

## Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> November @ 10am

### Readings

Zephaniah 1 7, 12-end

1 Thessalonians 5 1-11

Matthew 25 14-30

### Collect for the Second Sunday before Advent

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life—grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

### Thought for the Week The Church's Responsibility

The Church today is in the position of responsibility. How are we rising to the challenge? Are we focused on the spreading the Gospel, or taken up with peripheral matters?

There is need of only one thing, Jesus is still saying (Luke 10:42). Just one: the spreading of the gospel. Are we, as a church, bending all our energies in such single-minded devotion? One day, we shall be asked.

The servants in today's parable (Matthew 25 14-30) found that for each of them the day of reckoning eventually came.