

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Is 30:19,30

**O people of Sion, behold,
the Lord will come to save the nations,
and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard
in the joy of your heart.**

THE COLLECT

Almighty and merciful God,
may no earthly undertaking hinder those
who set out in haste to meet your Son,
but may our learning of heavenly wisdom
gain us admittance to his company.
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

FIRST READING

A reading from the prophet Baruch

5:1-9

Jerusalem, take off your dress of sorrow and distress,
put on the beauty of the glory of God for ever,
wrap the cloak of the integrity of God around you,
put the diadem of the glory of the Eternal on your head:
since God means to show your splendour to every nation under heaven,
since the name God gives you for ever will be,
'Peace through integrity, and honour through devotedness'.
Arise, Jerusalem, stand on the heights
and turn your eyes to the east:
see your sons reassembled from west and east
at the command of the Holy One, jubilant that God has
remembered them.

Though they left you on foot,
with enemies for an escort,
now God brings them back to you
like royal princes carried back in glory.
For God has decreed the flattening
of each high mountain, of the everlasting hills,
the filling of the valleys to make the ground level
so that Israel can walk in safety under the glory of God.
And the forests and every fragrant tree will provide shade
for Israel at the command of God;
for God will guide Israel in joy by the light of his glory
with his mercy and integrity for escort.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Ps. 125. R.v 3

**R) What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad.**

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage
it seemed like a dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
on our lips there were songs. **(R)**

The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels
the Lord worked for them!'
What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad. **(R)**

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage
as streams in dry land.
Those who are sowing in tears
will sing when they reap. **(R)**

They go out, they go out, full of tears
carrying seed for the sowing:
they come back, they come back, full of song,
carrying their sheaves. **(R)**

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

1:4-6. 8-11

Every time I pray for all of you, I pray with joy, remembering how
you have helped to spread the Good News from the day you first
heard it right up to the present. I am quite certain that the One
who began this good work in you will see that it is finished when
the Day of Christ Jesus comes. God knows how much I miss
you all, loving you as Christ Jesus loves you. My prayer is that
your love for each other may increase more and more and never
stop improving your knowledge and deepening your perception
so that you can always recognise what is best. This will help you
to become pure and blameless, and prepare you for the Day of
Christ, when you will reach the perfect goodness which Jesus
Christ produces in us for the glory and praise of God.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia!
Prepare a way for the Lord,
make his paths straight,
and all mankind shall see the salvation of God.
Alleluia!**

Lk 3:4:6

GOSPEL

Luke 3:1-6

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.
Glory to you, O Lord.

In the fifteenth year of Tiberius Caesar's reign, when Pontius
Pilate was governor of Judaea, Herod tetrarch of Galilee, his
brother Philip tetrarch of the lands of Ituraea and Trachonitis,
Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene, during the pontificate of Annas and
Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah, in the
wilderness. He went through the whole Jordan district
proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins,
as it is written in the book of the sayings of the prophet Isaiah:

A voice cries in the wilderness;
Prepare a way for the Lord,
make his paths straight.
Every valley will be filled in,
every mountain and hill be laid low,
winding ways will be straightened
and rough roads made smooth.
And all mankind shall see the salvation of God.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Be pleased, O Lord, with our humble prayers and offerings,
and, since we have no merits to plead our cause,
come, we pray, to our rescue
with the protection of your mercy.
Through Christ our Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Bar 5:5;4:36

**Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights,
and behold the joy which comes to you from God.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Replenished by the food of spiritual nourishment,
we humbly beseech you, O Lord,
that, through our partaking in this mystery,
you may teach us to judge wisely the things of earth
and hold firm to the things of heaven.
Through Christ our Lord.

Our Faith on Sunday

GOSPEL REFLECTION



St. Luke places the start of John the Baptist's preaching very firmly in its historical context. This is important. John the

Baptist's mission is the culmination - being 'crowned', so to speak' by the advent of the Messiah - of a very long, detailed historical progression; the preparation of the Jews, the 'Chosen People'. The Jews were not a 'people' at all, until God chose Abraham and through his descendants built Himself a people. They were to be God's people who would carry through the centuries the 'good news' that God would be sending on earth a man who would save every people from the effects of the fall from grace of their first

ancestor; a man who would offer them holiness and immortality. During this time of preparation, many men and women were chosen, taught, trained: prophets and prophetesses, not always well received, but sent by God to stir up anticipation, hope and love. John was the last and - as Our Lord himself has said - the greatest.



A VOICE IN THE WILDERNESS ...

It does seem strange that if John was sent to tell all that Jesus was coming that he would go into the wilderness to do this - why not the town where everyone was?

Let's look at what 'the wilderness' means - the desert! The desert is the ideal place for discernment.

- 1 There is silence - we can hear God talking;
- 2 We can practice detachment - we are away from distractions
- 3 We are vulnerable - we can learn and learn to rely on God
- 4 A place to start afresh - we have to start again from scratch!

So you see, if you want to listen to God - go to the desert!

We can look at the things that limit us, our defects and also our gifts. What is it that is not working for us with God?

Do we only pray and talk when things are not going right?

If we don't have limits, then we think we don't need God?

This advent, make a choice to go looking for God - Even if it means going into the desert / wilderness..

Reflection from Mauro Iannicelli
<https://comeandsee.org/advent> or facebook - Mauro Iannicelli
'Bible study on the Advent Sunday Gospels'
Still time to book onto the remaining sessions.



EVANGELII GAUDIUM (JOY OF THE GOSPEL)



A STRANGER ON THE ROAD

56. Cont'd. 'Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.' And he said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.' But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.''(Lk 10:25-37).





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Dear Parishioners

Today is the Second Sunday in Advent.

Prayer intention for Pope Francis is Evangelization, Catechists. Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God; We remember especially our children for the First Holy Communion; their parents and teachers; may they be witnesses with courage and creativity in the power of the Holy Spirit.

8th December is the Feast of the IMMACULATE CONCEPTION. We will have a morning mass at 9.30am in St. Bernadette's.

This week we are to ponder our openness to the Word of God. On 10th December is the Feast of Our Lady of Loreto. Since the Middle Ages veneration of the Holy House of Loreto has been the origin of that shrine which is still being visited by pilgrims to nourish their faith in the Word of God made flesh for us. In the light of this Pope Francis has by his own authority decreed that the optional memorial of Our Lady of Loreto should be inscribed in the Roman Calendar on the 10th of December and be celebrated every year. This celebration will help all people, especially families, youth and religious to imitate the virtues of that perfect disciple of the Word made Man, Jesus.

Reflection:

"Turn away from your sins and be Baptized, and God will forgive you your sins"
(Lk.3:3).

Legend says that while painting *The Last Supper*, Leonardo da Vinci had a terrible fight with someone. Afterwards he went to his studio, picked up his brush, and prepared to paint the face of Jesus. To his dismay, he couldn't make a single decent stroke. He put down his brush, went to the man he had fought with, and asked his forgiveness. Leonardo returned to his studio and resumed painting the face of Jesus.

Have I ever had an experience like Leonardo's?
What motivates me to repent my sins?

"It is one thing to mourn sin, because it exposes us to hell
and another thing to mourn it because it is wrong and offensive to God. It is one
thing to be terrified, another to be humbled."
Gardiner Spring

Fr Chacko


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CHRISTMAS HAMPERs RAFFLE -
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DAY	TIME AND CHURCH	Celebration or Feast Day
Sat 4 th	6pm Mass at St B	VIGIL of SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT <i>Int: thanksgiving</i>
Sun 5 th	9.30am Mass at CTK No mass at St B's	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT - BIBLE SUNDAY
Mon 6 th	6pm Adoration followed by Mass 6.30pm	Weekday Mass <i>St Nicholas</i>
Tues 7 th	NO MASS	<i>St Ambrose</i>
Wed 8 th	9.30am Mass at St Bernadette's	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION of BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
Thurs 9 th	9am Adoration followed by Mass at CTK	Weekday Mass <i>St Osmund of Salisbury</i>
Fri 10 th	9.30am Mass @ CTK followed by adoration	Weekday Mass of Advent
Sat 11 th	6pm Mass at St B	VIGIL of THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT <i>St Damasus I</i> <i>Int: healing & recovery of Padre Enzo Fortunato</i>
Sun 12 th	9.30am Mass at CTK 11am Mass at St B's	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT - GAUDETE SUNDAY



Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
... in the first instance of her conception, by a singular privilege and grace granted by God, in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, the Savior of the human race, was preserved from all stain of original sin ...
-- Pope Pius IX
Ineffabilis Deus



Tea, coffee and a chat with fellow parishioners raising money for Father Chacko's community in Tanzania. Please come and support- SUNDAY 5th DEC after 9.30 mass

"You are the body of Christ. Each one of you is a part of it." (Corinthians 12:27)

Join RISE theatre in your local Deanery for a

CREATIVE ARTS DAY for ages 10-16

Come along to one of five days we're running for young people across the Diocese to create a short filmed piece. Explore art, music, drama, spoken word, dance, your input, your piece!

Have fun and meet other young people from your area!
All abilities and interests welcome!

2022
8th Jan WEYMOUTH
29th Jan PLYMOUTH
12th Feb NEWQUAY
3rd March EXETER
26th March TORQUAY

To book and for further information contact Saskia at youth@prcdtr.org.uk

Diocese of Plymouth

Speak to Michelle C as we plan to go as a group again



The abortion lobby are now running a large campaign in the media to put pressure on the Government to make temporary 'DIY' abortion schemes permanent before the end of the year. It is therefore vital that as many MPs as possible write to the Health Secretary, Sajid Javid, asking the Government to end these dangerous 'DIY' abortion schemes. Right To Life UK has launched an easy-to-use tool on its website today which makes it easy for you to send an email to your MP asking them to write to Sajid Javid. Please visit www.righttolife.org.uk/endDIY to contact your MP now. It takes seconds

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HOLY FAMILY "WALKING TOGETHER"

Last Sunday we launched our "Walking Together" as Holy Family Parish. Soon we will be coming together in parish groups, to listen to the Holy Spirit speaking through scripture and through each other.

This listening phase "is a grace-filled event, a process of healing to bring us home." (Bishop Mark).

Two listening sessions will take place this month: **Monday 13th December at 7.00pm and Thursday 16th December at 2.00pm.**

Both sessions will take place in CTK lounge. It would be helpful if you're able to sign up for ONE of these on the sheets at the back of the church.

In order to be as inclusive as possible, the facilitators are also considering how to engage with those who are unable to attend the sessions in person. A Zoom session is one possibility. Please let Madeliene Hughes, know if you are interested and a date can be arranged.

At Mass this weekend we will be introducing our parish lectern banner in both churches. You will notice that it is unfinished. The idea is that it will be completed gradually as we journey through the four weeks of Advent to welcome and celebrate Emmanuel – *God with us*. We thank those who have made a great start on this for us. If you would like to be involved in making the banner, either with the group or from a distance, please contact Sr Rosie or Janet Holland.

With blessings for an Advent full of hope, the walking Together Facilitators: *Glenn Carroll, Jenny Gunstone, Mike Mahon, Sr Michele*

Please remember in your prayers...

Lucy Rose	Margaret Simpson	Linda Dunsden	Carole Hyde	Marcia Russell
Judd Barker	Pauline Warburton	Veronica Williamson	Anna Browne	Miriam Miller
Sheila Perry	Chelsee Waring	Sheila Browning	Elina O'Connor	
Frances Herbert	Miriam Park	Mary Neito	Sheila Shelley	Tony Bateman
Mary Hogan	Theresa Smith	Imogen Garcia	Naille Bala	Michelle Waring
Katrina Brookes	Lee Langdown	Neville Rogers		
Jocelyne & Peter Cotrel	Kathleen & Mike Carter			
The Place & family	The Martin family	The Bailey family		

For all those recently deceased or whose anniversaries are at this time..... Lord hear our prayers

