

General intercessions
The Second Sunday of Advent (C)

Celebrant:

Having heard God's Word we present our needs before Him with confidence.

Reader:

That we may faithfully and joyfully prepare the way of the Lord, and make a straight path for God in our hearts:

Lord, hear us ...

That our national and local governments may be inspired to promote justice, mercy and peace:

Lord, hear us ...

That all who are experiencing a difficult time may find new opportunities that are opened for them and they receive a new sense of direction and purpose:

Lord, hear us ...

That we may help to bring about repentance from grave sin and strive to assist in the healing of those wounded by it:

Lord, hear us ...

That the sick and the suffering may enjoy the consoling presence of their family and friends and know the support of the wider Christian community:

Lord, hear us ...

That those who have died may be filled with the joy of seeing Jesus face to face:

Lord, hear us ...

Celebrant:

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

Father, as you hear and answer our prayers, give us grace to long for the coming of Your Son and to prepare a world ready for Him, who is Lord forever and ever.