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**First Sunday of Advent**

Almighty God,

prophets and scriptures prepare your way:

open our minds to discern your purpose,

turn us from all darkness,

and prepare us for the coming of your light.

Through Jesus Christ our Liberator,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**Second Sunday of Advent**

Gracious God,

John the Baptizer prepared your way:

help us hear your word to us,

and give us the grace to respond.

For you are alive and reign with the Father

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

**Third Sunday of Advent**

Loving God,

John foresaw repentance

and justice to signal your coming.

Shape our lives,

sift our thoughts,

weigh our actions,

and make us ready for that great day.

For you are alive and reign with the Father

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**Fourth Sunday of Advent**

God,

your purpose exceeds our understanding:

grant us the grace you gave to Mary.

Help us recognise your presence,

and, at our end, know the joy of your embrace.

Through Jesus Christ our Liberator,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**The Season of Christmas**

**Christmas**

**Proper I**

Emmanuel,

this is the time of hope and wonder.

Your bed laid first among the poor,

and your birth declared first to the humble.

Guide us to seek you first amongst the poor,

the vulnerable, and unprivileged.

For you are alive and reign with the Father

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

**Christmas Day**

**Proper 2**

God of Wonder, source of all joy,

shepherds rejoiced at the message of the angels:

open our minds and hearts toward you; and

renew our hope and joy in your presence;

For you are alive and reign with the Father

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

**Proper 3**

Eternal God, holy and glorious,

shining through the darkness;

lighten the darkness of our world,

of our minds, and of our lives,

awaken us to your grace and truth.

Through Jesus Christ our Liberator,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**First Sunday of Christmas**

You O God are the living Word,

you elude us, yet surprise us by your presence:

encourage us to seek you,

and let our searching help others find their way.

For you are alive and reign with the Father

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

**The Second Sunday of Christmas**

Glorious God, all time is enfolded in you, and

your Son reveals your glory.

Warm our hearts to love you,

arouse our minds to discern you,

and strengthen our wills to serve you.

Through Jesus Christ our Liberator,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**Epiphany**

**The Epiphany of our Lord Jesus Christ**

God of all wisdom,

As the wise ones were guided to your stable by a star,

lead us through this world with gifts of

love, reason, and wisdom

so that we shall know and love you,

our beginning and our end.

For you are alive and reign with the Father

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

**Baptism of the Lord**

God, ever present;

closer than breath;

disclosed in prayer.

Let us know your presence,

strengthen us to serve you,

and guide us in your service.

Through Jesus Christ our Liberator,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**Second Sunday of Epiphany**

God of Feast and community,

Jesus blessed a wedding,

and turned water into wine.

Let our lives bless you,

and our work reveal the wine of your presence.

Through Jesus Christ our Liberator,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Or,

Feasting God,

you give us a foretaste of your transforming power;

continue to change us so that we may, more and more, reveal your glory,

and all creation share the fullness of your life;

through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

**Third Sunday of Epiphany**

Faithful and compassionate God,

Jesus was not received in his home town and

still we fail to recognise you.

Grant us hearts and minds receptive to your word,

and give us the love and will to serve you;

Through Jesus Christ our Liberator,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Or,

God of justice and compassion,

you anointed Jesus to bring good news to the poor,

freedom from bondage,

and new vision to the blind;

send your Spirit upon us

so we proclaim and live your new life;

through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

**Fourth Sunday of Epiphany**

Loving God,

your loving purpose and mercy exceed all imagining.

Remove from us any narrowness of mind

or heart that limits your grace,

and strengthen our will to follow wherever you may lead us.

Through Jesus Christ our Liberator,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Or,

Surprising God,

we who were outsiders are included around your table;

may we learn to welcome those you welcome

through the scandal of the cross of Jesus the Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

**The Presentation of Jesus in the Temple**

God, infinite in purpose,

faithful watchers in the temple

welcomed Christ to the Father’s house,

glimpsed the glory and the pain to come.

Give us the faith to wait and watch for you.

Give us the perception to recognise you.

Through Jesus Christ our Liberator,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**Season of Lent**

**Ash Wednesday**

Merciful God,

you know us through and through but still

remain patient, always calling us into truth and wholeness.

Free us from hypocrisy and shallowness of faith,

protect us from illusion and deceit,

and form in us the integrity of your Son.

Through Jesus Christ our Liberator,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**First Sunday in Lent**

Holy God,

tested by the evil one, your Son did not yield,

defend us from the deceits of wealth and power,

shield us from despair,

and hold us fast to you, our rock and our truth.

Through Jesus Christ our Liberator,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**Second Sunday in Lent**

God, steadfast in love and purpose,

your Son was not diverted from Jerusalem and the cross.

Amid all business and distraction keep us focussed on your purpose.

In times of uncertainty or anxiety, steady us.

Through Jesus Christ our Liberator,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**Third Sunday in Lent**

Holy God,

merciful and patient over all creation,

who confronts our casual and fruitless ways,

fire our hearts with compassion,

quicken our minds against deceit and shallowness,

and strengthen our wills to resist evil

and follow Christ.

Through Jesus Christ our Liberator,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**Fourth Sunday in Lent**

God, faithful and loving,

though we lose our way you seek us and call us back.

Give us the courage to face our faults.

Help us to repent, reconcile, and amend our ways that we may find our peace.

Through Jesus Christ our Liberator,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**Fifth Sunday in Lent**

God, all love comes from you;

Mary’s perfume on Christ’s feet,

and his blood spent upon the cross,

signal your extravagance.

Warm our hearts with your love,

deliver us from all meanness of spirit,

and make us generous in all we are,

Through Jesus Christ our Liberator,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**Sixth Sunday in Lent/Palm Sunday**

God of saints and sinners,

these palms will dry and fade,

and shouts of ‘hosanna’ will change to ‘crucify’.

Forgive our treachery,

grant us faithfulness to follow Christ.

Through Jesus Christ our Liberator,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**Easter**

**Easter Day**

Alleluia, God Eternal;

death cannot contain your glory,

nor our mind confine this mystery.

Give us faith’s insight,

free us from all fear,

and release in us the Risen Christ.

Through Jesus Christ our Liberator,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**Second Sunday of Easter**

Alleluia, God Eternal;

locked doors or closed minds cannot bar you.

Let our questions and our doubts lead us to you.

Let us seek your truth, discern your will,

and trust your love.

For you are alive and reign with the Father

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**Third Sunday of Easter**

Alleluia, God Eternal,

Jesus restored disheartened friends

at breakfast on the beach.

Alert us to your presence,

restore us when we falter or despair,

and let us always hope in you;

Through Jesus Christ our Liberator,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

Alleluia, God Eternal,

our guide and our protector,

in troubles and uncertainty, lead us;

in fearfulness and hardship, secure us.

Through Jesus Christ our Liberator,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

Alleluia, God Eternal;

love marks your presence.

Plant in us your love,

nurture in us your likeness,

and let us reflect your glory.

For you are alive and reign with the Father

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

Alleluia, God Eternal;

grace and wholeness show your glory.

Deliver us from sin’s oppression,

free us from despair,

and have us stand to reflect the glory of Christ.

Through Jesus Christ our Liberator,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**Ascension Day**

Eternal God,

no sight or thought can follow Christ this day;

your dazzling purpose only faith may guess:

draw our dull hearts and sluggish minds to follow you.

Through Jesus Christ our Liberator,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**Seventh Sunday of Easter (Sunday after Ascension)**

Eternal God,

Between Ascension and the Spirit;

Between your going and your coming;

we await your purpose.

Grant us expectant hearts,

and give us the vision of your reign.

For you are alive and reign with the Father

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

**Whitsunday/Pentecost**

Holy Spirit of God,

as of fire, forging, purging, all-consuming:

touch us with love,

purge us from the dross of sin and self,

so that we may tell your glory

in the furnace of the world.

With the Father and the Son,

you live and reign,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

**Trinity Sunday**

God, glorious in Trinity,

no dimensions can define you

or thoughts contain you.

Beyond stretch of time and space

you unfold the cosmos,

from the rising of the sun,

to its setting, blessed are you,

trinity in unity.

This we ask through Jesus Christ our Mediator. **Amen.**

**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Sunday between 4 and 10 February)**

God of mission,

you call us by name;

as you send us out

may we continue to follow you,

listening to your word,

living your life,

and declaring your message;

through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

Or

All-knowing God, by the lake Christ called

disciples to abundant life.

Guide us in all you would have us do,

give us the will and wisdom to obey you,

and help us to follow you trustfully and fearlessly,

so that our lives may be rich and fruitful.

Through Jesus Christ our Liberator,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Sunday between 11 and 17 February or between 8 and 14 May)**

God of transformation,

you heal our troubled spirit;

turn our hearts to follow your way of humility

that we may find the blessing of new life;

through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

**Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Sunday between 18 and 24 February or between 15 and 21 May)**

God of welcome,

we encounter you in those different from us;

enlarge the tent of our lives

to embrace both friend and foe,

so that we grow to be more like you;

through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

**Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Sunday between 25 February and 3 March or between 24 and 28 May)**

God our rock,

the solid ground of our being;

help us dig deeply into your rich soil,

graft us into Christ the good tree,

so that we bear fruit that will last;

through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

**Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Sunday between 4 and & March or between 29 May and 4 June)**

God of all people,

you plant faith in the soil of our lives;

may it flourish to fullness of life;

in Jesus, the source of all goodness,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

## Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (between 5 and 11 June)

Consoling God,

you bring life from death,

and hope from despair;

may those who suffer trials

be united with Christ’s passion,

and share the power of the resurrection;

through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

## Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (between 12 and 18 June)

Extravagant God,

you have forgiven our many sins;

may our love increase

and reflect your bounteous pardon;

through Jesus, your justice,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

## Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time (between 19 and 25 June)

God of liberation,

you free us from the chains that bind us;

may you re-clothe us in our rightful mind,

and send us to share your love

with those around us;

through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

## Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (between 26 June and 2 July)

Sovereign God,

we have no good apart from you;

gladden our hearts in following your radical call

so that in your presence we may find the fullness of joy;

through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

## Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (between 3 and 9 July)

God of nations,

your boundless compassion for all

is like a mother’s care for her children;

make us heralds of your reign of peace and justice

so that we bring your transforming power

to all you have created in your love;

through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

## Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (between 10 and 16 July)

Guiding God,

your wisdom is never far from us;

may we love you with all our heart, and soul, and strength, and mind,

and love our neighbours as ourselves;

through Jesus, the compassionate one,

who walks with us every step of the way,

and is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

## Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (between 17 and 23 July)

God our home,

in Christ you are always with us;

in all our daily activities

help us not to be so worried and distracted by many things

that we forget the one thing we need,

and lose the better part, which will be ours forever;

through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

## Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (between 24 and 30 July)

Provident Father,

you grant the Holy Spirit to all who call upon you;

may we so ask that we joyfully receive,

search that we may fully find,

and knock that the door of compassion is opened;

through Christ our Mediator,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

**Amen**.

## Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (between 31 and 6 August)

Generous God,

you give us many gifts

to lead us into the fullness of life;

keep us from clinging to what is fleeting,

and help us to hold firm to all that lasts;

through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

## Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (between 7 and 13 August)

God our treasure,

the reign of your love and justice is your gift;

light our lamps against the darkness,

and equip us for your action,

so we are ready

and do not miss your coming;

through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

## Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (between 14 and 20 August)

God of fire and water,

your searing justice

has set alight the earth;

may we share Christ’s baptism,

even when it leads to pain and division;

through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

## Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time (between 21 and 27 August)

Redeeming God,

you draw us all to you through love rather than law;

set us free from any bondage,

so we and all your children stand upright in the dignity you give us,

praising you and proclaiming your wonders;

through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

## Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (between 28 and 3 September)

Celebrating God,

in the humble Christ

you take the lowest place among us;

may we see and serve you

in the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind;

through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

## Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (between 4 and 10 September)

God of gentleness,

you give up all to be with us;

enable us to love, obey, and hold fast to you alone,

so that we may complete what we have started,

built on the foundation of Jesus Christ,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

## Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (between 11 and 17 September)

Rejoicing God,

you pursue us more than we seek after you,

and tenderly exult when we find our life in you;

may we share in your delight

and in your care

for the lonely and the lost;

through Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

## Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (between 18 and 24 September)

God our true wealth,

may we be faithful in things both small and great ,

and serve the needy and the poor,

so that finally we can be entrusted with your true riches;

through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

## Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (between 25 and 1 October)

God of resurrection,

where there is death, you bring new life;

challenge our attachment to wealth and power,

so that we may release others

from the chains of poverty, hunger, and injustice,

and the whole earth live to praise your name;

through the Risen Christ,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

## Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (between 2 and 8 October

God our shield and our rampart,

it is your strength, not the size of our faith

that supports us in all life’s difficulties;

may we be content to simply serve,

and, when our labours are done,

all gather as equals around your table;

through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

## Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (between 9 and 15 October)

Life-giving God,

as we experience your healing,

may we proclaim your deeds,

and turn to you to offer thanks and praise;

through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

## Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (between 16 and 22 October)

Holy One,

nameless, you stay with us;

even when we wrestle in the darkness

may we never lose heart

until your justice is fulfilled;

through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

## Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (between 23 and 29 October)

Forgiving God,

your covenant is firm;

be merciful to us,

and grant us to live in your presence, ever singing your praise;

through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

## Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time (between 30 October and 5 November)

Banqueting God,

unworthy though we are

you call us to your table;

may we rejoice in your presence,

and share your bounty abundantly with others;

through Jesus, the Bread of Life,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

## Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (between 6 and 12 November)

God of new beginnings,

you hold life and death in your hands;

may our hope in your power and love

strengthen us to live creatively,

not fearing the future,

but knowing that in the end all shall be well;

through the Risen Christ,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

## Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (between 13 and 19 November)

God our end,

as the sun of righteousness rises with healing in its wings,

save us in our time of trial,

so that we do not succumb,

but endure in your eternal embrace;

through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen**.

## Thirty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time / Feast of Christ the King

Christ who reigns, you care for the least amongst us,

give us courage to enact your gospel in all the world,

that all people may see your glory.

For you are alive and reign with the Father,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God now and forever.

**Amen.**