St. Benedict Parish 4th Sunday of Advent–Mass Hymn Sheet (5:00pm and 9:00am Masses ONLY)

Gathering Hymn: "Lo, how a Rose E'er Blooming"

- 1. Lo, how a rose e'er blooming, From tender stem hath sprung. Of Jesse's lineage coming, As men of old have sung; It came, a flow'ret bright, Amid the cold of winter, When half spent was the night.
- 2. Isaiah 'twas foretold it, The Rose I have in mind, With Mary we behold it, The virgin mother kind; To show God's love aright, She bore to men a Savior, When half spent was the night.
- 3. O Flower, whose fragrance tender With sweetness fills the air, Dispel with glorious splendor The darkness everywhere; True man, yet very God, From Sin and death now save us, And share our every load.

Responsorial Psalm: (SUNG) "Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord."

Preparation Hymn "Beyond the Moon and Stars"

Refrain: Beyond the moon and stars, as deep as night, So great our hunger, Lord, to see your light. The sparrow finds her home beneath your wing, So may we come to rest where angels sing.

- 1. Our eyes have longed to see your loving face, To live within your courts for all our days. (Ref.)
- 2. Your roads have led us, Lord, 'cross dessert sand. We place our hopes and dreams within your hands.

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Recessional hymn: "People Look East"

- 1. People, look east. The time is near Of the crowning of the year.

 Make your house fair as you are able, Trim the hearth and set the table.

 People, look east and sing today:

 Love, the guest, is on the way.
- 2. Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare, One more seed is planted there: Give up your strength the seed to nourish, That in course the flower may flourish. People, look east and sing today: Love, the rose, is on the way.
- 3. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim One more light the bowl shall brim, Shining beyond the frosty weather, Bright as sun and moon together. People, look east and sing today: Love, the star, is on the way.

