

**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
**CYCLE B**  
**PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL**

**Celebrant:** The coming of our Redeemer was foretold by the prophets. By preaching repentance from sins, John the Baptist heralded his appearance. In the spirit of penance, let us seek God's help through our prayers.

*Our response is: Lord, hear our prayer.*

1. For the holy Catholic Church, may she reveal the glory of the Lord for all people to see, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

2. That Christian leaders may work for justice and peace based on divine mercy, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

3. That those who are dying may be prepared to meet Christ in a state of penitence and peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

4. That those whose deaths we recall may enjoy light, pardon and peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

**Celebrant:** Most loving Father, look upon the needs of your people and grant our petitions, as we prepare a way for your Son, who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Response: *Amen*