

Intercessions:

We pray to our Lord, who is the way, the truth, and the life:

R: Come, and remain with us, Lord.

Gabriel announced your coming to the Virgin Mary: Son of the Most High, come to claim your kingdom. **R**

John the Baptist rejoiced to see your day: come, bring us your salvation. **R**

Simeon acknowledged you, Light of the world: bring your light to all men of goodwill. **R**

We look for you as watchmen look for the dawn: you are the sun that will wake the dead to new life. **R**



OUR FATHER

Our Father,
Who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name;
Thy kingdom come;
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven.
Give us this day
our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
Amen.

Concluding Prayer:

Grant, almighty God, that looking forward in faith to the feast of our Lord's birth, we may feel all the happiness our Saviour brings, and celebrate his coming with unfailing joy.

We make our prayer, through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.

The Lord bless us, keep us from all evil and bring us to everlasting life. AMEN.

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

INTRODUCTION

V - O God, come to our aid
R - O Lord, make haste to help us
Glory be...

O Come Divine Messiah



1. O come, Divine Messiah,
The world in silence waits the day.
When hope shall sing its triumph
And sadness flees away.

2. Thou'lt come in peace and meekness,
And lowly will Thy cradle be;
All veiled in human weakness,
Thy majesty we'll see.

Chorus:
*Sweet Saviour haste, come, come to earth,
Dispel the night and show thy face,
And bid us hail the dawn of grace.
O come, Divine Messiah,
The world in silence waits the day,
When hope shall sing of triumph,
And sadness flees away.*

3. O Thou whom nation sighed for,
Whom seer and prophet long foretold.
Wilt break the captives fetters,
Redeem the long-lost fold.

Ant. 1: See, the Lord will come. He will sit with princes and he will mount the glorious throne.

Psalm 109 (110)

The Lord's revelation to my Master:
"Sit on my right:
your foes I will put beneath your feet."

The Lord will wield from Sion
your sceptre of power:
rule in the midst of all your foes.

A prince from the day of your birth
on the holy mountains,
from the womb before the dawn
I begot you.

The Lord has sworn an oath
he will not change.
'You are a priest for ever,
a priest like Melchizedek of old.

The Master standing on your right hand
Will shatter kings in the day of his wrath.

He shall drink from the stream
by the wayside
And therefore he shall lift up his head.

Glory be to the Father...

Ant.: See, the Lord will come. He will sit with princes and he will mount the glorious throne.

Ant. 2: The mountain will bring forth joy and the hills justice; for the Lord, the light of the world, comes in strength

Psalm 110 (111)

Il will thank the Lord with all my heart
In the meeting of the just and their assembly.
Great are the works of the Lord;
To be pondered by all who love them

Majestic and glorious his work,
His justice stands firm for ever.
He makes us remember his wonders.
The Lord is compassion and love.

He gives food to those who fear him;
keeps his covenant ever in mind.
He has shown his might to his people
by giving them the lands of the nations.

His works are justice and truth:
His precepts are all of them sure,
standing firm for ever and ever:
they are made in uprightness and truths.

He has sent deliverance to his people
And established his covenant for ever.
Holy his name, to be feared.
To fear the Lord is the first stage of wisdom;
All who do so prove themselves wise.
His praise shall last for ever!

Glory be to the Father...

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Ant. 3: Let us live justly and honestly while we are awaiting, in hope, the coming of the Lord

Canticle – CF REV 19:1,2,5-7

Alleluia.
Salvation and glory and power belong to our God,(R: Alleluia)
His judgements are true and just.
R: Alleluia (alleluia).

Alleluia.
Praise our God, all you his servants,
(R: Alleluia)
You who fear him, small and great.
R: Alleluia (alleluia).

Alleluia.
The Lord our God, the Almighty, reigns,
(R: Alleluia)
Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory. R: Alleluia (alleuia).

Alleluia.
The marriage of the Lamb has come,
(R: Alleluia)
And his bride has made herself ready.
R: Alleluia (alleluia).

Glory be to the Father...

Ant. : Let us live justly and honestly while we are awaiting, in hope, the coming of the Lord.

Scripture Reading : Phil 4:4-5

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say,
Rejoice. Let all men know your forbearance.
The Lord is at hand.

Short Responsory

R: Show us, Lord, your steadfast love.

V: Show us, Lord, your steadfast love

R: And grant us your salvation.

V: Show us, Lord, your steadfast love

R: Glory be to the Father...

V: Show us, Lord, your steadfast love



Magnificat

Ant: O Wisdom, you come forth from the mouth of the Most High. You fill the universe and hold all things together in a strong yet gentle manner. O come to teach us the way of truth.

My soul glorifies the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God,
my Saviour.
He looks on His servant
in her lowliness; Henceforth all ages
will call me blessed.

The Almighty works marvels for me.
Holy His name!
His mercy is from age to age,
on those who fear him.

He puts forth His arm in strength
and scatters the proud-hearted.
He casts the mighty from
their thrones and raises the lowly.

He fills the starving with good things,
sends the rich away empty.
He protects Israel His servant,
remembering His mercy,
the mercy promised to our fathers,
to Abraham and his sons forever.

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