# Benediction Hymns and Prayer

#### O SAVING VICTIM

O saving victim, op'ning wide The gate of heav'n to us below. Our foes press on from ev'ry side, Thine aid supply, thy strength bestow.

All praise and thanks to thee ascend For evermore, blest One in Three; O grant us life that shall not end, In our true native land with thee. Amen.

#### **HYMN OF ADORATION**

Down in adoration falling, This great sacrament we hail; Ancient types have long departed Newer rites of grace prevail Faith for all defects supplying Where the feeble senses fail.

Glory let us give and blessing To the Father and the Son, honour, might and praise addressing while eternal ages run; Equal praise to him confessing who proceeds from both as one. AMEN

V. You have given them bread from heaven R. Having in itself all delight.

#### SWEET SACRAMENT DIVINE

Sweet Sacrament Divine, hid in thy earthly home, Lo! Round thy lowly shrine, with suppliant hearts we come. Jesus, to thee our voice we raise in songs of love and heartfelt praise, Sweet Sacrament Divine.

Sweet Sacrament of Peace, dear home of every heart, where restless yearnings cease, and sorrows all depart. There in thine ear, all trustfully We tell our tale of misery Sweet Sacrament of Peace.

## PRAYER FOR PRIESTLY & RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS

Celebrant: At the sight of the crowds, Jesus' heart was moved.

**Response**: For they were like sheep without a shepherd.

Celebrant: Jesus said, 'The harvest is ready.'

Response: But the labourers are few.

Celebrant: Ask the Lord to send our labourers for the harvest.

**Response**: O Lord, we pray for more young people to answer the call to become priests and religious in your harvest.

Celebrant: And shepherd for your people. **Response**: Amen.





## **WEEKDAY PRAYER SHEET**

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#### **MONDAY 04 DECEMBER 2023**

Monday of the First week of Advent

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

Hear the word of the Lord, O nations; declare it to the distant lands: Behold, our Saviour will come; you need no longer fear.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 2:1-5

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

Ps 121:1-2, 4-5, 6-9

R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.' And now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem. R.

It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord. R. For Israel's law it is, there to praise the Lord's name. There were set the thrones of judgement of the house of David. R.

For the peace of Jerusalem pray: 'Peace be to your homes! May peace reign in your walls, in your palaces, peace!' R.

For love of my brethren and friends I say: 'Peace upon you!'
For love of the house of the Lord I will ask for your good. R.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia! Come and save us, Lord our God; let us see your face, and we shall be saved. Alleluia!

## GOSPEL:

Matthew 8:5-11 (JB)

#### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

Come, O Lord, visit us in peace, that we may rejoice before you with a blameless heart.

#### **TUESDAY 05 DECEMBER 2023**

Tuesday of the First week of Advent

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

Behold, the Lord will come, and all his holy ones with him; and on that day there will be a great light.

#### FIRST READING:

Isaiah 11:1-10

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 71:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 (JB)
R. Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.

O God, give your judgement to the king, to a king's son your justice, that he may judge your people in justice and your poor in right judgement. R.

In his days justice shall flourish and peace till the moon fails.
He shall rule from sea to sea, from the Great River to the earth's bounds. R.

For he shall save the poor when they cry and the needy who are helpless. He will have pity on the weak and save the lives of the poor. R.

May his name be blessed for ever and endure like the sun. Every tribe shall be blessed in him, all nations bless his name. R.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia! Behold, our Lord shall come with power; he will enlighten the eyes of his servants. Alleluia!

#### GOSPEL:

Luke 10:21-24 (JB)

#### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

The Just Judge will bestow a crown of righteousness on those who eagerly await his coming.

## **WEDNESDAY 06 DECEMBER 2023**

Wednesday of the First week of Advent

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

The Lord will come and he will not delay. He will illumine what is hidden in darkness and reveal himself to all the nations.

## **FIRST READING:**

Isaiah 25:6-10 (JB)

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 22**

R. I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. R.

He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name.

If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear.

You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort. R.

You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. R.

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life.

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. R.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia! The Lord is coming to save his people; happy are those prepared to meet him. Alleluia!

#### GOSPEL:

Matthew 15:29-37 (JB)

#### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

Behold, our Lord will come with power and will enlighten the eyes of his servants.

## **THURSDAY 07 DECEMBER 2023**

Thursday of the First week of Advent

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

In the midst of the Church he opened his mouth, and the Lord filled him with the spirit of wisdom and understanding and clothed him in a robe of glory.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 26:1-6 (JB)

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 117:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27 (JB)

R. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good for his love has no end. It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in men: it is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes. R.

Open to me the gates of holiness:
I will enter and give thanks.
This is the Lord's own gate
where the just may enter
I will thank you for you have given answer
and you are my saviour. R.

O Lord, grant us salvation; O Lord, grant success. Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes. We bless you from the house of the Lord; the Lord God is our light. R.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, Alleluia! Seek the Lord while he can be found. Call on him while he is near. Alleluia!

#### GOSPEL:

Matthew 7:21, 24-27 (JB)

## **COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

He who ponders the law of the Lord day and night will yield fruit in due season.

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#### FRIDAY 08 DECEMBER 2023

Friday of the First week of Advent

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

I rejoice heartily in the Lord, in my God is the joy of my soul; for he has clothed me with a robe of salvation, and wrapped me in a mantle of justice, like a bride adorned with her jewels..

FIRST READING: Genesis 3:9-15, 20

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

Ps 97:1-4

R. Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvellous deeds.

Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders. His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation. R.

The Lord has made known his salvation; has shown his justice to the nations. He has remembered his truth and love for the house of Israel, R.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout to the Lord all the earth, ring out your joy. R.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia! Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women. Alleluia!

#### GOSPEL:

Luke 1:26-38 (JB)

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Glorious things are spoken of you, O Mary, for from you arose the sun of justice, Christ our God.

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## SATURDAY 09 DECEMBER 2023

Saturday of the First week of Advent

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

Come and show us your face, O Lord, who are seated upon the Cherubim, and we will be saved

## **FIRST READING:**

Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26 (JB)

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

Ps 146:1-6 (JB)

R. Happy are all who long for the coming of the Lord

Praise the Lord for he is good; sing to our God for he is loving: to him our praise is due.
The Lord builds up Jerusalem and brings back Israel's exiles. R.

He heals the broken-hearted, he binds up all their wounds. He fixes the number of the stars; he calls each one by its name. R.

Our Lord is great and almighty; his wisdom can never be measured. The Lord raises the lowly; he humbles the wicked in the dust. R.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia! The Lord will judge us by his law; he is our King and Saviour. Alleluia!

## **GOSPEL:**

Matthew 9:35-10:1, 6-8 (JB)

#### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

Behold, I am coming soon and my recompense is with me, says the Lord, to bestow a reward according to the deeds of each..