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Funerals: Contact the office at ext. 11.

RCIA (Becoming Catholic) and Learning About The Catholic Faith:

Everyone is invited to learn more about the faith or seek to become a Catholic.

Contact parish office at ext. 16.

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WELCOME TO HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

NOVEMBER 21, 2021

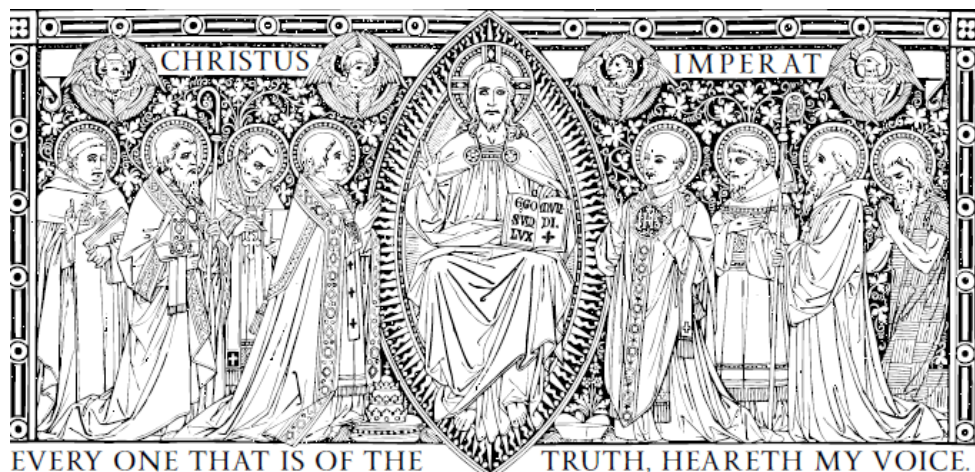
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

AND

NOVEMBER 28, 2021

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Pastor: Father Thomas Nathe



GLORIFY GOD AND SANCTIFY SOULS!

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Office Hours:	Monday-Friday 7:30am - 1:00pm
Church Open:	Daily 7:00am - 5:30pm
Mass Schedule:	Saturday Vigil 4:30pm Sunday 8:30am and 11:00am Monday-Friday 7:00am Saturday 8:00am
Rosary:	Saturday 7:40am and 4:10pm Sunday 8:10am and 10:40am Monday-Friday 7:30am
Confessions:	Friday 4:00-5:15pm Saturday 2:30-4:15pm Sunday 7:45-8:15am and 10-10:45am
Eucharistic Adoration:	Friday 7:30am — Saturday 7:30am

Please remember Holy Redeemer Parish in your will.

WEEK AT A GLANCE:

Sunday: 11/21 Christ the King

Mass: 8:30am & 11am
Confessions: 7:45am & 10am

Monday: 11/22

7:00am—Daily Mass
10:00am—Marian Movt. (parish ctr.)
Noon—Angelus (parish FB page)
5:00pm—Eve. Prayer (parish FB page)
6:30pm—TLUSA (parish ctr)

Tuesday: 11/23

7:00am—Daily Mass
9:00am—WINGS (annex)
Noon—Angelus (parish FB page)
5:00pm—Eve. Prayer (parish FB page)
6:00pm—YA grp (parish ctr)

Wednesday : 11/24

7:00am—Daily Mass
Noon—Angelus (parish FB page)
5:00pm—Eve. Prayer (parish FB page)

Thursday: 11/25 Thanksgiving

Office Closed

8:00am—Daily Mass

Friday: 11/26 Office Closed

8:00am—Daily Mass
8:30am—24 hr. Adoration (church)

Saturday: 11/27

7:30am—Benediction
8:00am—Daily Mass
8:30am—Benediction
2:30-4:15pm—Confessions (church)
4:30pm—Vigil Mass

Sunday: 11/28

1st Sunday in Advent

Mass: 8:30am & 11am
Confessions: 7:45am & 10am

Monday: 11/29

7:00am—Daily Mass
10:00am—Marian Movt. (parish ctr.)
Noon—Angelus (parish FB page)
4:30pm—AHG (parish ctr)
5:00pm—Eve. Prayer (parish FB page)
6:30pm—Endow PM (Zoom)

Tuesday: 11/30

7:00am—Daily Mass
9:00am—WINGS (annex)
Noon—Angelus (parish FB page)
5:00pm—Eve. Prayer (parish FB page)
7:00pm—HS Endow (Zoom)

Wednesday : 12/1

7:00am—Daily Mass
Noon—Angelus (parish FB page)
5:00pm—Drovers mtg (parish ctr)
5:00pm—Eve. Prayer (parish FB page)
5:00pm—Children’s Choir pract (choir rm)
6:30pm—RE 7-12th gr (parish ctr & Annex)
6:30pm—RCIA (choir rm)

Thursday: 12/2

7:00am—Daily Mass
8:00am—Marian Movt (parish ctr.)
9:15am—Endow AM (annex)
10:00am—Quilters grp (parish ctr)
10:30am—Bible Study AM (parish ctr)
Noon—Angelus (parish FB page)
5:00pm—Eve. Prayer (parish FB page)

Friday: 12/3

7:00am—Daily Mass
7:30am—24 hr. Adoration (church)
10:00am—Home School Co-Op (parish ctr)
Noon—Angelus (parish FB page)
4:00-5:15pm—Confessions (church)

Saturday: 12/4

7:30am—Benediction
8:00am—Daily Mass
8:45am—Men of Faith (parish ctr)

Sunday: 12/5

2nd Sunday in Advent

Mass: 8:30am & 11am
Confessions: 7:45am & 10am
9:45am—RE 1st-6th (parish ctr & annex)

Mass Intentions

Monday, November 22

Diane Link

Tuesday, November 23

Joseph Chang-Pei-Yu +

Wednesday, November 24

S. T. John +

Thursday, November 25

Thanksgiving

Friday, November 26

Mattea Elliott

Saturday, November 27

Michael Avery +

Monday, November 29

Kelly Lauritzon (B'Day)

Tuesday, November 30

Marilyn Belden

Wednesday, December 1

Tom Vennen (health)

Thursday, December 2

Vicente Morta +

Friday, December 3

Sheila & Steve Crossman +

Saturday, December 4

Raymond Curran +

Please remember in your prayers:

Max Beene, Christine Bolger, Carole Brown, Elizabeth Cebula +, Bonnie Craig, David Craig, George Dawson +, Errol Graves+, Alex Gustavson, Janet Lange+, Fran Plourd, Sandra Schaffer +, Jody Valencia, Marissa Wallin-Quidachay+, Betty Wassick, and George Wetzl



Important Links

Sunday Mass: <https://vimeo.com/user109632820>

Daily Mass, Angelus, & Evening Prayer: [parish Facebook page](#)

Last Week (11/08-11/14)	Income
Sunday:	\$ 24,047.00
Realizing Hope:	\$ 52,684.00
St. Vincent de Paul:	\$ 740.00

WOW!!!

Pastor's Column

November 21st, 2021

Christ the King

Jesus Christ: King of Kings and Lord of Lords ~

In our Gospel this Sunday we hear Jesus describe himself as a King, and not just any King, but The King. Kings have Kingdoms, so where's Jesus Kingdom? Everywhere He Is, and since He's God, that means everywhere. If only he had subjects that would listen to Him and obey Him.

We live in a world that doesn't recognize Jesus' Kingship or authority at any level. That's a tragedy for only in Him can we hope to find the fullness of goodness and peace. One day all political parties will cease to exist. One day all republics or democracies will cease to exist. One day the United States of America will cease to exist. One day the earth as we know it will cease to exist. Focus on what exists forever: God and souls. Do not sell yourself out to things that are passing away.

I've attached below an article from *1 Peter Five*, on what society is supposed to be based upon, Christ as King and His Truth. Up until the 16th Century all Christian societies based their laws upon this principle. Today no society does and the consequences are disastrous. Enjoy.

May Christ the King Bless You,



Fr. Thomas Nathe

<https://onepeterfive.com/christ-king-original-sin/>

Christ the King and Original Sin

[Timothy Flanders, October 28, 2019](#)

It is often asserted that the Christian societies of old were oppressive, torturous regimes stifling human freedom. This is false. Witness the countless sermons preached by the saints against the worldliness of their day. Men were not forced to go to Mass at the point of a spear. Rather, in a Christian society, there is simply the worship of [Christ as King](#). The laws, customs, and culture strive to be in accord with the Catholic faith. Only the Christian state provides what is necessary for man in his fallen state, promotes his true end, and protects the weak and vulnerable.

Man's True State Is Original Sin

A Christian state begins with a true assessment of the current state of man: he bears the stain and effect of Original Sin. His intellect is darkened, his will is weakened, and he is inclined to evil. Man being born into this condition, the Christian state gives him a structure of authority — from the government to the Church to the family — that refers back to God. Thus, the entire fabric of a Christian society is oriented in the opposite direction of man's inclinations to evil, creating a social momentum toward what is truly good.

This cultural framework must guide every person through childhood and into adulthood and ultimately to eternal beatitude. Since man's burden is Original Sin, the Christian state promotes and supports the institution that provides its cure: the Catholic Church. With the assistance of divine grace and the teleological hierarchy of Christian society, man can overcome Original Sin and strive to attain his final end. Thus, both the state in the natural realm and the Church in the supernatural confess the dominion of one lord over both: Christ the King.

The King has solemnly said:

All power is given to me in heaven and in earth. Going therefore, teach ye all nations; baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you. (Mt. 28:18–20)

Summing up the teachings of multiple popes before after him, Leo XIII writes:

“Justice therefore forbids, and reason itself forbids, the State to be godless; or to adopt a line of action which would end in godlessness—namely, to treat the various religions (as they call them) alike, and to bestow upon them promiscuously equal rights and privileges. Since, then, the profession of one religion is necessary in the State, that religion must be professed which alone is true, and which can be recognized without difficulty, especially in Catholic States[.] ... This religion, therefore, the rulers of the State must preserve and protect, if they would provide — as they should do — with prudence and usefulness for the good of the community. For public authority exists for the welfare of those whom it governs; and, although its proximate end is to lead men to the prosperity found in this life, yet, in so doing, it ought not to diminish, but rather to increase, man’s capability of attaining to the supreme good in which his everlasting happiness consists: which never can be attained if religion be disregarded.” [1]

Moreover, the Christian state protects the vulnerable and the weak, particularly children, who are quickly influenced by outside pressures. The family that raises the child in a Christian society is reinforced by the culture toward allegiance to and freedom in Christ the King. The child need not doubt that Christ is King to whom he owes his life and allegiance. The child is safe from error and feels cultural shame to entertain thoughts against this allegiance. The society reinforces what is taught in the home, so the child is not conflicted by multiple sources of authority, since every authority in the family, state, and Church has one principle: Christ the King.

Pre-Christian Societies

Pre-Christian societies no matter how disordered, still refer all authority back to a supernatural principle, implicitly confirming the dogma of Original Sin — that man cannot attain beatitude without the aid of the divine. Thus can Leo XIII quickly dismiss the separation of Church and State as a “manifest absurdity” based solely upon natural reason:

“Nature herself proclaims the necessity of the State providing means and opportunities whereby the community may be enabled to live properly, that is to say, according to the laws of God. For, since God is the source of all goodness and justice, it is absolutely ridiculous that the State should pay no attention to these laws or render them abortive by contrary enact menu.” [2]

When a pre-Christian society is baptized and made into a Christian state — the process accomplished and promoted by countless saints, from Gregory the Illuminator in Armenia to St. Patrick in Ireland — then can man’s feeble groping for truth and freedom be given true liberation from the bondage to the devil. Man needs the state to confess Christ the King — otherwise, he will call the state itself the king.

Modern Secular Society Is Founded on a False Notion of Man

This brings us to the contrasting notion of modern, secular democracy. The presupposition of this political system denies the reality of the Original Sin and the need for divine grace. In the Hobbes-Lockean understanding, man overcomes his own “state of nature” by forming societies in order to check the excesses of evil men. In the modern secular theory, man does not need Christ the King for his beatitude, but rather needs a different savior: the secular state.

The idea preached by so many revolutionaries to their supporters is this: if only you had political change X or legal change Y, then you could be truly happy and truly free. This is an error, since man, afflicted with Original Sin, can never be free or happy without the grace of Jesus Christ, no matter what political system obtains. Thus does the secular democracy tend to impose its own political organization as a replacement for the sacramental system of divine grace from the Catholic Church. In the modern system, there is no need for Christ the King. The state itself is God.

Social Results of Denying Original Sin

We see this is modern America. A great portion of citizens have a college education, but, blinded by their passions, there are still millions who cannot understand that a fetus is a human being. Indeed, there is no historical precedent for the modern mass slaughter of innocent children.

Instead of a cultural orientation against the inclinations of Original Sin, the modern culture reinforces these evil inclinations. This brings us to another failure of the secular democracy: morality by majority vote. Because Original Sin is denied, if the majority believe something, it must be right. This is similar to the error of “might makes right.”

But by the dogma of Original Sin, the popular will tends toward what is evil. Since men are ruled by their passions, it is easy for them to be manipulated in their emotions by a viral video or a shocking statement. Witness the endless emotional provocations that pervade the media and advertising. Appeals to reason are much less profitable than emotionalism.

The Modern State Does Not Protect the Weak and Vulnerable

The measure of any society in the natural order is the way in which it protects its most vulnerable members. Even beyond the slaughter of innocent children and abandoning others to nefarious gender theory, the modern state is oriented toward reinforcing the inclinations of every man toward himself alone. Children are especially vulnerable to this. This is the sovereignty of the individual will, enshrined in the majority vote. When the rights of man trump the rights of Christ the King, man becomes a slave to his own passions. The words of Cahill are as relevant today as they were in 1932:

“Seeing that the powerful frequently are able to secure in their own favor the decision of the majority, through the operation of finance and of the press, personal rights have in practice little more security in the Liberal [Secular] State than under the old pagan regime. Thus arise the exploitation of the poor and the tyranny of the monied interest.” [3]

In our time, the tech and media giants control the information that informs the masses. As any Catholic parent will know, we must have constant vigilance to protect our children from the evils of secular society. From media and advertising to television and movies, most seek to provoke the passions of our children in order to lead them astray. There is only so much a parent can do in our society.

Conclusion

With the influence of Jacques Maritain and the heretic Teilhard de Chardin, a gradual error crept into the Church that either denied Original Sin or dismissed its effects in practice. Thus did Vatican II and Paul VI pursue with great optimism a hopeful dialogue with modernity and cooperation with the secular state. Now, a few generations removed, this dialogue has continued to receive greater scrutiny. In short, we must face the evil fruit and bloodshed that has come from the secular state after some two hundred years, as well as this recent dialogue, and weigh these facts with the words of the popes who have faced this political movement since the 18th century.

With the feast of Christ the King fresh in our memories, let the words of Pius XI suffice:

“When once men recognize, both in private and in public life, that Christ is King, society will at last receive the great blessings of real liberty, well-ordered discipline, peace and harmony.” [4]

[1] Leo XIII, *Libertas* (1888), 21

[2] *Ibid.*, 18

[3] Rev. E. Cahill, S.J., *The Framework of a Christian State* (Roman Catholic Books reprint 1932), 454

[4] Pius XI, *Quas Primas* (1925), 19

GROWING IN HOLINESS

FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM AND CONTACT INFORMATION

- ◆ Contact Melissa Abell at melissaa@holyredeemervanc.org
- ◆ To make an appointment: See Parish Personnel on the front page of the bulletin.

NEW TO HOLY REDEEMER?

Contact the Faith Formation Office to meet and discuss how we can work together to build God's Kingdom in East Vancouver! Sacramental needs? Education? Let us know how we can help. Contact Mark: 885.7780 ext. 16, markm@holyredeemervanc.org

RCIA (Becoming Catholic) and Learning About the Catholic Faith:

Contact Mark MacKenzie to make an appointment at 885.7780 ext. 16, markm@holyredeemervanc.org

ADULTS

Bible Study: Bible study sessions have resumed in the parish center on Thursdays. The AM session is at 10:30am and The PM session is at 6:30pm.

Legion of Mary is an international association of the Roman Catholic Church who serve it on a voluntary basis, its main purpose is for the sanctification of its members. The group meets every Friday at 10:00 in the annex. Contact Sally Custodio at bhebot50@live.com or 360-624-7555

Anne, a lay apostle—Monthly Prayer Group : Anne, the author of *The Volumes*, received the message to have a prayer group meeting once a month. The Lay Apostle prayer group holds their meetings on the second Tuesday of the month, at 10:00am in the parish center. Contact Jean Marie Amos at 360.260.7352, or jmamos1@juno.com

St. Joseph Cenacle Apostolate:

Members offer a weekly Holy Hour of prayers for our priests and will meet at 3pm on the third Wednesday of the month, in the parish center, as a group. Contact Sandra Koceja at ITEADIOSEPH2020@gmail.com

Men of Faith: All men in the parish are invited to attend our monthly gatherings. We meet on the first Saturday of the month at 8:45am in the parish center. Contact Mark: markm@holyredeemervanc.org

Women's' Retreat: Please join us for a relaxing and Spirit-filled weekend away to reflect, renew, and reconnect with women of faith. We'll spend time with St. Catherine of Siena, Doctor of the Church, who shows us, through imagery and beauty, the relationship with God and neighbor to which we are all invited. Enjoy thoughtful discussion, quiet reflection and witness talks, as well as, free time in the beautiful Skamania hillside. Click on the link below to register.

<https://holyredeemervanc.org/parish-events/womans-retreat-set-the-world-ablaze>

Upcoming Sisterhood Nights

December 15 Sisterhood Night

January 26 Sisterhood Night

April 20, 2022 Sisterhood Night

Endow Women's Spiritual Studies:

Through their small groups, women are learning how to be the best version of themselves—made in the image and likeness of God—and reaching out to those around them.

For more information contact Jamie at jamiiek@holyredeemervanc.org

Women's Bible Study: Want The Mass to Come Alive for you? Join our Zoom Women's Study, "A Biblical Walk Through The Mass". Explore the extraordinary biblical roots of the Liturgy and reveals what it all means and why it all matters. Monday

mornings at 11:00 AM. Contact Angela Maria Weinmuller (654) 888-3300

Adult & Single: Vancouver Area Catholic Singles: Are you Single, Catholic and 27+ years young? Would you like to be part of a community of single Catholics in the Vancouver area? Join us on the **3rd Saturday of each month** following the 4:30 Liturgy to share in a Potluck, Conversation and Activities. Contact Mark: mas.itsagoodlife@gmail.com



Advent Candles: Advent Candles are available for purchase in the parish office for \$5 per set.

Mini Retreat Nights

Do you want to cultivate a deeper relationship with God but don't know how to even start? Join us for our Mini Retreat Night series, in the Church, on Wednesday evenings 7-8:30pm. Lead by your own Faith Formation staff. Each session will provide practical tips and tricks and inspiration for developing the spiritual life.

Night 1: Habits and the Spiritual Journey Feb 23, 2022

Night 2: Strengths, Charisms, and My Life May 18, 2022

Night 3: Sharing the Story TBD

No registration or RSVP required

Save The Date

HS Winter Retreat

Feb. 18-20, 2022

Mini Retreat Night:

Habits and the Spiritual Journey

Feb. 23, 2022

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American Heritage Girls & Trail Life USA (K-12th)



AHG meets Monday afternoons @4:30pm in the parish center.

Contact Julie for AHG:
nicholmarine@icloud.com

TLUSA meets Monday evenings @6:30pm in the parish center.



Contact Linda for TLUSA:
don.linda.anderson@comcast.net

FORMED

PICK OF THE WEEK

November 21, 2021



33 DAYS TO MORNING GLORY
 Ever considered consecrating yourself or your family to the Mother of God? Follow Fr. Michael Oatley this Advent in order to draw nearer to Mary—the Mother of God—and her Son and to prepare yourself for a spiritual renewal.

WATCH

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PICK OF THE WEEK

November 28, 2021



THE STORY OF THE NATIVITY: THE TRUTH OF CHRISTMAS
 Enjoy this fast-paced, thought-provoking look at the true story of the Nativity as we enter into the joyful season of Advent.

WATCH

Free account: formed.org/signup and enter 98687 to select our parish

REMINDER: When attending any function at the Annex (our house across the street), everyone must park in the Holy Redeemer parking lot across the street - not in the driveway or on the street! This is a promise we made to our neighbors and we want to honor it.

Please go to our website www.holyredeemervan.org and go to the Faith Formation Page for updates and resources.

NEXT WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday 11/21	Monday 11/22	Tuesday 11/23	Wednesday 11/24	Thursday 11/25	Friday 11/26	Saturday 11/27
	6:30pm TLUSA mtg (parish ctr)	6:00pm YA grp. (parish ctr)		Thanksgiving Office closed	Office Closed	
Sunday 11/28	Monday 11/29	Tuesday 11/30	Wednesday 12/1	Thursday 12/2	Friday 12/3	Saturday 12/4
	4:30pm AHG (parish ctr) 6:30pm Endow PM (Zoom)	7:00pm HS Endow (Zoom)	5:00pm Drovers mtg (parish ctr) 5:00pm Children's Choir (choir rm) 6:30pm RE 7-12th gr. (parish ctr & Annex) 6:30pm RCIA (choir rm)	10:30am Bible Study AM (parish ctr)	10:00am Home School Co-op (parish ctr)	8:45am Men of Faith (parish ctr)

PARISH HAPPENINGS

Archbishop Etienne invites you to come back to Mass

Dispensation to be lifted December 8

The general obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation (including the Saturday/vigil Mass) is to be reinstated during Advent on December 8, the solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. Read the archbishop's letter in [English](#) and [Spanish](#)

Family Promise: Our next week to serve starts right after Christmas (December 26-January 2), we want to make sure we have everything covered before the busy weeks prior to Christmas are upon us! Please sign up now on the home page of our website if you can help!

What's New at WHO?: Lots, they are allowing volunteers to help again this year, for more information and to sign up to help please use the links below:

WHO November Meals:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090549aeac28aaf49-whoandrew3>

WHO November Shifts:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e4faea723a6f49-who2021>

WHO December Shifts:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/index.cfm?go=s.signup&urlid=4090548aca922a2f94-whodecember&view=standard>

WHO February Shifts: (January is full!)

<https://www.signupgenius.com/index.cfm?go=s.signup&urlid=4090548aca922a2f94-whofebruary&view=standard>

Advent Candles: Advent Candles are available for purchase in the parish office for \$5 per set.

Empty Nesters offers a variety of regular activities for Holy Redeemer Parishioners who have no one under the age of 16 at home. These activities include Pinochle, Book Club, Movie Night, Wine Tasting, Quilting Circle, Adoration Group, Write Your Life Story and several which are inactive due to Covid including Dinner Club, and Bunco. It is a good way to make new friends in the parish, and have an enjoyable time with in our catholic community. To join us or for more information call Jon Vanderbout at 360-896-8996 or email at rotomwot@aol.com

Father Nathe on Masks and Mass:

Mask wearing is mandatory indoors. For the well-being of others and for their peace of mind, I am asking all of you to mask up when at Mass.

Adoration Chapel UPDATE: Now you can come and adore HIM anytime from 7:30 Saturday morning to 7:30 Friday morning; the code to get in is the same as the code used overnight for adoration on Friday night/Saturday morning. If you need this code, please call the parish office or e-mail Ed Brands at edb@holyredeemervanc.org.

OTHER HAPPENINGS

Rachel's Corner

Hope and Healing After Abortion

"Repentant tears wash out the stain of guilt." - St Augustine

Have your tears of regret been flowing in your heart since the day of your abortion? God sees those tears, and He knows your heart and how much you regret that abortion decision. Allow God to embrace your aching heart and offer you His abundant mercy.

Call for a compassionate, confidential conversation

English: (206) 920-6413 / Español: (206)-450-7814

www.ccsww.org/projectrachel



Blessing of an Advent Wreath

The use of the Advent Wreath is a traditional practice which has found its place in the Church as well as in the home. The blessing of an Advent Wreath takes place on the First Sunday of Advent or on the evening before the First Sunday of Advent. When the blessing of the Advent Wreath is celebrated in the home, it is appropriate that it be blessed by a parent or another member of the family.

All make the sign of the cross as the leader says:

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

R/ Who made heaven and earth.

Then the Scripture, Isaiah 9: (lines 1-2 and 5-6) or Isaiah 63 (lines 16-17 & 19) or Isaiah 64 (lines 2-7) is read:

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

R/ Thanks be to God.

With hands joined, the leader says:

Lord our God, we praise you for your Son, Jesus Christ: he is Emmanuel, the hope of the peoples, he is the wisdom that teaches and guides us, he is the Savior of every nation. Lord God, let your blessing come upon us as we light the candles of this wreath. May the wreath and its light be a sign of Christ's promise to bring us salvation. May he come quickly and not delay. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R/ Amen.

The blessing may conclude with a verse from "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel":

O come, desire of nations, bind in one the hearts of humankind; bid ev'ry sad division cease and be thyself our Prince of peace. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

—*Catholic Household Blessings & Prayers*

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