



First Sunday in Advent



Kyrie from Missa “De Beata Virgine” by G. P. Da Palestrina (1525-1594)

Sanctus and Agnus Dei from Missa XVII — For the Sundays of Advent and Lent

Hymn During Procession

O COME, Redeemer of the earth,
and manifest thy virgin-birth.
Let every age in wonder fall:
such birth befits the God of all.

Begotten of no human will
but of the Spirit, Thou art still
the Word of God in flesh arrayed,
the promised fruit to man displayed

The Virgin's womb that burden
gained, its virgin honor still unstained.
The banners there of virtue glow;
God in his temple dwells below.

“Veni Redemptor Gentium”

Proceeding from His chamber free
that royal home of purity
a giant in twofold substance one,
rejoicing now His course to run.

O equal to the Father, Thou!
gird on Thy fleshly mantle now;
the weakness of our mortal state
with deathless might invigorate.

Thy cradle here shall glitter bright,
and darkness breathe a newer light
where endless faith shall shine serene
and twilight never intervene.

St. Ambrose of Milan 4th Century

All praise, eternal Son, to Thee,
whose advent sets Thy people free,
whom, with the Father, we adore,
and Holy Ghost, for evermore.
Amen.

Introit

“Ad te levavi”

Gregorian Chant

Motet During Communion

“Veni Redemptor Gentium”

Jakob Handl (1550-1591)

Veni, Redemptor gentium;
Ostende partum virginis;
Miretur omne saeculum.
Talis decet partus Deo.

*Come, redeemer of the peoples,
and show the birth from a Virgin;
every age shall acclaim
that such a birth befits God.*

Marian Antiphon

“Alma Redemptoris Mater”

Traditional

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