

Lord's Prayer (BAS p. 918)

McNeil Robinson

Breaking of the Bread

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Agnus Dei (Common Praise 747)

Schubert

All baptized persons are welcome to receive communion.

If you wish to receive a blessing rather than communion, please cross your arms over your chest when the priest approaches. Feel free either to stand or to kneel – we ask that you not lean on the rail.

Communion hymn 137: What child is this GREENSLEEVES

Please stand, as able, for the prayer after communion.

Prayer after Communion

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Doxology

Priest: Glory to God,

**All: whose power, working in us,
can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Blessing

Closing hymn 143: Angels from the realms of glory

REGENT SQUARE

Dismissal

Priest: Go forth in the name of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

Welcome to everyone here today!

*Please join us after Mass for refreshments
and conversation in the parish hall.*

Intercessions List

A list is available each Sunday on the small table at the entrance.
Please feel free to add your own petitions, and the names of
those you would like prayed for during Mass.

Prayers have been asked today for:

Phyllis, Vanesta, Marcelle, Becky, Mark, Kadeem,
Montelle, Jermaine, Alex, Tejah, Chris

**For announcements and up-coming events,
see the separate take-home leaflet.**



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1st Sunday of Christmas

December 28th, 2014

SUNG MASS AT 10:30

**Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts;
let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.**

Colossians 3.15, 16

The service begins on page 185 of the *Book of Alternative Services (BAS)*.
Hymns and service music are found in the blue *Common Praise* hymnal.

Processional hymn 121: *O little town of Bethlehem* FOREST GREEN

*Priest: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with be with you all.*

All: And also with you.

Priest: Almighty God,

**All: to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.**

**Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Kyrie (*Common Praise 705*)

Schubert

Gloria (*Common Praise 686*)

Hurd

Collect of the Day

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Liturgy of the word

(A period of silence is observed after each reading and the homily).

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 61.10 – 62.3

Psalm 148: *Laudate Dominum*

- 1 HAL-LE-lujah! Praise the Lord from the heav-ens; /
praise him in the hēights.
- 2 Praise him, all you an-gels of his; /
praise him, all his höst.
- 3 Praise him, sun and moon; /
praise him, all you shiⁿing stärs.
- 4 Praise him, heav-en of heav-ens, /
and you waters a-bove the heav-ens.
- 5 Let them praise the name of the Lord; /
for he commanded, and they were cre-a-töd.
- 6 He made them stand fast for ev-er and ev-er; /
he gave them a law which shall not pass^a-wäy.
- 7 Praise the Lord from the earth, /
you sea-mons-ters and all dēeps;
- 8 Fire and hail, snow and fog, /
tempestuous wind, do-ing his will;

- 9 Moun-tains and all hills, / fruit trees and all ce-därs;
- 10 Wild beasts and all cat-tle, /
creeping things and wing^{èd} birds;
- 11 Kings of the earth and all peo-ples, /
princes and all ru-lers of the wörlt;
- 12 Young men and maid-ens, / old and young to-geth-ër.
- 13 Let them praise the name of the Lord, /
for his name only is exalted,
his splendour is over earth and heav-ën.
- 14 He has raised up strength for his people
and praise for all his loy-al ser-vants, /
the children of Israel, a people who are near him.
Hal-le-lu-jäh!

Epistle: Galatians 4.4-7

Gospel acclamation: Celtic Alleluia (*Please stand, as able*)

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

*Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke.*

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Holy Gospel: Luke 2.22-40

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily: Mtr Maggie Helwig

Nicene Creed

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Intercessions

(Names and prayers may be added to the list at the entrance)

When the departed are prayed for:

V: Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

R: And let light perpetual shine upon them.

V: May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

R: Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Priest: Dear friends in Christ,

*God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy,
welcoming sinners and inviting us to this table.*

Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Priest: Most merciful God,

**All: we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.**

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

*Priest: Almighty God have mercy upon you,
† pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life;*

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Laying on of hands

(Please come forward if you desire prayer for healing or a blessing).

Peace

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

Announcements

Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory hymn 136: *While shepherds watched their flocks*

WINCHESTER NEW

Prayer over the Gifts

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Eucharistic Prayer 3

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Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Proper Preface: *Preface of Christmas*

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Sanctus (*Common Praise 735*)

Schubert