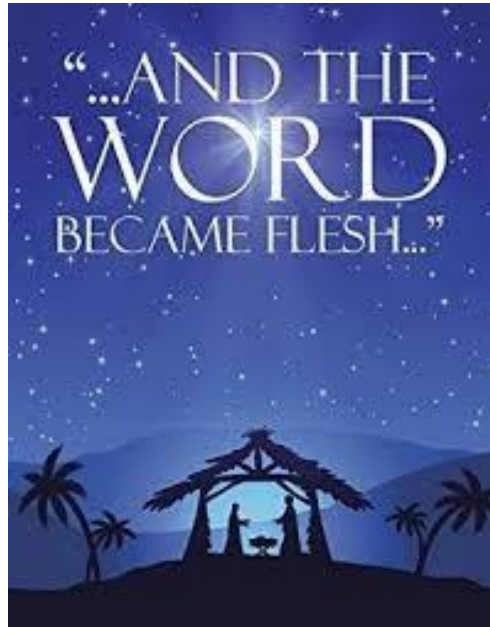




**26 and 27 December 2020**  
**First Sunday After Christmas**



“Live Worship Times” 7 Days a Week [www.facebook.com/saintbenedicts/](https://www.facebook.com/saintbenedicts/)

**Saturday and Sundays: In person, Facebook Live in your cars, and ONLINE**  
*Those who remain in their cars will receive Holy Communion at the end of each service.*  
*Please drive to the “Communion Lane” on the East Side Church Entrance.*

**SUNDAYS: 8:00, 10:00 and 11:30 AM HOLY EUCHARIST (In Church Service,  
Drive-In Church and Online)**

**MONDAY: MORNING PRAYER 8:30 AM**

**TUESDAY: MORNING PRAYER 8:30 AM**

**WEDNESDAY: HEALING PRAYERS 7:00 PM**

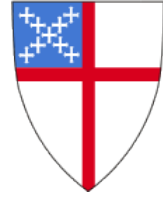
**THURSDAY: MORNING PRAYER 8:30 AM**

**FRIDAY: MIDDAY PRAYER 12 NOON**

**SATURDAY: 6:00 PM HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II  
(In Church Service, Drive-In Church, and Online)**

The Reverend Father Albert Cutié, *Rector*  
The Reverend Debra McLaughlin, *Deacon*

The Lessons Appointed for Use on  
the Feast of  
**First Sunday after Christmas**  
All Years



## The Collect

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## Old Testament

### Isaiah 61:10-62:3

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD,  
my whole being shall exult in my God;  
for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation,  
he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,  
as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland,  
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.  
For as the earth brings forth its shoots,  
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up,  
so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise  
to spring up before all the nations.  
For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,  
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,  
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,  
and her salvation like a burning torch.  
The nations shall see your vindication,  
and all the kings your glory;  
and you shall be called by a new name  
that the mouth of the LORD will give.  
You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD,  
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

# The Psalm

## Psalm 147 or 147:13-21

### *Laudate Dominum*

[1 **H**allelujah!

How good it is to sing praises to our God! \*  
how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!

2 The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem; \*  
he gathers the exiles of Israel.

3 He heals the brokenhearted \*  
and binds up their wounds.

4 He counts the number of the stars \*  
and calls them all by their names.

5 Great is our LORD and mighty in power; \*  
there is no limit to his wisdom.

6 The LORD lifts up the lowly, \*  
but casts the wicked to the ground.

7 Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; \*  
make music to our God upon the harp.

8 He covers the heavens with clouds \*  
and prepares rain for the earth;

9 He makes grass to grow upon the mountains \*  
and green plants to serve mankind.

10 He provides food for flocks and herds \*  
and for the young ravens when they cry.

11 He is not impressed by the might of a horse; \*  
he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;

12 But the LORD has pleasure in those who fear him, \*  
in those who await his gracious favor.]

13 Worship the LORD, O Jerusalem; \*  
praise your God, O Zion;

14 For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; \*  
he has blessed your children within you.

15 He has established peace on your borders; \*  
he satisfies you with the finest wheat.

16 He sends out his command to the earth, \*  
and his word runs very swiftly.

17 He gives snow like wool; \*  
he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.

18 He scatters his hail like bread crumbs; \*  
who can stand against his cold?

- 19 He sends forth his word and melts them; \*  
he blows with his wind, and the waters flow.
- 20 He declares his word to Jacob, \*  
his statutes and his judgments to Israel.
- 21 He has not done so to any other nation; \*  
to them he has not revealed his judgments.  
Hallelujah!

## **The New Testament**

### **Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7**

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian.

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

## **The Gospel**

### **John 1:1-18**

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

## Homily/Sermon

Father Albert

### The Nicene Creed

### 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 from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For our Bishop, the Diocese of Southeast Florida, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For our President and President-Elect, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, 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 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, for the victims of COVID-19, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

In the communion of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint Benedict, 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.*

### Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God,  
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 neighbors 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 on you, +forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal  
life. *Amen.*

### **The Peace**

*Celebrant:* The peace of the Lord be always with you. *People: And also with you.*

### **Special Announcements from the Rector**

*Please be generous! Feel free to make a secure donation ONLINE [www.saintbenedicts.org](http://www.saintbenedicts.org) and  
go to "Online giving". Pledge envelopes and special donations can also be placed in the  
Collection Plates in the back of the church or mailed to the parish office:  
7801 NW 5<sup>th</sup> Street Plantation, FL 33324*

### **The Holy Communion**

#### **Offertory Hymn**

#### **The Doxology**

*Old Hundredth*

#### **The Great Thanksgiving**

#### **The Lord's Prayer**

#### **The Breaking of the Bread**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia*

#### **The Fraction Anthem**

*Agnus Dei – Lamb of God*

Priest: The Gifts of God for the People of God!

*In these times of COVID19, the above rubric applies to all who desire to receive the Sacrament  
of Holy Eucharist, but desire it... Let us pray together!*

#### **Prayer During Spiritual Communion**

**My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the  
Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I desire to offer  
you praise and thanksgiving as I proclaim your  
resurrection. I love you above all things, and long  
for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the**

**Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.**

*– From Washington National Cathedral; material adapted from Prayer of St. Alphonsus de Liguori (1696-1787) and A Prayer Book for the Armed Services*

### **Prayer after Holy Communion**

Let us pray.

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **The Blessing**

### **The Dismissal**

### **Distribution of Holy Communion and departure:**

- Please approach the altar by observing the posted distancing circles on the floor.*
- Stand at your designated Communion station left or right and remain standing.*
- Place your mask under your chin when you are standing in front of minister.*
- Please extend your hands – left above right – and consume the host before you begin walking again.*
- As you return downside aisles, please proceed to your automobiles.*
- When it is safe to socialize and mingle outside of the church, we will advise the congregation. At this time, we ask that you wave and greet each other from a distance of 6 feet or more to stay safe.*

**Please feel free to contact us with your comments and suggestions:**

**parishoffice@saintbenedicts.org**

*Father Albert*

No  
Sunday School  
This Week

There will be no Sunday School on Sunday, December 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020 due to the Christmas Holidays.

Please join us on January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 when we resume our Zoom Meeting <https://zoom.us/j/2546886117?pwd=dHE5enBGTzB2OHJxSG04OFFFWG1Wdz09>

Meeting ID: 254 688 6117 Passcode: w2kAa7

*Meeting starts at 11:30 AM – Inviting all children and youth in our community to participate!*

**Join us ONLINE to join in prayer each day...**  
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**THE COFFEE HOUR/FELLOWSHIP VIA ZOOM AT 11:30 AM WILL NOT CONTINUE, FOR THE TIME BEING, DUE TO OUR NEW 11:30 AM SERVICE.**

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