

Music Suggestions

C A T E C H U M E N A T E S E S S I O N S Y E A R B

The music suggestions offered here represent a wide variety of styles of music, and include selections from the three major publishers. Most suggestions are appropriate for use with children, youth, and adults in the RCIA process.

Liturgical Music Publishers

GIA Publications, Inc. (GIA)
Oregon Catholic Press (OCP)
World Library Publications (WLP)

Advent, Year B

1st Sunday of Advent

“Awake to the Day” (E. Bolduc and J. Barker/WLP)
“Find Us Ready” (T. Booth/OCP)
“Save Us, O Lord” (B. Dufford, SJ/OCP)

2nd Sunday of Advent

“Comfort, Comfort, O My People” (traditional/
most hymnals)
“Prepare the Way of the Lord” (J. Berthier/
most hymnals)
“Ready the Way” (C. Stephan/OCP)

3rd Sunday of Advent

“Prepare the Way of the Lord” (J. Berthier/
most hymnals)
“Ready the Way” (C. Stephan/OCP)
“You Have Anointed Me” (M. Balhoff, G. Daigle,
D. Ducote/GIA)

4th Sunday of Advent

“The Angel Gabriel From Heaven Came”
(traditional)
“Hail Mary, Gentle Woman” (C. Landry/
most hymnals)
“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” (traditional/
most hymnals)

Christmas Season, Year B

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

“Build a Family” (E. Bolduc/WLP)
“Canticle of Simeon” (G. Brown/OCP)
“Once in Royal David’s City” (traditional/
most hymnals)

Mary, the Holy Mother of God

“Blessed One” (A. Thompson/WLP)
“I Sing a Maid” (M. D. Ridge/OCP)
“May God Bless and Keep You” (C. Walker/OCP)

The Epiphany of the Lord

“The First Noel” (traditional/most hymnals)
“Rise Up in Splendor” (A. Thompson/WLP)
“We Three Kings” (traditional/most hymnals)

The Baptism of the Lord

“As With Gladness Men of Old” (traditional/
most hymnals)
“Come to the Water” (S. Lay/WLP)
“When Jesus Comes to Be Baptized”
(Stanbrook Abbey/OCP resources)



Lent, Year B

1st Sunday of Lent

- “From Ashes to the Living Font” (A. Hommerding/OCP)
- “Led by the Spirit” (B. Hurd/OCP)
- “The Glory of These Forty Days” (traditional/most hymnals)

2nd Sunday of Lent

- “If God Is For Us” (G. Brown/OCP)
- “Transfigure Us, O Lord” (R. Manalo/OCP)
- “Transform Us” (S. Dunstan/GIA)

3rd Sunday of Lent

- “Deep Within” (D. Haas/GIA)
- “Jesus, the Lord” (R. O’Connor, SJ/OCP)
- “Psalm 19: Lord, you have the words” (use the setting sung at your parish)

4th Sunday of Lent

- “Amazing Grace” (J. Newton/most hymnals)
- “For God So Loved the World” (M. Haugen/GIA)
- “God So Loved the World” (P. Tate/WLP)

5th Sunday of Lent

- “Deep Within” (D. Haas/GIA)
- “Psalm 51: Create a clean heart in me” (use the setting sung in your parish)
- “Unless a Grain of Wheat” (B. Farrell/OCP)

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

- “All Glory, Laud, and Honor” (traditional/most hymnals)
- “Hosanna” (S. Soper/GIA)
- “Ride On, Jesus, Ride” (African-American Spiritual/M. Haugen/GIA)

Easter Season, Year B

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

- “Easter Alleluia” (M. Haugen/GIA)
- “Jesus Christ is Risen Today” (traditional/most hymnals)
- “Resucito” (K. Argüello/most hymnals)

2nd Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy)

- “O Sons and Daughters” (traditional/most hymnals)
- “Peace Prayer” (D. Haas/GIA)
- “Psalm 118: Give Thanks to the Lord” (use the setting sung in your parish)

3rd Sunday of Easter

- “In the Breaking of the Bread/Cuando Partimos el Pan del Señor” (B. Hurd, M. Downey, S. Dean, K. Orozco/most hymnals)
- “Jesus Is Risen Today” (K. Demny/WLP)
- “Two Were Bound for Emmaus” (B. Hurd/OCP)

4th Sunday of Easter

- “Easter Alleluia” (M. Haugen/GIA)
- “In Christ Alone” (K. Getty, S. Townend/OCP resources)
- “The King of Love My Shepherd Is” (traditional/most hymnals)

5th Sunday of Easter

- “God is Love” (D. Haas/GIA)
- “Now We Remain” (D. Haas/most hymnals)
- “We Have Been Told” (D. Haas/most hymnals)

6th Sunday of Easter

- “If You Love Me” (C. Consiglio, OSB/OCP)
- “Now We Remain” (D. Haas/most hymnals)
- “We Have Been Told” (D. Haas/most hymnals)

The Ascension of the Lord

- “Go to the World” (traditional/most hymnals)
- “Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise” (traditional/most hymnals)
- “I Send You Out” (J. Angotti/WLP)

Pentecost Sunday

- “Come, Holy Ghost” (traditional/most hymnals)
- “Send Down the Fire” (M. Haugen/GIA)
- “Send Us Your Spirit” (D. Haas/GIA)

Ordinary Time, Year B

The Most Holy Trinity

- “All Hail, Adored Trinity” (traditional/most hymnals)
- “Let There Be Light” (J. Marriot, P. Melley/GIA)
- “O God Almighty Father” (traditional/most hymnals)

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

- “I Am the Bread of Life/Yo Soy el Pan de Vida” (S. Toolan, RSM/most hymnals)
- “Taste and See” (J. Moore/most hymnals)
- “We Come to Your Feast” (M. Joncas/GIA)

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Here I Am, Lord” (D. Schutte/most hymnals)
- “One Lord” (L. True/GIA)
- “I Send You Out” (J. Angotti/WLP)

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Loving and Forgiving” (S. Soper/OCP)
- “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy” (F. W. Faber/
most hymnals)
- “Turn to the Living God” (L. True/GIA)

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Healer of Our Every Ill” (M. Haugen/
most hymnals)
- “Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”
(R. Edwards/GIA resources)
- “Psalm 95: If today you hear his voice”
(use a setting sung in your parish)

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Healer of Our Every Ill” (M. Haugen/
most hymnals)
- “Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”
(R. Edwards/GIA resources)
- “Psalm 147: Praise the Lord who heals the
brokenhearted” (use a setting sung in your parish)

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Healer of Our Every Ill” (M. Haugen/
most hymnals)
- “Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”
(R. Edwards/GIA resources)
- “There is a Balm in Gilead” (African-American
spiritual/most hymnals)

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Healer of Our Every Ill” (M. Haugen/
most hymnals)
- “Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”
(R. Edwards/GIA resources)
- “There is a Balm in Gilead” (African-American
spiritual/most hymnals)

8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Psalm 103: The Lord is kind and merciful”
(use a setting sung in your parish)
- “Stand Firm” (Cameroon traditional/most hymnals)
- “Without Seeing You” (D. Haas/GIA)

9th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Earthen Vessels” (J. Foley, SJ/OCP)
- “Making Their Way” (D. Dufner, OSB/
GIA resources)
- “This Day God Gives Me” (attributed to
St. Patrick; most hymnals)

10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Increase Our Faith” (D. Haas/GIA)
- “Jesus in the Morning” (African-American spiritual/
most hymnals)
- “Psalm 103: With the Lord there is mercy”
use a setting sung in your parish)

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Bring Forth the Kingdom” (M. Haugen/
most hymnals)
- “The Reign of God” (D. Dufner, OSB/
GIA resources)
- “We Walk By Faith” (H. Alford/most hymnals)

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Increase Our Faith” (D. Haas/GIA)
- “Shelter Me, O God” (B. Hurd/OCP)
- “Stand By Me” (T. Kendzia/OCP)

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Healer of Our Every Ill” (M. Haugen/
most hymnals)
- “Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”
(R. Edwards/GIA resources)
- “There is a Balm in Gilead” (African-American
spiritual/most hymnals)

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Amazing Grace” (J. Newton/most hymnals)
- “Increase Our Faith” (D. Haas/GIA)
- “I Send You Out” (J. Angotti/WLP)

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Go, Make a Difference” (S. Angrisano/OCP)
- “I Send You Out” (J. Angotti/WLP)
- “Somos El Cuerpo de Cristo/We Are the Body
of Christ” (J. Cortez/OCP)

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Lead Me, Guide Me” (D. Akers/most hymnals)
- “Psalm 23: The Lord is my shepherd” (use a
setting sung in your parish)
- “Shepherd Me, O God” (M. Haugen/most hymnals)

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly” (S. Dunstan/
GIA resources)
- “Taste and See” (various settings/most hymnals)
- “Ven al Banquete” (J. Cortez/OCP)

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Bread of Life From Heaven/Pan de Vida Eterna” (S. Briehl, J. Cortez, M. Haugen/GIA)
- “I Am the Bread of Life/Yo Soy el Pan de Vida” (S. Toolan, RSM/most hymnals)
- “Look Beyond” (Damean Music/most hymnals)

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Bread of Life From Heaven/Pan de Vida Eterna” (S. Briehl, J. Cortez, M. Haugen/GIA)
- “Eat This Bread” (J. Berthier, Les Presses de Taizé/most hymnals)
- “One Love Released” (B. Frenzel, K. Keil/OCP)

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Bread of Life From Heaven/Pan de Vida Eterna” (S. Briehl, J. Cortez, M. Haugen/GIA)
- “Eat This Bread” (J. Berthier, Les Presses de Taizé/most hymnals)
- “One Love Released” (B. Frenzel, K. Keil/OCP)

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Look Beyond” (Damean Music/most hymnals)
- “Psalm 34: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord” (use a setting sung in your parish)
- “We Will Serve the Lord” (R. Cooney/OCP)

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “All That is Hidden” (B. Farrell/OCP)
- “Deep Within” (D. Haas/GIA)
- “Purify My Heart” (B. Doerkson/spiritandsong)

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Increase Our Faith” (D. Haas/GIA)
- “Jesus, Heal Us” (D. Haas/GIA)
- “Your Hands, O Lord, in Days of Old” (E. Plumtre/WLP)

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Come and Journey With a Savior” (H. O’Driscoll, M. Haugen/GIA)
- “Take Up Our Cross” (C. Stephan, S. Hart, M. Byrd/OCP)
- “Take Up Your Cross” (traditional/most hymnals)

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “All Are Welcome” (M. Haugen/most hymnals)
- “Let the Children Come to Me” (R. Cooney/WLP)
- “Seek Ye First” (K. Lafferty/most hymnals)

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Sacred Silence” (T. Booth, J. Pixler, A. Kuner/spiritandsong)
- “Turn My Heart, O God” (M. Haugen/GIA)
- “You Alone” (S. Hart, D. Liles/spiritandsong)

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “All Are Welcome” (M. Haugen/most hymnals)
- “Let the Children Come to Me” (R. Cooney/WLP)
- “When Love is Found” (B. Wren/most hymnals)

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Deep Within” (D. Haas/GIA)
- “The Summons” (J. Bell/most hymnals)
- “We Will Follow” (D. Brennan, K. Canedo, J. Manibusan/spiritandsong)

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Here I Am to Worship” (T. Hughes/OCP)
- “I Danced in the Morning” (S. Carter/most hymnals)
- “The Servant Song” (R. Gillard/most hymnals)

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Amazing Grace” (J. Newton/most hymnals)
- “Increase Our Faith” (D. Haas/GIA)
- “Open My Eyes, Lord” (J. Manibusan/OCP)

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Deep Within” (D. Haas/GIA)
- “Song of Good News” (W. Jabusch/WLP)
- “The Master Came to Bring Good News” (R. Finn/GIA)

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Harvest of Justice” (D. Haas/GIA)
- “We Are Called” (D. Haas/GIA)
- “Whatsoever You Do” (W. Jabusch/most hymnals)

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

- “Find Us Ready” (T. Booth/OCP)
- “Soon and Very Soon” (A. Crouch/most hymnals)
- “The Trumpet in the Morning” (R. Cooney/GIA)

34th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

- “At the Name of Jesus” (C. Walker/OCP)
- “He Is Exalted” (T. Paris/spiritandsong)
- “To Jesus Christ Our Sovereign King” (traditional/most hymnals)