



**ST. PETER CANISIUS INTERNATIONAL CATHOLIC PARISH
JAKARTA, INDONESIA**

A D V E N T W R E A T H R I T E S

(Performed after the Entrance Hymn, before the Greeting)

1st Sunday of Advent:

Theme : EXPECTATION BE VIGILANT!

*("Be on watch, be alert ... because you do not know when the master of the house is coming ..."
Mk 13: 33-35)*

(The Blessing of the wreath)

Priest Father, as we begin our Advent pilgrimage, we light a candle of hope. Grant us the courage to hope: hope for your presence, hope for your peace, hope for your promise.

All Amen.

LIGHTING OF THE 1st PURPLE CANDLE

(While the 1st candle of the Advent Wreath is being lighted by the father of a selected family, the Choir sings "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel")

O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here,
Until the Son of God appear,

(REFRAIN)

Rejoice! Rejoice! O Israel!
To thee shall come Emmanuel!

Prayer to be led by the father or any male member of the family :

Dear Lord, if You come today, we would not know how to face You. When we continue to sin and are too proud to accept our faults...come and deliver us, O Lord. **Amen.**

Prayer to be led by the mother or any female member of the family :

Dear God, we who claim to be Yours, are often the ones lacking in faith in your Kingship over all things - come, Lord, and open our eyes and strengthen our faith. **Amen.**

Prayer to be led by one of the children :

Dear God, many times we do not see that You are working out the best for us because we are immersed in our own desires. When we are blinded by the ways of the world and thus fail to see the leading of Your Spirit - come and restore our sight, O God. When we are ruled by anger and resentment and when we undermine the importance of living in Your ways - come and restore our sight, O God. **Amen.**

Priest Restore our sight, O God, and make us see Your Son Jesus Christ. Let His light shine on us that we may never be lost in the chaos of this world. Make us see Him as He is: the glorious Savior, the King of kings and Lord of lords.

All Amen

Glory be to the Father

(The Mass continue with the greeting)