

Music Resources for the Seasons of Advent and Christmas

Sundays of Advent

The following selections for the Sundays of Advent have connections with the Responsorial Psalm and the readings of the day.

First Sunday of Advent, Year B

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 79. CWB 173/GA 47
A Song of the Lord's Coming (McAuley) [CWBII 479]
Advent Litany (Farrell) [CWBII 253]
Advent Song (Browne) [GA 281]
Awake, O Sleeper (Balhoff/Daigle/Ducote) [G&P3 180]
Come, O long expected Jesus (Wesley) [CWBII 232]
Find Us Ready (Booth) [S&S1 109]
Hark! a herald voice is calling (Tr. Caswall) [CWBII 239]
Open the heavens, Lord (Boniwell). [AOV2 163/CWBII 243]
The coming of our Lord (Coffin *et al.*) [CWBII 248]
To you, O Lord, I lift my soul (The Grail) [CWBII 632]
Wait for the Lord (Taizé Community) [CWBII 251/GA 283]
Wake, Awake! For Night is Flying (Nicolai, tr. Winkworth) [CWB 853]
Wake, O wake! the night is dying! (Nicolai/Hagan) [CWBII 252]
Wake, O Wake, and Sleep No Longer (Nicolai, adapt. Idle) [GA 282]

Second Sunday of Advent, Year B

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 84. CWB 176/GA 49
A Voice Cries Out (Joncas) [GA 278]
A Voice in the Wilderness (Robinson) [AOV 62]
Advent Litany (Farrell) [CWBII 253]
Bring Forth the Kingdom (Haugen) [AOV2 4/GA 478]
City of God (Schutte) [AOV 57/CWBII 453/GA 498/G&P3 187/S&S1 106]
Go Up to the Mountain (Norbet) [G&P3 259]
Hark! a herald voice is calling (Tr. Caswall) [CWBII 239]
Like a Shepherd (Dufford) [AOV 160/CWBII 538/GA 467]
Lord, Let Us See Your Kindness (Hillebrand) [S&S1 71]
Lord, Show Us Your Mercy and Love (Sullivan Whitaker) [S&S2 265]
O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (Traditional) [AOV 174/CWB 763/GA 285]
On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry (Coffin, tr. Chandler) [CWB 780/CWBII 244]
Prepare the way (Boniwell) [CWBII 250/GA 284]
Prepare the way, O Zion (Franzén) [CWBII 245]
Ready the Way (Stephan) [S&S2 293]
Show Us, O Lord (Cortez) [S&S2 264]
Wait for the Lord (Taizé Community) [CWBII 251/GA 283]
We Shall Prepare (Vogt) [S&S2 294]

Third Sunday of Advent, Year B

Responsorial Psalm: Canticle of Mary. CWB 179

See also CWB 604, 605, 606/GA 15, 250

Bring Forth the Kingdom (Haugen) [AOV2 4/GA 478]

Canticle of Mary (Joncas) [CWB 635]

Christ, Be Our Light (Farrell) [AOV2 3/CWBII 540/GA 404/S&S1 105]

Come to Set Us Free (Farrell) [AOV 39/GA 277]

Comfort, Comfort All My People (Mann) [AOV2 12]

God Has Chosen Me (Farrell) [AOV 21/CWBII 495/GA 497]

Great Things (Maher) [AOVNG 58]

Holy Is His Name (Talbot) [S&S1 95]

In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful (Berthier) [AOV2 109/GA 429]

Let Heaven Rejoice (Dufford) [AOV 124]

Magnificat (Berthier) [GA 545]

Magnificat (Dudley-Smith) [GA 550]

My soul rejoices in God, my Saviour (Alstott) [CWBII 212]

My spirit sings (Mangan) [CWBII 412]

Now Sing My Soul, 'How Great the Lord' (Saward) [CWB 754]

On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry (Coffin, tr. Chandler) [CWB 780/CWBII 244]

Prepare the way (Boniwell) [CWBII 250]

Rejoice, the Lord is King! (Wesley) [CWB 799]

Sing To God With Joy (Bell) [AOV2 39]

Wait for the Lord (Taizé Community) [CWBII 251/GA 283]

Fourth Sunday of Advent, Year B

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 88. CWB 182/GA 50

Among All (de Silva) [AOVNG 8]

Hail Mary: Gentle Woman (Landry) [GA 544]

Holy Virgin, by God's decree (Lécot, tr. Lawrence) [CWB 714/CWBII 410]

Immaculate Mary, we praise God in you (Foley) [CWBII 416]

My soul in stillness waits (Haugen) [CWBII 237]

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (Traditional) [AOV 174/CWB 763/GA 285]

Open the heavens, Lord (Boniwell) [CWBII 243]

Saviour of the nations, come (Luther, tr. Reynolds/Seltz) [CWBII 246]

Servant of the Word (Grosz) [CWBII 414]

The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came (Basque Carol, pp. Baring-Gould) [CWB 815/CWBII 247]

There Is Nothing Told (Willcock) [GA 548]

Music for the Season of Advent

Seasonal Psalms for Advent are:

Ps 24. CWB 168/GA 26/AOV 108 (response only)

Ps 84. CWB 169/GA 49

Other songs that are appropriate for the season of Advent are:

Advent Chant (Porter) [AOV2 123]

Advent Litany (Farrell) [GA 279]

Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light (Smith) [S&S2 286, verses 4-7]

Come, O Jesus, Come O Lord (McAuley) [CWB 658]

Come, O Long Expected Jesus (Wesley) [CWB 657]

Come, O Lord (Rubalcava) [S&S2 287]

Comfort, comfort now my people (Olearius, tr. Winkworth) [CWBII 238]

Emmanuel (Angrisano) [S&S2 290]

God of Abraham (Farrell) [AOV 137/GA 306]

Lord, Come And Save Us (Kendzia) [G&PIV 324]

My Soul in Stillness Waits (Haugen) [GA 280]

O come, divine Messiah! (Pellegrin) [CWBII 240]

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (Traditional) [AOV 174/CWB 763/GA 285]

O Emmanuel (Mangan) [CWBII 241]

Save Us, O Lord (Dufford) [G&P3 234]

Sing out earth and skies (Haugen) [CWBII 235]

The Coming of Our Lord (Coffin, tr. Petti) [CWB 816]

The Voice of God ('Peter Icarus') [CWB 835/GA 476]

To You, O God, I Lift Up My Soul (Hurd) [AOV2 14]

When the King shall come again (Idle) [CWBII 249]

The Christmas Season

The Christmas season extends from Christmas to the Feast of the Epiphany. There are a number of Christmas carols in AOV, AOV2, CWB, CWBII and GA. These may be used during this time. (Christmas carols should not be sung during Advent.)

Christmas: Vigil Mass

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 88. CWB 237, 385/GA 50

Christmas: Midnight Mass

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 95. CWB 189, 597/GA 56/AOV2 71

Christmas: Dawn Mass

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 96. CWB 190

Christmas: Mass During the Day

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 97. CWB 185/GA 57/AOV 14 (response only)/G&PIV 348

The Holy Family

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 127. CWB 192/GA 75

At last, all-pow'rful Master (The Grail) [CWBII 225]

In the temple now behold him (Pye/Cooke) [CWBII 427]

Lord God, you now have set your servant free (Whitney) [CWBII 226]

My master, see, the time has come (Quinn) [CWBII 227]

Once in Royal David's City (Alexander) [CWB 782/GA 297/CWBII 269]

Sing of Mary, Pure and Lowly (Palmer) [CWB 808]

There is Nothing Told (Rimaud, tr. Willcock) [GA 548/CWBII 418]

Mary, the Mother of God

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 66 CWB 195

Among All (de Silva) [AOVNG 8]

Carol Of The Mother (Cooney) [G&PIV 286]

Hail Mary: Gentle Woman (Landry) [GA 544]

Hail Queen of Heaven, the Ocean Star (Lingard) [CWB 702/GA 547/CWBII 408]

Holy Virgin, by God's decree (Lécot, tr. Lawrence) [CWB 714/CWBII 410]

Immaculate Mary, we praise God in you (Foley) [CWB 723/GA 549/CWBII 416]

Lady Mary (Sears) [AOV 117]

O Chosen One (Landry) [G&PIV 334]

O Mary of Graces and Mother of God (Tr. Hyde) [CWB 769]

Salve, Regina (Gregorian chant) [CWB 801]

Sing of Mary, Pure and Lowly (Palmer) [CWB 808]

Salve, Regina/Hail, Queen of Heaven (Contractus) [GA 546]

Salve Regina, Mater misericordiae (Contractus) [CWBII 406]

Servant of the Word (Grosz) [CWBII 414]

There is Nothing Told (Rimaud, tr. Willcock) [GA 548/CWBII 418]

The Epiphany

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 71.

CWB 196

All the earth proclaim the Lord (Deiss) [CWBII 447]

Christ, be our light (Farrell) [CWBII 540]

City of God (Schutte) [AOV 57/CWBII 453/GA 498/G&P3 187/S&S1 106]

Earth Has Many a Noble City (Prudentius, tr. Caswall) [CWB 669/CWBII 276]

Let all the peoples (Willcock) [CWBII 532]

Song for Epiphany (Willcock) [GA 300]

Song for Epiphany (Moore) [CWBII 278]

The first Nowell (English Carol) [CWBII 280]

We Three Kings of Orient Are (Hopkins) [GA 299/CWBII 281]

Music for the Christmas Season

The Seasonal Psalm for Christmas is:

Ps 97. CWB 185/GA 57/AOV 14 (response only)

Other songs that are appropriate for the season of Christmas are:

A Child Is Born (Norbet) [G&P3 255]
A Child is Born in Bethlehem (Tr. Wright) [CWB 612]
All the Ends of the Earth (Canedo) [S&S2 270]
All the Ends of the Earth (Dufford) [AOV 76/GA 420/G&P3 174]
All the Ends of the Earth (Fisher) [AOVNG 5]
All the Ends of the Earth (Haugen) [AOV2 143]
All the Ends of the Earth (Hurd) [AOV 4/S&S2 271]
Born in the Night (Ainger) [AOV2 101]
Born This Day (Canedo) [S&S2 296]
Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light (Smith) [S&S2 286, verses 1-3]
Carol at the Manger (Haugen) [CWBII 259]
Glad music fills the Christmas sky (Perry) [CWBII 260]
Gloria (Berthier) [GA 291]
Go, Tell It on the Mountain (Spiritual) [S&S1 114]
Good Christians all, rejoice (Neale) [CWBII 261]
Hail to the Lord's Anointed (Montgomery) [CWBII 277]
He Came Down (Cameroon Traditional) [GA 293]
In deepest night (Oosterhuis, tr. Smith) [CWBII 264]
In The Stillness Of The Night (Daigle/Ducote) [G&PIV 315]
Light In The Darkness (Balhoff/Daigle/Ducote) [G&PIV 320]
My Heart is a Stable (Sears) [AOV 147]
Of the Father's Love Begotten (Prudentius, tr. Neal *et al.*) [CWB 779/CWBII 268]
Sing to the Lord a New Song (McDonell) [S&S2 272]
Sing We, Sing We Noel (Poelker) [AOV2 124]
Songs of thankfulness and praise (Wordsworth) [CWBII 279]
Unto Us a Boy is Born (Tr. Dearmer) [CWB 849]
Unto us a child is born! (Tr. Dearmer) [CWBII 273]

Abbreviations:

AOV	As One Voice
AOV2	As One Voice Volume 2
AOVNG	As One Voice The Next Generation
CWB	Catholic Worship Book
CWBII	Catholic Worship Book II
GA	Gather Australia
G&P3	Glory & Praise vol. 3
G&PIV	Glory & Praise volume IV
S&S1	Spirit & Song 1
S&S2	Spirit & Song 2