

*SJRAISE Petitions for Prayers of the People:
Advent through Epiphanytide (2020-21)*

First Sunday in Advent

O God, reveal to us your Son's coming in the cry of justice among all those who come to this country seeking work and a better life.

Second Sunday in Advent

O God, reveal to us your Son's coming in all those who seek to make straight the often crooked pathways of our nation's immigration laws and practices.

Third Sunday in Advent

O God, reveal to us your Son's coming in all those who long for the year of the Lord's favor and in all those who work for the compassionate and just treatment of immigrants and asylum seekers.

Fourth Sunday in Advent

O God, reveal to us your Son's coming in all women who live in danger and fear due their immigration status.

First Sunday after Christmas

O God, may we recognize your Son come to us in the many immigrant children placed at risk by indifferent policies and systems.

Second Sunday after Christmas

O God, hear the anguish of all refugee families who have been separated: parents who search for their children in anguish and desperation, children who live in loneliness and fear.

First Sunday after the Epiphany: The Baptism of the Lord

O God, make known your light and glory by in us by a deeper conviction that we are all your children precious and beloved, beyond any borders or divisions.

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

O God, make known your light and glory by our gratitude for all immigrant farm workers who raise our food.

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

O God, make known your light and glory our appreciation for immigrant service workers who make possible our common life.

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

O God, make known your light and glory by our thankfulness for all immigrant domestic workers who contribute to the well-being of our homes and households.

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

O God, make known your light and glory in a reformed and more compassionate attitude towards those who seek a better home in country.

Last Sunday after the Epiphany

O God, make known your light and glory and reveal the face of your Son in all those considered aliens and yet instrumental to our nation's well-being.

