

# 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.

## SOUL OF MY SAVIOUR

Soul of my Saviour, sanctify my breast;  
Body of Christ, be thou my saving guest;  
Blood of my Saviour, bathe me in thy tide,  
Wash me with water flowing from thy side.

Strength and protection may thy Passion be;  
O blessed Jesus, hear and answer me;  
Deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me;  
So shall I never, never part from thee.

Guard and defend me from the foe malign;  
In death's dread moments make me only thine.  
Call me and bid me come to thee on high,  
When I may praise thee with thy saints for aye.

## 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.'

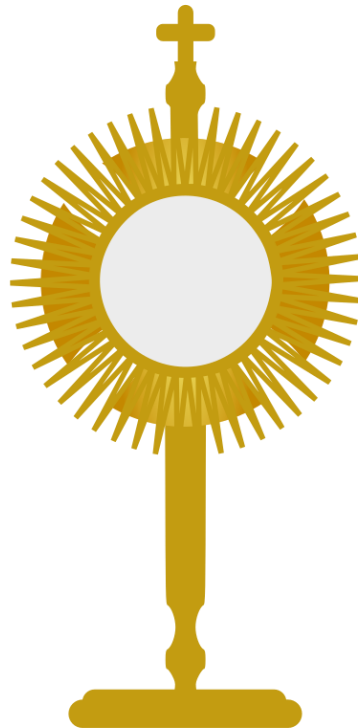
**Response:** *But the labourers are few.*

**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.*



THE CATHEDRAL OF  
**ST. STEPHEN**

**MONDAY 3 JANUARY 2022**

*Monday after Epiphany*

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

A holy day has dawned upon us: Come, you nations, and adore the Lord, for a great light has come down upon the earth.

**FIRST READING:** 1 John 3:22-4:6 (JB)

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

*Ps 2:7-8, 10-11 (JB)*

**R.** I will give you all the nations for your heritage.

The Lord said to me: 'You are my Son.  
It is I who have begotten you this day.  
Ask and I shall bequeath you the nations,  
put the ends of the earth in your possession.' **R.**

Now, O kings, understand,  
take warning, rulers of the earth;  
serve the Lord with awe  
and trembling, pay him your homage. **R.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom  
and healed all who were sick.  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25 (JB)

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

We have seen his glory, the glory of an only Son  
coming from the Father,  
filled with grace and truth.

# WEEKDAY PRAYER SHEET

**3–8 JANUARY 2022**  
**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**  
**YEAR C**

**TUESDAY 4 JANUARY 2022**

*Tuesday after the Epiphany*

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord:  
The Lord is God and has given us light.

**FIRST READING:** 1 John 4:7-10 (JB)

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

*Ps 71:1-4, 7-8 (JB)*

**R.** Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

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.**

May the mountains bring forth peace for the people  
and the hills, justice.  
May he defend the poor of the people  
and save the children of the needy. **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 earth's bounds. **R.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!  
The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor  
and freedom to prisoners.  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** Mark 6:34-44 (JB)

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Because of that great love of his with which God  
loved us,  
he sent his Son in the likeness of sinful flesh.

**WEDNESDAY 5 JANUARY 2022**

*Wednesday after the Epiphany*

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

A people who walked in darkness has seen a great light;  
for those dwelling in a land of deep gloom, a light has shone.

**FIRST READING:** 1 John 4:11-18 (JB)

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

*Ps 71:1-2, 10-13 (JB)*

**R.** Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

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.**

The kings of Tarshish and the sea coasts  
shall pay him tribute.

The kings of Sheba and Seba  
shall bring him gifts.

Before him all kings shall fall prostrate,  
all nations shall serve him. **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.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to Christ who is proclaimed to the world:  
glory from all who believe in him!

Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** Mark 6:45-52 (JB)

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

That life which was with the Father became  
visible, and has appeared to us.

**THURSDAY 6 JANUARY 2022**

*Thursday after the Epiphany*

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

In the beginning and before all ages, the Word  
was God  
and he humbled himself to be born the Saviour  
of the world.

**FIRST READING:** 1 John 4:19-5:4 (JB)

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

*Ps 71:1-2, 14-15, 17 (JB)*

**R.** Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

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.**

From oppression he will rescue their lives,  
to him their blood is dear.

They shall pray for him without ceasing  
and bless him all the day. **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!

The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the  
poor  
and freedom to prisoners.  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** Luke 4:14-22 (JB)

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

God so loved the world that he gave his Only  
Begotten Son,  
so that all who believe in him may not perish,  
but may have eternal life.

**FRIDAY 7 JANUARY 2022**

*Friday after the Epiphany*

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

A light has risen in the darkness for the upright  
of heart; the Lord is generous, merciful and  
just.

**FIRST READING:** 1 John 5:5-13

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

*Ps 147:12-15, 19-20 (JB)*

**R.** Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

or

**R.** Alleluia!

O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!  
Zion, praise your God!  
He has strengthened the bars of your gates,  
he has blessed the children within you. **R.**

He established peace on your borders,  
he feeds you with finest wheat.

He sends out his word to the earth  
and swiftly runs his command. **R.**

He makes his word known to Jacob,  
to Israel his laws and decrees.  
He has not dealt thus with other nations;  
he has not taught them his decrees. **R.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom  
and healed all who were sick.  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** Luke 5:12-16

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

By this the love of God was revealed to us:  
God sent his Only Begotten Son into the world,  
so that we might have life through him.

*At our Masses on Friday we have  
a collection to allow weekday parishioners  
to support the Cathedral.  
Thank you for your contribution.*

**SATURDAY 8 JANUARY 2022**

*Saturday after the Epiphany*

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

God sent his Son, born of a woman,  
so that we might receive adoption as children.

**FIRST READING:** 1 John 5:14-21

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

*Ps 149:1-6 (JB)*

**R.** The Lord takes delight in his people.

or

**R.** Alleluia!

Sing a new song to the Lord,  
his praise in the assembly of the faithful.  
Let Israel rejoice in its Maker,  
let Zion's sons exult in their king. **R.**

Let them praise his name with dancing  
and make music with timbrel and harp.  
For the Lord takes delight in his people.  
He crowns the poor with salvation. **R.**

Let the faithful rejoice in their glory,  
shout for joy and take their rest.  
Let the praise of God be on their lips;  
this honour is for all his faithful. **R.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!

A people in darkness have seen a great light;  
a radiant dawn shines on those lost in death.  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** John 3:22-30

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

From his fullness we have all received,  
grace upon grace.