# THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

序 Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2019

### Collect

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

# FIRST READING

MICAH 4: 1-5

In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised up above the hills. Peoples shall stream to it, and many nations shall come and say: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between many peoples, and shall arbitrate between strong nations far away; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more; but they shall all sit under their own vines and under their own fig trees, and no one shall make them afraid; for the mouth of the Lord of hosts has spoken. For all the peoples walk, each in the name of its god, but we will walk in the name of the Lord our God forever and ever.

#### SECOND READING

JAMES 3: 13-18

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

#### **GOSPEL READING** ST JOHN 15: 9-17

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

#### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

## COFFEE CLUB.

The next meeting is on November 19<sup>th</sup> at Lambert Manor (ex Abbot Hall) Andrew Swinford, an authority on C.S.Lewis will be speaking on Joy in Narnia. This is a unique opportunity to learn of CSL's life & faith.

As usual Coffee at 10am before the talk at 10.30am. All welcome.

**WORLD SANITATION CRISIS -** A free event and exhibition in Rydal Hall to highlight the world's sanitation crisis. 2.3 billion people in the world don't have a toilet. **19th November World Toilet Day** is about inspiring action to tackle the global sanitation crisis and help achieve Sustainable Development Goal (SDG), which promises sanitation for all by 2030. Come to our open day on **19th November from 10 - 4pm**, learn about how important it is to have a loo and help us fund a toilet for where it is needed. If 30 people are prepared to part with  $\pounds 2.00$  each we can twin our new Tea Shop toilets and provide a loo for a community in need.

**WE'RE ALL CISTERNS GO -** Join the revo-loo-tion and help us twin our Church toilet with someone who has nowhere safe, private or hygienic to "go". We only need 30 people to part with  $\pounds 2$  each to guess where Daisy the hen will do "it" and we'll have enough to help a community in need. You may even win a prize!!

See the display board in Church

**CREED COURSE** - If anyone is unsure about arrangements, for the Creed Course, arrive at St Mary's on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November for coffee and meeting people at 7.00pm (Session starts promptly at 7.30pm and ends 9.15pm).

Member's booklets will be available on arrival ( $f_{.5.00}$  to pay).

