

# Praying the O Antiphons



December 17-23

December 17

# O Sapiéntia / O Wisdom

Sir. 24, 5; Sap. 8, 1; Is. 40, 14

Ant.  
2 d.



O Sa-pi-énti- a, \* quæ ex o-re Altíssimi pro-  
dísti, attingens a fi-ne usque ad fi-nem fórti ter,  
su-á-vi-ter disponénsque ómni- a: ve-ni ad docéndum  
nos vi- am prudénti- æ. E u o u a e.

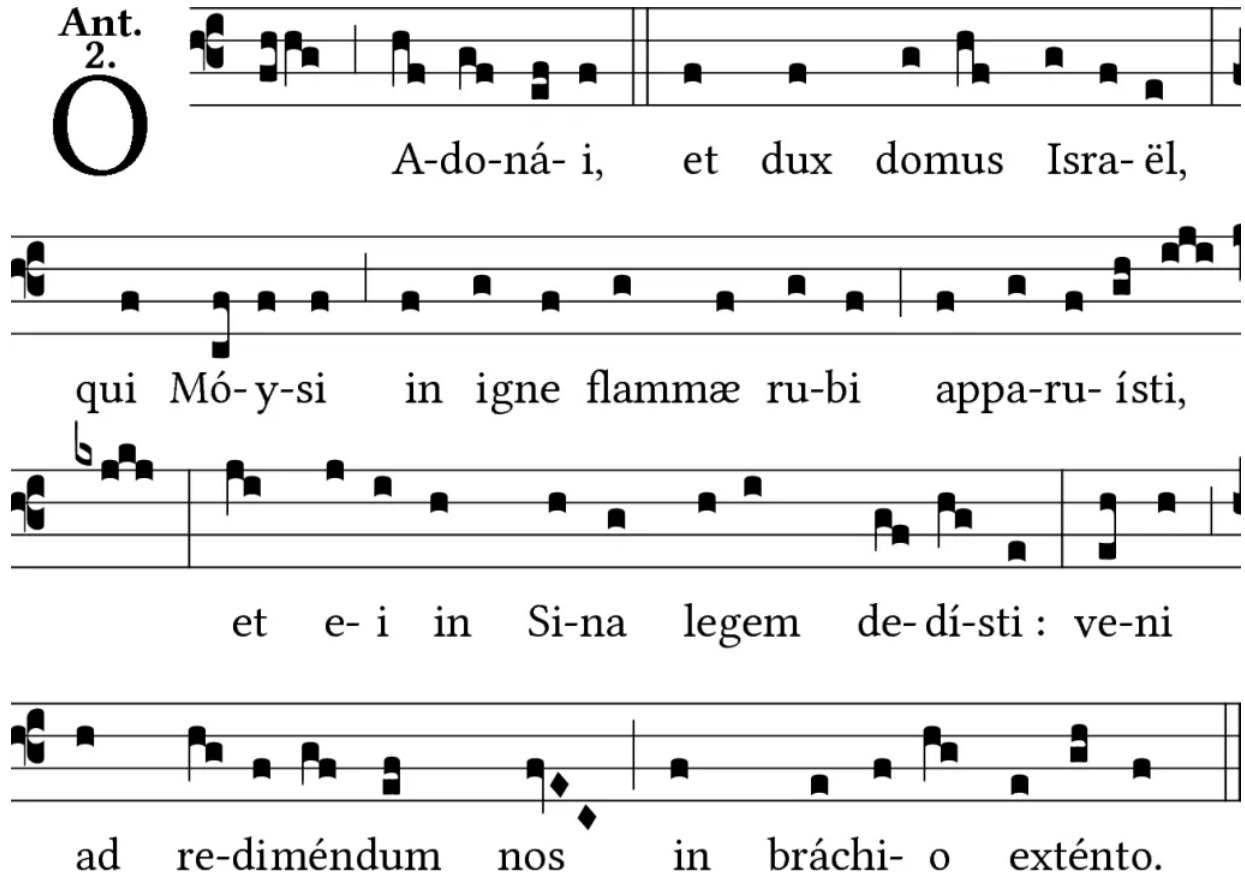
**O** Wisdom that comest out of the mouth of the Most High, that reachest from one end to another, and orderest all things mightily and sweetly, come to teach us the way of prudence!

**O** Sapiéntia, quæ ex ore Altíssimi prodiisti, attingens a fine usque ad finem, fortiter suaviterque disponens omnia: veni ad docendum nos viam prudentiæ.

December 18

# O Adonai / O Sovereign Lord

Ant.  
2.



A-do-ná-i, et dux domus Isra-ël,  
qui Mó-y-si in igne flammæ ru-bi appa-ru-ísti,  
et e-i in Si-na legem de-dí-sti: ve-ni  
ad re-diméndum nos in bráchi-o exténto.

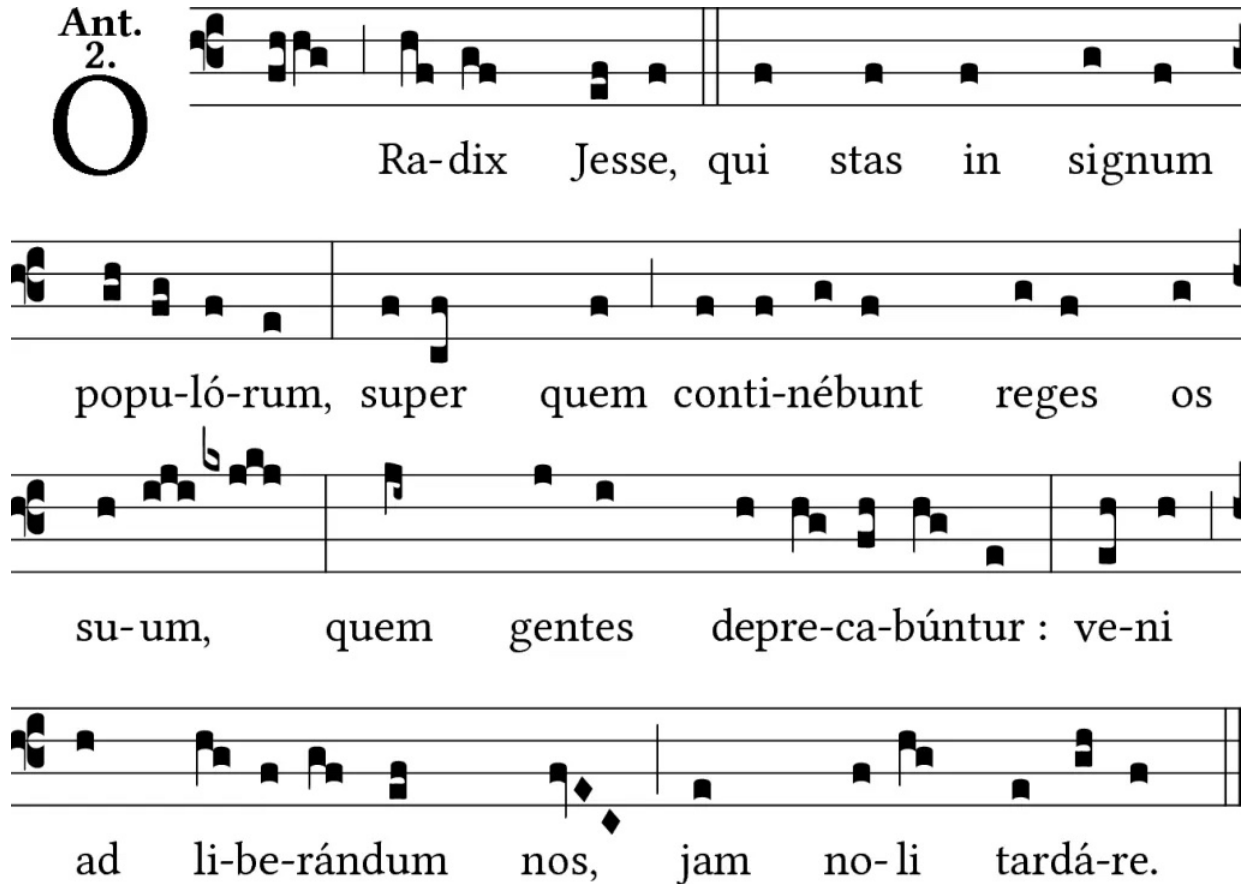
**O** Adonai, and Ruler of the house of Israel, Who didst appear unto Moses in the burning bush, and gavest him the law in Sinai, come to redeem us with an outstretched arm!

**O** Adonai, et Dux domus Israel, qui Moysi in igne flammæ rubi apparuisti, et ei in Sina legem dedisti: veni ad redimendum nos in brachio extento.

December 19

# *O Radix Jesse / O Root of Jesse*

Ant.  
2.



**O** Ra-dix Jesse, qui stas in signum  
popu-ló-rum, super quem conti-nébunt reges os  
su-um, quem gentes depre-ca-búntur : ve-ni  
ad li-be-rándum nos, jam no-li tardá-re.

*O* Root of Jesse, which standest for an ensign of the people, at Whom the kings shall shut their mouths, Whom the Gentiles shall seek, come to deliver us, do not tarry.

*O* Radix Jesse, qui stas in signum populorum, super quem continebunt reges os suum, quem Gentes deprecabuntur: veni ad liberandum nos, jam noli tardare.



December 20

# O Clavis David / O Key of David

Ant.  
2.  
O



Cla-vis Da-vid, et sceptrum domus  
Isra-ël, qui ápe-ris, et nemo claudit, claudis,  
et ne-mo ápe- rit : ve-ni, et e-duc vinctum de  
domo cárce- ris, sedéntem in té-nebris, et umbra  
mortis.

**O** Key of David, and Sceptre of the house of Israel, that openeth and no man shutteth, and shutteth and no man openeth, come to liberate the prisoner from the prison, and them that sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death.

**O** Clavis David, et sceptrum domus Israel: qui aperis, et nemo claudit: claudis, et nemo aperit: veni, et educ vinctum de domo carceris, sedentem in tenebris, et umbra mortis.

December 21

# *O Oriens / O Orient (Dayspring)*

Ant.  
2.

**O** O- ri- ens, splendor lu- cis æ- tér-  
næ, et sol justí- ti- æ : ve- ni, et illúmi- na  
sedentes in té- nebris, et umbra mortis.

**O** Orient! splendour of eternal light, and Sun of Justice! come and enlighten them that sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death.

**O** Oriens, splendor lucis æternæ, et sol justitiæ: veni, et illumina sedentes in tenebris, et umbra mortis.

December 22

# O Rex Gentium / O King of Nations

Ant.  
2.

O Rex génti- um, et de-si-de-rá-tus e-á-  
rum, la-písque angu-lá-ris, qui fa-cis útra-que  
u-num : ve-ni, et salva hó-mi-nem, quem de limo  
formásti.

**O** King of nations, and their desired One, and the corner-stone that makest both one; come and save man whom thou formedst out of slime.

**O** Rex Gentium, et desideratus earum, lapisque angularis, qui facis utraque unum: veni, et salva hominem, quem de limo formasti.

December 23

# O Emmanuel / O God with Us

Ant.  
2.

O Emma-nu-el, Rex et lé-gi-fer noster,  
exspectá-ti-o génti-um, et Salvá-tor e-á-rum:  
ve-ni ad salvándum nos, Dómi-ne, De-us noster.

O Emmanuel, our King and our Lawgiver, Longing of the Gentiles, yea, and salvation thereof, come to save us, O Lord our God!

O Emmanuel, Rex et legifer noster, expectatio gentium, et Salvator earum: veni ad salvandum nos Domine Deus noster.