

**The Fourth Sunday of Advent**

**Year B**

**Sunday, December 20, 2020**

**Readings:** 1) 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16

2) Romans 16:25-27

3) Luke 1:26-38

## **Sunday Liturgy**

**The focus for today's Mass is: we need to give thanks to God for the role we play in his plan for the world.**

**Today's reading from the Second Book of Samuel tells of God's promise to David that his kingdom will endure forever. Saint Paul ends his Letter to the Romans with a doxology praising God through Jesus Christ. Saint Luke's Gospel describes the announcement of the birth of Jesus and recounts how Mary says yes to God's plan for her and the world.**

## **GENERAL INTERCESSIONS**

**PRIEST:**

**Let us call to mind the needs of the Church and the world,  
bringing our concerns confidently before God's throne.**

**For the leaders of the Church, entrusted to be Good Shepherds of God's people on earth.**

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

**For all nations on earth, may they remain faithful to God the Father even in times of struggle.**

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayers.

**For all who are sick in mind, spirit and body.**

We Pray to the Lord. Lord hear our prayer.

**For our beloved dead,**

**may they through God's grace and mercy, enter the kingdom of heaven.**

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

**For each of us, may we proclaim the good news by word and example.**

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

**For our own personal intentions... (pause).**

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

**PRIEST:**

**Father, in your goodness hear our prayers today and answer them,  
we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.**