



Christ Church Anglican, Mexico City
Morning Prayer, Rite II
The First Sunday of Advent
November 29, 2020

Entrance Hymn

Hymnal 1982, No. 66 vs. 1,3,4

- 1 Come, thou long expected Jesus, born to set thy people free;
from our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in thee.
- 3 Born thy people to deliver, born a child, and yet a king,
born to reign in us for ever, now thy gracious kingdom bring.
- 4 By thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone;
by thine all sufficient merit raise us to thy glorious throne.

Opening Antiphon

O Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me, and bring me to
your holy hill and to your dwelling. (*Psalms 43:3*)

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People together, all kneeling

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,

and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest alone stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Alleluia.

Antiphon (*Together*)

The mercy of the Lord is everlasting: Come let us adore him.

Invitatory Psalm (*Together*)

Jubilate *Psalm 100*

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; *
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the Lord is good;
his mercy is everlasting; *
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

Antiphon (*Together*)

The mercy of the Lord is everlasting: Come let us adore him.

The Psalm Appointed (Sung - *Together*)

Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18

Qui regis Israel

1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.

2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, *
stir up your strength and come to help us.

3 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

4 O Lord God of hosts, *
how long will you be angered
despite the prayers of your people?

5 You have fed them with the bread of tears; *
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.

6 You have made us the derision of our neighbors, *
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.

7 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, *
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.

17 And so will we never turn away from you; *
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.

18 Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

The Lessons

The First Reading: Isaiah 64:1-9

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down,
so that the mountains would quake at your presence –
as when fire kindles brushwood
and the fire causes water to boil –
to make your name known to your adversaries,
so that the nations might tremble at your presence!
When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect,
you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.
From ages past no one has heard,
no ear has perceived,
no eye has seen any God besides you,
who works for those who wait for him.
You meet those who gladly do right,
those who remember you in your ways.
But you were angry, and we sinned;
because you hid yourself we transgressed.
We have all become like one who is unclean,
and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth.
We all fade like a leaf,
and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.
There is no one who calls on your name,
or attempts to take hold of you;
for you have hidden your face from us,
and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity.
Yet, O LORD, you are our Father;
we are the clay, and you are our potter;
we are all the work of your hand.

Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD,
and do not remember iniquity forever.
Now consider, we are all your people.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

Answer: Thanks be to God.

Responsory Cantic

15 The Song of Mary

Magnificat , S247 vs. 1,2,3

Antiphon:

- 1 My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior;
for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.
- 2 From this day all generations will call me blessed:
the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.
- 3 He has mercy on those who fear him
in every generation.

Antiphon

The Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind – just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you – so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

Answer: Thanks be to God.

Responsory Canticle

16 The Song of Zechariah

Benedictus Dominus Deus , S248

Antiphon:

In the tender compassion of our God
the dawn from on high shall break up on us.

1. Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; he has come to his people and set them free.
2. He has raised up for us a mighty savior, born of the house of his servant David.
3. Through his holy prophets he promised of old, that he would have us from our enemies, from the hands of all who hate us.
4. He promised to show mercy to our fathers and to remember his holy covenant.
5. This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
6. Free to worship him without fear, holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.
7. You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
8. To give his people knowledge of salvation

by the forgiveness of their sins.

9. In the tender compassion of our God
the dawn from on high shall break up on us,
10. To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death,
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Antiphon

Glory to the Father, to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Organ Interlude

Antonio Ortega
Christ Church Organist

Lo, How a Rose is growing

Johannes. Brahms

The Gospel: Mark 13:24-37

All standing as able, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying,

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord according to Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "In those days, after that suffering,

the sun will be darkened,
and the moon will not give its light,
and the stars will be falling from heaven,
and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory.
Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

“From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

“But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake – for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.”

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ

Sermon – The Rev. Susan Dennen de Rodríguez

The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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 thine is the kingdom,
 and the power, and the glory,
 for ever and ever. Amen.

The Prayers

Suffrages A (Book of Common Prayer [BCP], pp.97-98.)

V(erse). Show us your mercy, O Lord;
 R(esponse). And grant us your salvation.
 V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
 R. Let your people sing with joy.
 V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
 R. For only in you can we live in safety.
 V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
 R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
 V. Let your way be known upon earth;
 R. Your saving health among all nations.

- V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
 R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
 V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
 R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

The Collect for St. Andrew

November 30

Almighty God, who gave such grace to your apostle Andrew that he readily obeyed the call of your Son Jesus Christ, and brought his brother with him: Give us, who are called by your holy Word, grace to follow him without delay, and to bring those near to us into his gracious presence; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Collect for the First Sunday of Advent

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Collect for Sundays

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Collect for Mission

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. *Amen.*

The Prayers of the People

Sisters and brothers in Christ Jesus, this Advent season calls us to keep awake for the coming of our Lord. Confident that the days are coming when God who is faithful will keep his promises, let us offer our prayers in faith, responding to each petition in the words: *Come, Lord Jesus.*

For the Church in all places, and especially for this congregation: for Susan and Germán, priests in this parish; for the Anglican Communion: for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Enrique, our primate; for Carlos, our own bishop emeritus, and for all baptized persons. Grant that your people may be united in their witness to your love, faithful to your purposes, and strong in their commitment to the work of redemption.

For this we pray: *Come, Lord Jesus.*

For our Search Committee, our Vestry and our Wardens that they may find a new rector for us quickly, and in thankfulness for all they are doing in this time of uncertainty.

For this we pray: *Come, Lord Jesus.*

For the leaders of this city and country of Mexico, and for the leaders of every nation, that they may labor for justice, freedom, and dignity for every person, and that their efforts may hasten the reign of the Prince of Peace. We pray that the coming of this Christmas season may be a time of hope for all peoples who live in places of repression, political upheaval, and danger.

For this we pray: *Come, Lord Jesus.*

For this good earth which God has entrusted to us, that all people may have the humility to use its gifts wisely, and conserve its bounty for generations to come.

For this we pray: *Come, Lord Jesus.*

For those who are suffering, especially the aged and the infirm, the lonely and the forgotten, the imprisoned, the unemployed, and the destitute; for all victims of violence – kindle within them the gift of hope and grant that they may find comfort in the promise of Emanuel who is God-with-us.

For this we pray: *Come, Lord Jesus.*

For the troubled, the needy, the sick, and those in distress of any kind, especially those who are suffering in any way from Covid-19, and those who have commended themselves to our prayers: the people of Syria, Trini, Missy, Janet, Mina, Guillermo, Luz María, Monique, Irasema, Elizabeth, Marco, Cruz, Lorenzo, Fernando, Yvette, Louise, Jessica, Nancy, Jeanne, Daphne, Lois, and John. Grant them healing and relief in their difficulties.

For this we pray: *Come, Lord Jesus.*

We give thanks for the blessings which enrich our lives, and especially for the wonder of love and the joys of friendship and family that enrich our lives. We give thanks for our pets and the beauty of music. We remember with gladness those who celebrate birthdays this week: Bonny, Benjamín, José, and Diana. Grant that they may grow in grace and favor as they celebrate another year.

For this we pray: *Come, Lord Jesus.*

For those who have died whose hope was in Christ, the Word made Flesh, especially Charles Warman, Jack, Berto, Ángel, Jutta, Jane, Vivian, Magda, Janet, Juanita, Alfonso, Nancy, Sam, Jim, Ruth, Karin, Jimmy, Alys, Rafael, Josefina, Heather, Mercy, Adrián Fernando, Albert, Charlotte, and Bill. Grant them entrance into your kingdom of light and truth.

For this we pray: *Come, Lord Jesus.*

The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
 we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
 for all your goodness and loving-kindness
 to us and to all whom you have made.
 We bless you for our creation, preservation,
 and all the blessings of this life;
 but above all for your immeasurable love
 in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
 for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
 And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
 that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
 not only with our lips, but in our lives,
 by giving up ourselves to your service,
 and by walking before you
 in holiness and righteousness all our days;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,
 to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
 be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

Then may be said

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.
2 Corinthians 13:14

Birthdays this week:

Bonny Michel (30), Benjamín Medina (3), José Castro (5), Diana Gómez (6).

Please e-mail any special petitions for inclusion in the next Sunday's Prayers of the People by 5 p.m. on Monday to parish secretary Mary Rosa Casar:
mrosacasar@hotmail.com

Help Update Our Parish Directory

Our parish directory is a mess, and we need all our members' help in updating it.

Please send your current e-mail address, and home and cell telephone numbers to parish secretary Mary Rosa Casar at mrosacasar@hotmail.com (.) Or call her at the church office: 55 5202-0949 or 55 5520-3763.

If you wish, include the name(s) of your spouse or partner or children. Ditto if you want to indicate your nationality.

If you were recently contacted to verify your information, please disregard the above, and keep reading.

Please take the time to call or otherwise pass on this request to any church members who either don't use e-mail or whose contact information you know or suspect might have changed. And ask them to do the same. You might also check to see if someone saw this.

All information will be protected in conformity with the privacy laws and regulations of Mexico and Mexico City.

Por Favor Ayuden a Actualizar el Directorio de Nuestra Parroquia

Nuestro directorio de la parroquia tiene información muy antigua y por lo mismo no podemos contactar a todos los feligreses de la iglesia. Necesitamos de su ayuda para actualizarlo. Por favor manden su correo electrónico actual, el teléfono de su casa y de su celular a la secretaria parroquial Mary Rosa Casar al correo mrosacasar@hotmail.com o comuníquense con ella a la oficina de la iglesia: 55 5202-0949 o 55 5520-3763.

Si usted quiere puede incluir los nombres de su esposa, compañera, o hijos. Si quiere, puede dar su nacionalidad.

En caso de haber sido contactado recientemente para verificar su información, por favor haga caso omiso y continúe leyendo.

Por favor llame y si puede pase esta petición a cualquiera de los feligreses quienes no tienen correo electrónico o a quienes se han cambiado y no han actualizado sus datos. Y también pídale hacer lo mismo para hacer una gran cadena y tener la información que se necesita. Usted también podría preguntarles a los feligreses si han leído esta información.

Toda la información está protegida en conformidad con las leyes de privacidad de México y la Ciudad de México.

Our customary gatherings remain suspended due to the Covid-19 pandemic. In normal times, we celebrate Eucharist on Sundays in English at 8:30 a.m. in the Lady Chapel, and in the church proper at 10:30 a.m. (with music) and in Spanish at 12:30 p.m., with all welcome to all services.

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