

# ADVENT

## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Ps 25 (24): 1-3

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God.  
In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame.  
Nor let my enemies exult over me;  
and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is not said.

### COLLECT

**G**RANT your faithful, we pray, almighty God,  
the resolve to run forth to meet your Christ  
with righteous deeds at his coming, so that, gathered at his right hand,  
they may be worthy to possess the heavenly Kingdom.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

The Creed is said.

### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

**A**CCEPT, we pray, O Lord, these offerings we make,  
gathered from among your gifts to us,  
and may what you grant us to celebrate devoutly here below  
gain for us the prize of eternal redemption.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface I of Advent, p. 516.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Ps 85 (84): 13

The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase.

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**M**AY THESE MYSTERIES, O Lord,  
in which we have participated,  
profit us, we pray,  
for even now, as we walk amid passing things, you teach us by them  
to love the things of heaven and hold fast to what endures.  
Through Christ our Lord.

A formula of Solemn Blessing, p. 658, may be used.



MAY 31

THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Feast

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Ps 66 (65): 16

Come and hear, all who fear God;  
I will tell what the Lord did for my soul (E.T. alleluia).

The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

COLLECT

**A**LMIGHTY ever-living God,  
who, while the Blessed Virgin Mary  
was carrying your Son in her womb,  
inspired her to visit Elizabeth,  
grant us, we pray,  
that, faithful to the promptings of the Spirit,  
we may magnify your greatness  
with the Virgin Mary at all times.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

**M**AY OUR OFFERING of this saving sacrifice  
be acceptable to your majesty, O Lord,  
as you were pleased to accept the charity  
of the most Blessed Mother of your Only Begotten Son.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Preface II of the Blessed Virgin Mary, p. 576.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Lk 1: 48-49

All generations will call me blessed,  
for he who is mighty has done great things for me,  
and holy is his name (E.T. alleluia).