# **ADVENT SUNDAY | HOLY EUCHARIST & ADVENT WREATH**

They will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud.

## **About this Gathering**

Welcome to Advent — from the Latin Adventus meaning "coming" or "visit." — a season rich in politics, prophecy, prayer, perseverance and holiness. Advent awaits Jesus' first coming at his birth on Christmas and anticipates Jesus' second coming at His return. Please add your voice to worship, prayer & song!

# Prelude | Soon and Very Soon

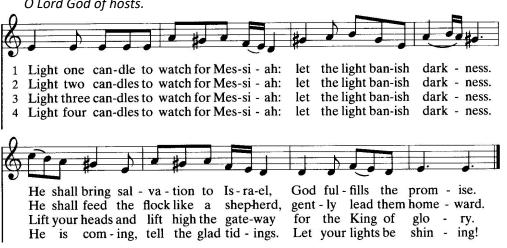
## **Lighting the Advent Candle**

Dear People of God: In the season of Advent, it is our responsibility and joy to prepare ourselves to hear once more the message of the Angels, to go to Bethlehem and see the Son of God lying in a manger. Come and save us, O Lord God of hosts.

Come and save us, O Lord God of hosts.

Show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved:

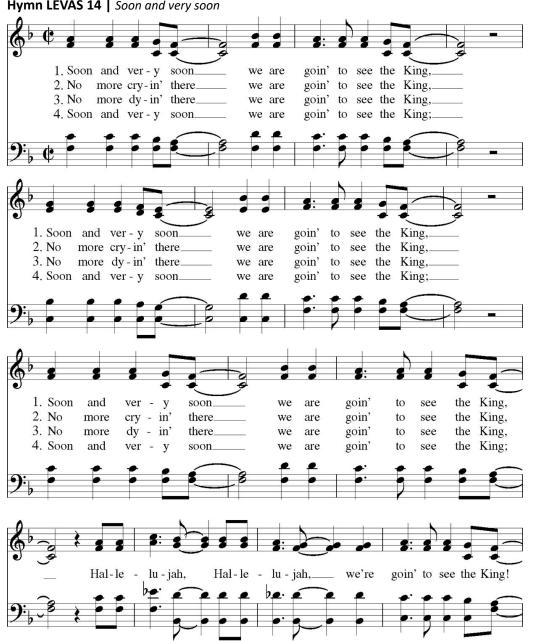
O Lord God of hosts.



Show us your mercy, O Lord:

And grant us your salvation.

#### **Hymn LEVAS 14** | Soon and very soon



St. Mary **Magdalene Church** 



Primo Tapia Playas de Rosarito



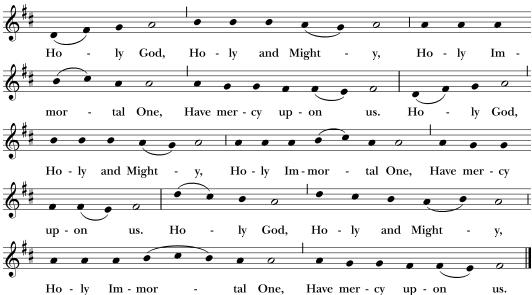
#### THE WORD OF GOD

Blessed are you holy and living one.

You come to your people and set them free. Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, so that we may truly love you and worthily praise your holy name; through our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Song of Praise - S-100 | Trisagion or Thrice Holy



#### Collect

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

**Jeremiah 33:14-16** | The prophet Jeremiah communicates God's promise of healing an d restoration.

A Reading from the Book of the prophet Jeremiah.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved, and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.

Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 25:1-10** | Fear of the Lord compels us to acknowledge that God alone can make a person of true righteousness. Let us read Psalm 25 responsively.

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; \*

let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

Let none who look to you be put to shame; \*

let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

Show me your ways, O Lord, \*

and teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth and teach me, \*

for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, \*

for they are from everlasting.

Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; \*

remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.

Gracious and upright is the Lord; \*

therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

He guides the humble in doing right \*

and teaches his way to the lowly.

All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness \*

to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

For your Name's sake, O Lord, \*

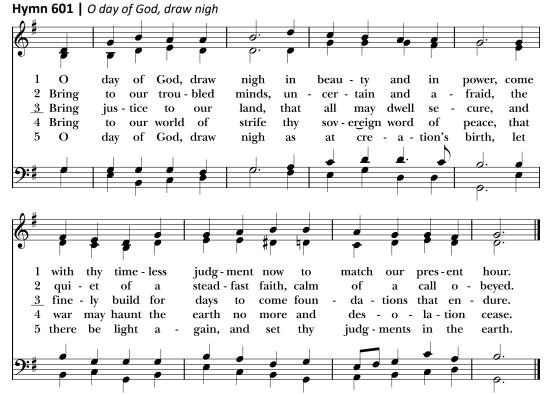
forgive my sin, for it is great. holiness O Lord adorns your house for ever.

**1 Thessalonians 3:9-13** | After a brief stay, Paul left Thessalonika and the new converts faced hostility from the neighbors. A Reading from Paul's First letter to the Church in Thessalonika.

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.



**Luke 21:25-36** | Jesus offers an imaginative picture of his triumphant return.

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

"There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. "Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place and to stand before the Son of Man."

The Gospel of our Savior.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## Sermon

### **The Nicene Creed**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

# **Prayers of the People**

**1** My brothers and sisters, may God strengthen your hearts in holiness. Trusting in God, let us pray, "O come, o come, Emmanuel;

Be our hope and our salvation.

**1** God our hope, make us increase and abound in love for one another. Keep your Church on the paths of love and faithfulness. O come, o come, Emmanuel;

Be our hope and our salvation.

**2** God our hope, usher in your reign of justice and righteousness. May all the world know your peace and safety. O come, o come, Emmanuel;

Be our hope and our salvation.

**3** God our hope, you place signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars. Give us the eyes to see, the wisdom to prepare, and the faith to trust in you. O come, o come, Emmanuel;

Be our hope and our salvation.

**4** God our hope, under your reign divisions are overcome, unity restored: bring the people of this region—from city, village and town—together in a spirit of love and respect. O come, o come, Emmanuel;

Be our hope and our salvation.

**5** God our hope, remember your compassion and love. Heal and restore the sick and the suffering, the anxious and the grieving. O come, o come, Emmanuel;

Be our hope and our salvation.

**6** God our hope, keep us blameless before you that we may meet the coming of our Lord Jesus with joy. May we, and all who have died, rise to life immortal with all your saints. O come, o come, Emmanuel;

Be our hope and our salvation.

In the name of Jesus we pray,

Be our hope and our salvation.

#### **Confession of Sin**

Let us confess our sins to God.

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.

# Peace

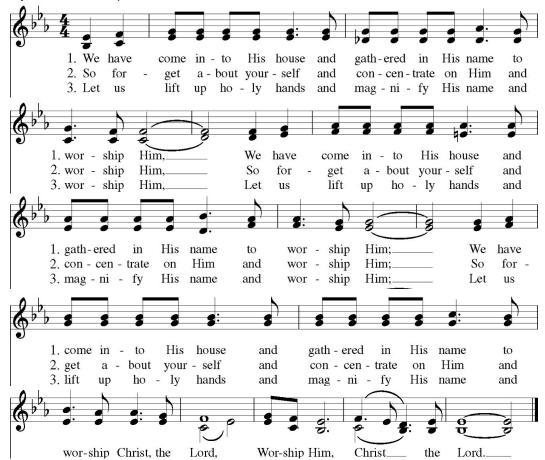
The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

**HOLY COMMUNION** | Please share Communion with us

**Offering** | An Invitation to Joy & Gratitude | Give in Person with Offering Basket, by US Mail or Online. Gifts received are blessed with prayer.

**Hymn LEVAS 245** | We have come into His house



## The Great Thanksgiving

Then the King will say, "I'm telling the solemn truth:

Whenever you did one of these things to someone overlooked or ignored, that was me — you did it to me." God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

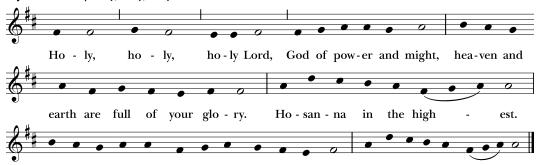
We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a parent cares for their children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

Hymn S-124 | Holy, holy, holy



Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father:

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory.

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with Mary Magdalene and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.** 

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread | Jesus remember me | Sung 1 time



God of promise, you have prepared a banquet for us.

Happy are those who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.

Draw near and receive the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ in remembrance that he died for us. Let us feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Following Jesus' prophetic example to welcome everyone to His table, St. Mary's welcomes everyone to take communion with us.

Post Communion | Jesus remember me | Sung 3 times

# **Sending Prayer**

Let us pray together.

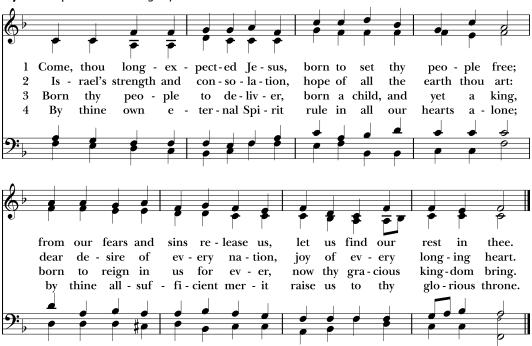
Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

# **Blessing Over the People**

May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Creator, the Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

Amen.

**Hymn 66** | Come thou long expected Jesus



### **Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen. We go in the name of Christ.

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# St. Mary's Guild | In the City • For the City

# School Supplies Update as of 11.29.2024

\$1,530 Raised & Pledged • \$1,591 Spent for students at Emiliano Zapata & Tierra Y Libertad Elementary Schools for spiral bound notebooks, 16 computer lab chairs, Epiphany Celebration stickers & two 10 gallon hot/cold beverage dispensers and School Mural Refresh by Baja Echo Art.

# St. Mary's Guild Up Next

**St. Mary's Guild Community Give Away •** 9am to 12 noon; Thursday, December 12, 2024 Drop off Dates & Times: At the December 8th Sunday Gathering; Monday 12/9 & Tuesday 12/10 from 9am-12pm; & Wednesday 12/11 from 12pm-3pm

So start going through those drawers, cupboards and closets for items you no longer use that will be a great gift to a Primo Tapia family!

King's Day / Epiphany Celebration King's Cake & hot chocolate for school students & staff on Friday, 01/03/25 Purchase school sports play equipment.

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