

O ANTIPHONS

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This is a catalyst for *YOUR* meditation:



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See the first letters of these Latin Biblical titles.

O *S*APIENTIA (Wisdom)

O *A*DONAI (Lord)

O *R*ADIX JESSE (Root of Jesse)

O *C*LAVIS DAVID (Key of David)

O *O*RIENS (Dayspring)

O *R*EX GENTIUM (King of Nations)

O *E*MMANUEL (God-with-us)

Then read them in reverse order, which form this acrostic

ERO CRAS,

which translates as:

I will be with you tomorrow.

○ ANTIPHON

[Advent _ December 17]

○ SAPIENTIA (Wisdom)

**○ Wisdom of our God Most High,
guiding creation with power and love:
come to teach us the path of knowledge!**

Genesis 49 _ tribute is brought to him, (...) receives the people's homage.

Psalms 72 _ govern your people with justice (...).

Matthew 1:1-17 _ Mary _ of her was born Jesus who is called the Christ.

Jesus' three (3) advent | comings:

Past: Bethlehem

The flocks lead the shepherds' path and others the Star's.

Future: Final Judgement

Justice shall flower (...)

Present | Now: the Eucharist

The Born is the Sacred Host _ the Body of Christ.

○ ANTIPHON
[Advent _ December 18]

○ ADONAI (Lord)

**○ Leader of the House of Israel,
giver of the Law to Moses on Sinai:
come to rescue us with your mighty power!**

Jeremiah 23 _ “The Lord our justice.”

Psalm 72 _ the lowly and the poor (...)

Matthew 1:18-25 _ Behold, the virgin shall be with child (...).

Jesus’ three (3) advent | comings:

Past: Bethlehem

The lowly and the poor filled the stable.

Future: Final Judgement

The Lord our justice will decision the verdict.

Present | Now: the Eucharist

**Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.**

○ ANTIPHON

[Advent _ December 19]

○ RADIX JESSE (Root of Jesse)

- Flower of Jesse's stem, you have been raised up as a sign for all peoples; kings stand silent in your presence; the nations bow down in worship before y been raised up as a sign for all peoples; kings stand silent in your presence; the nations bow down in worship before you. Come, let nothing keep you from coming to our aid.**

Micah 5:1-4a _ (...) ancient times (...) birth has borne (...).

Psalm 80 _ give us new life (...).

Hebrews 10:5-10 _ Behold (...) body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Luke 1:39-45 _ the Lord would be fulfilled.

Jesus' three (3) advent | comings:

Past: Bethlehem

(...) birth had borne (...)

Future: Final Judgement

(...) new life (...)

Present | Now: the Eucharist

Behold (...) offering the Body (...) be fulfilled.

○ ANTIPHON
[Advent _ December 20]

○ CLAVIS DAVID (Key of David)

**○ Key of David,
opening the gates of God's eternal Kingdom:
come and free the prisoners of darkness!**

Isaiah 7:10-14 _ A sign (...) as the sky!

Psalm 24 _ The Lord's are the earth and its fullness (...).

Luke 1:26-38 _ (...) the power of the Most High will overshadow you.

Jesus' three (3) advent | comings:

Past: Bethlehem

The Star radiant from horizon to horizons.

Future: Final Judgement

The Most High is the Judge.

Present | Now: the Eucharist

I AM the GATE.

(John 10:9)

○ ANTIPHON
[Advent _ December 21]

○ ORIENS (Dayspring)

**○ Radiant Dawn,
eternal light, sun of justice:
come, shine on those
who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death.**

Song of Songs 2 _ (...) and you are lovely.

Psalm 33 _ the plan of the Lord stands forever; the design of his heart (...).

Luke 1:39-45 _ Blessed are you who believed (...).

Jesus' three (3) advent | comings:

Past: Bethlehem
(...) and you are lovely (...) the Nativity Scene!

Future: Final Judgement
God's Plan.

Present | Now: the Eucharist
Blessed are you who believed (...)
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

○ ANTIPHON
[Advent _ December 22]

○ REX GENTIUM (King of Nations)

**○ King of all nations and keystone of the Church;
come and save man, whom you formed from the dust!**

1 Samuel 1 _ was given to the Lord (...) shall be dedicated to the Lord.

1 Samuel 2 _ from the dung heap he lifts up the poor (...).

Luke 1:46-56 _

**The Lord has cast down the mighty (...) and has lifted up the lowly (...)
has filled the hungry with good things,**

Jesus' three (3) advent | comings:

Past: Bethlehem

The Dedicated Baby in a stable!

Future: Final Judgement

The Lord casts down and lifted up.

Present | Now: the Eucharist

Fill our hungry for the

BREAD of ANGELS,

whom IS the

BREAD of LIFE.

○ ANTIPHON

[Advent _ December 23]

○ *EMMANUEL* (God-with-us)

**○ Emmanuel,
king and lawgiver, desire of the nations,
Savior of all people, come and set us free, Lord our God.**

**Malachi 3 _ Lest I come and strike the land with doom.
Psalm 25 _ The Lord teaches the humble his way (...).
Luke 1:57-66 _ The Lord had shown his great mercy (...).**

Jesus' three (3) advent | comings:

Past: Bethlehem

A humble way with the manger in the stable.

Future: Final Judgement

Doom or Boom?

Present | Now: the Eucharist

Lamb of God (...) have mercy on us.

Agnus Dei (...) miserere nobis.