SAMPLE PENITENTIAL RITES

ADVENT

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

CHRISTMAS SEASON

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

LENTEN SEASON

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

EASTER SEASON

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