



Advent Prayers

O shepherd of Israel, hearken,
O guide of the flock of Joseph!
Rouse your power, and come to save us.
O Lord of hosts, restore us,
if your face shine upon us, then we shall be safe.
O Lord of hosts, how long will you burn with anger
while your people pray?
You have fed them with the bread of tears
and given them tears to drink in ample measure.
You have left us to be fought over by our neighbours,
and our enemies mock us.
O Lord of hosts, restore us,
if your face shine upon us, then we shall be safe.
Amen.

Father in heaven, our hearts desire the warmth of your love and our
minds are searching for the light of your Word.
Increase our longing for [Christ](#) our Savior and give us the
[strength](#) to grow in love,
that the dawn of his coming may find us rejoicing in his presence and
welcoming the light of his truth.
We ask this in the name of [Jesus](#) the Lord.
Amen.

Lord, fill our hearts with your love, and as you revealed to us by an [angel](#) the
coming of your Son as man,
so lead us through his suffering and death to the [glory](#) of his resurrection, f
or he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

Christmas Anticipation Prayer -

Hail and blessed be the hour and moment

In which the Son of God was born

Of the most pure Virgin Mary,

at midnight,

in Bethlehem,

in the piercing cold.

In that hour vouchsafe, O my God,

to hear my prayer and grant my desires,

[here mention your request]

through the merits of Our Saviour Jesus Christ,

and of His blessed Mother. Amen.

