCLUDING RITE

*Dismissal*

Closing Song: Hark The Herald Angels Sing

Hark! the herald angels sing: "Glory to the newborn King;  
Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!"  
Joyful all ye nations, rise, join the triumph of the skies;  
With angelic hosts proclaim "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"  
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King.

Christ, by highest heav'n adored, Christ the everlasting Lord.  
Late in time, behold him come. Offspring of a virgin's womb.  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see! Hail th'incarnate Deity!  
Pleased as man with us to dwell, Jesus our Emmanuel.  
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."

Hail the heav'n born Prince of Peace!  
Hail the Sun of righteousness!  
Light and life to all he brings, Ris'n with healing in his wings.  
Mild he lays his glory by, Born that we no more may die,  
Born to raise us from the earth, Born to give us second birth.  
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"  
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