

General intercessions
The Fourth Sunday of Advent (C)

Celebrant:

Like the Virgin Mary, let us pray with trust that the Lord's promises to us will be fulfilled.

Reader:

That in our daily lives we may always be joyful in proclaiming the Lord's coming:

Lord, hear us ...

That Christ, the Shepherd of all nations, will guide world leaders and their peoples in the ways of peace and justice:

Lord, hear us ...

That as Mary helped Elizabeth so may we help those who are pregnant to protect and care for their unborn children:

Lord, hear us ...

That we may strive to protect and provide for the vulnerable members of our society, especially children, the homeless and those with special needs,

Lord, hear us ...

That the sick, the suffering, and the dying may be loved and strengthened by those who care for them,

Lord, hear us ...

That those who have died may be welcomed into the life that never ends:

Lord, hear us ...

Celebrant:

Let us seek the help of Mary, Cause of our Joy, as we say, *Hail, Mary...*

Father, your Son Jesus Christ offered Himself for our sake. Grant us salvation in Him, who is the answer to all our prayers and who is Lord forever and ever.