



Jubilate

The Magazine of the Chaplaincy of Christ the Good Shepherd,
Poitou-Charentes



Sunday 6th December 2020

The Second Sunday of Advent

Collect for the Day

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.

Prayers for Today and this Week

Almighty God,
purify our hearts and minds,
that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as
judge and saviour
we may be ready to receive him,
who is our Lord and our God.

Father in heaven,
who sent your Son to redeem the world
and will send him again to be our judge:
give us grace so to imitate him
in the humility and purity of his first coming
that, when he comes again,
we may be ready to greet him
with joyful love and firm faith;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Bible Readings

Isaiah 40.1-11

Psalm 85.1-2, 8-13

2 Peter 3.8-15

Mark 1.1-8

This is the Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God**

TOGETHER IN PRAYER

PRAYERFUL THOUGHTS FOR ADVENT

Sun. 6th

Heavenly Father, give us grace as we look forward to Christ's coming in His nativity, to receive Him into our hearts and lives each day, and so be prepared for His coming again in glory.

Mon. 7th

Dear God, thank you for leaving us your Holy Spirit.
Work in us so that our lives point others to you.

Tue. 8th

Father, help us to remember every day that you know each step we take. Help us to trust in your provision for us to be able to cope with any potential problem or sudden setback we may face today.

Wed. 9th

Precious God, I need your help to keep going with the work you've given me to do, no matter what the cost may be.

Thur. 10th

Thank you, Father God, for giving us the best gift of all - your Son.
Help us to share your generosity with others today.

Fri. 11th

Jesus, thank you that we are never forgotten by you.
When we feel abandoned by others, help us to remember and rest in your constant, never-ending love.

Sat. 12th

Loving God, please help us to pray often and to make a lasting difference in others' lives through our prayers and our service to them.

A "Farewell" letter from Pat Davey

Thank you all for your friendship & support since being a member of the Chaplaincy. It has been a privilege to share fellowship.

I leave France on 13th December & will quarantine & spend Christmas with my sister in Felixstowe.

I have now found an appartement to rent for 6 months from January in Rhos-on-Sea, North Wales, which is where I wish to settle permanently.

The cats are looking forward to their new home with Wanda & Andy McKercher, & Christopher is happy to have the dog for as long as necessary.

I hope you all continue to take care & stay safe.

Hopefully the Chaplaincy will be able to function fully again next year.

My email remains the same patdavey42@gmail.com & my new address from 31/12/20 will be

[Apt1, Ocean View Apartments, West Promenade, Rhos on Sea, Conwy, North Wales, LL28 4FD.](#)

Love to hear from you.

Pat Davey

We are grateful for Pat's friendship, fellowship and work in the Chaplaincy.

We also remember with thanks the ministry of the late Rev'd Peter Davey.

We wish Pat well as she settles to her new life in the *Pays de Galles*





VIRTUAL WORSHIP + Poitou-Charentes

Led by Rev'd Steven Abram at 10.30 on Sunday morning

<https://www.facebook.com/Virtual-Worship-Poitou-Charentes-104677654507124/>

A video of the service can be seen a little later at

www.abram.org/vw



Go for a walk. Wear your **mask** and take your “attestation”.

But you can't go in a group.

So the **RANDONNÉE GROUP** won't be walking together this month.

The situation will be reviewed in the New Year and we'll keep you in touch.

In the meantime, turn the TV and the Computer OFF, wrap up warm and get some exercise !

No need to wait till Boxing Day.

ZOOM QUIZ



Monday 14th DECEMBER 3.00.pm

E-mail the Carters reverendr.carter100@btinternet.com

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“Comfort and Joy” is the Church of England’s programme for this Advent and Christmas.

There are a number of resources to which you can gain access through your computer by typing and clicking on:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/resources/preparing-advent-christmas-2020-comfort-and-joy>

- * Reflections
- * On-line streaming of services (via YouTube or Facebook)
- * Printed materials via Church House Publishing
- * A telephone service called “Daily Hope”
- * An Advent ACTIVITY Calendar to download.

Have a look for yourself and may God bring you Comfort and Joy during this season



A HYMN FOR ADVENT

**Come, thou long-expected Jesus,
Born to set thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us
Let us find out rest in thee.**

**Israel's strength and consolation,
Hope to all the earth thou art,
Dear desire of ev'ry nation,
Joy of ev'ry longing heart.**

**Born thy people to deliver,
Born a child and yet a king;
Born to reign in us forever,
Now thy gracious kingdom bring.**

**By thine own eternal Spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone;
By thy all-sufficient merit
Raise us to thy glorious throne.**

(Words by Charles Wesley Music by John Stainer)

Sing this hymn along with St.John's College Choir, Cambridge on YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JEEd0uWnDGs>