



**Christmas Day**  
**December 25, 2025**  
**10:00 a.m.**  
**Holy Eucharist**

Hymn at the Opening **154**..... *Joy to the World*

**Blessing & Lighting of the Wreath**

The time of waiting is over; our Lord is born. Now we light the Christ candle to remind us that all of God's gifts - Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love - are to be found in God's greatest gift, his Son, Jesus Christ. (*The Christ candle is lit.*) Let us pray: Almighty God, we thank you for the gift of your Son, born of the Holy Spirit and of Mary. Upon him rests all your grace, through him comes all your mercy. As the light shines from these candles, so may the light of Jesus shine within our hearts. Help us to make your Church the light of the world. We ask in the name of the One born in Bethlehem. Amen.

**GATHERING THE COMMUNITY**

*Service begins on page 185*

Glory to God  
Collect of the Day

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

First Reading..... Isaiah 62:6-12  
Psalm **97**..... (*spoken*) page 835  
Second Reading ..... Titus 3:4-7  
Gradual Hymn **137**..... *'What Child Is This'*  
Holy Gospel..... Luke 2:8-20  
Homily ..... *Reverend Anne Marie MacNeil*  
The Nicene Creed ..... page 188  
The Prayers of the People  
The Peace

**CELEBRATING THE EUCHARIST**

Offertory Hymn **126**..... *'Away in a Manger'*  
Prayer over the Gifts..... page 274  
Eucharist Prayer **3**..... page 198  
The Lord's Prayer ..... page 211  
The Communion  
*Communion Reflection*..... *"Sleep, Little Jesus" from Scherzo No. 1*  
by Frederic Chopin



**SENDING FORTH**

Prayer after Communion ..... page 275  
Prayer of Thanksgiving ..... page 214  
Closing Hymn **153**..... *'Good Christians All, Rejoice'*  
Blessing  
Dismissal

**Ministers at the Liturgy**

Presider & Preacher/Intercessor .... The Reverend Anne Marie MacNeil  
Readers..... Pam Kendel-Goodale/Ralph Goodale  
Greeters ..... Ralph Goodale & Pam Kendel-Goodale  
Communion Assistant ..... Pam Kendel-Goodale  
Organist/Pianist ..... David McIntyre  
Prelude ..... *Andante* (Organ Notebook No. 4) by David L. McIntyre  
*Siciliana "The Holly and the Ivy" by Alec Rowley*  
*In dulci jubilo* arr. by R.L. Pearsall  
Postlude ..... *Lobt Gott, Ihr Christen, allzugleich* (Orgelbüchlein No. 11)  
by J.S. Bach  
*With joyful energy* (Organ Notebook No. 18)  
by David L. McIntyre



**Merry Christmas!**

*May the peace of God, which passes all  
Understanding, be with you all  
at this joyous season of the year  
and always.*





*The flowers and the plants that enhance the beauty of the Cathedral  
this Christmas season are given to the Glory of God and...*



*... in loving memory of our parents Harry and Winnie Goodale and  
Willard & Lois Kendel, loved ones gone, but not forgotten by their  
families.*

*... in loving memory of all loved, gone but not forgotten  
by Margaret Ball.*

*... in loving memory of Ed, our parents and all family members gone  
but not forgotten, by Elvira Beday*



*We wish to acknowledge that St. Paul's Cathedral sits in **Treaty 4 Territory**, the  
traditional homeland of the Cree, Assiniboine, Saulteaux and Metis People. We do  
so with the deepest respect for the traditions and nations who have been in this place for  
thousands of years, and as a reminder to the Church that reconciliation is our most  
important task.*

# St. Paul's Cathedral



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