

**General intercessions**  
The Third Sunday of Advent (C)

**Celebrant:**

The Lord is in our midst. With peace in our hearts let us bring our needs to him.

**Reader:**

That the Kingdom of God, ushered into our world by the coming of Christ, may be brought closer to fulfilment by our faithfulness:

*Lord, hear us ...*

That our elected leaders may have wisdom, courage and a sincere concern for those they serve and represent:

*Lord, hear us ...*

That expectant couples may experience the joy that comes with every new life and find strength to overcome any difficulties they may face:

*Lord, hear us ...*

That we may strive to fulfil our duties to others and use our gifts to ease the sufferings and promote the wellbeing of all our brothers and sisters,

*Lord, hear us ...*

For an end to the Covid pandemic: that the virus may be subdued, the sick healed and strength given to all who care for them,

*Lord, hear us ...*

That those who are burdened by sickness or anxiety may experience God's peace and the joy of His presence:

*Lord, hear us ...*

That those who have died may enter into eternal light and life with the Lord,

*Lord, hear us ...*

**Celebrant:**

Let us seek the help of Mary Immaculate as we say, *Hail, Mary...*

Father, you call your people to rejoice at the coming of Your Son. Make our joy complete as you grant these petitions. Through Christ our Lord.