

# WEEKDAYS OF ADVENT

from December 17 to 24

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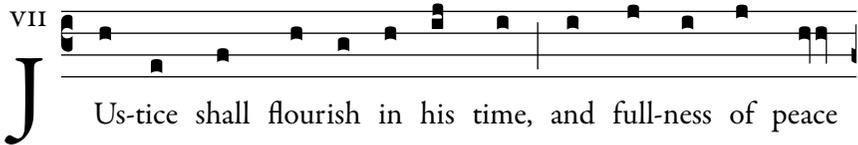
DECEMBER 17

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## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Cf. Ps 72 (71): 7

VII



for ev- er.

Psalm 72 (71): 1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17

1. O God, give your judgment *to the king*, \*  
to a king's son *your justice*,  
that he may judge your people *in justice*, \*  
and your poor in *right judgment*.
2. May the mountains bring forth peace *for the people*, \*  
and the *hills justice*.  
May he defend the poor *of the people*, \*  
and save the children of *the needy*.
3. In his days shall *justice flourish*, \*  
and great peace till the moon is *no more*.  
He shall rule from *sea to sea*, \*  
from the River to the bounds of *the earth*.
4. May his name *endure forever*, \*  
his name continue like *the sun*.  
Every tribe *shall be blest* in him, \*  
all nations shall call *him blessed*.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Cf. Ps 72 (71): 7*

VII

J Us-tice shall flourish in his time, and full-ness of peace

for ev- er.

Psalm 72 (71): 1-2, 12-13, 18-19ab

1. O God, give your judgment *to the king*, \*  
to a king's son *your justice*,  
that he may judge your people *in justice*, \*  
and your poor in *right judgment*.
2. For he shall save the needy *when they cry*, \*  
the poor, and those who *are helpless*.  
He will have pity on the weak *and the needy*, \*  
and save the lives of *the needy*.
3. Blest be the LORD, *God of Israel*, \*  
who alone *works wonders*,  
ever blest his *glorious name*. \*  
Let his glory *fill the earth*.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Cf. Ps 71 (70): 8a*

VII

M Y mouth shall be filled with your praise, and I will

sing your glo-ry!

Psalm 71 (70): 3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17

1. Be my rock, my *constant* refuge, \*  
a mighty stronghold *to save* me,  
for you are my *rock*, my **stronghold**. \*  
My God, free me from the hand of *the* wicked.
  
2. It is you, O LORD, who *are my hope*, \*  
my trust, O LORD, from *my youth*.  
On you I have leaned *from my birth*; \*  
from my mother's womb, you have been *my help*.
  
3. I will come with praise of your might, O LORD; †  
I will call to *mind your justice*, \*  
yours, O LORD, *alone*.  
O God, you have taught me *from my youth*, \*  
and I proclaim your wonders *still*.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Cf. Ps 24 (23): 7c and 10b*

VI

**L** ET the Lord en- ter; he is king of glo- ry.

## Psalm 24 (23): 1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6

1. The LORD's is the earth *and its fullness*, \*  
the world, and those who  *dwell in it*.  
It is he who set it  *on the seas*; \*  
on the rivers he  *made it firm*.
2. Who shall climb the mountain  *of the LORD*? \*  
Who shall stand in his  *holy place*?  
The clean of hands and  *pure of heart*, \*  
whose soul is not set  *on vain things*.
3. Blessings from the LORD shall  *he receive*, \*  
and right reward from the  *God who saves him*.  
Such are the  *people who seek him*, \*  
who seek the face of the  *God of Jacob*.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Ps 33 (32): 1a and 3a*

V  
**E** X-ult, you just, in the Lord! Sing to him a new song.

Psalm 33 (32): 2-3, 11-12, 20-21

1. Give thanks to the LORD upon *the harp*; \*  
with a ten-stringed lute *sing him songs*.  
O sing him a song that *is new*; \*  
play skillfully, with *shouts of joy*.
2. The designs of the LORD stand *forever*, \*  
the plans of his heart from *age to age*.  
Blessed the nation whose God is *the LORD*, \*  
the people he has chosen *as his heritage*.
3. Our soul is waiting for *the LORD*. \*  
He is our help *and our shield*.  
In him do our hearts *find joy*. \*  
We trust in his *holy name*.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Cf. 1 Sam 2: 1a*

IV

**M** Y heart ex-ults in the Lord, my Sa- vior.

1 Samuel 2: 1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd

1. "My heart exults in the **LORD**, \*  
my horn is exalted *in my God*.  
I have swallowed up my **enemies**; \*  
I rejoice *in my victory*."
2. "The bows of the mighty are **broken**, \*  
while the tottering *gird on strength*.  
The well-fed hire themselves out for **bread**, \*  
while the hungry *batten on spoil*.  
The barren wife bears seven **sons**, \*  
while the mother of *many languishes*."
3. "The **LORD** puts to death and gives life; †  
he casts down to the **nether world**; \*  
he raises *up again*.  
The **LORD** makes poor and makes **rich**, \*  
he humbles, he also *exalts*."
4. "He raises the needy from the **dust**; \*  
from the dung heap he lifts *up the poor*,  
To seat them with **nobles** \*  
and make a glorious *throne their heritage*."

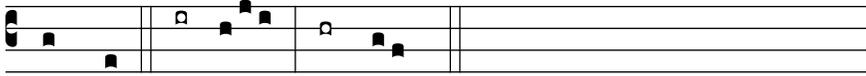
RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lk 21: 28

VII

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ift up your heads and see; your redemption is near



at hand.

Psalm 25 (24): 4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14

1. O LORD, make me *know your ways*. \*  
Teach me *your paths*.  
Guide me in your *truth*, and **teach** me; \*  
for you are the God of my *salvation*.
2. Good and upright *is the LORD*; \*  
he shows the way *to sinners*.  
He guides the humble *in right judgment*; \*  
to the humble he teaches *his way*.
3. All the LORD's paths are mercy *and faithfulness*, \*  
for those who keep his covenant and *commands*.  
The LORD's secret is for *those who fear* him; \*  
to them he reveals *his covenant*.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Cf. Ps 89 (88): 2a*

II

**F** Or ev- er I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Psalm 89 (88): 2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29

1. I will sing forever of your mercies, *O LORD*; \*  
 through all ages my mouth will proclaim *your fidelity*.  
 I have declared your mercy is established *forever*; \*  
 your fidelity stands firm *as the heavens*.
  
2. “With my chosen one I have made *a covenant*; \*  
 I have sworn to *David my servant*:  
 I will establish your descendants *forever*, \*  
 and set up your throne *through all ages*.”
  
3. He will call out to me, ‘You are *my father*, \*  
 my God, the rock of *my salvation*.’  
 I will keep my faithful love for *him* always; \*  
 with him my *covenant shall last*.

## ALLELUIA

III

A L- le- lu- ia, al- le- lu- ia, al- le- lu- ia.

### *December 17*

☩. O Wisdom of our God Most High, †  
guiding creation with power *and love*: \*  
come to teach us the path *of knowledge*!

### *December 18*

☩. O Leader of the House of Israel, †  
giver of the Law to Moses *on Sinai*: \*  
come to rescue us with your mighty **power**!

### *December 19*

☩. O Root of Jesses stem, †  
sign of Gods love for all *his people*: \*  
come to save us without *delay*!

### *December 20*

☩. O Key of David, †  
opening the gates of Gods eternal **Kingdom**: \*  
come and free the prisoners *of darkness*!

### *December 21*

☩. O Emmanuel, our King and Giver *of Law*: \*  
come to save us, Lord *our God*!

### *December 22*

☩. O King of all nations and keystone of *the Church*: \*  
come and save man, whom you formed from *the dust*!

*December 23*

ÿ. O King of all nations and keystone of *the Church*: \*  
come and save man, whom you formed from *the dust*!

*December 24*

ÿ. O Radiant Dawn, †  
splendor of eternal light, sun *of justice*: \*  
come and shine on those who dwell in darkness and in the  
shadow *of death*.