

Second Sunday of Advent

7th December, 2025

PURPLE



Collect

God of growing earth and widest skies,
from whose depths new mercy rises,
from whose heights justice looks down:
may the light of Christ the morning star
shine through every part of our world
and fill our hearts with longing for you.
We ask this in his name.

Amen.

Psalm 72:1 - 7

Give the king your justice, O God,
and your righteousness to a king's son.
May he judge your people with righteousness,
and your poor with justice.
May the mountains yield prosperity for the people,
and the hills, in righteousness.
May he defend the cause of the poor of the people,
give deliverance to the needy,
and crush the oppressor.
May he live while the sun endures,
and as long as the moon, throughout all
generations.
May he be like rain that falls on the mown grass,
like showers that water the earth.
In his days may righteousness flourish
and peace abound, until the moon is no more.

Isaiah 11:1 - 10

A shoot shall come out from the stock of Jesse,
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.
The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him,
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.
His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord.
He shall not judge by what his eyes see,
or decide by what his ears hear;
but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;
he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the
wicked.
Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist,
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

The wolf shall live with the lamb,
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,
the calf and the lion and the fatling together,
and a little child shall lead them.
The cow and the bear shall graze,
their young shall lie down together;
and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.
The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,
and the weaned child shall put its hand on the
adder's den.
They will not hurt or destroy
on all my holy mountain;
for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord
as the waters cover the sea.
On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to
the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his
dwelling shall be glorious.

Romans 15:4 - 13

For whatever was written in former days was written
for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by
the encouragement of the scriptures we might have
hope. May the God of steadfastness and
encouragement grant you to live in harmony with
one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that
together you may with one voice glorify the God and
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has
welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you
that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised
on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might
confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in
order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his
mercy. As it is written,
'Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles,
and sing praises to your name';
and again he says,
'Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people';
and again,
'Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles,
and let all the peoples praise him';
and again Isaiah says,
'The root of Jesse shall come,
the one who rises to rule the Gentiles;
in him the Gentiles shall hope.'
May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in
believing, so that you may abound in hope by the
power of the Holy Spirit.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 3:1 - 12

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.' This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, 'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight."' "

Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, 'You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, "We have Abraham as our ancestor"; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the axe is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.'

'I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing-floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.'

Post Communion prayer

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.

Amen

TAVERHAM BRASS BAND!

Sunday 7th December | 16:00

Tickets £10pp, pay on the door

Mulled wine and mince pies included!

Contact Bob for more information: 07533081292

THE TRUNCH GROUP OF PARISHES

Bradfield, Gimingham, Knapton, Mundesley,
Paston, Swafield, and Trunch

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10:00 **Holy Communion**, All Saints, Mundesley

11:00 **Café Church**, Mundesley Community Hub

16:00 **Taverham Brass Band**, All Saints, Mundesley

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10:00 **Holy Communion**, St Botolph's, Trunch

11:00 **Café Church**, Mundesley Community Hub

15:00 **Carol Service**, St Margarets, Paston

During the week:

6th December | 10:00 Patronal Holy Communion Service, St Nicholas, Swafield

12th December | 17:00 Grand Lights Switch On, All Saints, Gimingham

13th December | 11:00 Carols with the Methodists, St Botolph's, Trunch

13th December | 19:30 Candlelit Christmas Concert, St Botolph's, Trunch - (ticketed event)

13th December – 14th December | 10:00 – 17:00 Christmas Tree Festival, All Saints, Gimingham

Mundesley Community Hub:

Tuesday 15:00 – 17.30 **Warm Hub**

Wednesday 10:00 – 11:00 **Holy Communion**
13:30 – 16:00 **Memory Lane**

Friday 9:00 **Community Café**
10:00 - 12:00 **Community Larder**

Everyone is warmly welcome to all of our events/services



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