

## SAMPLE PENITENTIAL RITES

### ADVENT

Lord, you come to visit your people in peace,  
Christ, you come to all who are lost,  
Lord, you have come to create a new world,

Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.

### CHRISTMAS SEASON

Lord Jesus, Son of God, you were born of the Virgin  
to be come one like us,  
Christ Jesus, Son of man,  
you heal our weakness,  
Lord Jesus, first born of the Father,  
you gather us as one family,

Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.

### LENTEN SEASON

Lord, by water and the Spirit  
you give us new life,  
Christ, by the cross you brought  
pardon and hope,  
Lord, by your death  
you brought peace to the sinner,

Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.

### EASTER SEASON

Lord, you ascended to the Father and gave  
us the gift of the Spirit,  
Christ, by the power of your cross you draw  
all creatures to yourself.  
Lord, you are the king of the universe and  
Your dominion lasts for ever.

Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.

## DURING THE YEAR

1. Lord, you were sent by the Father  
to bring good news to the poor,  
Christ, you came to save  
us from sin,  
Lord, you were sent to proclaim  
the grace and mercy of God,  
Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.
2. Lord, you are the way that leads  
to the Father,  
Christ, you are the truth  
that brings joy to the world,  
Lord, you are the life  
that renews the world.  
Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.
3. Lord, you were born of the Virgin Mary  
for the salvation of the world,  
Christ, you died on the cross to heal  
the wounds of sin,  
Lord, you rose from the dead to open  
for us the gates of heaven,  
Lord, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.