

CENTENNIAL 1907-2007



ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL
The fourth Sunday of Advent
December 23, 2007

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The Centennial of St. James Cathedral



Introductory Rites

PROCESSION TO THE CEREMONIAL DOORS (Saturday Evening)

*Father Ryan proceeds to the Ceremonial Doors at the Cathedral's west entrance
to greet the Archbishop. PLEASE REMAIN SEATED DURING THIS PROCESSION.*

ENTRANCE

Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates

TRURO

1. Lift up your heads, O might - y gates; Be - hold the

2. O blest the land, the cit - y blest, Where Christ the

3. Fling wide the por - tals of your heart; Make it a

4. Come, Sav - ior, come with us a - bide; Our hearts to

King of glo - ry waits! The King of kings is

ru - ler is con - fest! O hap - py hearts and

tem - ple, set a - part From earth - ly use for

you we o - pen wide: Your Ho - ly Spir - it

draw - ing near; The Sa - vior of the world is here.

hap - py homes To whom this King of tri - umph comes!

heav'n's em - ploy, A - doned with prayer and love and joy.

guide us on, Un - til our glo - rious goal is won.

PENITENTIAL RITE

Text of Confiteor at No. 231

Vatican XVI

1 & 3. Ky - ri - e - lei - son.
2. Chri - ste e - lei - son.

DISMISSAL TO THE CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD (Noon)

GLORIA

Missa de angelis

Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.

*During the Gloria, the Cathedral's twelve dedication candles are lit.
These candles were lit for the first time at the rededication of St. James Cathedral
following its restoration and renovation, December 22, 1994.*

OPENING PRAYER

Liturgy of the Word

*The readings for this Centennial Mass are among those read at the rededication
of the Cathedral, December 22, 1994.*

FIRST READING

Revelation 21: 1-5

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 24

Batastini

I re - joiced when I heard them say: let us go to the house of the Lord.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 2: 19-22

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

chant

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL

Luke 22: 24-27

HOMILY

(Saturday 5:30pm)

The Most Reverend Alexander J. Brunett
Archbishop of Seattle

(All other Masses)

The Very Reverend Michael G. Ryan
Pastor of St. James Cathedral

CREED No. 238 *chanted on one tone*

(10:00 and Sunday Evening)

chant, *Jubilate Deo*Presider *Credo in unum Deum,*Schola Patrem omnipotentem factorem cæli et terræ,
visibilium omnium et invisibilium.*We believe in one God,
the Father, the almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is seen and unseen.*

ALL

Et in u - num Do - mi - num Je - sum Chri - stum,
Fi - li - um De - i u - ni - ge - ni - tum.

*We believe in one Lord,
Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,*Schola Et ex Patre natum ante omnia sæcula.
Deum de Deo, lumen de lumine,
Deum verum de Deo vero.
Genitum, non factum, consubstantiale Patri:
per quem omnia facta sunt.
Qui propter nos homines et propter nostram salutem
descendit de cælis.*eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
one in being with the Father:
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:*ALL *All bow at the words of incarnation*

Et in - car - na - tus est de Spi - ri - tu San - cto
ex Ma - ri - a Vir - gi - ne, et ho - mo fa - ctus est.

*by the power of the Holy Spirit
he was born of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.*Schola Crucifixus etiam pro nobis sub Pontio Pilato,
passus et sepultus est.
Et resurrexit tertia die, secundum Scripturas.
Et ascendit in cælum, sedet ad dexteram Patris.*For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered, died, and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in fulfillment of the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated
at the right hand of the Father.*

ALL

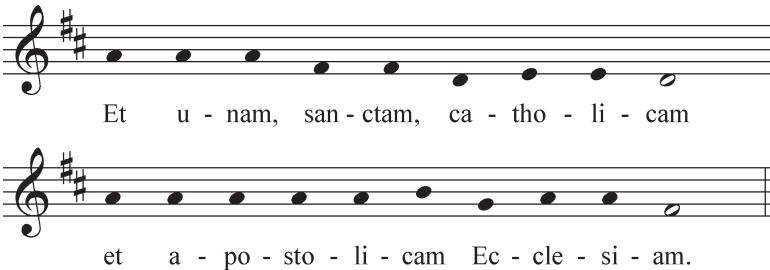
Et i - te - rum ven - tu - rus est cum glo - ri - a,
ju - di - ca - re vi - vos et mor - tu - os,
cu - jus re - gni non e - rit fi - nis.

*He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.*

Schola Et in Spiritum Sanctum, Dominum et vivificantem:
 qui ex Patre Filioque procedit.
 Qui cum Patre et Filio simul
 adoratur et conglorificatur:
 qui locutus est per prophetas.

*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.*

ALL



Et u - nam, san - ctam, ca - tho - li - cam
 et a - po - sto - li - cam Ec - cle - si - am.

*We believe in one holy catholic
 and apostolic Church.*

Schola Confiteor unum Baptisma in remissionem peccatorum.

*We acknowledge one baptism
 for the forgiveness of sins.*

ALL



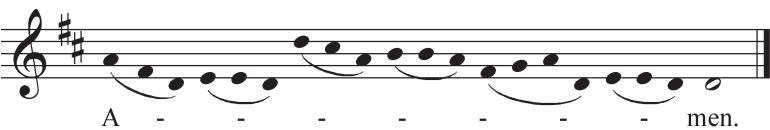
Et ex-spe-cto re-sur-re-cti - o-nem mor-tu - o - rum.

*We look for the resurrection
 of the dead,*

Schola Et vitam venturi sæculi.

and the life of the world to come.

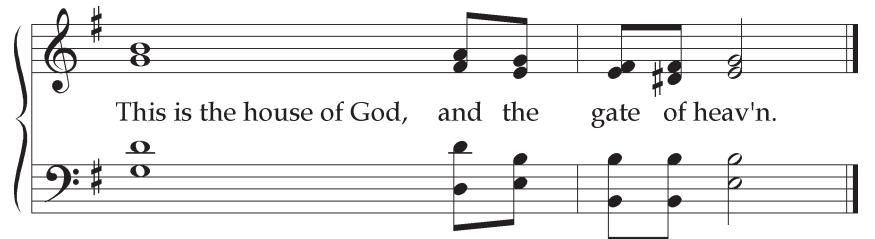
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A - - - - - men.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

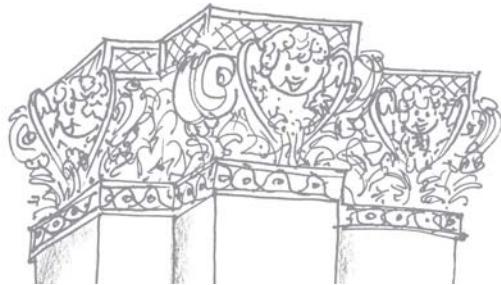
Berthier



This is the house of God, and the gate of heav'n.



Liturgy of the Eucharist



PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND THE GIFTS

At the Saturday evening Mass, the gifts are presented by some of the people who played a significant role in the renovation of St. James Cathedral in 1994, including architects, administrators, and designers.

At the 10:00am and Noon Masses, the gifts are presented by some of the many children who were baptized by Father Ryan at St. James, and who have grown up in the Cathedral Parish.

Offertory (10:00am) *Locus iste* Bruckner

*This place is the work of God,
a mystery surpassing comprehension.*

SANCTUS

Vatican XVIII

The image shows three staves of Gregorian chant notation. The top staff begins with a single note followed by a series of eighth notes. The lyrics are: "San - ctus, San - ctus, Sanctus Do - mi - nus De - us Sa - ba - oth." The middle staff continues with eighth notes, ending with a short melodic phrase. The lyrics are: "Ple - ni sunt cae - li et ter - ra glo - ri - a tu - a. Ho - san - na in ex - cel - sis." The bottom staff concludes the chant with a final melodic phrase. The lyrics are: "Be - ne - di - c tus qui ve - nit in no - mi - ne Do - mi - ni. Ho - san - na in ex - cel - sis."

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Nicolai, adapt. St. James Cathedral

Dy - ing you de - stroyed our death. Ri - sing you re -

stored our life. Lord Je - sus, come in glo - ry.

AMEN

chant

LORD'S PRAYER

AGNUS DEI

Vatican XVII

R. 1, 2 mi - se - re - re no - bis.
R. 3 do - na no - bis pa - cem.

COMMUNION

*Behold, a Virgin shall conceive, and bear a Son,
and his name shall be called Emmanuel.*

chant

(10:00)

Psalm 84: How lovely is your dwelling place

Brahms

ON RETURNING TO YOUR SEAT FOLLOWING COMMUNION, PLEASE KNEEL OR BE SEATED.

LIGHTING OF CANDLES (Saturday Evening only)

*The candles of the assembly are lit from the dedication candles of the Cathedral.
Please hold lit candles upright. In the courtyard, use the shield to keep the candle lit.
Please take your souvenir candle home with you.*

HYMN OF PRAISE

How blessed is this place

O WALY WALY

1. How bless - ed is this place, O Lord, Where you are
2. Here let your sa - cred fire of old De - scend to
3. Here let your wear - y one find rest, The trou - bled
4. Here your an - gel - ic spir - its send Their sol - emn

wor - shipped and a - dored; In faith we here an al - tar
kin - dle spir - its cold; And may our prayers, when here we
heart, your com - fort blest, The guilt - y one, a sure re -
praise with ours to blend, And grant the vi - sion, in - ly

raise To your great glo - ry, God of praise.
bend, Like in - cense sweet to you as - cend.
treat, The sin - ner, par - don at your feet.
giv'n, Of this your house, the gate of heav'n.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Father Michael G. Ryan

Procession to the Archbishop Murphy Courtyard



Following the Saturday Evening and Sunday 10:00am Masses, you are invited to join the procession to the Archbishop Murphy courtyard. Please follow the procession out the west or south doors of the Cathedral.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

PROCESSION TO THE ARCHBISHOP MURPHY COURTYARD

READING OF THE INSCRIPTION

BLESSING OF THE MENSA STONE

The stone is sprinkled with holy water. Then the assembly, the "living stones" of the Church, are sprinkled as well.

SOLEMN BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

(Saturday Evening)

Archbishop Blessed be the name of the Lord.
ALL **Now and forever.**

Archbishop Our help is in the name of the Lord.
ALL **Who made heaven and earth.**

RINGING OF THE CATHEDRAL BELLS

THE CENTENNIAL ANGELS in today's Order of Celebration are by Cathedral parishioner Steve Harrold. The angels accompanied us through the renovation of St. James Cathedral in 1994 and they have guided us through all the major events of our Centennial as a parish and as a Cathedral.

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St. James Cathedral - Seattle

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The Very Reverend Michael G. Ryan

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The Reverend David A. Brant

The Reverend Thomas Marti, MM

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CELEBRATIONS of the SACRAMENTS

MASS

Sundays 8 - 10 - 12 & 5:30 pm

Weekdays 8:15 & 5:30 pm

Saturdays 8:15 & "Vigil" 5:30 pm

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

Weekdays at 12:10 pm

VESPERS and BENEDICTION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT

Sundays at 4:00 pm.

BAPTISM Communal celebrations are held monthly. A preparation program for parents and godparents is required. Please call the parish office for an appointment.

RECONCILIAION Saturdays, 4:00 - 5:00 pm. A communal celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated four times yearly in preparation for Christmas and Easter.

MARRIAGE A formal program of marriage preparation over a period of several months is required, however, registered parishioners may begin the scheduling process 14 months in advance.

ANointing of the SICK A communal celebration is held regularly. In other situations (anticipated surgery, emergency) please call the parish office.

ECUMENICAL PRAYER with music from Taizé, Fridays at 6:30 pm.

TOURS OF THE CATHEDRAL Groups of 6 or more may arrange a tour by calling Maria Laughlin, 206-382-4284

CATHEDRAL BOOKSTORE Open 11:00 am to 3:00 pm weekdays, after Masses on weekends. Call 206-382-4500 for information

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WELCOME If you are a visitor to the Cathedral, we want you to know how welcome you are—whether you have come from another part of the country, from across the world, or simply from another parish here in the Archdiocese. Thanks, in part, to the generosity of visitors like you, we are able to celebrate the Church's liturgy in a fitting and beautiful way. We are also able to offer a wide range of services to needy people living in the central district of our city.

CATHEDRAL BOOKSTORE Wonderful gifts in the bookstore for everybody on your list. Books for children, parents, grandparents and friends and our own Cathedral CD's.

NEW ON THE WEBSITE Father Ryan's homily for last Sunday is available online. Also, view photo albums of recent events, find out about coming events including our Christmas schedule. You can also read the latest issue of our parish journal, *In Your Midst*, including wonderful stories and pictures by our own Cathedral kids, www.stjames-cathedral.org

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED on Wednesday, December 26. There will be an 8:15 am and 5:30 pm Mass in the Cathedral.

NEW YEAR'S EVE BENEFIT DINNER Do you have plans for New Year's Eve? Why not spend the evening at St. James and enjoy dinner, dessert, and magnificent music, while benefiting a good cause? Your donation of \$150 per person includes reserved seating at the New Year's Eve Concert. There are only a few places still available. Call today! *Information*, Maria Laughlin, 206-382-4284.

FLOOD RELIEF COLLECTION On Sunday, December 9, the Cathedral parish spontaneously donated \$8,256 for relief of flood victims in our own state. Our St. Vincent de Paul Chapter has decided to give this month's collection (\$7,268 taken up following all Masses last Sunday) to flood relief as well. That means St. James parishioners have contributed a total of **\$15,524** to help our neighbors rebuild. What an amazing testimonial to the generosity of this parish! Thank you.

ST. JAMES IN THE MEDIA The Seattle P-I's Richard Campbell attended the Advent Readings and Carols service at St. James this past Sunday night. "It was a church service, with all the dignity and eloquence for which the First Hill Catholic cathedral is known," he wrote. "Christmas never felt better." Link to the entire review by visiting our website, www.stjames-cathedral.org.

PARISH REMEMBRANCE Throughout the year because we are the Cathedral Church, we remember in prayer at Mass and Vespers each of the parishes and missions of the Archdiocese of Seattle on a Sunday near their feast day. This week we remember in prayer the parishes of St. John, Vancouver and Seattle; St. John Mission, Montesano and Mukilteo; and St. Stephen the Martyr, Renton.

Sacrificial Giving 2008

A big THANK YOU to all those who have turned in a commitment card for 2008! If you haven't yet done so, now is the time to drop your card in the offering basket today. Our goal this year is *not a dollar amount*. Instead, we're going for 100% parishioner participation. As you can see, we *still have a LONG way to go!*

Results through Sunday, December 16, 2007:

Pledges received	809
Percent Participation (2,227 registered households)	36%
Participation goal	100%

SIMPLIFY YOUR DONATION By participating in a United Way or workplace giving campaign you can contribute small monthly gift amounts to St. James ESL through payroll deduction, and see a huge benefit at the end of the year. Visit our website at www.stjames-cathedral.org/esl to see how your contribution supports refugees and immigrants. If you work for Boeing or Microsoft, your gift will automatically be matched, doubling your donation. Washington Mutual and many other businesses will also match employee gifts. *Information*, Christopher Koehler 206-382-4511, or ckoehler@stjames-cathedral.org

CATHOLIC 101: SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION—

BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION & EUCHARIST Join us on Tuesdays, January 15, 22 and 29, 1:00-3:00 or 7:00-9:00, Cathedral Place-second floor for an ongoing look at the teachings of the Catholic Church. Helen Oesterle reviews the foundations of our Catholic faith from our American Catholic experience and facilitates lively conversations among the participants. It is a great way to update your own understanding of what it means to be Catholic! *Information*, Helen Oesterle, 206-382-4514 or hoesterle@stjames-cathedral.org

WARM HEARTS AND SOLES, THE YOUNG ADULTS 5th ANNUAL SOCK DRIVE for homeless men is taking place during this Advent season. Drop off new socks at the Young Adult table in Cathedral Hall after 8:00 am, 10:00 am, and 12:00 Sunday Masses, or during the week at the Cathedral office. Help our Young Adults collect 2008 pairs of socks to deliver in January 2008! *Information* youngadults@stjames-cathedral.org or TerryAnn Bowen 206-382-2018.

SUPPORT REFUGEES & IMMIGRANTS, ADD YOUR RECIPE TO THE COOKBOOK (Now accepting recipes through February 2008) The St. James ESL cookbook, celebrating world cultures through recipes, will raise funds to support the St. James ESL Program in providing free English language instruction to low income adult refugees and immigrants in King County. By adding your recipe to the cookbook you also have the opportunity to share your family ethnicity and customs with the community. You can submit your recipe and any related stories or customs you'd like to admin@stjames-cathedral.org or St. James ESL, Attn: Cookbook, 804 Ninth Avenue Seattle, WA 98104.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH? You are invited to participate in the RCIA, a process of initiation into the Catholic community of faith. It is a process which encompasses the study of Scripture, Catholic teaching, and Christian values—the development and deepening of a life of prayer and action—all with the support and involvement of the parish community. A new inquiry session will begin on January 9 on Wednesday evenings. *Information*, Helen Oesterle, 206-382-4514, hoesterle@stjames-cathedral.org.

I AM IN YOUR MIDST AS ONE WHO SERVES **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

VOLUNTEER IN THE OFFICE FOR 2 HOURS A WEEK The ESL Program is looking for volunteers to support staff by answering phones and email, doing data entry, filing, assisting with large mail projects and maintaining office supplies and tutoring rooms. *Information*, Mali Main, 206-382-4511, mmain@stjames-cathedral.org

TEACH ENGLISH IN GREENWOOD The St. James ESL Community Mentors Project is looking for an ESL Group Instructors to teach English a small group of Spanish-speakers at Broadview-Thomson Elementary in Greenwood. We provide a pre-service training in English language instruction techniques. Volunteers must be 18 years or older and fluent in English. *Information*, Mali Main, 206-382-4511, mmain@stjames-cathedral.org.

RCIA HOSPITALITY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to work one Wednesday evening a month to help set up, welcome, and clean up for our regular RCIA sessions. It is a great way to meet new people and provides important support for persons learning more about the Catholic Church. *Information*, Helen Oesterle, 206-382-4514, hoesterle@stjames-cathedral.org

WOULD YOU CONSIDER BEING A RCIA SPONSOR? We continue to have many new inquirers coming to participate in our Christian Initiation process to learn more about the Catholic Church (RCIA). We need St. James parishioners to be companions with our new inquirers to help welcome them to our community. All training and support will be provided and the time commitment is reasonable—a minimum of 2 sessions a month (Wednesday evenings). The rewards are many, including renewal and update of your faith and “kudos” in heaven. *Information*, Helen Oesterle, 206-382-4514.

FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS AT THE ALTAR Floral offerings are a venerable custom in the Church, and a wonderful way to remember a deceased loved one, celebrate an anniversary, or give thanks for an answered prayer. There are still several weekends available during the coming months. *Information Kay Kaiser, 206-654-4650, kkaiser@stjames-cathedral.org.*

WELCOME, PARENTS WITH YOUNG CHILDREN We support all of our parishioners who are attending Mass with young children and we welcome those children into our midst. If you find that your child needs a quiet place away from the stimulation of the Mass, please feel free to step into the west vestibule or the cathedral chapel, where we have provided a sound system so that you can continue to participate in the Mass. We appreciate your effort to be with us and to include your child in our worship.

Please note that babysitting is available in the Mother Cabrini Room at the Pastoral Outreach Center during the 10:00 am and 12 Noon Masses.

PRAYER WITH MUSIC FROM TAIZE Each Friday at 6:30 pm in the Cathedral, all are invited to join in an ecumenical service of readings, silence, candlelight, and the music of the ecumenical community of Taizè in France. This simple, reflective prayer is the perfect way to end a busy week.

ARE YOU A REGISTERED PARISHIONER AT ST. JAMES? Many who attend St. James regularly and consider the Cathedral their parish have never officially registered. *We strongly encourage you to register.* Registered parishioners receive important mailings from the Cathedral (including offering envelopes!), are regular recipients of the Cathedral's highly acclaimed journal *In Your Midst*, are able to celebrate their wedding at the Cathedral, and their children may attend any of the five Catholic Rainbow Schools at parishioner rates (and become eligible for Cathedral scholarship money). In addition, if you are a registered parishioner and use envelopes, or are on the direct deposit program, we will mail you a quarterly report of your contributions to the parish. Registration cards can be found in the vestibule. Please drop the completed card in the collection basket or put it in the mail.

If you're not sure whether you're registered at St. James, call the parish office at 206-622-3559.

SICK OR HOMEBOUND? If you or someone you know is seriously ill, hospitalized or homebound, and would like to receive communion calls or are in need of the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please call John Simpson, 206-274-3173 or jsimpson@stjames-cathedral.org.

A reminder about parking on Sundays for the Cathedral

We know that parking in this area is at a premium and we are doing our best to make it available to you. In consideration of our neighbors and to ease parking problems on Sundays, please note these important Do's and Don'ts.

You **MAY** park:

- In the unmarked spaces in the O'Dea High School lot. **THE NUMBERED SPACES AGAINST THE WALL ARE NEVER AVAILABLE FOR GENERAL PARKING, AS THEY ARE ASSIGNED TO SPECIFIC CATHEDRAL EMPLOYEES.**
- In the Cabrini Tower Garage on Marion Street across from O'Dea High School for the Saturday 5:30 pm Mass and all Sunday Masses. The Cathedral pays for parking during these times, and you are encouraged to take advantage of it. (How often are you offered free parking in Seattle?)
- In the parking lot at the corner of 9th Avenue and Columbia Street.
- In the P-1 parking lot under the Chancery building at 9th and Marion.

Please **DO NOT** park:

- In the lot adjacent to the Envoy Apartments on 9th Avenue, directly across from the Cathedral.
- In the Blood Bank parking lot at the corner of Terry and Columbia.
- In the Frye Museum parking lots on Terry Avenue.
- In the parking places at the Pastoral Outreach Center.
- In the spaces on Terry Avenue reserved for loading and unloading of the parish vans.

CENTENNIAL GAZETTE

St. James Cathedral, Seattle

Issue #27 FINAL ISSUE

December 22, 2007

"ST. JAMES THE MAGNIFICENT"

On December 21, 1994, the doors of the renovated Cathedral were opened to Cathedral parishioners for the first time for First Vespers of the Dedication of a Church.

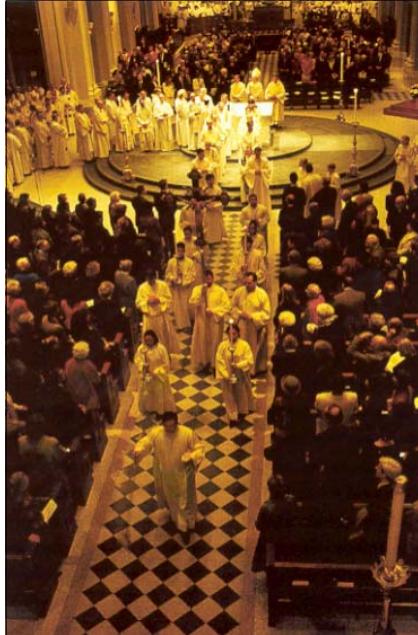
For those who were there, it was an unforgettable night. The weather was ideal—cold but perfectly clear, with a starry sky overhead. A vast crowd gathered on the west terrace of the Cathedral, spilling down the steps and on to Ninth Avenue. The joy, excitement and anticipation of those gathered was almost palpable. In keeping with the ancient rites of the Church, the architects handed over the plans and the keys of the building to the Archbishop—symbolic of the fact that this place which had been a construction site was now to be dedicated to the worship of God. And then, nine long months from that Easter Monday when the work of renovation began, the doors were opened and Archbishop Murphy and Father Ryan led the people into their new Cathedral.

Father Jim Johnson remembers how moving it was to watch the people flood inside, to see how they instinctively looked heavenward. Father Ryan also remembers the awe of the moment. "It was their St. James still, but a St. James that had realized its potential." Many had tears in their eyes as they experienced the beauty of their Cathedral in brand-new ways. Cathedral usher Azel Shackleford summed up the feelings of many when he entered the renovated Cathedral for the first time: "I'm in Heaven!" he exclaimed.

The great entrance of the faithful continued for more than fifteen minutes, as the Cathedral Brass performed Strauss's *Feierlicher Einzug*, and the Cathedral Choir sang motets by Bruckner and Brahms: "How lovely is thy dwelling place, Lord, God of hosts!"

Father Ryan preached the homily that night. "My heart is filled to overflowing with gratitude tonight," he said, "gratitude to all who have helped to bring about this wonderfully happy moment, most of all, gratitude to God for letting me be part of this marvelous community of faith." At the end of his homily, he pointed to the inscription in the oculus above the altar: *I am in your midst as one who serves.* "Around this altar we will, I hope, never stop getting the message that it is when we serve each other, especially the poorest and neediest among us, when we find ways to wash one another's feet, then and only then will we be the church we are called to be. Then and only then, my friends, will we have truly built a great cathedral."

The next day, at 3:00pm, Archbishop Murphy presided at the solemn Mass of Dedication. Perhaps the most memorable moment of that great liturgy was the consecration of the altar. Father Ryan stood at the altar with Archbishop Murphy as he poured the chrism from a large flagon. "He was not sparing of the oil," Father Ryan remembers, "and it splashed and



Mass of Dedication, Thursday, Dec. 22, 1994

splattered over the altar and over us. Then he and I rubbed the oil into every inch of the surface of the altar. The scent was so powerful you could probably have smelled it a block away!" (For Dr. James Savage, that smell of chrism, which lingered in the Cathedral for weeks afterwards, was the most striking memory of the Mass of Dedication.) Father Ryan and Archbishop Murphy then took the chrism oil and traced crosses on the walls with their hands, under each of the twelve dedication candles, which were now lit for the first time.

That evening, there was an ecumenical Vespers service which was again filled to overflowing. And then there was just one day to recoup before the doors were thrown open for the Christmas liturgies!

More than two thousand people packed into the Cathedral for Midnight Mass that year, filling every seat and every available inch of standing room. As the people sat for the Liturgy of the Word, Archbishop Murphy leaned over to Father Ryan and whispered, "This is great." After Mass, Father Ryan asked him what he meant. The renovated space? "No," Archbishop Murphy replied, "being among the people." Instead of sitting in a throne-like chair in a distant sanctuary, the Archbishop now sat in the midst of the assembly, surrounded by the people he serves. The renovated Cathedral is truly a catechesis in stone, teaching us, even as it gathers us together, what being church is all about.

It was not only the parish, but the civic community that took pride in the renovated beauty of St. James Cathedral. "Gloria in Excelsis Deo!" ran one headline, and the P-I's was even more catchy: "St. James the Magnificent." During the months following the dedication, the renovation garnered numerous awards: architectural, liturgical, Catholic, and non-Catholic. And in the years that followed, the renovation of St. James has inspired the renovation of many churches in our own Archdiocese, and of cathedrals across the country.

The renovation was, of course, not an ending, but a beginning. The parish community has seen tremendous growth in these thirteen years, a growth Father Ryan attributes at least in part to the experience of worshiping in the renovated space. Gathered around the altar, we experience as we never had before the sense of being part of a community of faith, gathered together for a purpose, and sent forth to serve others in the name of Christ.

What will the next one hundred years hold? One thing is certain: St. James Cathedral—both the building and the people who worship here—will continue to grow and change, because cathedrals are living things. "Cathedrals," Father Ryan has written, "are works in progress, unfinished symphonies. Like the God they are meant to image and honor, they defy easy definition and they never run out of possibilities."

—Corinna Laughlin

This has been the final issue of the Centennial Gazette. The complete series is available online. Or, stop by the reception after the Saturday 5:30pm and Sunday 10:00am Masses today to pick up a souvenir packet of Gazettes. Thanks for reading!

CHRISTMAS 2007

at SAINT JAMES CATHEDRAL



Monday, December 24, 2007

5:30 pm

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD—

VIDL MASS WITH CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Entrance Procession of the Children and Crib

Figures; blessing of the Christmas Crib

The Very Reverend Michael G. Ryan,
Presider & Homilist

with youth readers, musicians, and servers.

10:15 pm

NOEL! NOEL! NOEL!

Clint Kraus, Cathedral Associate Organist

11:00 pm CAROL SERVICE

12:00 Midnight

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD—

MASS AT MIDNIGHT

The Most Reverend Alexander J. Brunett,
Archbishop of Seattle, Presider & Homilist

Tuesday, December 25, 2007

8:00 am

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD—MASS AT DAWN

The Reverend David A. Brant, Presider

The Very Reverend Michael G. Ryan, Homilist

10:00 am

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD—

MASS DURING THE DAY

The Very Reverend Michael G. Ryan,
Presider & Homilist

12:00 Noon

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD—

MASS DURING THE DAY

The Most Reverend Alexander J. Brunett,
Presider & Homilist

4:00 pm

SOLEMN VESPERS OF CHRISTMAS

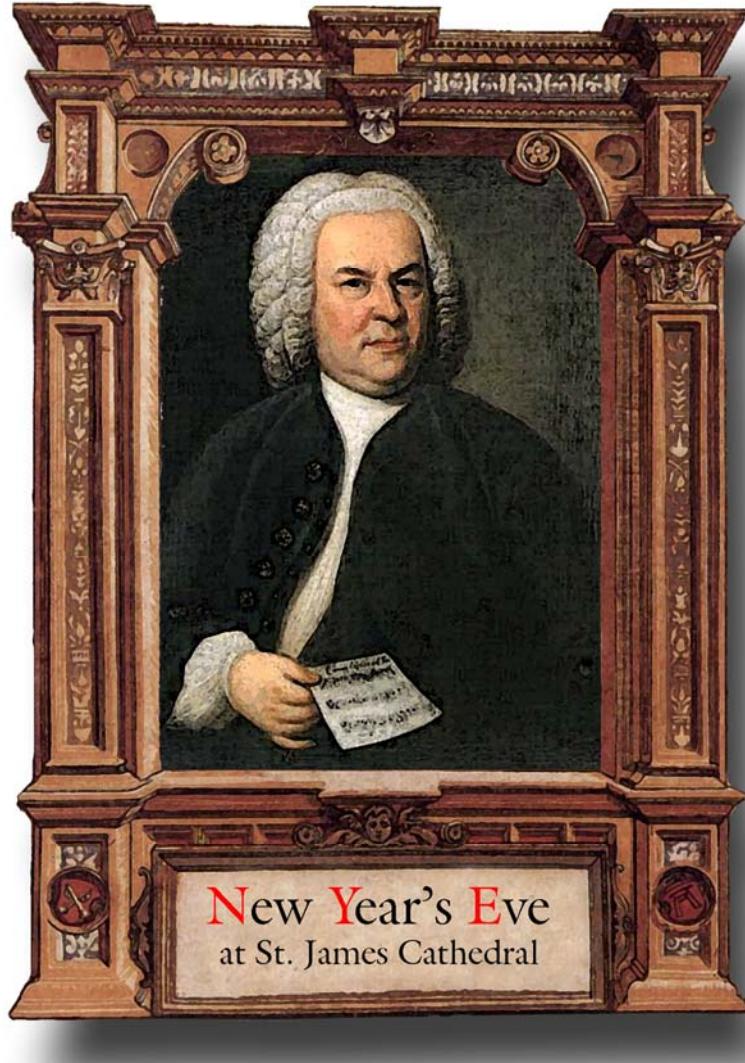
The Very Reverend Michael G. Ryan, Presider

There will be no 5:30pm Mass on Christmas Day.

Bach for the New Year

New Year's Eve Gala

MONDAY, DECEMBER 31, 11:00PM



St. James Cathedral celebrates the New Year with TRUMPETS and DRUMS, OBOES and STRINGS, CHOIR and SOLOISTS, and the GLORIOUS music of J. S. BACH. Cathedral Music Director JAMES SAVAGE conducts masterpieces and gems from the New Year's cantatas of BACH. Featured soloists include LISA PONTÉN, LINDA STRANDBERG, sopranos; KATHRYN WELD, mezzosoprano; HOWARD FANKHAUSER, tenor; GREGORY CARROLL, baritone; and NORMAN SMITH, bass. The CANTOREI, St. James' professional choral ensemble, performs highlights from five of Bach's works for the end of the old year and the beginning of the new. The Cathedral gala, Seattle's original classical New Year's Eve celebration, will welcome in the New Year with bells and, as always, a NEW YEAR'S EVE SURPRISE.

Suggested donation \$25, students and seniors pay as able. Reserve passes are available in person at the Music Office or online at www.stjames-cathedral.org/music.

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