

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT, A

### Priest Celebrant

Call on the Lord,  
who has pity on the lowly and the poor:

### Deacon/Cantor/Reader

**(Optional:** “Our Advent response is, **Come, Lord Jesus!**”)

For the gift of prophecy, to discern and obey the Father’s will,  
and to prepare the way of the Lord,  
we pray:

For an Advent of recollection and Christmas preparation  
that reflect the poverty of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph,  
we pray:

For our president and governor,  
our legislators, judges and public servants;  
for renewed trust between peoples and nations,  
we pray:

For the unemployed and underemployed;  
for the reverent use and sharing of earth’s gifts,  
we pray:

For the victims of terrorism and war  
in Iraq, Israel and Palestine, Afghanistan,  
all the Mid- and Near-East;  
for the safety of civilians and our armed forces,  
we pray:

For conversion from fear, revenge, and terrorism;  
for religious tolerance; for ethnic, racial, and economic justice,  
we pray:

For [ ] and]  
all our sick,  
we pray:

For [ ]  
the war dead, and everyone who has died recently,  
we pray:

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Grant us, Father, to be in harmony with one another and,  
with one voice, to glorify you,  
the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who lives with you,  
now, and for ever.