

The O Antiphons

One each evening, December 17 to 23. Cut along the dashed lines to make seven cards.

Dec 17 O Sapientia · Wisdom

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

O Sapientia, quae ex ore Altissimi prodisti, attingens a fine usque ad finem, fortiter suaviterque disponens omnia: veni ad docendum nos viam prudentiae.

Dec 18 O Adonai · Lord and Ruler

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 flammae rubi apparuisti, et ei in Sina legem dedisti: veni ad redimendum nos in brachio extento.

Dec 19 O Radix Jesse · Root of Jesse

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, make no tarrying.

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

Dec 20 O Clavis David · Key of David

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 bring out 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 vincitum de domo carceris, sedentem in tenebris, et umbra mortis.

Dec 21 O Oriens · Dayspring

O Dayspring, Brightness of the everlasting light, Sun of Justice: come to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death!

O Oriens, splendor lucis aeternae, et sol justitiae: veni, et illumina sedentes in tenebris et umbra mortis.

Dec 22 O Rex Gentium · King of the Nations

O King of the Gentiles, yea, and desire thereof; O Corner-stone, that makest of two one: come to save man, whom thou hast made of the dust of the earth!

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

Dec 23 O Emmanuel · God with Us

O Emmanuel, our King and our Law-giver, 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.

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