

General intercessions
Fourth Sunday of Advent (A)

Celebrant: As we await the celebration of the birth of the Lord we present our needs to our loving Father.

Reader:

That our Holy Father Pope Leo and all our bishops, priests and deacons may proclaim to the world the joyful news that God is with us:

Lord, hear us ...

That all who serve in public office may come to know the presence of God in their daily tasks and decisions:

Lord, hear us ...

That exiles and refugees may always receive the welcome and assistance that they need,

Lord, hear us ...

That following the example of St Joseph all fathers may be strengthened in love for their wives and for their children:

Lord, hear us ...

That those who suffer illness, loneliness or depression may come to find peace and comfort with the Lord:

Lord, hear us ...

That all who have died may come to enjoy eternal life in the glory of heaven:

Lord, hear us ...

Celebrant:

Let us seek the prayers of Mary, Ark of the Covenant: *Hail Mary...*

Father, we rejoice at the closeness of the Feast of our Saviour's birth. May we find in Him the fulfilment of all our desires. Through Christ our Lord.