

# ST. MARY'S-IN-TUXEDO



## THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 3, 2023

10:00 a.m.

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

# Welcome to St. Mary's

*Thank you for joining us today! From the very beginning in 1887, our founders saw St. Mary's-in-Tuxedo as the community church, being present and receptive to all those who came in faith, need, gratitude, curiosity -- or for whatever reason. Please know that you are always welcome here.*

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**All baptized Christians (from any denomination) are welcome to receive Communion in the Episcopal Church.**

## Ministers Serving Today

Celebrant: The Very Rev. Richard J. Robyn

Organist & Choir Master: Sheldon Eldridge

Lector: B. McKechnie

Acolyte: Matt Hlavka

Eucharistic Minister:

Ushers: Sue Heywood

Coffee Hour Host(s):

Video: Calvin de Mond

Schola: Anthony Cinelli, Aileen Sager,

William Dickinson, Johanna Maria Rose

**Prelude**

Voluntary on "Aberystwyth"

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

**Introit**

*Sung by the Schola*

*Please stand*

**Processional Hymn 66**

Come, thou long expected Jesus

*Stuttgart*



1 Come, thou long - ex - pect-ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;  
2 Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art:  
3 Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and yet a king,  
4 By thine own e - ter - nal Spi - rit rule in all our hearts a - lone;



from our fears and sins re - lease us, let us find our rest in thee.  
dear de - sire of ev - ery na - tion, joy of ev - ery long - ing heart.  
born to reign in us for ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.  
by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

## The Word of God

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

## The Collect for Purity

*Celebrant*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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 Eleison

Leo Sowerby (1895-1968)

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us, Lord have mer - cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us, Christ, have

mer - cy up - on us, Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

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## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

*Please be seated*

## **The First Reading**

Isaiah 64:1-9

*Reader:* A reading from the book of Isaiah.

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence--as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil--to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence!

When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth.

We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord, and do not remember iniquity forever. Now consider, we are all your people.

The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### **Gradual Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18**

*Qui regis Israel*

Luke Flintoft (1678-1727)

HEAR, O thou Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep; \* show thyself also, thou that sittest upon the Cherubim.

2 Before Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, \*  
stir up thy strength, and come and help us.

3 Turn us again, O God; \*  
show the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

4 O LORD God of hosts, \*  
how long wilt thou be angry with thy people that prayeth?

5 Thou feedest them with the bread of tears, \*  
and givest them plenteousness of tears to drink.

6 Thou hast made us a very strife unto our neighbours, \*  
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.

7 Turn us again, thou God of hosts; \*

show the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

16 Let thy hand be upon the man of thy right hand, \*  
and upon the son of man, whom thou madest so strong for thine own self.

17 And so will not we go back from thee: \*  
O let us live, and we shall call upon thy Name.

18 Turn us again, O LORD God of hosts; \*  
show the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

*Gloria Patri.*

## The Epistle

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

*Reader:* A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand*

## Gospel Hymn 640

Watchmen, tell us of the night

*Aberystwyth*

1 Watch-man, tell us of the night, what its signs of prom-ise  
2 Watch-man, tell us of the night; high-er yet that star a -  
3 Watch-man, tell us of the night, for the morn-ing seems to

are. Trav - eler, o'er yon moun-tain's height, see that glo - ry-  
scends. Trav - eler, bless - ed - ness and light, peace and truth its  
dawn. Trav - eler, dark - ness takes its flight, doubt and ter - ror

beam - ing star. Watch-man, does its beau - teous ray  
 course por - tends. Watch-man, will its beams a - lone  
 are with - drawn. Watch-man, let thy wan - derings cease;

aught of joy or hope fore - tell? Trav - eler, yes; it  
 gild the spot that gave them birth? Trav - eler, a - ges  
 hie thee to thy qui - et home. Trav - eler, lo! the

brings the day, prom - ised day of Is - ra - el.  
 are its own; see, it bursts o'er all the earth.  
 Prince of Peace, lo! the Son of God is come!

## The Gospel

Mark 13:24-37

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. "From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

“But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.”

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*Please be seated*

**The Sermon**

**The Rector**

*Please stand*

**The Nicene Creed**

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
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.



We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## **The Prayers of the People**

Form I

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying  
"Lord, have mercy."

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God,  
and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For our Andy, Allen, Mary, and Matthew our Bishops, for Richard our Rector and  
Edwin our Rector Emetitus, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For Joseph our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority,  
let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For this town and village, for every city and community, and for those who live in  
them, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve  
it, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the  
suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For Father Ed Crome, William Clarke, Barbara Beauregard, Janet Galuska, Bill  
Steinmann, Webb Turner, John Burkhalter, Timothy Francis Duffy, Genevieve Jones,  
John Kordel, Jolene Matthews, Rob McQuilkin, Barbara Miranda, Carmen Murphy, Joy  
Ochieng, Linette Opiyo, Brendan Pascarella, Patrick Pascarella, Ulie and Maryvan

Pendl, Audrey Perry, Father Stephen Rozzelle, Clinton Stoneking, Nicholas Triantafillou, and Peter Van Zandt, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

In the communion of St. Mary and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

**To thee, O Lord our God.**

*Silence.*

*Celebrant*

Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

**The Peace**

*Celebrant* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Please be seated*

**Welcome & Announcements**

**The Rector**

## The Offertory

*Rorate caeli*

Op. 176, No. 7

Joseph Gabriel Rheinberger (1839-1901)

*Rorate caeli desuper et nubes pluant iustum. Aperiat terra et germinet salvatorem.* Drop down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness: let the earth open, and let it bring forth a Saviour. Isaiah 45:8

*Please stand*

## The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## The Holy Communion

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

## Sanctus

Leo Sowerby

HO - LY, HO - LY, HO - LY, Lord, God of Hosts,

Heav'n and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo - ry

be to Thee, O Lord, most high.

Bless - ed is he that com - eth in the Name of the

Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est!

*Please kneel; then the Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Mary and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*Celebrant and People*

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.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

## The Breaking of the Bread

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

## Agnus Dei

Leo Sowerby

O Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the  
sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.  
O Lamb of God that tak - est a - way the

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are: "O Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of God that tak - est a - way the".

sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.

Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the

sins of the world. grant us thy peace.

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*Celebrant*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*All baptized Christians (from any denomination) are welcome to receive Communion.*

# Communion Hymn 8 (1940)

O Word that goeth forth

*Verbum supernum*

*Quick, flowing* Mode II tr.

1 O Word, that go - est forth on high From God's own depths e - ter - nal - ly,  
2 Pour light up - on us from a - bove, And fire our hearts with ar - dent love,

And in these lat - ter days wast born For suc - cor to a world for - lorn;  
That, as we hear thy truth to - day, All wrong de - sires may burn a - way;

3 And when, as judge, thou drawest nigh  
The secrets of our hearts to try,  
To recompense each hidden sin  
And bid the saints their reign begin;

4 O let us not, weak sinful men,  
Be driven from thy presence then,  
But with thy saints for ever stand  
In perfect love at thy right hand.

5 To God the Father, God the Son,  
And God the Spirit, ever one,  
Praise, honor, might, and glory be  
From age to age eternally. Amen.

A - men.

## Communion Motet

*Audivi Vocem de Caelo* Thomas Tallis (c.1505-1575)

I heard a voice coming from heaven: Come, all you most wise virgins; store oil in your vessels until the bridegroom shall come.

Verse: In the middle of the night a cry went forth: Behold the bridegroom comes. Store oil in your vessels until the bridegroom comes.



## The Post Communion Prayer

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us asleep in sin but awake in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Please stand*

### Blessing & Dismissal

*Celebrant*

May Almighty God, by whose providence our Savior Christ came among us in great humility, sanctify you with the light of his blessing and set you free from all sin. **Amen.** And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

*Celebrant* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### The Angelus: A Memorial of the Incarnation

(Luke 1:26-45)

V. The angel of the Lord brought tidings unto Mary;

**R. And she conceived by the Holy Ghost.**

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed 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, etc...

V. And the Word was made flesh;

**R. And dwelt among us.** Hail Mary, etc...

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God;

**R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.**

Let us pray.

Pour forth thy grace into our hearts, we beseech thee, O Lord; that like as we have known the incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his cross and passion, we may be brought unto the glory of his resurrection. Through the same Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn 57

Lo! He comes with clouds descending

*Helmsley*



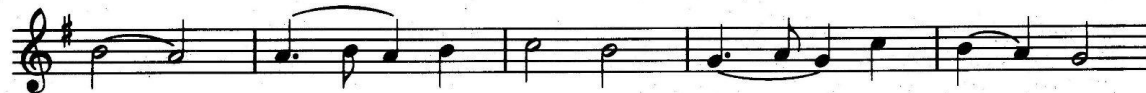
1 Lo! he comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, once for  
 2 Ev - ery eye shall now be - hold him, robed in  
 3 Those dear to - kens of his pas - sion still his  
 4 Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on



our sal - va - tion slain; thou - sand thou - sand  
 dread - ful ma - jes - ty; those who set at  
 daz - zling bo - dy bears, cause of end - less  
 thine e - ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the



saints at - tend - ing swell the tri - umph of his  
 nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the  
 ex - ul - ta - tion to his ran - somed wor - ship -  
 power and glo - ry; claim the king - dom for thine



train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 tree, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing,  
 ers; with what rap - ture, with what rap - ture,  
 own: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.  
 deep - ly wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.  
 with what rap - ture gaze we on those glo - rious scars!  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.

Postlude

*Veni Redemptor*

Thomas Tallis

## Prayers of the Community

### Parishioners we are praying for:

Fr. Ed Cromey, Rector Emeritus  
William Clarke  
Barbara Beauregard  
Janet Galuska  
Bill Steinmann  
Webb Turner

### Friends and family members we are praying for:

John Burkhalter, friend of Sheldon Eldridge  
Timothy Francis Duffy, friend of Brad Boles  
Genevieve Jones, former parishioner and resident of Tuxedo Park  
John Kordel, friend of Fr. Rick & Pete Datos-Robyn  
Jolene Matthews, daughter of Gillian Ballard  
Rob McQuilkin, longtime Tuxedo Park resident  
Barbara Miranda, cousin of the Bush family  
Carmen Murphy, close friend of Ann Ho-Powers  
Joy Ochieng, daughter of Elizabeth Ochieng  
Linette Opiyo, friend of Elizabeth Ochieng  
Brendan and Patrick Pascarella, relatives of Gillian Ballard  
Ulrie and Maryvan Pendl, longtime Tuxedo Park residents  
Audrey Perry, friend of St. Mary's  
Father Stephen Rozzelle, Rector of Christ Church, Pompton Lakes, NJ  
Clinton Stoneking, son-in-law of Charlen Cathcart  
Nicholas Triantafillou, grandson of Bill Steinmann  
Peter Van Zandt, friend of St. Mary's

**Prayer requests may be made at (845) 351-5122 or [info@stmtux.org](mailto:info@stmtux.org).**

*Music Notes:* Thomas Tallis was an English composer during the time of the Tudor monarchs. His compositions are primarily vocal, and he occupies a primary place in anthologies of English choral music. Thomas Tallis would prove himself adept in writing for both the Catholic and Protestant liturgies. Born a Catholic, he managed to survive - apparently without being persecuted - as a member of the "Old Faith," while becoming a composer for the new Church of England. For the Catholic Church he set Latin texts to music in the form of vocal polyphony; for the new Anglican Church he provided clear chordal settings for English texts, many of which are still sung by church choirs today.