



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

ADVENT WREATH RITES

(Performed after the Entrance Hymn, before the Greeting)

3rd Sunday of Advent:

Theme : JOY - REJOICE! SALVATION IS NEAR!

("The desert will sing and shout for joy; ..tell everyone who is discourage, Be strong and don't be afraid! God is coming to your rescue ..." Isaiah 35: 2-4)

Priest Father, at the height of our Advent walk, we relight the candles of hope and peace, and we light a candle of joy. Grant us the courage to experience joy in hope of the Savior's coming: joy in the face of sorrow, joy in the face of uncertainty.

All Amen.

LIGHTING OF TWO PURPLE CANDLES AND ONE ROSE CANDLE

(While the two purple candles and one rose candle of the Advent Wreath are being lighted by the father of a selected family, the Choir sings "Open Our Eyes, Lord")

OPEN OUR EYES, LORD

Open our eyes, Lord
We want to see Jesus
To reach out and touch Him
And say that we love Him.
Open our ears, Lord
And help us to listen
Open our eyes, Lord
We want to see Jesus.
Open our eyes, Lord
We want to see Jesus.

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

In times of loneliness, darkness and uncertainty - O come, Prince of joy and hope. In times of misunderstanding, anger and resentment - O come, Prince of Peace and Love. **Amen.**

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

O God, You have planned our salvation even before we were born and your faithfulness is true. You send your Son to suffer for our sake so that we may be saved from sin! We welcome Him, the Lord of Salvation. **Amen.**

Prayer to be led by one of the children:

Dear God, John is your messenger - the man who is to prepare the road for our Savior. Grant that as we travel the road he teaches, we too may be like him, messengers that can guide others to Your path of peace. **Amen.**

Priest Heavenly Father, let love, respect and goodness reign in our hearts and never let the evil one and worldly desires snatch away our happiness and the reward of living forever with You. Instead, make us stand firm by Your word, faithful and loyal to Your instructions. Make us holy in every way and keep our whole being faultless at the coming of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

All Amen

Glory be to the Father

(The Mass continue with the greeting)