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OFFERTORY CHANT Ps 85 (84): 7-8

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## Second Sunday of Advent

YEAR B

ENTRANCE CHANT Is 30: 19, 30, Ps 79

**P**ÓPULUS SION, ecce, Dóminus véniet ad salvándas gentes: et audítam fáciét Dóminus glóriam vocis suæ in lætítia cordis

**P**EOPLE OF ZION behold, the Lord is coming to save all nations; and the Lord shall cause you to hear his majestic voice for the joy of your heart. ✠. O

vestri. *Ÿ*. Qui regis Israël, inténde: Shepherd of Israel hear us, you  
qui dedúcis, velut ovem, Ioseph. who lead Joseph like a flock!

FIRST READING Is 40: 1-5, 9-11

**C**OMFORT, give comfort to my people, | says your God. | Speak  
tenderly to Jerusalem, and proclaim to her | that her service  
is at an end, | her guilt is expiated; | indeed, she has received  
from the hand of the LORD | double for all her sins.

A voice cries out: | In the desert prepare the way of the LORD! | Make  
straight in the wasteland a highway for our God! | Every valley shall  
be filled in, | every mountain and hill shall be made low; | the rugged  
land shall be made a plain, | the rough country, a broad valley. | Then  
the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, | and all people shall see it  
together; | for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

Go up on to a high mountain, | Zion, herald of glad tidings; | cry out  
at the top of your voice, | Jerusalem, herald of good news! | Fear not  
to cry out | and say to the cities of Judah: | Here is your God! | Here  
comes with power | the Lord GOD, | who rules by his strong arm; | here  
is his reward with him, | his recompense before him. | Like a shepherd  
he feeds his flock; | in his arms he gathers the lambs, | carrying them  
in his bosom, | and leading the ewes with care.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 85 (84): 9-10-11-12, 13-14



Lord, let us see your kind - ness, and grant us your sal - va - tion.

*Ÿ*. I will hear what God proclaims; | the LORD—for he proclaims peace  
to his people. | Near indeed is his salvation to those who fear him, |  
glory dwelling in our land.

*Ÿ*. Kindness and truth shall meet; | justice and peace shall kiss. | Truth  
shall spring out of the earth, | and justice shall look down from heaven.

*Ÿ*. The LORD himself will give his benefits; | our land shall yield its in-  
crease. | Justice shall walk before him, | and prepare the way of his  
steps.

OR: GRADUAL Ps 50 (49): 2-3, 5

**E**X Sion species decóris eius:  
Deus maniféste véniet. *Ÿ*. Con-  
gregáta illi sanctos eius, qui ordi-  
navérunt testaméntum eius super  
sacrificia.

**O**UT of Zion his perfect beau-  
ty shines forth. God is com-  
ing in broad daylight. *Ÿ*. Summon  
before him the consecrated nation  
who made a covenant with him by  
sacrifice.

SECOND READING II Pt 3: 8-14

**D**O NOT IGNORE this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord  
one day is like a thousand years and a thousand years like one  
day. The Lord does not delay his promise, as some regard “de-  
lay,” but he is patient with you, not wishing that any should perish but  
that all should come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come  
like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a mighty roar and  
the elements will be dissolved by fire, and the earth and everything done  
on it will be found out.

Since everything is to be dissolved in this way, what sort of persons  
ought you to be, conducting yourselves in holiness and devotion, wait-  
ing for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which  
the heavens will be dissolved in flames and the elements melted by fire.  
But according to his promise we await new heavens and a new earth in  
which righteousness dwells. Therefore, beloved, since you await these  
things, be eager to be found without spot or blemish before him, at  
peace.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Lk 3: 4, 6

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all flesh shall see  
the salvation of God.

OR: ANCIENT ALLELUIA Ps 122 (121): 1

Lætátus sum in his, quæ dicta sunt  
mihi: in domum Dómini íbimus.

I rejoiced when it was said unto  
me: “Let us go to the house of the  
Lord!”

GOSPEL Mk 1: 1-8

**T**HE BEGINNING of the gospel of Jesus Christ the Son of God.

As it is written in Isaiah the prophet: | *Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; | he will prepare your way. | A voice of one crying out in the desert: | “Prepare the way of the Lord, | make straight his paths.”* | John the Baptist appeared in the desert proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. People of the whole Judean countryside and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River as they acknowledged their sins. John was clothed in camel’s hair, with a leather belt around his waist. He fed on locusts and wild honey. And this is what he proclaimed: “One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

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