

## O Come, O Come Emmanuel and the O Antiphons

Latin	English Antiphon	Bible References	Hymn Verse
<i>O Sapientia</i>	<i>O Wisdom, coming forth from the mouth of the Most High, reaching from one end to the other, mightily and sweetly ordering all things: Come and teach us the way of prudence.</i>	Ecclesiasticus 24:3 Wisdom 8:1; Proverbs 8:22–31 Isaiah 11:2–3 Isaiah 28:29	O come, Thou Wisdom from on high, Who ord’rest all things mightily; to us the path of knowledge show, And teach us in her ways to go.
<i>O Adonai</i>	<i>O Adonai, and leader of the House of Israel, who appeared to Moses in the fire of the burning bush and gave him the law on Sinai: Come and redeem us with an outstretched arm.</i>	Exodus 3:2  Exodus 19:16–20; Hebrews 12:18–21 Exodus 6:6	O come, O come, Thou Lord of might, Who to Thy tribes on Sinai’s height In ancient times didst give the Law In cloud and majesty and awe.
<i>O Radix Jesse</i>	<i>O Root of Jesse, standing as a sign among the peoples; before you kings will shut their mouths, to you the nations will make their prayer: Come and deliver us, and delay no longer.</i>	Isaiah 11:1, 10; Isaiah 53:2 Isaiah 52:15	O come, Thou Branch of Jesse’s tree, Free them from Satan’s tyranny That trust Thy mighty pow’r to save, And give them vict’ry o’er the grave.
<i>O Clavis David</i>	<i>O Key of David and sceptre of the House of Israel; you open and no one can shut; you shut and no one can open: Come and lead the prisoners from the prison house, those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death.</i>	Isaiah 22:22 Revelation 3:7  Isaiah 42:6–7	O come, thou Key of David, come, And open wide our heav’nly home; Make safe the way that leads on high, And close the path to misery.
<i>O Oriens</i>	<i>O Morning Star, splendour of light eternal and sun of righteousness: Come and enlighten those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death.</i>	Malachi 4:2 2 Peter 1:19 Isaiah 9:2; Luke 1:69	O come, Thou Dayspring from on high, And cheer us by Thy drawing nigh; Disperse the gloomy clouds of night, And death’s dark shadows put to flight.
<i>O Rex Gentium</i>	<i>O King of the nations, and their desire, the cornerstone making both one: Come and save the human race, which you fashioned from clay.</i>	Jeremiah 10:7 Isaiah 28:16; Ephesians 2:14 Genesis 2:7	O come, Desire of nations, bind In one the hearts of all mankind; Bid Thou our sad divisions cease, And be Thyself our King of Peace.
<i>O Emmanuel</i>	<i>O Emmanuel, our king and our lawgiver, the hope of the nations and their Saviour: Come and save us, O Lord our God.</i>	Isaiah 7:14 Isaiah 33:22	O Come, O Come Emmanuel And Ransom Captive Israel That mourns in lonely exile here Until the Son of God appear.