

The following pages contain information that will assist you in preparing your liturgy for the date below. The two pages that include music suggestions, Elaine Rendler's column and the music planning template, come from *Today's Liturgy*, a liturgy preparation magazine published quarterly by OCP. The page with a suggested introduction to Mass and general intercessions comes from *Prayer of the Faithful*, a resource for liturgy preparation published annually by OCP. Paul Covino's ritual commentary and the bulletin note and image come from Liturgy.com.

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ABBREVIATIONS USED IN MUSIC SUGGESTIONS

BB	<i>Breaking Bread</i> (published yearly)	R, R2	<i>Rise Up and Sing</i> (young people)
CM	<i>Companion Missal</i> (published yearly)	SS1, SS2 . . .	<i>Spirit & Song</i> and <i>Spirit & Song</i> (Volume 2) (young adults)
CP2	<i>Choral Praise Comprehensive</i> (Second Edition)	TM	<i>Today's Missal</i> (published three times yearly)
GP2	<i>Glory & Praise</i> (Second Edition)	UC	<i>United in Christ/Unidos en Cristo 2009-2011, music resource</i>
H	<i>Heritage Missal</i> (published yearly)	VOZ	<i>One Faith/Una Voz</i> (hymnal)
J, J2	<i>Journeysongs</i> (hymnal) <i>Journeysongs</i> (Second Edition)	♣	Trinitas (collection)
MI	<i>Music Issue</i> (published yearly)	♪	Octavo
NTY	<i>Never Too Young: Spirit & Song for Young People</i>		

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See page 72 for an abbreviation key.

For additional music suggestions, visit liturgy.com.

ENTRANCE/GATHERING SONG

On Jordan's Bank WINCHESTER NEW BB/MI 38 CM 24 CP2 215
GP2 296 H 200 J 171 J2 315 TM 21 UC 328 VOZ 362
OCP 12200TL

The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns MORNING SONG BB/
MI 48 CM 25 GP2 307 H 197 J 163 J2 319 TM 31 UC 333 VOZ 371
Your Light Will Come, Jerusalem (Hurd) BB/MI 542 J2 667 SS2 295
OCP 12003TL

Wake, O Wake, and Sleep No Longer WACHET AUF BB/MI 51 J 164
J2 332 TM 34

Litany of the Word (B. Farrell) BB/MI 42 J2 312 TM 25 OCP 7162TL
The Advent of Our King ST. THOMAS (WILLIAMS) BB/MI 59 CM 23
CP2 212 H 188 J 165 J2 322 TM 42 UC 315 VOZ 354

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus STUTTGART BB/MI 37 CM 27
CP2 216 GP2 309 H 199 J 170 J2 328 R 93 R2 95 TM 20 UC 332
VOZ 365 OCP 8767TL

The Coming of Our God OPTATUS VOTIS OMNIUM BB/MI 70 J 162 TM 53
Qué Alegría/I Rejoiced (Cortez) J 952 R2 74 SS1 85 OCP 10814TL
Sing Out, Earth and Skies (Haugen) BB/MI 577 CP2 388 H 397 R 77
R2 248 UC 739

RESPONSORIAL PSALM AND GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Respond and Acclaim (Alstott) 4–5

A Lectionary Psalter (Schiavone) 10, 234

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Beyond the Moon and Stars (Schutte) BB/MI 45 TM 28 OCP 12913TL
Creator of the Stars of Night CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM BB/MI 58
CP2 219 GP2 305 H 192 J 178 J2 325 TM 41 UC 321 VOZ 348

Maranatha! Come, Lord Jesus (Whitaker) BB/MI 40 TM 23

Come, Lord Jesus (Ridge) BB/MI 73 J 981 TM 56 OCP 11119TL

Come, Watch and Wait (Glen/Inwood) BB/MI 66 TM 49 OCP 20762TL

Christians, Let Us Love One Another PICARDY BB/MI 428 CM 109
CP2 447 GP2 646 H 445 J 487 J2 751 UC 663 VOZ 695

Come Now, Almighty King ITALIAN HYMN BB/MI 727 CM 84

CP2 300 GP2 417 H 291 J 437 J2 471 R2 161 UC 460 VOZ 506

Emmanuel (Angricano) BB/MI 53 NTY 148 SS2 290 TM 36
OCP 20131TL

Christ, Circle Round Us (Schutte) BB/MI 52 TM 35 OCP 10782TL

COMMUNION SONG

Psalm 122: Let Us Go Rejoicing (Hurd) BB/MI 821 CP2 83 H 157
J2 101 UC 216 VOZ 242 OCP 11983TL

Hold Me in Life (Huijbers) BB/MI 532 GP2 596 J 670 J2 702
OCP 8835TL

Christ, Be Our Light (B. Farrell) BB/MI 546 CM 110 GP2 656 J 887
NTY 8 SS1 105 UC 783 VOZ 625 OCP 10087TL

There Is a Longing (Quigley) BB/MI 397 CP2 409 GP2 620 H 409
J 917 J2 692 SS1 208 UC 795 VOZ 655 OCP 10028TL

To You, O God, I Lift Up My Soul (Hurd) BB/MI 398 CP2 408
GP2 302 H 407 J 628 J2 691 NTY 123 SS1 60 UC 799 VOZ 653
OCP 9706TL

To You, O Lord (Alstott) BB/MI 439 J 559 J2 718

All That Is Hidden (B. Farrell) BB/MI 518 GP2 585 J 586 J2 762
OCP 7161TL

Psalm 25: To You, O Lord (Soper) BB/MI 766 CP2 15 GP2 183
H 103 J 634 J2 28 UC 142 VOZ 153 OCP 8979TL

Be Still and Know that I Am God (Walker/Freeburg) BB/MI 477
OCP 20672TL

Jesus, Come to Us (Haas) BB/MI 399 CP2 411 GP2 304 H 198 J 732
J2 694 NTY 118 R 112 R2 290 UC 798 VOZ 652

Let us rejoice for the Lord is near! As mentioned in my opening letter, we are preparing liturgies for Year C of the liturgical cycle of Sunday readings, the year of Luke. History tells us that Luke was a physician, but according to one tradition, he also was a talented and creative painter. His book is the third of the *synoptic (similar structure and similar point of view) Gospels. It was dedicated to Theophilus ("friend of God"), either the author's patron or perhaps a symbolic reader. This Gospel draws heavily from Mark's and is the only Gospel with a prologue. One of Luke's goals is to show how Jesus is the fulfillment of the Hebrew Testament, which you will notice in today's first reading from the prophet Jeremiah. We are called to have faith, live in hope, wait for the coming of the Lord, and remember that working for justice is doing God's work.

The Advent wreath should be lit today after the General Intercessions. On the succeeding Advent Sundays, the candles are lit before Mass or immediately before the opening prayer. I often play or ask the choir to hum one verse of "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" during the candle lighting. The choir can sing the refrain, "Rejoice, rejoice..." after the candle is aflame. See Paul Covino's "Ritual Notes" on liturgy.com for more information regarding this blessing.

Father Matt Pennington's article on Advent liturgical environment (pp. 16–17) addresses visual overload in our society. He invites artists to explore environment as a significant communicator, much like music and the homily. It is a charming and informative read for all ministers.

*The synoptic Gospels are Matthew, Mark, and Luke.

— Elaine Rendler-McQueeney

Lord, Make Us Turn to You (Roberts) BB/MI 55 TM 38 OCP 10783TL
Taste and See (Angricano) BB/MI 353 NTY 44 SS2 254 OCP 20670TL

SONG OF PRAISE OR SENDING FORTH

Soon and Very Soon SOON AND VERY SOON BB/MI 612 CP2 465 GP2 723
H 551 J 496 J2 683 NTY 276 UC 809 VOZ 672 OCP 10265TL

People, Look East BESANÇON BB/MI 47 CM 28 CP2 224 GP2 300
H 194 J 160 J2 329 R 90 R2 96 TM 30 UC 330 VOZ 360
OCP 9548TL

Save Us, O Lord (Dufford) BB/MI 670 CP2 339 GP2 301 H 201 J 695
J2 555 UC 324 VOZ 316 OCP 9495TL

City of God (Schutte) BB/MI 384 CM 117 CP2 509 GP2 548 H 522
J 561 J2 830 NTY 9 R2 278 SS1 106 UC 592 VOZ 742 OCP 9739TL

Let the King of Glory Come (Joncas) BB/MI 60 GP2 299 H 195 J 187
J2 320 TM 43

Let Us Go Rejoicing (Harbor) BB/MI 389 OCP 20912TL

O Come, Divine Messiah VENEZ, DIVIN MESSIE BB/MI 49 CP2 221
H 193 J 177 J2 316 TM 32 UC 331 VOZ 369

Ready the Way (Stephan) BB/MI 67 NTY 147 SS2 293 TM 50
OCP 12789TL

Waiting in Silence (Landry) BB/MI 41 NTY 153 TM 24 OCP 12058TL
O Come, O Come, Emmanuel VENI, VENI, EMMANUEL BB/MI 36

CM 26 CP2 213 GP2 293 H 186 J 161 J2 311 NTY 151 R 84 R2 94
TM 19 UC 316 VOZ 349 OCP 11492TL

CHORAL

✦ O Heavens, Open from Above (Hurd/Glen) OCP 4622TL

✦ The Advent Prose (Chant, Mode I/White) OCP 4589TL

✦ Four Advent Antiphons (G. Chiusano) OCP 4593TL

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CALL TO WORSHIP

Time _____ Presiding Minister _____

Music Rehearsal/Liturgical Catechesis _____

Introduction, see *Prayer of the Faithful*, page 12 _____

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance/Gathering Song _____

Rite of Sprinkling or Penitential Rite _____

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading _____ Responsorial Psalm _____

Second Reading _____ Gospel Acclamation _____

Gospel _____

Homily/Preaching _____

Dismissal of the Catechumens and Elect _____

General Intercessions, see *Prayer of the Faithful*, page 12 _____

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Music for Preparation of the Gifts _____

Eucharistic Acclamations _____

Holy _____

Memorial Acclamation _____ Great Amen _____

Communion Rite

Lord's Prayer _____

Lamb of God _____

Communion Processional _____

Psalm or Hymn of Praise/Instrumental or Silence _____

CONCLUDING RITE

Sending Forth _____

Choral Anthem of the Day _____

Prelude/Postlude _____

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Psalm 24:1–3

To you, my God, I lift my soul, I trust in you; let me never come to shame. Do not let my enemies laugh at me. No one who waits for you is ever put to shame.

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 33:14–16 (3C)

The time is coming when the LORD's promise to Israel will be fulfilled. An offspring of David will come and bring justice for all nations of the world.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 25:4–5, 8–9, 10, 14

To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 3:12–4:2

Paul prayed to the Lord for the Christians of Thessalonica that their love for one another would overflow and that their hearts might be blameless and holy before God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Psalm 85:8

Show us, Lord, your love; and grant us your salvation.

GOSPEL

Luke 21:25–28, 34–36

There will be great signs in the heavens and great distress on the earth when the Son of Man comes in glory. Therefore, "be vigilant at all times...to stand before the Son of Man."

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Psalm 84:13

The Lord will shower his gifts, and our land will yield its fruit.

INTRODUCTION TO THE CELEBRATION

On this First Sunday of Advent we hear the call of Christ
to be on guard and to be people of prayer.

PENITENTIAL RITE

Lord Jesus, long-awaited Savior. Lord, have mercy.
Christ Jesus, Anointed One. Christ, have mercy.
Lord Jesus, life of the world. Lord, have mercy.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Presiding Minister

In confidence we speak our needs to our gracious God.

Leader

- A That Church leaders, of every denomination,
work effectively together to end hunger and homelessness,
we pray to the Lord:
- B That warring nations cast aside old hatreds
and seek ways to live in true peace,
we pray to the Lord:
- C That communities support family life
with safe housing, decent medical care, and good schools,
we pray to the Lord:
That all who await the Lord's coming, especially those near death,
be renewed in faith, steadfast in hope, and filled with love,
we pray to the Lord:
- D That members of this assembly
seek meaningful ways to prepare for the Lord's coming,
we pray to the Lord:
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Presiding Minister

Creator God, show us your ways.
Teach us your paths and guide us in your truth,
as we await in joyful hope the coming of your Son. We ask this through Christ
our Lord.

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Ritual Notes

by Paul Covino, from *Today's Liturgy* 2010

Begin your preparations by reviewing the four paragraphs about Advent in the *General Norms for the Liturgical Year and the Calendar* (39-42; available in the *Sacramentary* and in *The Liturgy Documents: Volume One, A Parish Resource, Fourth Edition*). Keep in mind this document's description of Advent's "twofold character: as a season to prepare for Christmas when Christ's first coming to us is remembered; as a season when that remembrance directs the mind and heart to await Christ's Second Coming at the end of time. Advent is thus a period for devout and joyful expectation" (39).

The *Book of Blessings* (ch 47; Liturgical Press, 800-858-5450, litpress.org) provides two forms for an "Order for the Blessing of an Advent Wreath" today. The first is for use after the homily within Mass. Some communities adapt this by celebrating the blessing during the opening rites. The second form, a celebration of the word, could be used by communities that will not celebrate Mass today and by schools that bless their Advent wreath at an assembly during the first week of Advent. The introduction to the blessing notes that an Advent wreath in a church "should be of sufficient size to be visible to the congregation" and that its location should not "obscure the altar, lectern, or chair" (1512). *Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers, Revised Edition* (73-75; USCCB Publishing, 800-235-8722, usccb.org) has a similar blessing for home use.

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SIGNS AND WONDERS

Signs in the heavens, nations in agony and the powers of the skies shaken are not mere tabloid scenarios: they are the markers of our liberation by the Son of Man, who will come with all the saints to gather up his own on the last day. He calls us to holiness and blamelessness in the sight of God. Are we ready to meet the Son of Man face to face?

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