INTERCESSIONS FOR THE 2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT A

PRIEST: Our Lord is coming to save the poor, the needy and the helpless when they cry. in that consolation we prepare for his coming and pray for his help in our need.

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.**

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.**

We pray for the victims of war and armed conflict. Those injured, left homeless, hungry and traumatised. **Come Lord Jesus, Come.**

Let us pray for all who mourn the loss of loved ones, that they may be comforted. **Come Lord Jesus, Come.**

We pray for all who work for understanding and tolerance in our multi-cultural, multi-faith world. We pray especially that we, will learn how to treat each other as Christ treats us and so make a community where righteousness will be at home. **Come Lord Jesus, Come.**

We remember all who are sick, those in hospital and those who are housebound. **Come Lord Jesus, Come.**

Now let us pray for a few moments in silence for our own needs and intentions. Let us ask Mary the Mother of the Lord to pray with us: Hail Mary...

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