

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 18, 2022
LOW MASS

CHRISTMAS NOVENA - DAY II

Antiphon: (Priest and People) O Adonai, and leader of the house of Israel, / Who didst appear to Moses in the fire of the flaming bush, / and gavest him the law on Sinai; / come and redeem us by Thy outstretched arm.

V. Drop down dew, ye heavens, from above, and let the clouds rain the Just One.

R. Let the earth be opened, and bud forth the Savior.

Priest: Let us pray. O sovereign, almighty Lord, come to redeem us! Heretofore Thou didst show Thyself to Moses in a fiery bush, Thou didst give Thy Law to Thy people amidst thunder and lightning on Mount Sinai; come and redeem us now in the goodness of Thy Heart, in kindness and love, Who livest and reignest world without end. **R. Amen.**

NOVENA PRAYER FOR ADVENT

Priest & People: Hail and blessed / be the hour and moment, / in which the Son of God was born / of the Most Pure Virgin Mary, / at midnight / in Bethlehem, in piercing cold. / At that hour, / vouchsafe / O my God, / to hear my prayer / and grant my petitions / through the merits of Our Savior Jesus Christ / and of His Blessed Mother. Amen.

TWELVE SUNDAYS OF THE MOTHER OF GOOD COUNSEL: WEEK 7

Antiphon: Priest & People: Happy art Thou,/ O Holy Virgin Mary,/ and worthy of all praise,/ for from thee/ is risen/ the Sun of Justice,/ Christ Our God,/ the Angel of Great Counsel./

V. Pray for us Our Mother of Good Counsel.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Priest: O God, by whose gift she who bore thy dear Son is our Mother too, and who wast pleased to make a beautiful picture of her famous for its miraculous appearance, we pray thee grant that by following her counsel always we may be enabled to live as thou wouldst have us live, and happily to reach our heavenly home: through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL

Priest & People: ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL, / defend us in battle; / be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. / May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, / and do thou, O prince of the heavenly host, / by the power of God, / cast into hell, Satan, and all the evil spirits, / who wander about the world, / seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

V. Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. **R. Have mercy on us.**

V. Holy Child Jesus, Doctor of the Sick.

R. Have mercy on us.

V. Our Mother of Consolation. **R. Pray for us.**

V. Immaculate Heart of Mary,

R. Pray for us now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

V. Pure Heart of St. Joseph, **R. Pray for us.**

V. May the Divine assistance remain always with us.

R. And may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN:

O COME, O COME EMMANUEL

O come, O come Emmanuel!
And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here,
Until the Son of God appear!

Refrain: Rejoice, rejoice! Emmanuel,
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Thou Dayspring, from on high,
And cheer us by Thy drawing nigh;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
And death's dark shadows put to flight.

