

December Services

Sunday 5th December @ 10am

Readings

Malachi 3 1-4

Philippians 1 3-11

Luke 3 1-6

Collect for The Second Sunday of Advent

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness we are grievously hindered in running the race that is set before us, your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever.

Thought for the Week Getting ready for Jesus

If, when we have invited guests for dinner, we find other things to do instead of preparing the meal and tidying the house, the occasion will be severely marred, if not spoilt altogether.

Similarly, if we allow the modern distractions of Christmas to absorb our attention, how prepared shall we be to greet our Lord on Christmas morning?

So if Jesus is really to reign from the throne of our hearts at Christmas, this time of Advent preparation should be used in a positive way.