

# Guardian Angels Catholic Community

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## Second Sunday of Advent

Is 40:1-5, 9-11; 64:2-7; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8

(everyone joins in with the text in **BOLD**)

### Announcements

### Gathering:

## EMMANUEL

Steve Angrisano

Refrain



Come, come, Em-man - u-ell! Son of God, ap-pear.



Heav - en and earth, re-joyce! Sal - va-tion is draw - ing



near. Sal - va-tion is draw - ing near. to Verses/last: to Coda ⊕

Verses



1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el,  
2. O come, O Wis - dom from on high,  
3. O come, O Rod of Jes - se's stem;  
4. O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind



1. And ran - som cap - tive Is - ra - el,  
2. Who or - dered all things might - i - ly;  
3. From ev - 'ry foe de - liv - er them  
4. In one the hearts of hu - man - kind;



1. That mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here  
2. To us the path of knowl - edge show,  
3. That trust your might - y pow'r to save,  
4. Make all our sad di - vi - sions cease,



1. Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.  
2. And teach us in her ways to go.  
3. And give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.  
4. And be for us the King of Peace. to Refrain

## GREETING

+In the name of the Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit. **AMEN**

Jesus Christ is the light of the world!

**A light which no despair can overcome.**



## ADVENT WREATH - PEACE

Reader One: Because of war, because of what happened in Ferguson, Charleston, and Charlottesville because there is new unrest in Jerusalem, we light a candle of peace...

Reader Two: Because hatred is still so strong, because so many swords have not yet been beaten into plowshares, we light a candle of peace... *(Light the second candle in your Advent wreath.)*

Reader One: May the light from this candle overwhelm the world...

Reader Two: May the light from this candle say to all that God's peace is coming on earth as it already is in heaven...

Reader One: Friends, be not afraid, God's peace is at hand...

**I confess to almighty God, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned through my own fault, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do; and I ask blessed Mary, all the angels and saints, and you, my sisters and brothers, to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

## ABSOLUTION

May Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life. **AMEN**

OPENING PRAYER

**O God of Advent, uphold your children as we wait for your reign. Help us to faithfully keep peaceful watch even as we live at times in anguish. AMEN**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

1st Reading

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

**Show us, O Lord, your mercy and kindness,  
and grant us your salvation, and grant us your salvation.**

2nd Reading

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (sung)

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Give the glory and the honor to the Lord!**

The Lord is with you. **And also with you.**

A reading from the holy + Gospel according to.....

**Glory to you, Lord.**

The Gospel, the Good News of Jesus Christ.

**Praise to you Jesus Christ! HOMILY**

PROFESSION OF FAITH (A creed from the United Church of Canada, 1980)

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

**We believe in God:**

**who has created and is creating,  
who has come in Jesus,  
the Word made flesh,  
to reconcile and make new,  
who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

**We trust in God.**

**We are called to be the Church:**

**to celebrate God's presence,  
to love and serve others,  
to seek justice and resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus,  
crucified and risen,  
our judge and our hope.**

**In life, in death, in life beyond death,**

**God is with us.**

**We are not alone. Thanks be to God.**



## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Called by John the Baptist to prepare for the coming of the Lord, let us pray:

\*For our church, for the peace and social justice ministries of the church and for all those who benefit from these ministries, we pray: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

\*For all the nations of the world, for unity where there is division; for dialogue where there is misunderstanding; for generosity where there is self-interest; for a world that is safe for all people, we pray: **Lord, hear our prayer**

\*For those whose lives are threatened, for the very poor, the very old and the very young, for all those whose lives must be protected, we pray: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For what else shall we pray?

For all these spoken prayers

and for all those unspoken in our hearts, we pray:

**Gentle, yet powerful God, we need the comfort that you alone can bring. In these challenging times that often cause fear and anxiety, let us not lose sight that you are with us. Bless us as we look for your presence amid all we experience during this holy season. We ask this in the name of Jesus. AMEN**

### **Preparation: Signs of Your Coming**

**The lion and the lamb will lie down in peace.**

**Justice prevails, all warring will cease.**

**The cobra's den is where the children will play.**

**Weapons bring life, not death on that day.**

Refrain: **Signs of Your coming, Your kingdom is near.**

**Come Lord Emmanuel, Come Lord Emmanuel,**

**Come Lord Emmanuel, God with us here.**

**Blinded eyes will see, the silent will speak.  
Courage and strength for all who are weak.  
The lame will leap with joy, and deaf ears will hear.  
On God's holy mountain, no sorrow or fear.** Refrain

## SIGN OF PEACE

Jesus you said to your friends, I leave you peace, my peace I give you. Grant that all of God's children may enjoy the peace and unity of your reign where you live forever and ever. **AMEN**

The peace of Jesus is with each of you! **And also with you!**

Deacon: Let us offer each other a sign of peace and then join together around the Table of the Lord.

## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*(Presider lifts paten with bread into hands and says:)*

Blessed are you, God of all Creation, through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made, it will become for us the bread of life.

### **Blessed be God forever!**

*(Wine and water are poured into the chalice. Presider says:)*

By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity.

*(Presider takes chalice and says:)*

Blessed are you, God of all Creation, through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become for us our spiritual drink.

### **Blessed be God forever!**

As we prepare to break this bread and share this cup we remember those who journey with us. For those who travel the way of the Hindus, those who follow the path of Buddha, for our sisters and brothers of Islam, for Native peoples everywhere, for the Jewish people from whom we come, for all Christians and for all others who walk the way of faith..

**Holy God, accept this offering,  
for the praise and glory of Your name,  
for our good and the good of all Your people.**

Christ lived and died for love.

Let us remember him with this feast.

**All who seek God and are drawn to Christ  
are welcome at God's table.**

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

**God of Peace, we are nothing without you.  
As you sustain us with your mercy,  
receive our prayers and offerings. AMEN**

PREFACE

The Lord is with you. **And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to our God.  
**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Eternal God, Creator of all, it is right that we give you praise and glory as we come in thanksgiving, for you are the one God, living and true. Source of life, you have blessed all creation in love and in joy. You never cease to call us to a new and more abundant life.

**You invite us to trust in your mercy for you are always ready to forgive us and to gift us with peace when we forgive, too. You ask us to serve the family of God by opening our hearts to the fullness of your Holy Spirit and to proclaim the power of your love.**

In wonder and gratitude, we join our voices with the choirs of angels and saints who have gone before us, as we sing together:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord! **Holy, holy, holy, Lord!**  
God of power and might! **God of power and might!**  
**Hosanna in the highest!**  
Heaven and earth are full! **Heaven and earth are full!**  
Full of your glory! **Full of your glory!**  
**Hosanna in the highest!**  
Blessed are they who come! **Blessed are they who come!**  
Who come in the name of God!  
**Who come in the name of God!**  
**Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!**

Loving God, you are holy indeed. All life, all holiness comes from you. We come to thank you for your Son, Jesus for it is through him that we experience your message of total acceptance of all people, a welcome that includes everyone and invites everyone to this Eucharistic table of equals. **It was Jesus who healed all divisions and recognized You, His Father, present within all of creation.**  
**He brought to light your way of compassion and justice, helping us to understand the need to care for each other with dignity and respect.**

Deacon: He taught us by his life and by his death and resurrection to be true to ourselves, even if we, also, might need to give up everything as he did. For it is in our own dying, that we, too, rise to new life.

*(Presider extends hand over bread and wine and says:)*

So now we remember another table filled with love and thanksgiving – that of the Last Supper. Let your Spirit come upon these our gifts to make them holy so that they may become for us + the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

*(Presider takes bread and says:)*

It was at table with his friends that Jesus took bread and broke it, gave it to his disciples and said,

**Take this, all of you, and eat it.**

**This is my body which will be given up for you.**

*(Presider takes chalice and says:)*

When the supper was ended, again he gave you thanks and praise, gave the cup to his disciples and said,

**Take this, all of you, and drink from it: This is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and everlasting covenant. It will be shed for you and for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me.**

Deacon: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith: (sung)

**Dying you destroyed our death. Rising you restored our life. Lord, Jesus come in glory! (repeat)**

In memory of his death and resurrection, we offer you, Compassionate God, this life-giving bread, this saving cup. May all of us who share in the body and blood of Christ, be brought together in unity by the Holy Spirit.

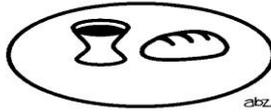
Deacon: One with the love of Christ, and joined with the love of all of us gathered here, we send prayers to all in leadership in every place of worship, especially for our Bishop Francis, and for all who serve the people of God.

**We pray for all countries and their leaders that they may create justice and equality for their peoples; may peace come to our own country as well as to all the troubled lands of our world.**

We pray for all who are sick that health may soon be theirs, especially we pray for all who have died: (pause)

May they be in peace and may they welcome us, one day, into the place of eternal peace.

**In that new world where the fullness of your peace will be revealed, gather people of every race, language and way of life to share in the one eternal banquet with Jesus Christ the Lord.**



*(Bread and wine are held up as **WE** sing...)*

**Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all glory and honor is yours, almighty God, for ever and ever. Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen. (repeat)**

Deacon: Let us join hands and pray what Jesus has taught us to pray (chanted):

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;  
Thy kingdom come thy will be done  
On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread;  
And forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours  
Now and forever.**

#### **BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

We break this bread and drink this cup  
for the earth we have wasted, for those who have no bread  
and for ourselves in our brokenness.

**Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us;  
Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us;  
Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.**

*(Presider breaks a small piece of host & drops it into chalice saying:)*

May this mingling of the holy body and blood of Jesus Christ  
bring eternal life to us who receive it.

**Jesus, with faith in your love and mercy we receive this Eucharist. Let it bring us health in mind, body and spirit.**

This is Jesus the Christ who taught us how to live.

Happy are we who are called to his supper.

**May we receive this gift in purity of heart.**

**May it bring us healing and strength now and forever.**

Deacon: Holy Communion is a great privilege, a precious feast. And the host invites us all. "In Christ, there is no Jew or Greek, slave or free, male or female. All are one in Christ Jesus." (Gal 3:28) We encourage you to take your place at this holy table, for we understand and acknowledge that this is Christ's table and that this sacred meal is Christ's supper. We are all invited guests. No one is excluded. All are welcomed here!

**Communion Songs: Comm 1:**

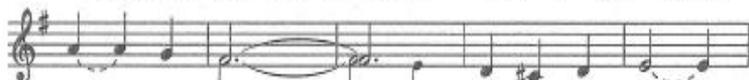
COME, LORD! MARANATHA/COME NOW, EMMANUEL

(Advent Week 2)

Flicky Manalo, CSP



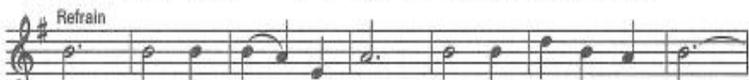
- Verses
1. Now is the time; pre - pare the way; sal - va - tion is
  2. Now is the time; re - form your lives. The reign \_\_\_ of
  3. Com - fort, O God, \_\_\_ grant to us. \_\_\_ Ten - der - ly
  4. Take off the robe of mourn - ing; \_\_\_ put on the



1. close \_\_\_ at hand. Make straight \_\_\_ the paths \_\_\_
2. God is at hand! On \_\_\_ that day a
3. speak \_\_\_ your Word. Then shall your glo - ry
4. splen - dor of God. Wrap on the cloak of



1. of \_\_\_ the Lord. Lift up your voic - es and pray:
2. shoot \_\_\_ shall sprout, blos - som - ing; so let us pray:
3. be \_\_\_ re - vealed; help us to cry out with zeal:
4. jus - tice and light, guid - ing us all through the night.



Refrain  
Come, Lord! Ma - ra - na - tha! Come and bring us your peace.



Come, Lord, Ma - ra - na - tha! Come to us; set us



free. Come, Lord, and bring us your peace.

**Comm 2: #208 There Is a Longing**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Holy God, may our communion teach us to love heaven.  
May its promise and hope guide our way on earth.**

**AMEN**

FINAL BLESSING The Lord is with you...**And also with you.**

Deacon: Let us bow our heads and pray for God's  
Blessing...

May God give you grace never to sell yourself short,  
grace to risk something big for something good,  
grace to remember that the world is now too dangerous  
for anything but truth and too small for anything but love.

**AMEN**

May our loving God bless you today and always:  
Father, Son + and Holy Spirit. **AMEN**

DISMISSAL

Deacon: Our mass never ends, it must be lived. So let us  
go forth to love and serve the Lord! Thanks be to God!  
Alleluia!



December 10: Human Rights Day (*anniversary of the United Nations' adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in 1948*)

The future belongs to those who give the next generation reason for hope. — *Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, S.J.*

# SENDING:

JUSTICE, SOCIETY

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## I've Got a Robe

1 I've got a robe, you've got a robe, all of God's chil-dren got a robe.  
2 I've got . . shoes, you've got . . shoes, all of God's chil-dren got . . shoes.  
3 I've got . . wings, you've got . . wings, all of God's chil-dren got . . wings.  
4 I've got a crown, you've got a crown, all of God's chil-dren got a crown.

When I get to heav - en goin' to put on my robe,  
When I get to heav - en goin' to put on my shoes,  
When I get to heav - en goin' to put on my wings,  
When I get to heav - en goin' to put on my crown,

goin' to shout all o - ver God's heav-en, heav-en, heav-en.  
goin' to walk all o - ver God's heav-en, heav-en, heav-en.  
goin' to fly all o - ver God's heav-en, heav-en, heav-en.  
goin' to shout all o - ver God's heav-en, heav-en, heav-en.

Ev - 'ry - bod - y talk - in' 'bout heav - en ain't go - in' there;  
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heav-en, heav-en, goin' to shout all o-ver God's heav-en.  
 heav-en, heav-en, goin' to walk all o-ver God's heav-en.  
 heav-en, heav-en, goin' to fly all o-ver God's heav-en.  
 heav-en, heav-en, goin' to shout all o-ver God's heav-en.

- 5 I've got a harp, you've got a harp,  
 all of God's children got a harp.  
 When I get to heaven goin' to play my harp,  
 goin' to play all over God's heaven, heaven, heaven.  
 Ev'rybody talkin' 'bout heaven ain't goin' there;  
 heaven, heaven, goin' to play all over God's heaven.
- 6 I've got a song, you've got a song,  
 all of God's children got a song.  
 When I get to heaven goin' to sing my song,  
 goin' to sing all over God's heaven, heaven, heaven.  
 Ev'rybody talkin' 'bout heaven ain't goin' there;  
 heaven, heaven, goin' to sing all over God's heaven.
- 7 I've got a prayer, you've got a prayer,  
 all of God's children got a prayer.  
 When I get to heaven goin' to pray my prayer,  
 goin' to pray all over God's heaven, heaven, heaven.  
 Ev'rybody talkin' 'bout heaven ain't goin' there;  
 heaven, heaven, goin' to pray all over God's heaven.

Text: African American spiritual  
 Music: African American spiritual

