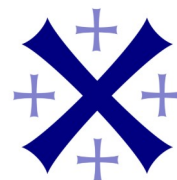


**ANGLICAN CHAPLAINCY OF SAINT ANDREW,
COSTA SOL SOL EAST, SPAIN**



Sunday 1st December 2024–1st Sunday of Advent

Collect

Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 33:14-16

¹⁴The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ¹⁵In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ¹⁶In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 25:1–9

¹To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; O my God, in you I trust; let me not be put to shame; let not my enemies triumph over me.

²Let none who look to you be put to shame, but let the treacherous be shamed and frustrated.

³Make me to know your ways, O Lord, and teach me your paths.

⁴Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you have I hoped all the day long.

⁵Remember, Lord, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.

⁶Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions, but think on me in your goodness, O Lord, according to your steadfast love.

⁷Gracious and upright is the Lord therefore shall he teach sinners in the way.

⁸He will guide the humble in doing right and teach his way to the lowly.

⁹All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

New Testament Reading

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

⁹How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? ¹⁰Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

¹¹Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. ¹²And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. ¹³And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Luke 21:25-36

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁵There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves.

²⁶People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷Then they will see “the Son of Man coming in a cloud” with power and great glory. ²⁸Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.’ ²⁹Then he told them a parable: ‘Look at the fig tree and all the trees; ³⁰as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. ³¹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³²Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. ³⁴Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, ³⁵like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Post Communion Prayer

O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Scriptures for Sunday 8th December - 2nd of Advent

Malachi 3:1–4

Canticle: Benedictus

Philippians 1:3–11

Luke 3:1–6

Advent Bible Study

18:30 on Wednesday 27th November, every week until 18th December

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89248302386?pwd=oLclFj0xgldSacaWbq7Zlcg53vPjy.1>

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Anglican Chaplaincy of Saint Andrew - Charity of the Month for December 2024 and January 2025

Tearfund Middle East Emergency Appeal

The suffering across the region is escalating daily. A year on, the conflict precipitated on the 7th October 2023 is causing devastating humanitarian needs. The lives of men, women and children are being destroyed across the Middle East.

In Gaza, Tearfund's partner is providing life-saving medicine and desperately needed healthcare.

In Lebanon, Tearfund are working through local churches to provide food, mattresses and other essentials to people forced from their homes by the fighting.

In the West Bank, Tearfund are working with the Diocese of Jerusalem who are providing healthcare and education to those affected.