

# Advent Penitential Service



Year 4

## Gathering Hymn

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that he would love eternally,  
the promise made to Noah and Abraham and Isaac,  
and Jacob on a journey  
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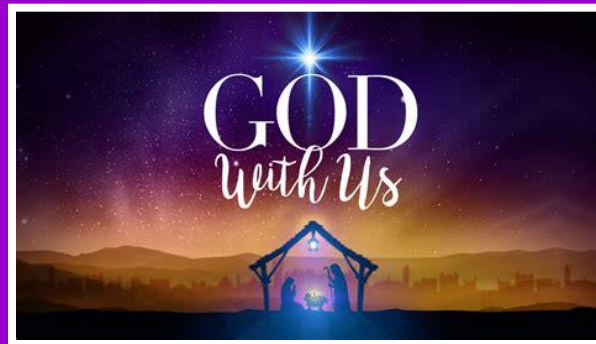
## Introduction

For thousands of years people waited for Jesus the Saviour. In Advent we are waiting for and preparing for Christmas, the birthday of Jesus our Saviour.

## A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

God said "The time is coming when I promise to send a Saviour to look after you. He will be a descendant of King David."

The word of the Lord.



Jesus came from the family of King David.  
David's father was called Jesse.

Now let us fill our Jesse tree with symbols  
of all those people who looked forward to  
the coming of Jesus the Saviour.

# Examination of Conscience

For the times we have not loved God as we should,  
together we pray.  
FORGIVE US LORD.

For the times we have forgotten to thank God for all  
we have been given, together we pray.  
FORGIVE US LORD.



For the times we have not prayed as we should,  
together we pray.  
FORGIVE US LORD.



For the times we have said unkind things to others,  
together we pray. FORGIVE US LORD.

For the times we have taken something that didn't  
belong to us. FORGIVE US LORD.

For the times we have not used our God-given abilities  
to learn and grow, together we pray.  
FORGIVE US LORD.

For the times we missed going to Mass at the weekend,  
together we pray, FORGIVE US LORD.

I'm  
Sorry...

# Individual Confession



# AWAKE AWAKE

Awake! Awake! For the Lord is coming.  
Awake! Awake! There's no time to sleep.  
Awake! Awake!

For the Lord is coming,  
The King is coming in glory.

All over the world people are waiting.  
waiting for peace  
and the promise of new life.

Awake! Awake! For the Lord is coming.

Awake! Awake!

There's no time to sleep.

Awake! Awake! For the Lord is coming,

The King is coming in glory.

All over the world, people are working,

working for peace,

and the freedom that it brings!

Awake! Awake! For the Lord is coming.

Awake! Awake!

There's no time to sleep.

Awake! Awake!

For the Lord is coming,

The King is coming in glory.

All over the world, people are praying,

praying for peace,

and the grace to make us one!

# SHOW MERCY

Show mercy to us, loving Father

We have sinned against you,

please make us anew.

In your love and your grace

you forgive us.

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.



Look not on our failings, Lord Jesus.

We have sinned against you,  
please make us anew.

By your life and death, you redeem us,  
Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy.

Come fill our hearts, Holy Spirit,  
we have sinned against you,  
please make us anew.

Forgive us and heal us and save us,  
Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.

## PREPARE THE WAY

Prepare the way for the coming of God,

Make a straight path

for the coming of God.

Prepare the way for the coming of God,

Make a straight path for the coming of God.

Listen to the voice that cries,

Clear the highway for our God.

Listen to the voice that cries,

Clear the highway for our God.

Prepare the way for the coming of God,

Make a straight path

for the coming of God.

Prepare the way for the coming of God,

Make a straight path for the coming of God.

Every valley fill it in,

every mountain make it small.

Every valley fill it in,

every mountain make it small.

Prepare the way for the coming of God,  
Make a straight path  
for the coming of God.

Prepare the way for the coming of God,  
Make a straight path for the coming of God.

All the rough land make it smooth,  
Neither mountain fade away.

All the rough land make it smooth,  
Neither mountain fade away.

Prepare the way for the coming of God,  
Make a straight path  
for the coming of God.

Prepare the way for the coming of God,  
Make a straight path for the coming of God.

We shall see God's glory come,  
God has promised this to all.  
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# FATHER I HAVE SINNED

Father I have sinned,  
help me find my way.  
Remember not my sins,  
just let me hear you say.



“I forgive you; I love you,  
you are mine, take my hand,  
go in peace, sin no more, beloved one.”

Father, I have turned  
my back and walked away.  
Depended on my strength  
and lived life my own way.

“I forgive you; I love you;  
you are mine, take my hand,  
go in peace, sin no more, beloved one.”



Father, I have closed my  
heart to those in need.  
Thought only of myself,  
a victim of my greed.



"I forgive you; I love you;  
you are mine, take my hand,  
go in peace, sin no more, beloved one."

Father, I've returned,  
I'm home with you to stay.  
Standing by your door,  
knowing that you'll say.



“I forgive you; I love you;  
you are mine, take my hand,  
go in peace, sin no more, beloved one.”

# MARANTHA

Marantha, Jesus come, Marantha, Jesus come.

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Come, O Lord of Wisdom,

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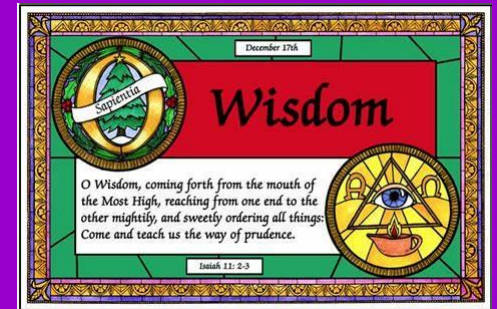
Come and bring us new hope,

Come and bring us new hope.

Come, O Lord of Wisdom,

Come, O Lord of Wisdom.

Let new life begin, let new life begin.



Marantha, Jesus come, Marantha, Jesus come.  
Marantha, Marantha, Marantha, Jesus come.

Come, O Light of Nations,  
Come, O Light of Nations.  
Come, light up our darkness,  
Come, light up our darkness.  
Come, O Light of Nations,  
Come, O Light of Nations.  
Lead us to the truth, lead us to the truth.



Marantha, Jesus come, Marantha, Jesus come.  
Marantha, Marantha, Marantha, Jesus come.

Come to us, Emmanuel, *Come to us, Emmanuel.*  
Come and bring us new life,  
*Come, and bring us new life.*  
Come to us, Emmanuel, *Come to us, Emmanuel.*  
Fill us with your love, *fill us with your love.*



# YOU HAVE CALLED US

You have called us by your name.

We belong to you.

You have called us by our name  
and we are yours.

You have chosen us to be  
members of your family.

In your love you have created us to live  
in unity.

You have called us by your name.

We belong to you.

You have called us by our name  
and we are yours.

You will lead us to your light,  
walk before us through the night.

You will guide us on our journey.

You will keep our vision bright.

You have called us by your name.

We belong to you.

You have called us by our name  
and we are yours.

You will hold us when we fall,  
give new strength to hear your call.

You will never be beyond us,  
for your love is all in all.

You have called us by your name.

We belong to you.

You have called us by our name  
and we are yours.

You will nourish, you will lead,

Giving ev'ry gift we need

For your reign will be established

From the smallest of all seeds.

You have called us by your name.

We belong to you.

You have called us by our name  
and we are yours.

Through our sharing here today

may our faith and life convey

Christ our life and Christ our vision,

Christ our purpose, Christ our way.

# STAY AWAKE

Stay awake, xx be ready. xx

You do not know the hour  
when the Lord is coming.

Stay awake. xx Be ready. xx

The Lord is coming soon.

Alleluia, Alleluia,

the Lord is coming soon.

Change your lives, xx he's coming, xx  
The one who will baptise with the Holy Spirit.  
Change your lives, xx he's coming. xx  
The Lord is coming soon.  
Alleluia, Alleluia,  
the Lord is coming soon.

Prepare xx He's coming. xx  
The one who will give peace  
to the world is coming.

Prepare xx he's coming. xx  
The Lord is coming soon.  
Alleluia, Alleluia,  
the Lord is coming soon.

By the power xx of the Spirit. xx

Mary will give birth to a son called Jesus

By the power xx of the Spirit. xx

The Lord is coming soon.

Alleluia, Alleluia,

the Lord is coming soon.

# PEACE IS FLOWING

Peace is flowing like a river  
flowing out through you and me,  
spreading out into the desert  
setting all the captives free  
Let it flow through me let it flow through me  
let the mighty love of God flow out through me  
let it flow through me let it flow through me,  
Let the mighty love of God flow out through me.

Love is flowing like a river  
flowing out through you and me,  
spreading out into the desert  
setting all the captives free

Let it flow through me let it flow through me  
let the mighty love of God flow out through me  
let it flow through me let it flow through me,  
Let the mighty love of God flow out through me.

Hope is flowing like a river  
flowing out through you and me,  
spreading out into the desert  
setting all the captives free

Let it flow through me let it flow through me  
let the mighty love of God flow out through me  
let it flow through me let it flow through me,  
Let the mighty love of God flow out through me.

# JESUS YOU CAN USE MY HANDS

Jesus, you can use my hands,  
use my hands  
to serve you in the world.

Jesus, you can use my hands:  
my hands are yours,  
my hands are yours.



*I am a disciple for you, Jesus;  
to bring Good News, to shine for you.*

Jesus, you can use my feet,  
use my feet  
to walk beside you, in the world.  
Jesus you can use my feet:  
my feet are yours, my feet are yours.

I am a disciple for you, Jesus;  
to bring Good News,  
to shine for you.



Jesus, you can use my voice,

use my voice

to praise you in the world.

Jesus, you can use my voice;

my voice is yours; my voice is yours.

I will be the light to shine for Jesus,

I will be the gentleness of his grace.

I will be a sign for all of

his love and mercy:

Jesus, I will shine for you,

Jesus, I will shine for you.



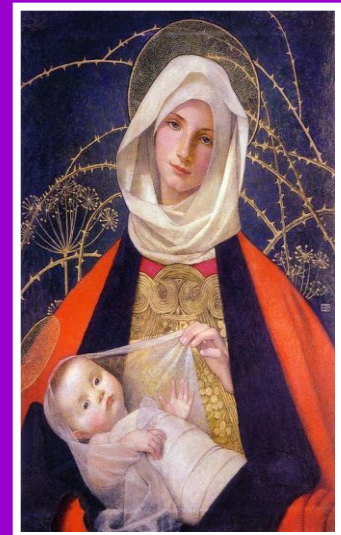
Jesus, you can use my life,  
use my life  
to serve you in the world.

Jesus, you can use my life:  
what's mine is yours,  
what's mine is yours,  
what's mine is yours,  
what's mine is yours.



# HAIL MARY

Hail Mary, the Lord is with thee  
You are most blessed,  
Our Lady full of Grace  
For you bore for us, our blessed Jesus  
Fruit of your body  
as God became a man.  
*Ave, ave, ave Maria.*  
*Ave, ave, ave Maria.*



Hail Mary, the Lord is with thee  
You are most blessed,  
Our Lady full of Grace  
And so we ask you.  
O Holy Mary intercede for us  
now and at our death.  
*Ave, ave, ave Maria.*  
*Ave, ave, ave Maria.*



## THY WORD

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet  
and a light unto my path.

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and a light unto my path.

When I feel afraid think I've lost my way,  
still you're there right beside me.

And nothing will I fear  
as long as you are near.

Please be near me to the end.

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet  
and a light unto my path.

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet  
and a light unto my path.

I will not forget your love for me  
and yet my heart forever is wandering.

Jesus be my guide  
and hold me to your side  
and I will love you to the end.

## GOD FORGAVE MY SIN

God forgave my sin in Jesus' name.  
I've been born again in Jesus' name.  
And in Jesus' name I come to you  
to share his love as he told me to.

He said: 'Freely, freely you have received;  
freely, freely give.  
Go in my name, and because you believe,  
others will know that I live.'

All pow'r is giv'n in Jesus' name,  
in earth and heav'n in Jesus' name.  
And in Jesus' name I come to you  
to share his pow'r as he told me to.

He said: 'Freely, freely you have received;  
freely, freely give.  
Go in my name, and because you believe,  
others will know that I live.'

God gives us life in Jesus' name,  
he lives in us in Jesus' name.

And in Jesus' name I come to you  
to share his peace as he told me to.

He said: 'Freely, freely you have received;  
freely, freely give.

Go in my name, and because you believe,  
others will know that I live.'

## I THE LORD OF SEA AND SKY

I, the Lord of sea and sky,

I have heard my people cry.

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.

I who made the stars of night,

I will make their darkness bright,

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?*

*I have heard you calling in the night.*

*I will go, Lord, if you lead me.*

*I will hold your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of snow and rain,  
I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them.  
They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone,  
give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my word to them.  
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of wind and flame,  
I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them.  
My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide  
Till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them.  
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.*

## SEND YOUR LOVE

Send your love, send your love,  
down upon us O Lord.

May your love, may your love,  
reign down on us O Lord.

reign down on us, shine upon us  
Send your love on us Lord.

Send your love on us Lord.

I take refuge in you O Lord

You are my stronghold

I take refuge in you O Lord

and I come to do your will.

Send your love, send your love,  
down upon us O Lord.

May your love, may your love,  
reign down on us O Lord.

reign down on us, shine upon us

Send your love on us Lord.

Send your love on us Lord.

All the world Lord belongs to you,

You are my maker

All the world Lord belongs to you

So we sing to praise your name.

Send your love, send your love,  
down upon us O Lord.

May your love, may your love,  
reign down on us O Lord.

reign down on us, shine upon us

Send your love on us Lord.

Send your love on us Lord.

Send your love and your truth my God  
You are my guide Lord.

Send your love and your truth my God.

Lead us to your grace.

## SOMETIMES LORD

Sometimes Lord, I make mistakes,  
and say somethings I shouldn't say;  
and there are times I get things wrong,  
and do some things I shouldn't have.

*For these times, Lord, I ask for mercy,  
and forgiveness of my wrong.  
My dear Father of Compassion,  
take me in your loving arms.*

Sometimes Lord, I turn my back  
on those in need, or those with less,  
and put my own selfish desires  
in front of others needs or cries.

For these times, Lord, I ask for mercy,  
and forgiveness of my wrong.  
My dear Father of Compassion,  
take me in your loving arms.

Sometimes Lord, when I am lost,  
the ones I love may count the cost;  
and when my heart decides to stray,  
I find good choices hard to make.

*For these times, Lord, I ask for mercy,  
and forgiveness of my wrong.  
My dear Father of Compassion,  
take me in your loving arms.*

## LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God

you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God

you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God

you take away the sins of the world,  
grant us peace.