

# **SIMBANG GABI**

## **Monday, December 20, 2004**

- Rituals for the day:
1. Use of liturgical movement for offertory.
  2. Presentation of personal gifts of different families
  3. "Mano Po" – Lector goes to the Presider for a blessing before reading and used as the Sign of Peace.

### **PRELUDE**

*(Just before the Liturgy a commentator will read the introduction to the Liturgical Movement for)*

Commentator:

Dance is deeply imbedded in the Filipino culture, it is a way and means of expressing their patterns of thinking, feeling, speaking and "memorializing". Liturgical dance movements represent the full, conscious and active participation" in the pastoral ministry of the Church.

Dance in the Filipino culture has been a form of prayer just as in the caracol, ati-atihan, sinulog, turumba and petitions of childless couples in Obando. In these devotional dances we see the religious sense of the Christian people expressed in this forms of piety surrounding the Church's sacramental life where every dancer praises God and prays for his gifts.

Being in eager anticipation of the Lord's coming, dancing the offertory procession can truly be an enlivening experience of our presentation of the gifts.

## **I. INTRODUCTORY RITE**

**Entrance Rite**

*(entrance procession: cross bearer, parol bearer, altar servers, lector, presider)*

**Greeting:**

Presider:

**"In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."**

All: Amen.

Presider: **(Peace be with you)**  
**The grace and peace of God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.**

All: And also with you.

**Penitential Rite**

Presider: **Coming together as God's family, with confidence let us ask forgiveness as God is full of gentleness and compassion.**

**Jesus Christ, loving son of a loving mother, Lord have mercy.**

All: Lord have mercy.

Presider: **Jesus Christ, Son of God, Christ have mercy.**

All: Christ have mercy.

Presider: **Jesus Christ, true Light of faith, Lord have mercy.**

All: Lord have mercy.

Presider: **May almighty God have mercy on us, Forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.**

All: Amen

**Opening Prayer:**

Presider: **O God, by consenting to the message of an angel the Immaculate Virgin became the dwelling of your eternal Word and was filled**

**with the light of the Holy Spirit. Give us the grace to follow her example and devote ourselves humbly to your will.**

**We ask this 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.**

All: Amen

## **II. LITURGY OF THE WORD**

(Lector goes up to the Presider and do *mano po* before proceeding to the ambo. **Presider says: "May God show you mercy"**)

**First Reading:** Is 7: 10-14

Lector: The Lord spoke to Ahaz: Ask for a sign from the Lord, your God; let it be deep as the nether world, or high as the sky! But Ahaz answered, "I will not ask! I will not tempt the Lord!" Then Isaiah said: Listen, O house of David! Is it not enough for you to weary men, must you also weary my God? Therefore the Lord himself will give you this sign: the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall name him Emmanuel.

**Responsorial Psalm**

Ps 24: 1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6

Lector/Response: Let the Lord enter; He is the King of glory.

Lector: The Lord's are the earth and its fullness;  
the world and those who dwell in it.  
For he founded it upon the seas  
and established it upon the rivers.

All: Let the Lord enter; He is the King of glory.

Lector: Who can ascend the mountain of the Lord?  
or who may stand in his holy place?

He whose hands are sinless, whose heart is clean,  
who desires not what is vain.

All: Let the Lord enter; He is the King of glory.

Lector: He shall receive a blessing from the Lord,  
a reward from God his savior.  
Such is the race that seeks for him,  
that seeks the face of the God of Jacob.

All: Let the Lord enter; He is the King of glory.

**Gospel  
Acclamation**

*(To be sung by choir)*

**Gospel**

Lk 1:26-38

**In the sixth month, the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the house of David, and the virgin's name was Mary. And coming to her, he said, "Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with you." But she was greatly troubled at what was said and pondered what sort of greeting this might be.**

**Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father, and he will rule over the house of Jacob forever, and of his Kingdom there will be no end."**

**But Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I have no relations with a man?" And the angel said to her in reply, "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, Elizabeth, your relative, has also conceived a son in her old age, and this is the sixth month for her who was called barren; for nothing will be impossible for God."**

**Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.**

**Homily:**

**General  
Intercessions**

Presider : **Longing for the day when the Lord will come again, bring our prayers before the Holy One. Let our response be:  
Holy One hear us**

All: Holy One hear us.

Lector: That the Church continue to proclaim the wonders that God promises, we pray to the Lord.

All: Holy One hear us.

Lector: That every nation in the world prepare the way for justice and peace, we pray to the Lord.

All: Holy One hear us.

Lector: That the prophets and witnesses to Christ in our time proclaim Him without fear, we pray to the Lord.

All: Holy One hear us.

Lector: That all gathered here learn to recognize the wonders that lead to God, we pray to the Lord.

All: Holy One hear us.

Presider: **Holy God, your glory fills creation with light and life. Stay with us and make us ever brighter signs of your presence.**

**This we ask, through Jesus Christ, your Son and the Holy Spirit, God without end.**

All: Amen

### **III. LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

**Offertory Song:** (Sung by Choir)

**Preparation of the altar and gifts:** *Presentation of personal gifts of different families ending with the presentation of the bread and wine for Eucharist (collection will happen at this time).*

#### **Prayer over the Gifts**

Presider: **Look mercifully, Lord, on the gifts we lay upon your altar and by your power consecrate what we bring to you in our weakness.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

All: Amen.

**Preface of Advent II** ( please use the sacramentary)

**Eucharistic Prayer** (please use the sacramentary)

## **IV. COMMUNION RITE**

**Lord's Prayer:**

**Sign of Peace:** (Families will give the sign of peace to the Presider in the *Mano po* manner **Presider says to each one who greets him the Mano Po to him: "May God show you mercy"**)

**Breaking of the Bread:** (Lamb of God to be sung by Choir)

**Communion:**

**Announcements:**

**Prayer after communion**

Presider: **Almighty God, we give you thanks for the gifts You have bestowed. Create in us a desire for blessings yet to come, that we may welcome the birth of Christ our Savior with free and devoted hearts.**

**We make our prayer in the name of Jesus our Lord.**

All: Amen

## **V. CLOSING RITE**

### **Greeting**

Presider: **The Lord be with you.  
( Sumainyo ang Panginoon )**

All: And also with you

### **Blessing**

Presider: **May almighty God bless you,  
The Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit  
( Pagpalain kayo ng Makapangyarihang  
Diyos Ama, at ng Anak, at ng Espiritu  
Santo )**

All: Amen

### **Dismissal**

Presider: **Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.**

All: Thanks be to God.

### **Recessional Song:**

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