



**St. John Vianney College Seminary
presents,**

***A Festival of
Lessons and Carols***

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What is Lessons and Carols?

The Festival of Lessons and Carols is a service of Scripture and song that dates to the late 19th century. In this service, we listen to nine Scripture lessons which recount the Fall, the promise of a Messiah, the Incarnation, and the Great Commission to preach the Good News. Each lesson is followed by a carol or other song that reflects on the lesson's message and a brief prayer.

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* *Trumpet*

** *Guitar*

First Lesson — The Fall (Genesis 3:8-15)

“When they heard the sound of the Lord God walking about in the garden at the breezy time of the day the man and his wife hid themselves from the Lord God among the trees of the garden. The Lord God then called to the man and asked him: Where are you? He answered, “I heard you in the garden; but I was afraid, because I was naked, so I hid.” Then God asked: Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I had forbidden you to eat? The man replied, “The woman whom you put here with me—she gave me fruit from the tree, so I ate it.” The Lord God then asked the woman: What is this you have done? The woman answered, “The snake tricked me, so I ate it.” Then the Lord God said to the snake: Because you have done this, cursed are you among all the animals, tame or wild; On your belly you shall crawl, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; They will strike at your head, while you strike at their heel.”

Prayer: Lord of mercy, despite our sinfulness, you never stopped loving us. Fill our hearts with your mercy, that we may forgive others. Amen.

Prepare Ye the Way

Prepare ye the way of the Lord
(6x)



Second Lesson — The King Is Coming **(Jeremiah 23:5-8)**

“See, days are coming—oracle of the Lord— when I will raise up a righteous branch for David; As king he shall reign and govern wisely, he shall do what is just and right in the land. In his days Judah shall be saved, Israel shall dwell in security. This is the name to be given him: “The Lord our justice.” Therefore, the days are coming—oracle of the Lord—when they shall no longer say, “As the Lord lives, who brought the Israelites out of the land of Egypt”; but rather, “As the Lord lives, who brought the descendants of the house of Israel up from the land of the north”—and from all the lands to which I banished them; they shall again live on their own soil.”

Prayer: Lord, you promised that your reign would bring the justice that would never end. May we help to bring this justice in our time. Amen.

Goodwill To All

I heard the bells on Christmas
Day,
their old familiar carols play.
And wild and sweet
the words repeat,
Peace on Earth, goodwill to all!

I thought how, as the day had
come,
the belfries of all Christendom.
Had rolled along
unbroken song,
Peace on Earth, goodwill to all!

And in despair I bow my head.
“There is no peace on earth,” I
said,
“for hate is strong and mocks the
song,
Peace on Earth, goodwill to all.”

Pealed the bells more loud and
deep:
“God is not dead, nor doth He
sleep;
the wrong shall fail, the right pre-
vail,
Peace on Earth, goodwill, good-
will to all!” Goodwill to all!



Third Lesson – From The Root Of Jesse (Isaiah 11:1-2)

Saldrá un vástago del tronco de Jesé, y un retoño de sus raíces brotará. Reposará sobre él el espíritu de Yahveh: espíritu de sabiduría e inteligencia, espíritu de consejo y fortaleza, espíritu de ciencia y temor de Yahveh. Aquel día la raíz de Jesé que estará enhiesta para estandarte de pueblos, las gentes la buscarán, y su morada será gloriosa.

Prayer: Lord, we wait for the day of your peace. May we help to bring this peace in our families, our communities, and our world. Amen.

What Child Is This? (Instrumental)

Andres Cordero—Guitar



First Reflection — Fr. Luis Rivero

Fourth Lesson — A Child Is Born To Us **(Isaiah 9:1-6)**

“The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; Upon those who lived in a land of gloom a light has shone. You have brought them abundant joy and great rejoicing; They rejoice before you as people rejoice at harvest, as they exult when dividing the spoils. For the yoke that burdened them, the pole on their shoulder, The rod of their taskmaster, you have smashed, as on the day of Midian. For every boot that tramped in battle, every cloak rolled in blood, will be burned as fuel for fire. For a child is born to us, a son is given to us; upon his shoulder dominion rests. They name him Wonder-Counselor, God-Hero, Father-Forever, Prince of Peace. His dominion is vast and forever peaceful, Upon David’s throne, and over his kingdom, which he confirms and sustains by judgment and justice, both now and forever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this!”

Prayer: God, you are always with us. May we always trust in your presence and share it with those around us. Amen

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Veni, veni Emanuel,
captivum solve Israel,
qui gemit in exsilio,
privatus Dei Filio.

Gaude, gaude, Emanuel
nascetur pro te, Israel.

O come, O Wisdom, from on high,
Who order all things mightily,
To us the path of knowledge show
And teach us in her ways to go.

Rejoice, rejoice, Emmanuel
Shall come to you, O Israel.

Oh ven, oh ven Adonái,
Que en tiempo a trás en Sinaí,
Tu ley viniste a proclamar
En trueno y majestad sin par.

Alé grate, oh Israel
Vendrá, ya viene Emanuel.

Fifth Lesson – The Annunciation **(Luke 1:26-33)**

“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, favored one! 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.”

Prayer: Lord, you asked Joseph and Mary to trust in you May we come to share in their trust and always rely on you. Amen.

Gabriel's Call (Instrumentation)

Casey R Marden: Trumpet



Sixth Lesson — Birth Of Jesus **(Luke 2: 8-14)**

“Now there were shepherds in that region living in the fields and keeping the night watch over their flock. The angel of the Lord appeared to them and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were struck with great fear. The angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Messiah and Lord. And 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 a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying:

“Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.”

Prayer: Lord, you came to us in humility and vulnerability. May we always show loving care to those around us, especially those in most need.

Amen.

O Magnum Mysterium

O Magnum mysterium,
et admirabile sacramentum.

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et admirabile sacramentum.

Ut animalia viderunt Dominum
natum jacentem in praesepio.

O Magnum mysterium.
Amen, amen.

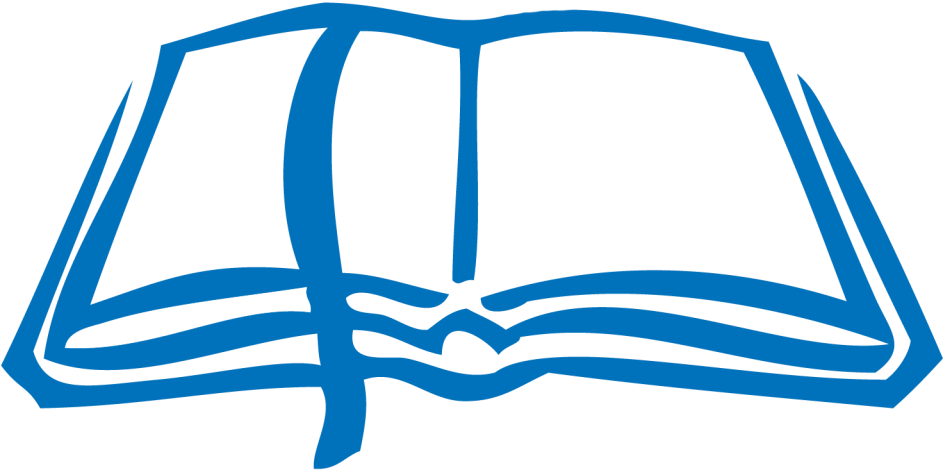


Away In A Manger

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
the little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head;
the stars in the bright sky looked down where He laid,
the little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes,
but little Lord Jesus now crying He makes,
I love Thee, Lord Jesus, looked down from the sky,
and stay by my side until morning is nigh.

Second Reflection – Fr. Daniel Martin



Seventh Lesson – The Magi **(Matthew 2:9-12)**

“After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.”

Prayer: Lord, you are the giver of all good gifts. May we always remember to share our gifts with others for the glory of your name. Amen.

Dime Niño

Dime, Niño, de quién eres
Todo vestidito de blanco
Soy de la Virgen María
Y del Espíritu Santo

Dime, Niño, de quién eres
Todo vestidito de blanco
Soy de la Virgen María
Y del Espíritu Santo

Resuenen con alegría
Los cánticos de mi tierra
Y viva el Niño de Dios
Que nació en la Nochebuena

La Nochebuena se viene, tu ru rú
La Nochebuena se va
Y nosotros nos iremos, tu ru rú
Y no volveremos más

La Nochebuena se viene, tu ru rú
La Nochebuena se va
Y nosotros nos iremos, tu ru rú
Y no volveremos más.

Eight Lesson — The Word Became Flesh

(John 1:1-14)

“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 to be through him, and without him nothing came to be. What came to be through him was life, and this life was the light of the human race; the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. A man named John was sent from God. He came for testimony, to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but 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 to be through him, but the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, but his own people did not accept him. But to those who did accept him he gave power to become children of God, to those who believe in his name, who were born not by natural generation nor by human choice nor by a man’s decision but of God. And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us, and we saw his glory, the glory as of the Father’s only Son, full of grace and truth.”

Prayer: God of power and might, you are beyond all time and space. May we never fail to recognize your majesty and give praise to you in all we do. Amen

Silent Night

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

Noche de paz, noche de amor
Todo duerme en derredor
Entre los astros que esparcen su luz
Bella anunciando al niño Jesús
Brilla la estrella de paz
Brilla la estrella de paz

Stille Nacht, heilige Nacht
Alles schläft; einsam wacht
Nur das traute hochheilige Paar.
Holder Knabe im lockigen Haar,
Schlaf in himmlischer Ruh!
Schlaf in himmlischer Ruh!

Nacht Und Träume

Ninth Lesson — The Great Commission **(Matthew 28:16-20)**

Por su parte, los once discípulos marcharon a Galilea, al monte que Jesús les había indicado. Y al verle le adoraron; algunos sin embargo dudaron. Jesús se acercó a ellos y les habló así: «Me ha sido dado todo poder en el cielo y en la tierra. Id, pues, y haced discípulos a todas las gentes bautizándolas en el nombre del Padre y del Hijo y del Espíritu Santo, y enseñándoles a guardar todo lo que yo os he mandado. Y he aquí que yo estoy con vosotros todos los días hasta el fin del mundo.»

Prayer: Lord, you call us to be your witnesses to the ends of the earth. Fill our words with power that we may proclaim your good news and draw all people to you. Amen.

Carol Of The Bells

Hark how the bells,
sweet silver bells,
all seem to say,
throw cares away

Christmas is here,
bringing good cheer,
to young and old,
meek and the bold.

Ding dong ding dong
that is their song
with joyful ring
all caroling.

One seems to hear
words of good cheer
from everywhere
filling the air.

Oh how they pound,
raising the sound,
o'er hill and dale,
telling their tale.

Gaily they ring
while people sing
songs of good cheer,
Christmas is here.

Merry, Merry, Merry, Merry
Christmas,
Merry, Merry, Merry, Merry
Christmas.

On on they send,
on without end,
their joyful tone
to every home.
Ding ding... dong!



Adeste Fideles

Adeste fideles
Laeti triumphantes
Venite, venite in Bethlehem;
Natum videte
Regem Angelorum

Venite adoremus
Venite adoremus
Venite adoremus
Dominum

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:

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

El que es Hijo eterno
del eterno Padre,
Y Dios verdadero que al mundo creó,
Al seno virgíneo
vino de una madre;

¡Venid, adoremos,
Venid, adoremos,
Venid, adoremos
A Cristo el Señor!

Joy To The World

Joy the world, the Lord is 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 savior
reigns!
Let men their songs employ;
while fields and floods,
rocks, hills and plains
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.

He rule the Earth with truth and
grace,
and makes the nation prove
the glories of His righteousness,
and wonders of His love,
and wonders of His love,
and wonders, wonders, of His
love.

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