

**First Week of Advent
November 27, 2022**

Introduction and *An Ode We Owe* by Amanda Gorman

Gathering: Prepare the Way (Walker)

Refrain: *Prepare the way for the coming of God,
Make a straight path for the coming of God. (2X)*

V1 Every valley fill it in. Every mountain make it small.
Every valley fill it in. every mountain make it small. Refrain.

V2 Crooked pathways, make them straight. All the rough land, make it smooth.
Crooked pathways, make them straight. All the rough land, make it smooth. Refrain.

V3 All will see God's dominion strong. God has promised, glory comes.
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Advent Wreath Candle: Litany for Advent (Farrell) ... H/O

*"Cry of prophets, come, Lord Jesus. Hope of ages, come, now Jesus.
You we thirst for, come, Lord Jesus. Bring us hope now, come, now Jesus.
Word of wisdom, come, Lord Jesus. Come renew us, come, now Jesus. Come!"*

God have Mercy

You come to heal the contrite. God, have mercy. **God, have mercy.**
You come to call sinners. Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**
You plead for us at the right hand of the Father. God, have mercy. **God, have mercy.**

First Reading

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah
This is what Isaiah, son of Amoz, saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come, the mountain of Almighty God's house shall be
established as the highest mountain and raised above the hills. All
nations shall stream toward it; many peoples shall come and say:

"Come, let us climb mountain of God, to the house of the God of Jacob,

that our God may instruct us in holy ways, and we may walk in God's paths."

For from Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of our God from Jerusalem. God shall judge between the nations, and impose terms on many peoples.

They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; one nation shall not raise the sword against another, nor shall they train for war again.

O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Most High God!

The Word of our God.

Responsorial Psalm

Responsorial: Lord, Let Us See Your Kindness (Haugen)

Refrain

Lord, let us see your kindness.

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Vs. 1: Let us hear what our God proclaims: Peace to the people of God, Salvation is near to the ones who fear God. **Refrain**

Vs. 2: Kindness and truth, Justice and Peace;
Truth shall spring up as the water from the earth,
Justice shall rain from the heavens. **Refrain**

Vs. 3: The Lord will come and you will know God's love.
Justice shall walk in God's pathways,
Salvation the gift that God brings. **Refrain**

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

Sisters and brothers:

You know the time;

it is the hour now for you to awake from sleep.

For our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed;

the night is advanced, the day is at hand.

Let us then throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us conduct ourselves properly as in the day, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in promiscuity and lust, not in rivalry and jealousy.

But put on the Lord Jesus Christ,

and make no provision for the desires of the flesh.

The Word of our God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia!

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*“Show us Your love, light our way;
We put our faith in You, our Lord, our hope.”*

Alleluia!

Gospel

The Lord be with you.

And with your Spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord.

A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to his disciples:

“As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Humanity. In those days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day that Noah entered the ark.

They did not know until the flood came and carried them all away.

So will it be also at the coming of the Son of Humanity. Two men will be out in the field; one will be taken, and one will be left.

Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken, and one will be left.

Therefore, stay awake!

For you do not know on which day your God will come.

Be sure of this: if the homeowner had known the hour of night when the thief was coming, he or she would have stayed awake and not let the house be broken into.

So too, you also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Humanity will come.”

The Good News of Salvation.

Homily

Universal Intercessions

**Response: God of justice and peace, hear our prayer.
(God of justice and peace, hear our prayer.)**

For the church that we may make room in our hearts for God to enter more fully into our lives during this Advent season through listening, reflecting and watchfulness, let us pray...

For the gift of peace: that God will teach the hearts of all the human family so that swords may be turned into plowshares and the resources for war into resources for healing and development, let us pray...

For a spirit of expectation: that we may live with the awareness that our salvation is drawing close and God's reign is being manifest through hearts that are just and lives that are poured out in love, let us pray...

For the Community of St. Cronan, that our prophetic voices stir our consciences, and awaken and nudge our hearts to act justly this Advent, let us pray...

For the repose of the soul of John Meyer, and for his family, that he may find eternal rest in God's arms and they be comforted with that faith, let us pray...

For what other intention do we want to pray...

(after the intentions, please blow out the candles by the ambo)

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of Gifts

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.
Blessed be God forever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.
Blessed be God forever.

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.

Accept, O Lord, the prayers of your faithful with the sacrificial offerings, that, through these acts of devotedness, we may pass over to the glory of heaven. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Eucharistic Prayer (if you are watching the video or listening to the audio, please follow along and participate with Fr. Jack; and continue with the Communion Songs below.)

Preparation of Gifts: Waiting in Silence (Landry) (V1,V2,V3) ... BB51

Vs. 1: Waiting in silence,
waiting in hope,
we are your people,
we long for you, Lord.
Lord God, ever with us,
Emmanuel.
Come Lord Jesus.
Maranatha!

Vs. 2: Waiting in silence,
waiting in hope,
we are your people,
we trust in your love.
O Sun of Justice,
true Prince of Peace,
Come with your justice, Lord.
Maranatha!

V. 3: Waiting in silence,
waiting in hope,
we are your people,
Lord, we seek your truth.
Wisdom Incarnate,
teach us your way;
Show us the path of life.
Maranatha!

Service Music: Mass of Renewal (Stephan) ... BB878

Communion1: You Call Us Lord/Creator of the Stars of Night ... H/O & BB68

Refrain: In this place of wood and stone, of hungry hearts, of bread and cup,
make us Your church, a house and home built on your abiding love.

V1 You call us, Lord, to hear your Word, in gratitude to humbly pray,
Accept your gift of grace assured, and lift our hearts to sing your praise. Refrain.

V2 You call us, Lord, to seek your will, and follow in your narrow way,
Become a sign of life fulfilled, and grow in love and faith each day. Refrain.

V3 Creator of the stars of night, your people's everlasting light,
O Christ, Redeemer of us all, we pray you hear us when we call. Refrain.

V4 In sorrow that the ancient curse, should doom to death a universe,
You came, O Savior, to set free, your own in glorious liberty. Refrain.

Communion2: Put On Christ (Hurd) (V1,V2) ... H/O

Refrain: Put on Christ. Put on Christ.
Come to the waters of everlasting life.
Put on Christ. Put on Christ.
Walk in the freedom of the children of God.

V1 We have come to this feast, called by love, for love, keeping memory of the Lord. Refrain.

V2 We become what we share, Bread of Life, Jesus, blessed and broken for the world. Refrain.

Go in peace,
Thanks be to God.

Sending: Let the Valleys Be Raised (Schutte) (V1,V2) ... BB50

LET THE VALLEYS BE RAISED

Let the valleys be raised, and the mountains made low,
Every meadow and field overturn.
Make the pathway straight; and the highway run smooth,
For the coming of God in our day.

1.

God has come to His people,
As He promised of old.
He has raised up a Savior,
In the sight of us all.

2.

You little child, go before Him,
Like the prophets of old.
Bringing news of His coming,
By the mercy of God.