

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT /YEAR A



NOVEMBER 30, 2025

Readings in *Worship* hymnal # 1001

Entrance Antiphon: Ps 25:1-3
 To you, I lift up my soul, O my God.
 In you, I have trusted;
 let me not be put to shame.
 Nor let my enemies exult over me;
 and let none who hope in you
 be put to shame.

Reading I: Is 2:1-5

This vision of the coming messianic age has a hopeful focus, in which the Temple Mount in Jerusalem is seen to be the center that draws the nations together and the place from which moral teaching is sent into the whole world. This hopeful, peaceful vision is set in contrast to the dark prediction of the Day of the Lord as a day of judgment in today's Gospel.

Psalm Response: Ps 122

One of the "Songs of Ascent" sung by pilgrims as they approached Jerusalem's Temple Mount. This psalm reflects an idealized picture of Jerusalem as the place of political as well as religious unity.

Reading II: Rom 13:11-14

Paul, writing from an early Christian perspective which expected the imminent return of the risen Lord, calls the people to a moral life, using the traditional morality of the way of light and the way of darkness.

Gospel: Mt 24:37-44

In this apocalyptic passage, Jesus emphasizes the tradition that the messianic "Son of Man" will arrive to herald the Day of the Lord.

Entrance HymnAwaken, Sleepers | # 393
 (Sun. 5pm) O Come, Divine Messiah | # 387

KyrieAdvent Kyrie

Cantor Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. *All* Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.
Cantor Chri - ste e - le - i - son. *All* Chri - ste e - le - i - son.
Cantor Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. *All* Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

Responsorial Psalm..... Psalm 122 | G. Grisi

G.G.
 Let us go re - joic - ing to the house of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm..... (Sun. 5pm) Psalm 122 | O. Alstott

R. Let us go re - joic - ing to the house of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation..... | O. Alstott

R. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

..... (Sun. 5pm) From Mass of Joyful Heart (inside "Service Music" booklet # 10)

Preparation of the Gifts Lo, How a Rose E'er Bloomin | # 438
 Parish Choir: Freu' dich sehr, o meine Seele - J.S. Bach BWV 70
 (Sun. 5pm) The King Shall Come | # 403

Preface Acclamation..... from Compostela Mass (inside "Service Music" booklet # 1)
(Sun. 5 pm) from Mass of Creation | # 365

Memorial Acclamation from Compostela Mass
(inside "Service Music" booklet # 4)
(Sun. 5 pm) "B" from Mass of Creation | # 366

Great Amen..... from Compostela Mass
(inside "Service Music" booklet # 5)
 (Sun. 5 pm) from Mass of Creation | # 367

Jesus warns of judgment, though he does not offer any reason why “one will be taken and one will be left.” His message is simply the need to be prepared: “At an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come.”

Communion Antiphon: Ps 85:13

The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase.



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Fraction Rite..... Agnus Dei Vatican Chant | # 311
 (Sun. 5pm) from Mass of Creation

Communion Procession The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns | # 403
 Parish Choir: Advent Litany in Procession (Isaiah 30:19):

..... ‘Congregational Response:’
 (Sun. 5pm) O Come, O Come, Emmanuel | # 386

Meditation Hymn Humbly we adore Thee Adoro Te Devote
 Parish Choir: A Shoot Shall Come Forth Out of Jesse- Horn

..... (Sun. 5pm) In the Day of the Lord - M. D. Ridge

Concluding Hymn People, Look East | # 398

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ALTAR SERVERS FOR NOVEMBER 29 & 30

SATURDAY

5:00 pm A. Krinitzas, C. Krimitzas, B. Burgess

SUNDAY

8:00 am D. Solazzo, M. Driscoll, D. Driscoll

10:00 am V. Gujda, T. Kiiza, K. Mydlarz

12:00 pm D. A. Mukono, C. Donlon, **1 Server Needed**

5:00 pm L Wolf, G. Thomas, L. Thomas



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OPENING THE WORD: 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR A)

Happy New Year! If this strikes you as a bit premature, it isn't really because this Sunday marks the start of the new Church year. In the Catholic Church, the first Sunday of Advent is the beginning of the cycle of readings, holy days, and holidays for roughly the next 365 days. It's also the time of year not only when we are called to prepare our hearts for the coming of Jesus at Christmas, but also when we are asked to examine our lives and take stock, spiritually speaking. Listen to Edward Sri, as he offers prayer and insights on today's Gospel at <https://watch.formed.org/videos/1st-sunday-of-advent-november-27-2016>.

ADVENT: RETHINKING THE SEASON BY DR. TIM GRAY

Advent is an odd season. Unlike most other seasons, it's a season that isn't about itself, but is instead about preparing for Christmas. But that reality often gets lost in the shuffle and stress of trying to find all the right gifts, decorations, and dinner ingredients. In this Lighthouse Talk audio presentation, Dr. Tim Gray uses storytelling and the readings of the Old Testament to explain that we need to live the 'pre-season' of Advent well, so we can be prepared to welcome and receive the greatest gift God the Father wants to give us at Christmas: His Son, Jesus. Listen to the audiobook at <https://watch.formed.org/videos/advent-rethinking-the-season-by-dr-tim-gray>.