

Sunday 3rd December readings:

Advent Sunday

Isaiah Ch 64 v1-9

1 Corinthians Ch 1 v3-9

Mark Ch13 v24-37

Hymns:

265 Hark the glad sound!

480 O come, O come, Emmanuel

557 People, look east

438 Make way, make way

Collect

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Verse for the week

Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved.

Psalm Ch 80 v 19

Prayer for the week

All-powerful God, increase our strength of will for doing good that Christ may find an eager welcome at his coming and call us to his side in the kingdom of heaven, where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Readings for 10th December

2nd Sunday of Advent

Isaiah Ch 40 v1-11

2 Peter Ch3 v8-15a

Mark Ch1 v1-8

St Aidan's Verse for 2023

Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee. (Psalm 55 v 22)

In our intercessions, **we are asked to remember those in need:**

Katharine Watts, Julie Shute, Margaret Taylor, Tony Mabbatt, Stuart Greenway, Callum Turner, Linda Chambers, Kim Herd, Elaine Turner, Lynee Wells, John and Brenda Mangion, Violet Doyle, Dennis and Jean Pogose, Audrey Pegrum, Lee Jackson, Robert Saints, Anmarie Ayoub, Tammy Bartlett, Helen Bartlett, Muriel Hill, Lydia Petitt, Hilda Pipes, Sue Gray, Stephen Sturrock, Mac McCarthy, Elaine Harris, Kevin Barber, Rob Symonds, Lin Edwards, Harvey Saints, Pam Searle.



Those who have recently departed:

Barbara Armitage

And those whose anniversaries occur this week:

Robert Kett, Derek Brown, Joyce Rippin, Suzanne Mansfield,

We also remember those living in residential care or are housebound and less able to get to Church:

Jean Jones, Betty Burton, Margaret Brooks, Dot Bartlett, Dulcie Moore, Beryl Bristow, Florrie Webb, Jean Lewis.

Appeal from HARP Southend for the following items: Tea, coffee, tinned ravioli, macaroni, spaghetti, tinned fish inc. tuna.

Please, no items which are out-of-date or contain alcohol. Thank you.

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