

**RORATE MASS (VOTIVE MASS OF OUR LADY IN ADVENT) IN THE EXTRAORDINARY FORM OF THE  
ROMAN RITE**  
**READINGS AND PROPSERS • 12/12/20 •**  
**THE FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE, PATRONESS OF THE AMERICAS, III CL.**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** *Salve, sancta Parens*

Ps 44:2

Salve, sancta Parens, enixa puérpera Regem: qui cœlum terrámque regit in sǽcula sæculórum.

*¶ Eructávit cor meum verbum bonum: dico ego ópera mea Regi. Glória Patri.*

Hail, holy Mother, who gave birth to the King Who rules heaven and earth world without end.

*¶ My heart overflows with a goodly theme; as I sing my ode to the King. Glory be to the Father...*

**GLORIA**

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, heavenly 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 take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; 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.

**FIRST READING**

Wis 24:23-31

I bud forth delights like the vine, my blossoms become fruit fair and rich. I am the mother of fair love, and of fear, and of knowledge, and of holy hope. In me is all grace of the way and of the truth, in me is all hope of life and of virtue. Come to me, all you that yearn for me, and be filled with my fruits; for my spirit is sweeter than honey, and my inheritance better to have than honey and the honeycomb. My memory is to everlasting generations. They who eat of me will hunger still, and they who drink of me will thirst for more. He who obeys me will not be put to shame, they who serve me will never fail. They who explain me shall have life everlasting.

**GRADUAL** *Quae est ista*

Song of Songs 6:9; Wis 50:8

Quæ est ista, quæ proréditur quasi auróra consúrgens, pulchra ut luna, elécta ut sol?

*¶ Quasi arcus refúlgens inter nébulas glóriæ, et quasi flos rosárum in diébus vernis.*

Who is this that comes forth like the dawn, as beautiful as the moon, as resplendent as the sun?

*¶ Like the rainbow appearing in the bright clouds, and as the flower of roses in springtime.*

**ALLELUIA**

Song of Songs 2:12

Alleluia, Alleluia. *¶ Flores apparuérunt in terra nostra, tempus putatiónis advénit.*

Alleluia, Alleluia. *¶ The flowers appear in our land, the time of pruning has come.*

**GOSPEL**

Lk 1:39-47

At that time, Mary arose and went with haste into the hill country, to a town of Judah. And she entered the house of Zachary and greeted Elizabeth. And it came to pass, when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, that the babe in her womb leapt. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit, and cried out with a loud voice, saying, “Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb! And how have I deserved that the Mother of my Lord should come to me? For behold, the moment that the sound of your greeting came to my ears, the babe in my womb leapt for joy. And blessed is she who has believed, because the things promised her by the Lord shall be accomplished.” And Mary said, “My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.”

**OFFERTORY ANTIPHON** *Elegi*

2 Chr 7:16

Elégi, et sanctificávi locum istum, ut sit ibi nomen meum, et permáneant óculi mei, et cor meum ibi cunctis diébus. / *I have chosen, and have sanctified this place, that My name may be there, and My eyes and My heart may remain there forevermore.*

## HOLY COMMUNION

We invite all Catholics who are properly disposed (i.e., in the state of grace and having fasted for one hour before communion) to come forward in the usual way to receive Holy Communion. All others, including our non-Catholic guests, may remain in their pews and join us in prayer.

Alternatively, to participate in the communion procession and receive a blessing, come forward in the line and cross your arms over your chest as you approach the minister. Thank you.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Non fecit taliter*

Ps 148:20

*Non fecit taliter omni natióni: et iudícia sua non manifestávit eis.*

*He has not done thus for any other nation; His ordinances he has not made known to them.*

Today's Mass Ordinary is Mass IX, in honor of Our Lady. The Advent hymn *Rorate caeli* is sung at the offertory, as needed, and the hymns *Conditor alme siderum* and *Tota pulchra est* (in a setting by Dom Pothier, OSB, in honor of Our Lady's Immaculate Conception), are sung after Holy Communion. The Marian antiphon for Advent and Christmas, *Alma Redemptoris Mater*, is sung after the Last Gospel.

MARIAN ANTIPHON *Alma Redemptoris Mater*

*Alma Redemptoris Mater, quæ pérvia cæli Porta manes, et stella maris, succúrre cadénti, Súrgere qui curat pôpulo: tu quæ genuísti, Natúra miránte, tuum sanctum Genítórem Virgo prius ac postérius, Gabriélis ab ore Sumens illud Ave, peccatórum miserere.*

*Holy Mother of our Redeemer, thou gate leading to heaven and star of the sea; help the falling people who seek to rise, thou who, all nature wondering, didst give birth to thy holy Creator. Virgin always, hearing that Ave from Gabriel's lips, take pity on us sinners.*

*Please remember our Advent Recitals (4:30pm) and Vespers (5:15pm) on each Sunday of Advent. **This week's recital is presented by the Staff Singers of Cathedral Choir.** Please visit the Sacred Music tab of our website ([www.stpaulsbhm.org/sacred-music](http://www.stpaulsbhm.org/sacred-music)) for more info on this week and upcoming recitals.*



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