

ADVENT AWAKENINGS

Prayer of the Faithful

Response: "Lord, open our hearts."

May the Advent season inspire us to prepare our hearts to celebrate the birth of Jesus, the Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

May our anticipation of God's appearance among us as a newborn child renew our desire to be united with him when he comes on the last day, let us pray to the Lord.

May the season of Advent be an occasion for a growing solidarity in our families, in our parishes, and in our communities, let us pray to the Lord.

May the message of Advent, that God's grace is at work in the world, move us to be agents of God's grace in the activities of our everyday lives, let us pray to the Lord.

May our expectation of the coming of the Son who called us to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and visit the lonely strengthen our will to actively bring comfort and seek justice to those who are in need, let us pray to the Lord.