

**Sunday, November 30, 2025**  
**First Sunday of Advent**

**Gathering: Prepare the Way (Walker) ... H/O**

(Refrain) Prepare the way for the coming of God  
Make a straight path for the coming of God.

(V1) Every valley, fill it in;

Every mountain: make it small.

(V2) Crooked pathways, make them straight;

All the rough land: make it smooth.

(V3) All will see God's power strong;

God has promised: glory comes.

**Advent Wreath Candle: Litany for Advent (Farrell) ... H/O**

"Cry of prophets, come, Lord Jesus. Hope of ages, come, Lord Jesus.

You we thirst for, come, Lord Jesus. Bring us hope now, come, Lord Jesus.

Word of wisdom, come, Lord Jesus. Come renew us, come, Lord Jesus. Come!"

**The Liturgy of the Word**

***First Reading Isaiah 2:1-5 (1A)***

***Responsorial Psalm: Let Us Go Rejoicing-Ps122 (Joncas) ... G107***

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Vs. 1: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

In verdant pastures he gives me repose;

Beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul. Refrain

Vs. 2: He guides me in right paths for his name's sake.

Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no evil;

For you are at my side with your rod and your staff

That give me courage.

Refrain

Vs. 3: You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes;

You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Refrain

Vs. 3: Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life;  
And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for years to come. Refrain

***Second Reading Romans 13:11-14***

*Gospel Acclamation*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!  
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***Gospel Matthew 24:37-44***

**A reading from the Gospel according to Mark**

*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 awareness, listening, rejoicing and being a light, 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 all children: that they may live in peaceful places, let us pray...

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

*The Liturgy of the Eucharist*

*Preparation of Gifts*

*Offertory 5pm/8am: You Call Us Lord/Creator of the Stars of Night*

*Advent REFRAIN: Come O Lord and Bring Your Light ... H/O*  
*and VERSES: Creator of the Stars of Night (traditional) ... BB67*

1. Come O Lord and bring your light  
Your people's everlasting light,  
Jesu, Redeemer, save us all,  
And hear your servants when they call.
2. In sorrow at the helpless cry  
Of all creation doomed to die,  
Did save our lost and guilty race  
By healing gifts of heav'nly grace.
3. When Earth was near its evening hour,  
You did, in love's redeeming pow'r,  
Like bridegroom from his chamber, come  
Forth from a virgin mother's womb.
4. At your great name, exalted now,  
All knees in lowly homage bow;  
All things in Heav'n and Earth adore  
And own you King forevermore.
5. To you, O Holy One, we pray,  
Our Judge in that tremendous day,  
Ward off, while yet we dwell below,  
The weapons of our crafty foe.
6. To God the Father, God the Son,  
And God the Spirit, Three in One,  
Praise, honor, might, and glory be,  
From age to age eternally.

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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.**

O God, who give us the gift of true prayer and of peace, graciously grant that, through this offering, we may do fitting homage to your divine majesty and, by partaking of the sacred mystery, we may be faithfully united in mind and heart. 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.)

Holy: Mass of a Joyful Heart (Angrisano) ... H/O

Mem: Mass of a Joyful Heart (Angrisano) ... H/O

Amen: Mass of a Joyful Heart (Angrisano) ... H/O

Lamb: Mass of a Joyful Heart (Angrisano) ... H/O

*Communion Song: Christ Be Our Light (Farrell) ... BB464*

Verse 1: Longing for light, we wait in darkness.

Longing for truth, we turn to you.

Make us your own, your holy people,

Light for the world to see. REFRAIN

Refrain: Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts,

Shine through the darkness.

Christ, be our light!

Shine in your church gathered today.

Verse 2: Longing for peace, our world is troubled.

Longing for hope, many despair.

Your word alone has power to save us.

Make us your living voice. REFRAIN

Verse 3: Longing for food, many are hungry.

Longing for water, many still thirst.

Make us your bread, broken for others,

Shared until all are fed. REFRAIN

Verse 4: Longing for shelter, many are homeless.

Longing for warmth, many are cold.

Make us your building, sheltering others,

Walls made of living stone. REFRAIN

Verse 5: Many the gifts, many the people,

Many the hearts that yearn to belong.

Let us be servants to one another,

Making your kingdom come. REFRAIN

***Prayer after Communion:***

Let us pray: Grant that our faithful, O Lord, whom you nourish and endow with life through the food of your Word and heavenly Sacrament, may so benefit from your beloved Son's great gifts that we may merit an eternal share in his life. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen**

Go in peace,  
Thanks be to God.

***Song of Sending: Sing Out, Earth and Skies (Haugen) ... G337***

Verse 1

Come, O God of all the earth;  
come to us, O Righteous One.  
Come and bring our love to birth;  
in the glory of your Son.

Refrain

Sing out, earth and skies!  
Sing of the God who loves you.  
Raise your joyful cries,  
Dance to the life around you.

Verse 2

Come, O God of wind and flame;  
fill the earth with righteousness.  
Teach us all to sing your name;  
may our lives your love confess.

Verse 3

Come, O God of flashing light;  
twinkling star and burning sun.  
God of day and God of night;  
in your light we all are one.

Verse 4

Come, O God of snow and rain;  
shower down upon the earth.  
Come, O God of joy and pain;  
God of sorrow, God of mirth.