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**THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION  
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**



**Monday December 8<sup>th</sup> 2025**

**SOLEMN MASS**

**12noon**

*We welcome our Wagner Group Friends  
to this Celebration that begins  
at the Shrine of Our Lady*

## The Angelus

V The Angel of the Lord brought the tidings to Mary  
**R And she conceived by the Holy Ghost.**  
**Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee, blessèd art thou among women,**  
**and blessèd is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.**  
**Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

V Behold the handmaid of the Lord.  
**R Be it unto me according to thy Word.**  
**Hail Mary....**

V And the word was made flesh.  
**R And dwelt among us.**  
**Hail Mary....**

V Pray for us, Holy Mother of God.  
**R That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.**

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*Collect.*

## Opening Hymn 483

Mary Immaculate, Star of the morning,  
Chosen before the creation began,  
Chosen to bring, for Thy bridal adorning,  
Woe to the serpent and rescue to man.

Here in an orbit of shadow and sadness,  
Veiling Thy splendour, Thy course Thou hast run;  
Now Thou art throned in All glory and gladness,  
Crowned by the hand of the Savior and Son.

Sinners, we honour Thy sinless perfection;  
Fallen and weak, for Thy pity we lead;  
Grant us the shield of Thy Sovereign protection,  
Measure Thine aid by the depth of our need.

Frail is our nature, and strict our probation.  
Watchful the foe that would lure us to wrong,  
Succour our souls in the hour of temptation,  
Mary immaculate, tender and strong.

4. Bend from Thy throne At the voice of our crying,  
Bend to this earth which Thy footsteps have trod;  
Stretch out Thine arms to us, Living and dying,  
Mary Immaculate, Mother of God.

V: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, ✠ and of the Holy Spirit.  
**R: Amen.**

V: The Lord be with you.  
**R: And with your spirit.**

*The Celebrant introduces the celebration.*

V: Lord have mercy.  
**R: Lord have mercy.**  
V: Christ have mercy.  
**R: Christ have mercy.**  
V: Lord have mercy.  
**R: Lord have mercy.**

V: May Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life.  
**R: Amen.**

### **The Gloria** (Woodlands)

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Glory to God, we give you thanks and praise;  
Of heav'nly joy and earthly peace we sing.  
We worship you, to you our hearts we raise,  
Lord God, almighty Father, heavn'ly King.

Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son,  
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.  
O Lamb of God, you glorious vict'ry won,  
Receive our pray'r, grant us your peace within.

Alone, O Christ, you only are the Lord,  
At god's right hand in majesty most high:  
Who with the Spirit worshipped and adored:  
With all the heavenly host we glorify. Amen.

### **The Collect**

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O God,  
who by the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin  
prepared a worthy dwelling for your Son,  
grant, we pray, that, as you preserved her from every stain  
by virtue of the Death of your Son, which you foresaw,  
so, through her intercession,  
we, too, may be cleansed and admitted to your presence.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

**R: Amen**

### **First Reading** (Ref: Gen 3 9-15 20)

*Theme: 'I will put enmity between your offspring and the offspring of the woman.'*

A reading from the book of Genesis

After Adam had eaten of the tree: The Lord God called to the man and said to him, 'Where are you?' And he said, 'I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself.' He said, 'Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?' The man said, 'The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate.' Then the Lord God said to the woman, 'What is this that you have done?' The woman said, 'The serpent deceived me, and I ate.'

The Lord God said to the serpent,  
'Because you have done this,  
cursed are you above all livestock  
and above all beasts of the field;  
on your belly you shall go,  
and dust you shall eat  
all the days of your life.

I will put enmity between you and the woman,  
and between your offspring and her offspring;  
he shall bruise your head,  
and you shall bruise his heel.'

The man called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living.

V The Word of the Lord.

**R Thanks be to God.**

### **Responsorial Psalm**

**R**        **O sing a new song to the Lord,  
              for he has worked wonders.**

O sing a new song to the Lord,  
for he has worked wonders.  
His right hand and his holy arm  
have brought salvation. **R**

The Lord has made known his salvation,  
has shown his deliverance to the nations.  
He has remembered his merciful love  
and his truth for the house of Israel. **R**

All the ends of the earth have seen  
the salvation of our God.  
Shout to the Lord, all the earth;  
break forth into joyous song,  
and sing out your praise. **R**

### **Second reading** (Ref. Eph 1:3-6, 11-12)

*Theme: 'God chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world.'*

A reading from the letter of S Paul to the Ephesians

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.

In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory.

**V**        The Word of the Lord  
**R**        **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation.*

Alleluia, **alleluia.**

**Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.**

**Blessed are you among women.**

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**Gospel** (Ref Luke 1:26-38)

*'Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son.'*

V. The Lord be with you  
**R. And with your spirit.**  
V A reading ✠ from the holy Gospel according to Luke  
**R Glory to you, O Lord.**

At that time: The angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, 'Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you!' But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be. And the angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favour with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob for ever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.'

And Mary said to the angel, 'How will this be, since I am a virgin?' And the angel answered her, 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy — the Son of God. And behold, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. For nothing will be impossible with God.' And Mary said, 'Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word.' And the angel departed from her.

V The Gospel of the Lord.  
**R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**The Address**

Fr. Tim. Newton SSC

**Admissions to the Society of the Holy House**

**O Mary, recall the solemn moment  
when Jesus, your divine Son,  
dying on the cross,  
confided us to your maternal care.  
You are our Mother,  
we desire ever to remain your devout children.  
Let us therefore feel the effects  
of your powerful intercession with Jesus Christ.  
Make your name again glorious  
in this place once renowned throughout our land by your visits, favours and many miracles.  
Pray, O holy Mother of God for the conversion of England, restoration of the sick, consolation for the afflicted,  
repentance of sinners, peace to the departed.  
O blessed Mary, Mother of God, our Lady of Walsingham, intercede for us. Amen**

### **The Creed**

I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.  
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
*and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man.*  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### **The Prayer of the Faithful**

V Lord, hear us;  
**R.** may we make your name known.

### **Offertory Hymn** 300

Immaculate Mary!  
Our hearts are on fire;  
That title so wondrous  
Fills all our desire!  
Ave, Ave, Ave Maria!

We pray for our Mother,  
The Church upon earth,  
And bless, sweetest Lady,  
The land of our birth.  
Ave, Ave, Ave Maria!

We pray for all sinners,  
And souls that now stray  
From Jesus and Mary  
In heresy's way.  
Ave, Ave, Ave Maria!

For poor, sick, afflicted,  
Thy mercy we crave;  
And comfort the dying,  
Thou light of the grave!  
Ave, Ave, Ave Maria!

In grief and temptation,  
In joy, or in pain,  
We'll seek thee, our Mother,  
Nor seek thee in vain.  
Ave, Ave, Ave Maria!

In death's solemn moment,  
Our Mother, be nigh;  
As children of Mary  
O teach us to die!  
Ave, Ave, Ave Maria!  
Ave, Ave Maria!

Now to God be all glory  
And worship for aye,  
And to God's Virgin Mother,  
An endless Ave.  
Ave, Ave, Ave Maria!

V: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.  
R: **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands  
for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

**The Prayer over the Gifts**

V The Lord be with you  
R. **And with your spirit.**  
V Lift up your hearts  
R **We lift them up to the Lord**  
V Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
R **It is right and just.**

*The Proper Preface*

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of pow'r and God of might.  
**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of pow'r and God of might.**  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.  
**Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**  
Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.  
**Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

*The Eucharistic Prayer*

The mystery of faith.  
**We proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
and profess your Resurrection  
until you come again**

*The Eucharistic Prayer*

**Amen**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
Thy kingdom come;  
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

V Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,  
graciously grant peace in our days,  
that, by the help of your mercy,  
we may be always free from sin  
and safe from all distress,  
as we await the blessed hope  
and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.  
R **For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours, now and forever.**



V Lord Jesus Christ,  
who said to your Apostles:  
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you,  
look not on our sins,  
but on the faith of your Church,  
and graciously grant her peace and unity  
in accordance with your will.  
Who live and reign for ever and ever.

R **Amen.**

V The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R **And with your spirit.**

V Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

### **The Agnus Dei**

Jesus, wisdom and mighty Lord,  
you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

**Have mercy on us.**

Jesus, true branch of Jesse's tree,  
you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

**Have mercy on us.**

Key of David and Day spring from on high,  
you take away the sins of the World: have mercy on us.

**Have mercy on us.**

Desire of nations, our Emmanuel,  
you take away the sins of the World: grant us peace.

**Grant us peace.**

V ✠ Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

R **Lord, I am not worthy  
that you should enter under my roof,  
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

*Please be guided to Communion by the Stewards*

*Silence will be kept after Communion*

### **The Post Communion Prayer**

#### **Post Communion Hymn** 795

What do you want of me Lord?  
Where do you want me to serve you?  
Where can I sing your praises?  
I am your song.

**Jesus, Jesus, you are the Lord.**

**Jesus, Jesus, you are the way.**

I hear you call my name Lord,  
and I am moved within me.  
Your Spirit stirs me deepest self.  
Sing your songs in me. R

Above, below and around me.  
Before, behind, and all through me.  
Your Spirit burns deep within me.  
Fire my life with your love. R

You are the light in my darkness.  
You are my strength when I'm weary.  
You give me sight when I'm blinded.  
Come see for me. R

I am your song and servant,  
Singing your praise like Mary.  
Surrendered to your Spirit,  
“Let it be done to me.” ***R***

***V:***       The Lord be with you  
***R:***       **And with your spirit.**

May almighty God bless you,  
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

***V***       Go forth, the Mass is ended.  
***R:***       **Thanks be to God.**

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