Fourth Sunday of Advent
Year A

Isaiah 7:10-16
Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19
Romans 1:1-7
Matthew 1:18-25
Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel.

Isaiah 7:14b
Mary and the Christ Child

JESUS MAFA
Cameroon
Mary and Baby
Jesus

Kathleen Peterson
Spring City, UT
Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock!

Psalm 80:1
Good Shepherd – Gunnar Torhamn, Soderakra Church, Soderakra, Sweden
Restore us, O God; let your face shine, that we may be saved.

Psalm 80:3
God, from Baptism of Jesus  --  Lorenzo Scott, Smithsonian American Art Museum, Washington, DC
...the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David...which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures...

Romans 1:3a, 2
Isaiah
Prophesying the
Adoration of
Christ
Amiens
Cathedral
Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship...

Romans 1:4c, 5a
Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Romans 1:7
Messenger of Peace

Barbara Pearson
Manchester, England
...she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 1:18c
Mary with Child

Collegiate Church of Saint Mary
Toro, Spain
Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly.

Matthew 1:19
Joseph
Guido Reni
Palazzo Barberini
Rome, Italy
...an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit."

Matthew 1:20bc
Joseph’s Dream -- Lille Cathedral, Lille, France
She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus...

Matthew 1:21a
Joseph the Carpenter

Georges de la Tour
Louvre Museum
All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet:

"Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means, "God is with us."

Matthew 1:22-23
When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife.

Matthew 1:24
Marriage of Joseph and Mary
Andrea della Robbia
Malmo, Sweden
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