

CHRISTMAS GOSPEL. *Mass during the Day*

LONG FORM

Jn 1:1-18

TONUS RECENTIOR

The Lord be with you. And with your spir- it. ✠ A reading from the Ho- ly
Gos- pel ac- cording to John. Glo- ry to you, O Lord.
In the be- ginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the
Word was God. He was in the be- gin- ning with God. All things came
to be through him, and with- out him nothing came to be. What came
to be through him was life, and this life was the light of the hu- man race;
the light shines in the darkness, and the dark- ness has not o- ver- come it.
A man named John was sent from God. He came for tes- ti- mo- ny, to
tes- ti- fy to the light, so that all might believe through him. He was not

the light, but came to tes- ti- fy to the light. The true light, which en-
light-ens ev'-ry-one, was com-ing in- to 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 peo-ple did not ac- cept him.
But to those who did ac- cept him he gave pow- er to be- come
child- ren of God, to those who be- lieve in his name, who were
born not by na- tur- al gen- er- a- tion nor by hu- man choice nor by
a man's de- ci- sion but of God. And the Word be- came flesh and made
his dwell- ing a- mong us, and we saw his glo- ry, the glo- ry as of the
Fa- ther's on- ly Son, full of grace and truth. John tes- ti- fied to him



and cried out, say- ing, “This was he of whom I said, ‘The one who is

com-ing af- ter me ranks a-head of me be-cause he ex- ist- ed be- fore

me.’” From his full-ness we have all received, grace in place of grace,

be-cause while the law was giv- en through Mos- es, grace and truth came

through Je- sus Christ. No one has ev- er seen God. The on- ly Son,

God, who is at the Fa- ther’s side, has re-vealed him.

The Gos- pel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Je- sus Christ.

Or: Praise to you, Lord Je- sus Christ.