

INTERCESSIONS FOR THE 2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT Year C Bible Sunday

PRIEST: Our Lord commands us to put on the the beauty of the Gory of God, wrapping the cloak of integrity around us with the crown of the eternal on our heads. Let us show this splendour to the world in our lives.

READER: Let us pray for people in every corner of the earth. In God's infinite love we have each been called to prepare for his coming by making his world a place where justice and peace have embraced. May our lives reflect that call. **Come Lord Jesus, Come. - Come Lord Jesus, Come.**

As we wait for the Day of the Lord, Let us pray that our minds and hearts may be filled with all that is good, pure and noble and so live holy and saintly lives. **Come Lord Jesus, Come. - Come Lord Jesus, Come.**

We pray for the displaced, homeless and the poorest in society May our care and compassion lighten their distress and suffering. **Come Lord Jesus, Come. - Come Lord Jesus, Come.**

We pray for those in distress and despair at this time, those who cannot cope with the stresses and pressures of life. May we be willing and able to see them and come to their aid. **Come Lord Jesus, Come. - Come Lord Jesus, Come.**

We pray for all who work for understanding and tolerance in our multi-faith, multi-cultural world. We pray especially that we, will take the lead in building bridges of friendship and understanding in our neighbourhood and so help build a community where righteousness will be at home. **Come Lord Jesus, Come. - Come Lord Jesus, Come.**

Let us pray for all who mourn that they may be comforted. We remember all who are sick, those in hospital and those who are housebound. We remember especially the sick of our families wherever they may be. **Come Lord Jesus, Come. - Come Lord Jesus, Come.**

Let us ask Mary the Mother of the Lord to pray with us: **Hail Mary...**

Now let us pray for a few moments in silence for our own needs and intentions.

PRIEST: Almighty and ever-living God
Help us to overcome the cares of life by the joy of your coming into the world
May we experience all the happiness our Saviour promises.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN