

CHRISTMAS MASS

2025



St Ann's Catholic Church
KINGSTON HILL

O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL

Solo 1: O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem!
Come, and behold Him, born the King of angels!

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O come, let us adore Him;
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O come, let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord

Solo 2: God of God, Light of Light,
Lo, He abhors not the virgin's womb;
very God, begotten not created; **[Refrain]**

Solo 3: Sing, choirs of angels; sing in exultation;
sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above!
Glory to God, all glory in the highest! **[Refrain]**

Solo 4: Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning;
Jesus, to Thee be all glory giv'n!
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing! **[Refrain]**

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 9:6-7

The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light;
on those who live in a land of deep shadow a light has shone.

For there is a child born for us, a son given to us, and dominion is laid on his shoulders; and this is the name they give him: Wonder-Counsellor, Mighty-God, Eternal-Father, Prince-of-Peace. Wide is his dominion in a peace that has no end, for the throne of David and for his royal power, which he establishes and makes secure in justice and integrity.

From this time onwards and for ever,
the jealous love of the LORD Sabaoth does this.

O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

O little town of Bethlehem,
how still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
the silent stars go by.
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
the everlasting light;
the hopes and fears of all the years
are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary;
and, gathered all above,
while mortals sleep, the angels keep
their watch of wond'ring love.
O morning stars, together
proclaim the holy birth,
and praises sing to God the King,
and peace to men on earth.

How silently, how silently,
the wondrous gift is giv'n!
So God imparts to human hearts
the blessings of His heav'n.
No ear may hear His coming,
but in this world of sin,
where meek souls will receive Him still,
the dear Christ enters in.

O holy Child of Bethlehem,
descend to us, we pray;
cast out our sin and enter in;
be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels,
the great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
our Lord Emmanuel!

HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING

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

Refrain

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"Glory to the new born King"

Christ, by highest heaven adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
late in time behold him come,
offspring of the Virgin's womb:
veiled in flesh the Godhead see;
hail th' incarnate Deity,
pleased with us in flesh to dwell,
Jesus, our Immanuel. **[Refrain]**

Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
risen 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. **[Refrain]**

LUKE 2:8-14

In the nearby countryside there were shepherds living in the fields and keeping watch over their flock throughout the night. Suddenly, an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them. They were terror-stricken, but the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid, for I bring you good news of great joy for all the people. For this day in the city of David there has been born to you a Saviour who is Christ, the Lord. “This will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger.” And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, “Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to all those on whom his favour rests.”

All Candles are lit

JOY TO THE WORLD

O come, O come, Immanuel,
and ransom captive Israel
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.

Refrain:

Rejoice! Rejoice! Immanuel
Shall come to you, O Israel.

O come, O Wisdom from on high,
who ordered all things mightily;
to us the path of knowledge show
and teach us in its ways to go. **Refrain**

O come, O come, great Lord of might,
who to your tribes on Sinai's height
in ancient times did give the law
in cloud and majesty and awe. **Refrain**

O come, O Branch of Jesse's stem,
unto your own and rescue them!
From depths of hell your people save,
and give them victory o'er the grave. **Refrain**

JOHN 1: 1-5, 9-10

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him: and without him was made nothing that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. That was the true light, which enlightened every human that cometh into this world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him.

O HOLY NIGHT

Solo: O holy night! The stars are brightly shining,
It is the night of my dear Saviour's birth;
Long lay the world in sin and error pining,
Till He appeared and the soul felt its worth.
A thrill of hope the weary soul rejoices,
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn.

CHORUS:

Fall on your knees, O hear the angel voices
O night divine, O night when Christ was born;
O night, O holy night, O night divine.

Solo: Led by the light of faith serenely beaming,
With glowing hearts by His cradle we stand;
So, led by light of a star sweetly gleaming
Here came the wise men from Orient land;
The King of kings lay thus in lowly manger
In all our trials born to be our friend. **CHORUS ...**

Solo: Truly He taught that we love one another,
His law is love and His gospel is peace;
Chains shall He break, the slave is still our brother
And in His name all oppression shall cease;
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we,
Let all within us praise His holy name. **CHORUS ...**

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GLORIA

Refrain: Glory! Glory! Glory to God (2)

1. Glory to God in the heights of the heavens.
Peace to God's people, all people on earth.
2. Son of the Father, all glory and worship;
Praise and thanksgiving to you, Lamb of God.
3. You take away the sin of the world;
Have mercy on us, receive our prayer.
4. Seated in power at the right of the Father,
Jesus alone is the Lord, the Most High.
5. And with the Spirit of love everlasting,
Reigning in glory for ever. Amen.

FIRST READING ISAIAH 9:2-7

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone. You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as they are glad when they divide the spoil. For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. For every boot of the tramping warrior in battle tumult and every garment rolled in blood will be burned as fuel for the fire. For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and of peace, there will be no end on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and for evermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this. **The word of the Lord. All reply: Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm Ps 96(95):1 - 13cd. R Luke 2:11
Today a Saviour has been born to us; who is Christ the Lord.

SECOND READING TITUS 2:11-14

Beloved: The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Saviour Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness, and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION LUKE 1:38

**Alleluia, alleluia. I bring you good news of great joy:
for unto us is born this day a Saviour, Christ the Lord. Alleluia.**

Gospel Luke 2:1-14

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, **(all kneel or bow)** who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Today's offering is for Fr James Raj. The proceeds will go towards the building of his village primary school, where he himself was educated. You are most welcome to make your offering using the QR code or directly to the church account with the reference "**Christmas Offering.**"



Bank Details: Account Name: RCAS Kingston Hill

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OFFERTORY HYMN

Refrain: Take our bread, we ask you, Take our hearts, we love you,
Take our lives, oh Father, We are yours, we are yours.

Yours as we stand at the table you set,
Yours as we eat the bread our hearts can't forget.
We are the signs of your life with us yet;
We are yours, we are yours. **Take our bread ...**

Your holy people stand washed in your blood,
Spirit-filled, yet hungry, we await your food.
We are poor, but we brought ourselves the best we could.
We are yours, we are yours. **Take our bread ...**

COMMUNION HYMN 1

Silent night, holy night, All is calm, all is bright
Round yon virgin mother and child! Holy Infant so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night, Darkness flies, all is light;
Shepherds hear the angels sing, "Alleluia! hail the King!
Christ the Saviour is born, Christ the Saviour is born."

Silent night, holy night, Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from Thy holy face, With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.

Silent night, holy night, Wondrous star, lend the light;
With the angels let us sing Alleluia to our King;
Christ the Saviour is born, Christ the Saviour is born.

COMMUNION HYMN 2

Make me a channel of your peace
Where there is hatred let me bring your love
Where there is injury, your pardon Lord
And where there is doubt true faith in You

**Chorus: Oh, Master grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console
To be understood as to understand
To be loved as to love with all my soul**

Make me a channel of your peace
Where there is despair in life let me bring hope
Where there is darkness only light
And where there's sadness ever joy **Chorus...**

Make me a channel of your peace
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned
In giving to all men that we receive
And in dying that we are born to eternal life **Chorus...**

RECESSATIONAL HYMN

Joy to the world - the Lord has come!
let earth receive her king,
let every heart prepare him room
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing!

Joy to the earth - the saviour reigns!
let songs be heard on high,
while fields and streams and hills and plains
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness,
the wonders of his love,
the wonders of his love,
the wonders, wonders of his love.



On behalf of everyone at Holy Cross Preparatory School, We send our heartfelt wishes to all the parishioners of St. Ann's, Kingston Hill, for a joyful Christmas and a blessed New Year.
Mrs Sarah Hair (Headmistress)

On behalf of everyone at Marymount International School London, we wish all the parishioners of St Ann's Kingston Hill a peaceful Christmas and a blessed New Year.

Mrs Margaret Giblin (Headmistress)



MERRY *Christmas* 2 0 2 5

As we celebrate the birth of Jesus, may our hearts be filled with peace, joy, and gratitude. We thank each one of you for your faith, kindness, and commitment to our parish family.

-Fr James and Sr Ursula-

NEW YEAR CELEBRATION

**31.12.2025 at 5.00 pm: New year Vigil mass
(4.15 pm: Thanks-giving Candle Light adoration)**
01.01.2026 at 10.00 am: New Year Mass



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