

The COMING of GOD Prayer - December 2016

Call to Prayer: "... the coming Mystery ... will show us the Savior of the world ... under the form of a child. I hope we will be together at the foot of His crib ... in his love ..." Vincent de Paul Coste, VI, #2182, December 22, 1656, page 170

Leader: O God, come to our assistance

ALL: O Lord, make haste to help us.

Leader: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,

ALL: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen.

Hymn: The Coming of Our God



Text: SM; *Instantis adventum Dei*; Charles Coffin, 1676-1749; fr. *Paris Breviary*, 1736;
tr. by Robert Campbell, 1814-1868, and others in *St. Andrew's Hymnal*, 1850, alt. Music: Anon., fr. *Songs of Syon*, 1910.

Reading: Think about the joy the Blessed Virgin experienced when she felt herself filled with the love of the Father and the Son which brought about the Incarnation and when she offered herself to God. Let us turn to the Virgin and ask to direct the Holy Spirit to take possession of our hearts.

paraphrase, Vincent de Paul Coste, IX, #37, May 31, 1648, page 170

Prayer: ALL: Come quickly, we pray, Lord Jesus, and do not delay, that those who trust in your compassion may find solace and relief in your coming. Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Collect, Saturday, 4th week of Advent

Closing: Angels We Have Heard on High refrain



Text: 77 77 with refrain; French, ca. 18th cent.; tr. from *Crown of Jesus Music*, II, London, 1862. Music: Trad. French Carol.

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