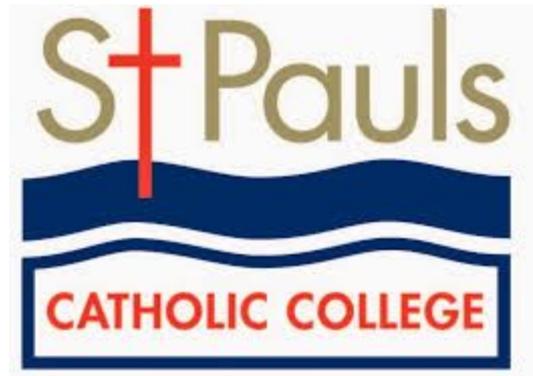


Advent @SPCC 2017



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Daily Advent Prayer - 28th November 2017

“Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall declare your praise.”

Collect:

Keep us alert, we pray, O Lord our God,

as we await the advent of Christ your Son,
so that when he comes and knocks
he may find us watchful in prayer and exultant in his praise.
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

Amen

Daily Meditation:

That He may instruct us in His ways.
Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

We want to begin this journey by rallying ourselves
to turn to the Lord with great hope.
In the midst of many discouraging challenges in our lives
and the violence in the world around us,
we desire to spend this day in anticipation of the graces
our God desires to give us.
They shall beat their swords into plowshares
and their spears into pruning hooks;
one nation shall not raise the sword against another,
nor shall they train for war again. *Isaiah 2*

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you;
but say only the word and my soul will be healed.

Today's Daily Reflection

Intercessions:

Christ the Lord, Son of the living God, light from light,
leads us into the light and reveals his holiness.
With confidence, let us make our prayer:

Come, Lord Jesus!

Light that never fades, dispel the mists about us,
- awaken our faith from sleep.

Guard us from all harm today,
- may your glory fill us with joy.

Give us unfailing gentleness at all times,

- toward everyone we meet.

Come to create a new earth for us,

- where there will be justice and peace.

Lighting of the first purple candle:

As we light this candle Lord, we celebrate the HOPE of your coming, when you choose to reveal yourself to us again.

Closing Prayer:

Loving God,

I sense that all is your creation

and everything, and all of us,

are being drawn back toward your loving heart.

Help me to be a person of peace,

to speak about it in an uneasy world,

and to live it among the people

you have put into my life every day.

Light in me a desire to prepare for your coming

to stand in the darkness, waiting, eager and filled with joy.

Amen.

St Paul...

Pray for us

In the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit

Amen

Daily Advent Prayer 5th December 2017

“Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall declare your praise.”

Collect:

May our prayer of petition
rise before you, we pray, O Lord,
that, with purity unblemished,
we, your servants, may come, as we desire,
to celebrate the great mystery
of the Incarnation of your Only Begotten Son.
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

Amen

Daily Meditation:

Our God will come to save us!
What an incredible promise!
Each of these days uses images to help us
to imagine and become excited about the ways
our God has tried to prepare us, through the prophets
to be ready for the healing and restoration and love
that is offered us in Jesus.
For all in me that is feeble or weak or frightened
I can simply listen to these words:

*Strengthen the hands that are feeble,
make firm the knees that are weak,
Say to those whose hearts are frightened:
Be strong, fear not!
Here is your God,
he comes with vindication;
With divine recompense
he comes to save you.
Isaiah 35*

*Which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,'
or to say, 'Rise and walk'?*

Luke 5

Intercessions:

To Christ our Redeemer, who will come again to free from the power of death all those who return to him, let us humbly pray:

Come, Lord Jesus!

As we proclaim your coming, Lord,
- *cleanse our hearts of every vain desire.*

Lord, may the Church which you founded,
- *proclaim your greatness to all peoples.*

Your law is a light to our eyes,
- *let it protect those who trust in you.*

You allow the joys of your coming to be foretold to us by
your Church,
- *may we receive you with eager devotion.*

Lighting of Second Purple Candle:

As we light this candle Lord, we celebrate the LOVE that you have for us to give your only Son for our salvation.

Closing Prayer:

God of Strength,
I need your courage.
You offer to make firm the knees that are weak.
Only you know how frightened I so often am.
And you do offer me strength.
There is the promise of your Son's coming
and knowing that you will save me.
I can't do this on my own
no matter how often I think I can.
Give me the humility to ask for your help
and open heart to accept
your healing and love in my life.

May the Lord bless us,
protect us from all evil
and bring us to everlasting life.

Amen.

Amen.

St Paul...

Pray for us

In the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit

Amen

Daily Advent Prayer 12th December 2017

“Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall declare your praise.”

Collect:

Incline a merciful ear to our cry,
we pray, O Lord,
and casting light on the darkness of our hearts,
visit us with the grace of your Son.
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. *

Amen

Daily Meditation:

*A star shall advance from Jacob,
and a staff shall rise from Israel.*

The longing of God's people lead to a hope
that God would save them.
God would replace their corrupt kings
and send them a savior.
May our longing these days bring us closer
to our God's desire to save us,
to shine the Light of Christ
on the darkness of our sin.

*Your ways, O Lord, make known to me;
teach me your paths,
Guide me in your truth and teach me,
for you are God my savior. Psalm 25*

Intercessions:

Christ the Lord, Son of the living God, light from light,
lead us into the light and reveal his holiness.

With confidence, let us make our prayer:

Come, Lord Jesus!

Light that never fades, dispel the mists about us,
- *awaken our faith from sleep.*

Guard us from all harm today,
- *may your glory fill us with joy.*

Give us unfailing gentleness at all times,
- *toward everyone we meet.*

Come to create a new earth for us,
- *where there will be justice and peace.*

Lighting of Pink Candle:

As we light this candle Lord, we celebrate the Joy that life in you brings to our daily lives and the anticipation of your birth and second coming!

Closing Prayer:

Is it that I haven't seen you, God?
Have I been looking someplace else for you?
Or have my eyes been covered
by the distractions in my life?
And yet you are so faithful in your love for me.
I see now with a new vision and great hope,
because my heart is enraptured by your love.
I pray to you and feel the power of your coming,
like a light on the path before me

guiding me to return your love even more.

Let me raise my voice

with new courage and deep joy

to give you praise with my life.

May the Lord bless us,
protect us from all evil
and bring us to everlasting life.

Amen.