

Prayer During the Day in Advent

Preparation

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Your words have I hidden within my heart,
that I should not sin against you.

Psalm 119:11

Praise

A hymn, song, canticle, extempore praise or

Saviour eternal,
life of the world unfailing,
light everlasting
and our true redemption.

Taking our humanity
in your loving freedom,
you rescued our lost earth
and filled the world with joy.

By your first advent justify us,
by your second, set us free:
that when the great light dawns
and you come as judge of all,
we may be robed in immortality
and ready, Lord, to follow
in your footsteps blest, wherever they may lead.

Salus Aeterna

The Word of God

Psalm

- 1 How long will you forget me, O Lord; for ever?
 How long will you hide your face from me?
- 2 How long shall I have anguish in my soul
 and grief in my heart, day after day?
 How long shall my enemy triumph over me?

3 Look upon me and answer, O Lord my God;
lighten my eyes, lest I sleep in death;
4 Lest my enemy say, 'I have prevailed against him,'
and my foes rejoice that I have fallen.
5 But I put my trust in your steadfast love;
my heart will rejoice in your salvation.
6 I will sing to the Lord,
for he has dealt bountifully with me.

Psalm 13

The psalm may end with

**Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

Bible Reading(s)

Response

Silence, study, song, or words from Scripture, such as

**Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
for they will be filled.**

Matthew 5:6

Prayers

Keep us, O Lord, while we tarry on this earth,
in a serious seeking after you, and in an affectionate walking with you,
every day of our lives;
that when you come, we may be found not hiding our talent,
nor serving the flesh, nor yet asleep with our lamp unfurnished,
but waiting and longing for our Lord, our glorious God for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer is said.

The Conclusion

May the Lord make us ready for his coming in glory. **Amen.**