LITURGICAL SONG

Music Recommendations

Fourth Sunday of Advent - Year B

Sunday 20 December 2026

The following reading references, psalm responses, antiphons and music recommendations are provided to assist music coordinators in preparing for their particular parish community Mass.

Readings

1st Reading

2 Sm 7:1-5. 8-12.14.16

The kingdom of David will be established for ever in the sight of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm [PAT2-89a]

Ps 88 (89):2-5. 27. 29. R. see v.2

For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

2nd Reading

Rom 16:25-27

The mystery kept secret for endless ages is now revealed.

Gospel Acclamation [GA-v5]

Lk 1:38

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the servant of the Lord:
may his will for me be done.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Lk 1:26-38

You will conceive and bear a son.

Antiphons

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Is 45:8

Drop down dew from above, you heavens,
and let the clouds rain down the Just One;
let the earth be opened and bring forth a Saviour.

Offertory Antiphon (Graduale Romanum)

Lk 1:28

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.
Blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb.

Communion Antiphon

Is 7:14

Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a son;
and his name will be called Emmanuel.

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Advent litany (Word of justice)	G	L	CWBII-253 GA-279 LC-8	X				L		X								
Advent song (Gather in hope)		L	GA-281	X														
Alleluia (Glendalough Mass)		L	GLEN-3						X									
* **Alleluia (Mass of Glory and Praise)**	A	L	CWBII-25c MGP-3 MPS-7 GOS-1						X									
* **Alleluia (Mass of the Saints)**	A	L	MPS-38 GOS-3						X									
Alleluia (Mode II)		L	GOS-4						X									
Alma redemptoris mater			CWBII-403															
Amen (Chant)		P	CWBII-13 CHANT-7										X					
Amen (Glendalough Mass)		L	GLEN-8										X					
Amen (Mass of Our Lady Help of Christians)			CWBII-23e MOLHC-5										X					
Amen (Mass of the Saints)		L	MPS-43										X					
Behold, a rose is growing	G		TiS-294							X								
Bread of life, hope of the world		L	CWBII-459 AOV1-164 GA-199 LC-25					L								X		
Come to set us free		L	CWBII-233 AOV1-39 GA-277							X								
Come, Lord Jesus, come	G	L C	CWBII-234 LC-34	X				L		X								
Come, O Jesus, come, O Lord		L	CWB-658 NLP-46	X						X								
Come, O long expected Jesus		C L	CWBII-232 CWB-657	X														
Emmanuel		L S	SS-140	X														
Emmanuel (Together in this place of worship)		C	AOVNG-40	X													X	
Eternal God who made the stars			CWBII-236							X								
God of Abraham		L	AOV1-137 GA-306							X								X

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God's call		L	Liturgical Song Single Song Downloads														X	
* **Hail Mary: Gentle woman**	G	L	GA-544 LC-51														X	
* **Hail, Mary, full of grace / Ave Maria (Chant)**	G	L	NLP-25A														X	
Holy Virgin, by God's decree		C	CWBII-410 CWB-714															
Holy, Holy, Holy (Glendalough Mass)		L	GLEN-4								X							
Holy, Holy, Holy (Mass of Our Lady Help of Christians)			CWBII-23c MOLHC-3								X							
Holy, Holy, Holy (Mass of the Saints)		L	MPS-39								X							
Holy, Holy, Holy (Mass XVIII - Chant)		P	CWBII-11 CHANT-7								X							
* **Immaculate Mary, we praise God in you**	G	L	CWBII-416 CWB-723 GA-549 NLP-111 LC-65					L									X	
Kyrie (Glendalough Mass)		L	GLEN-1		X													
Kyrie (Mass of Our Lady Help of Christians)			CWBII-23a MOLHC-1		X													
Kyrie (Mass XVI - Chant)		P	CWBII-4b CHANT-1		X													
Lamb of God (Mass of Our Lady Help of Christians)			CWBII-23f MOLHC-6												X			
Lamb of God (Glendalough Mass)		L	GLEN-10												X			
Lamb of God (Mass of the Saints)		L	MPS-44												X			
Lamb of God (Mass XVIII - Chant)		P	CWBII-17 CHANT-8												X			
Lift up your heads, you mighty gates		C L	TiS-267	X														
Like a shepherd		L	CWBII-538 AOV1-160 GA-467 LC-74					L								X		
Lord, have mercy (Chant)		P	CWBII-4a CHANT-1		X													
Lord, have mercy (Mass of the Saints)		L	MPS-35		X													
Magnificat (My Soul is praising the Lord)		L	AOV1-52							X						X		

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Magnificat (My soul rejoices in my God) L HSS1-5 LC-79	X				L		X							X	X
Magnificat (My soul rejoices) L CWBII-212 GA-250 LC-78	X				L									X	X
Magnificat (Sing out, my soul) (Taize) GA-545							X						X		
Magnificat (Tell out, my soul) L CWBII-213 GA-550 NLP-239 TiS-161 LC-80	X				L									X	X
Mary Immaculate, star of the morning CWB-744 NLP-150															X
My Soul in Stillness Waits (For you, O Lord) *1* L CWBII-237 GA-280													X		
Now in this banquet L GA-197													X		
O come divine Messiah C L RS-479 CBWIII-310	X														X
O come, O come, Emmanuel *1 C* P L C CWBII-242 AOV1-174 GA-285 HSS2-25 LC-86	X				L										X
O Emmanuel L C CWBII-241 LC-88	X				L		X								X
* **O Holy Mary** *G* L CWBII-413 AOV1-141														X	
* **Open the heavens, Lord** *E* L CWBII-243 AOV2-163														X	X
Our Father / The Lord's Prayer (Chant) P CWBII-14a GA-7 CHANT-8											X				
Priestly people, kingly people L CWBII-589 CWB-796 NLP-210														X	
* **Psalm 89a: Forever I Will Sing (J.O'Brien)** *R* PSY-B-12					X										
* **Psalm 89a: Forever I Will Sing (P.Mason)** *R* L PAT2-89a					X										
Sanctus (Mass VIII - de Angelis) P CWBII-70a CHANT-7 GM-105								X							
Save us, Saviour (Mass of the Saints) L MPS-42									X						
Save us, Saviour of the world (Chant) P CWBII-12c CHANT-7									X						
Save us, Saviour of the world (Glendalough Mass) L GLEN-7									X						
Saviour of the nations come *G* C CWBII-246	X						X								

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Seasonal Psalm 85: Lord let us see your kindness (C.Willcock) L PFS-4					X										
Seasonal Psalm 85: Lord let us see your kindness (N.Ancell) CWB-176					X										
Seasonal Psalm 85: Lord let us see your kindness (P.Mason) L PAT1-85a					X										
Seasonal Psalm 85: Lord let us see your kindness (R.Heagney) *R* L PCY-85					X										
Seasonal Psalm 85: Lord show us your mercy (P.Mason) L PAT1-85					X										
Seasonal Psalm 91: Be with me, Lord (C.Willcock) L PFS-16					X										
Seasonal Psalm 91: Be with me, Lord (P.Mason) L PAT1-91					X										
Servant of the Word (O Sanctissma) *G* CWBII-414							X								
Sing of Mary, pure and lowly *G* L CWB-808 NLP-228															
Sing out, earth and skies L CWBII-235 AOV2-032	X														
The advent of our God C TiS-271	X														
* **The angel Gabriel from heaven came** *G* C L CWBII-247 CWB-815 NLP-241 TiS-302							X								
The coming of our Lord CWBII-248 CWB-816	X														
The King of glory comes, the nation rejoices L C TiS-279														X	
We proclaim your Death (Mass of Our Lady Help of Christians) CWBII-23d MOLHC-4									X						
We proclaim your Death (Chant) P CWBII-12a CHANT-7									X						
We proclaim your Death (Glendalough Mass) L GLEN-5									X						
We proclaim your Death (Mass of the Saints) L MPS-40									X						
When we eat this Bread (Mass of Our Lady Help of Christians) MOLHC-5									X						
When we eat this Bread (Chant) P CWBII-12b CHANT-7									X						
When we eat this bread (Glendalough Mass) L GLEN-6									X						

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When we eat this Bread (Mass of the Saints)															
L MPS-41									X						
* **You heavens, sprinkle dew from above (Rorate caeli desuper)**															
E L CWBII-254 NLP-215 NLP-215A	X												X		

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Resource List

Abbrev.	Title	Publisher	Composer (s)	Availability
AHB	Australian Hymn Book	Collins	Various	Out Of Print
AOV1	As One Voice vol. 1	Willow Publishing	Various	asonevoice.com.au
AOV2	As One Voice vol. 2	Willow Publishing	Various	asonevoice.com.au
AOVNG	As One Voice Next Generation	Willow Publishing	Various	asonevoice.com.au
CHANT	Missa Cantata	CTS	arr. G Cox	ctsbooks.org
CWB	Catholic Worship Book	Collins / E.J.Dwyer	Various	Out Of Print
CWBII	Catholic Worship Book II	Morning Star	Various	morningstarpublishing.net.au
GA	Gather Australia	NLMC Publications	Various	Out Of Print
GLEN	Glendalough Mass	GIA	Liam Lawton	giamusic.com
GOS	Gospel Acclamations	Liturgical Song	Various	liturgicalsong.com
HSS	Hymns & Spiritual Songs	Liturgical Song	Various	liturgicalsong.com
LITMUS	Various Compilations	Litmus Productions	Michael Mangan	litmusproductions.com
LP	Lyric Psalter	GIA	Alonso, Haugen	giamusic.com
LPGG	Psalms: Revised Grail / Gelieau	GIA	J Gelineau sj	giamusic.com
MCH	Mass of Christ the Redeemer	OCP	B Kirkpatrick	ocp.org
MCY	Masses for the Church's Year	Liturgical Song	Roger Heagney	liturgicalsong.com
MGP	Mass of Glory and Praise	Liturgical Song	Paul Mason	liturgicalsong.com
MiM	Missa Magis	OCP	C Willcock sj	ocp.org
MOLHC	Mass, Our Lady Help of Christians	Cantica Nova	R Connolly	asonevoice.com.au
MPS	Masses for Parish & School	Liturgical Song	Mason & Smith	liturgicalsong.com
MSF	Mass of St Francis	Willow Publishing	Paul Taylor	asonevoice.com.au
MSH	Mass Shalom	Liturgical Song	Smith & Mason	liturgicalsong.com
NLP	New Living Parish Hymnal	E.J. Dwyer	Various	Out Of Print
PAT	Psalms for All Time	Liturgical Song	Paul Mason	liturgicalsong.com
PCY	Psalms for the Church's Year	Liturgical Song	Roger Heagney	liturgicalsong.com
PFS	Psalms for Feasts and Seasons	OCP	C Willcock sj	Out Of Print
PSY	Psalms for Sundays of the Year	Jenny O'Brien	Jenny O'Brien	Out Of Print
RPY	Responsorial Psalms for the Year	Willow Publishing	Colin Smith cfc	asonevoice.com.au
SSP	Simply Singable Psalms	Liturgical Song	Anne Millard	liturgicalsong.com
SS	Spirit & Song	OCP	Various	ocp.org
TiS	Together in Song	Harper Collins	Various	Out Of Print
TS	The Source Volume 1	Kevin Mayhew	Various	amazon.com.au