

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT [YEAR B]

Celebrant: Let us call upon the Lord
whose help is near for those who revere him.

Together we pray, saying: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

1. That the Church may be a joyful messenger
of Christ's presence in our midst,
and announce the Good News of salvation to all.
Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

2. That all nations, especially in the Holy Land,
may hear God's voice of peace
and work for justice.
Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

3. That those discouraged by physical, emotional or financial difficulties
may feel Christ's consoling presence.
and be lifted up by the support of our community.
Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

4. That we might prepare this Advent
for the coming of God's kingdom
through holy lives, repentant hearts and changed ways.
Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer*

5. That the departed may find rest in Christ
and rejoice to see the glory of the Lord
in the new heavens and the new earth.
Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Celebrant:

Lord God, hear the prayers of your people
who wait and long for your salvation.
Let us see your mercy
and give us your saving help.
Through Christ our Lord.

Response: *Amen.*