

## Current Collect

### **First Sunday of Advent**

All-powerful God,  
Increase our strength of will for doing good  
that Christ may find an eager welcome  
at his coming  
and call us to his side  
in the Kingdom of heaven,  
where he lives and reigns with you  
and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

### **Third Sunday of Advent**

Lord God,  
may we, your people,  
who look forward to the birthday of Christ  
experience the joy of salvation  
and celebrate that feast with love and  
thanksgiving.  
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
your Son, who lives and reigns with you  
and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

### **Christmas Day**

Lord God,  
we praise you for creating man,  
and still more for restoring him in Christ.  
Your Son shared our weakness:  
may we share his glory,  
for he lives and reigns with you  
and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

### **Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Father,  
your love never fails.  
Hear our call.  
Keep us from danger  
and provide for all our needs.  
Grant this through our Lord...

## Revised Collect

Grant your faithful, we pray, almighty God,  
the resolve to run forth to meet your Christ  
with righteous deeds at his coming,  
so that, gathered at his right hand,  
they may be worthy to possess  
the heavenly kingdom.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

O God, who see how your people  
faithfully await the feast of the Lord's Nativity,  
enable us, we pray,  
to attain the joys of so great a salvation,  
and to celebrate them always  
with solemn worship and glad rejoicing.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

O God, who wonderfully created  
the dignity of human nature  
and still more wonderfully restored it,  
grant, we pray,  
that we may share in the divinity of Christ,  
who humbled himself to share in our humanity.  
Who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

O God,  
whose providence never fails in its design,  
keep from us, we humbly beseech you,  
all that might harm us  
and grant all that works for our good.  
Through our Lord...

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