

# First Sunday of Advent, Year A

**Key Themes:** All nations will be gathered in eternal peace in the Kingdom of God. Let us go rejoicing to God's house. Wake up, be ready, for the time has come, our salvation is near. Live in the light. Stay awake, you must be ready.

- Notes:**
- (1) Advent is a season of preparation, reflection and waiting. Try and reflect this in your music. A change of the Mass setting is desirable - see below.
  - (2) Memorial acclamations 1 & 2 emphasise "... until you come again" and are more appropriate for this season. Remember we are leading up to Christmas - try and avoid pieces such as the Celtic Alleluia, whose energy better suits Christmas. If we have all our grand music during Advent, there is no contrast with what has gone before (ordinary time) and what comes after (the Christmas Season).
  - (3) Remember that the Gloria is not said in Advent. - play the Kyrie if appropriate. Please try to use the Advent Alleluia - we have done this before - and the Advent hymns listed below

Advent Hymns	God Beyond All Names		GAUS	393
	Holy Darkness (vss 1,2 5)	Schutte	AOV2	24
	Come, Lord Jesus, Come (has 1 verse for each Sunday)		CWB	234

**Mass:** Mass for Moderns or Missa Emmanuel

Psalm:	Let Us Go Rejoicing	Colin Smith		
	Let Us Go Rejoicing	Willcock	GAUS	72
	Let Us Go Rejoicing	Joncas	GTR	53
	Let Us Go Rejoicing	Kremer/Gelineau	CWB	

**Suggested Alleluia:** Advent Alleluia (Joncas)

Other Hymns:	<b>Advent Litany</b>		<b>GAUS</b>	<b>270</b>
	Advent Song (Esp. Vs 4)		GAUS	281
	Bread Of Life, Hope Of The World (Note: Advent verses available)		GAUS	199
	Christ, Be Our Light		GAUS	404
	City Of God		GAUS	498
	Come To Set Us Free		GAUS	277
	Gather Us In		GAUS	526
	Gather Your People		GAUS	530
	Hark, A Herald's Voice Is Calling		CWB2	239
	Let Heaven Rejoice (Vss. 1 & 2)		AOV1	124
	Now In This Banquet (use Advent Response)		GAUS	197
	O Come, O Come, Emmanuel		GAUS	285
	O Come, Divine Messiah		CWB2	240
	Praise To You, O Christ Our Saviour		GAUS	407
	Shine, Jesus, Shine	Kendrick	AOV2	59
	Sing Out, Earth And Skies	Haugen	AOV2	32
	Wait For The Lord		GAUS	283
	Wake, O Wake And Sleep No Longer		GAUS	282

Hymns of Interest:	Awake, O Sleeper		GAUS	173
	I Rejoiced	Farrell - Christ, Be Our Light		
	I Rejoiced	Foley	G&P	
	My Soul In Stillness Waits		GAUS	280
	The River Will Rise	Conry	GTR	173