



**Advent Season**  
**Daily Prayer**

*You may wish to prepare by lighting a candle, taking deep breaths, focussing on the cross, or a flower, the Name of Jesus... Choose to set down all concerns.  
Switch off your mobile phone!  
God is eternal – take time, He's in no hurry!*

**Prepare your hearts and minds on God**

O God, make speed to save us.

*O Lord, make haste to help us.*

Your words have I hidden within my heart,  
*that I should not sin against you.*

*Psalm 119:11*

**Give thanks and praise God**

Saviour eternal,  
life of the world unending,  
light everlasting  
and our true redemption.

Taking our humanity  
in your loving freedom,  
you rescued our lost earth  
and filled the world with joy.

By your first advent justify us,  
by your second, set us free:  
that when the great light dawns  
and you come as judge of all,  
we may be robed in immortality  
and ready, Lord, to follow  
in your footsteps blest, wherever they may lead.

*Salus Aeterna*

**Listening to the living Word of God**

**Psalms:**

On any day: Psalm 80:1-8 (or)

Sunday: Psalm 82

Monday: Psalm 13

Tuesday: Psalm 14

Wednesday: Psalm 54

Thursday: Psalm 70

Friday: Psalm 75

Saturday: Psalm 85

**Short Old/ New Testament reading**

*(see next page for daily readings)*

**Verse for reflection: Matthew 5.6**

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

**Pause for a time of silence to reflect**

**Interceding;** Prayers may include these concerns:

- *The church, that she may be ready for the coming of Christ*
- *The leaders of the Church*
- *The nations, that they may be subject to the rule of God*
- *Those who are working for justice in the world*
- *The broken, that they may find God's healing*

**Prayer**

Keep us, O Lord,  
while we tarry on this earth,  
in a serious seeking after you,  
and in an affectionate walking with you,  
every day of our lives;  
that when you come,  
we may be found not hiding our talent,  
nor serving the flesh,  
nor yet asleep with our lamp unfurnished,  
but waiting and longing for our Lord,  
our glorious God for ever.

Amen.

*Richard Baxter (1691)*

**Lord's Prayer**

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come; thy will be done;  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory, for ever and ever.  
Amen.

**To conclude**

May the Lord make us ready for his coming in glory.  
Amen.

