

Latin Name for Christ: O Emmanuel (God with Us)

Antiphon: "O Emmanuel, our king and our Lord, the anointed for the nations and their Savior: Come and save us, O Lord our God."

Biblical Connection: "And when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the baby leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit, and she exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! And why is this granted to me that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For behold, when the sound of your greeting came to my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy.'" - Luke 1:40-44

How does JOY connect to life issues?

Just like us, Jesus was a baby. Jesus grew and developed inside Mary, His mother. He was able to leap and move in joyful ways as a child. Today, He finds joy in us! (And like John, Jesus' cousin, we are filled with joy when we are near Jesus.) Babies bring great joy. They are a gift from God even when they are a surprise to their parents. Jesus makes every baby valuable and loved. How did you bring your parents joy when you were a baby?



O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely
exile here
Until the Son of God
appear.

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel
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How do you think Elizabeth felt when
John leapt for joy in the womb?

