

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

25 — 31 DECEMBER 2022 THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD DAY (S) YEAR A

MONDAY 26 DECEMBER 2022

Saint Stephen (F)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

The gates of heaven were opened for
blessed Stephen,
who was found to be first among the number
of the Martyrs
and therefore is crowned triumphant in
heaven.

FIRST READING:

Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59 (JB)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 30:3-4, 6, 8, 16-17 (JB)

R. Into your hands, O Lord, I entrust my
spirit.

Be a rock of refuge for me,
a mighty stronghold to save me,
for you are my rock, my stronghold.
For your name's sake, lead me and guide
me. **R.**

Into your hands I commend my spirit.
It is you who will redeem me, Lord.
As for me, I trust in the Lord:
let me be glad and rejoice in your love. **R.**

My life is in your hands, deliver me
from the hands of those who hate me.
Let your face shine on your servant.
Save me in your love. **R.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord;
the Lord God shines upon us.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

Matthew 10:17-22 (JB)

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

As they were stoning Stephen, he called out,
Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.

TUESDAY 27 DECEMBER 2022

Saint John (F)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

This is John, who reclined on the Lord's breast at
supper,
the blessed Apostle, to whom celestial secrets were
revealed
and who spread the words of life through all the
world.

OR

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:

1 John 1:1-4 (JB)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 96:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 (JB)

R. Let the just rejoice in the Lord.

The Lord is king, let earth rejoice,
the many coastlands be glad.
Cloud and darkness are his raiment;
his throne, justice and right. **R.**

The mountains melt like wax
before the Lord of all the earth.
The skies proclaim his justice;
all the peoples see his glory. **R.**

Light shines forth for the just
and joy for the upright of heart.
Rejoice, you just, in the Lord;
give glory to his holy name. **R.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
You are God: we praise you; you are the Lord: we
acclaim you;
the glorious company of apostles praise you.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

John 20:2-8 (JB)

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling
among us,
and from his fullness we have all received.

WEDNESDAY 28 DECEMBER 2022

The Holy Innocents (F)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

The innocents were slaughtered as infants for Christ;
spotless, they follow the Lamb
and sing for ever: Glory to you, O Lord.

FIRST READING:

1 John 1:5-2:2 (JB)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 123:2-5, 7-8 (JB)

R. Our soul has escaped like a bird from the hunter's net.

If the Lord has not been on our side
when men rose against us,
then would they have swallowed
when their anger was kindled. **R.**

Then would the waters have engulfed us,
the torrent goes over us;
over our head would have swept
the raging waters. **R.**

Indeed the snare has been broken
and we have escaped.
Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who made heaven and earth. **R.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
You are God: we praise you; you are the Lord:
we acclaim you;
the white-robed army of martyrs praise you.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

Matthew 2:13-18 (JB)

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Behold those redeemed as the first fruits
of the human race for God and the Lamb,
and who follow the Lamb wherever he goes.

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THURSDAY 29 DECEMBER 2022

Fifth Day in the Octave of Christmas

ENTRANCE 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.

FIRST READING:

1 John 2:3-11 (JB)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 95:1-3, 5-6 (JB)

R. Let heaven and earth exult in joy!

O sing a new song to the Lord,
sing to the Lord all the earth.
O sing to the Lord, bless his name. **R.**

Proclaim his help day by day,
tell among the nations his glory
and his wonders among all the
peoples. **R.**

It is the Lord who made the heavens,
his are majesty and state and power
and splendour in his holy place. **R.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
This is the light of revelation to the
nations,
and the glory of your people, Israel.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

Luke 2:22-35 (JB)

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Through the tender mercy of our God,
the Dawn from on high will visit us.

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FRIDAY 30 DECEMBER 2022

*THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS,
MARY & JOSEPH*

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

The shepherds went in haste,
and found Mary and Joseph and the
Infant lying in a manger.

FIRST READING:

Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14 (Year A) (JB)

OR

Colossians 3:12-21 (Year A) (JB)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 127:1-5 (Year A) (JB)

R. Happy are those who fear the Lord
and walk in his ways.

O blessed are those who fear the Lord
and walk in his ways!
By the labour of your hands you shall
eat.
You will be happy and prosper. **R.**

Your wife like a fruitful vine
in the heart of your house;
your children like shoots of the olive,
around your table. **R.**

Indeed thus shall be blessed
the man who fears the Lord.
May the Lord bless you from Zion
all the days of your life! **R.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
May the peace of Christ rule in your
hearts,
and the fullness of his message live
within you.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23 (Year A) (JB)

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Our God has appeared on the earth, and
lived among us.

SATURDAY 31 DECEMBER 2022

Seventh Day in the Octave of Christmas

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

A child is born for us, and a son is given
to us;
his sceptre of power rests upon his
shoulder,
and his name will be called Messenger
of great counsel.

FIRST READING:

1 John 2:18-21 (JB)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 95:1-2, 11-13 (JB)

R. Let heaven and earth exult in joy!

O sing a new song to the Lord,
sing to the Lord all the earth.
O sing to the Lord, bless his name.
Proclaim his help day by day. **R.**

Let the heavens rejoice and earth be
glad,
let the sea and all within it thunder
praise,
let the land and all it bears rejoice,
all the trees of the wood shout for joy
at the presence of the Lord for he
comes,
he comes to rule the earth. **R.**

With justice he will rule the world,
he will judge the peoples with his
truth. **R.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
The Word of God became flesh and
dwelt among us.
He enabled those who accepted him
to become the children of God.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

John 1:1-18 (JB)

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

God sent his Only Begotten Son into the
world,
so that we might have life through him.