



## **Class Advent Mass**

St Michael and St John's  
Clitheroe

EYFS, YEAR 3 & Year 6

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2023



## Entrance Hymn – Light the Advent Candle

### All Year Groups sing:

Light the Advent candle **one**  
Now the waiting has begun  
We have started on our way  
Time to think of Christmas day.

Chorus:  
Candle, candle burning bright  
Shining in the cold winter night  
Candle, candle burning bright  
Fill our hearts with Christmas light.

### Y5 & Y2, Y6, Y3 & EYFS sing this too:

Light the Advent candle **two**  
Think of humble shepherds who  
Filled with wonder at the sight  
Of the child on Christmas night.

Chorus:  
Candle, candle burning bright  
Shining in the cold winter night  
Candle, candle burning bright  
Fill our hearts with Christmas light.

### Y6 , Y3 & EYFS sing this too:

Light the Advent candle **three**  
Think of heavenly harmony  
Angels singing "Peace on Earth"  
At the Blessed Saviour's birth.

Chorus:  
Candle, candle burning bright  
Shining in the cold winter night  
Candle, candle burning bright  
Fill our hearts with Christmas light.

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### A reading from the Prophet Zephaniah

Thus says the LORD:  
Woe to the city, rebellious and polluted,  
She hears no voice,  
accepts no correction;  
In the LORD she has not trusted,  
to her God she has not drawn near.  
For then I will change and purify  
the lips of the peoples,  
That they all may call upon the name of the LORD,  
to serve him with one accord;  
From beyond the rivers of Ethiopia  
and as far as the North,  
they shall bring me offerings.  
On that day  
You need not be ashamed  
of all your deeds,  
your rebellious actions against me;

And you shall no longer exalt yourself  
on my holy mountain.  
But I will leave  
a people humble and lowly,  
Who shall take refuge in the name of the LORD:  
the rest of Israel.  
They shall do no wrong  
and speak no lies;  
Nor shall there be found in their mouths  
a deceitful tongue;  
They shall pasture and couch their flocks  
with none to disturb them.

**The word of the Lord**  
**Thanks be to God.**

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### **Bidding Prayers**

The response is: Hear our prayer

Dear Lord,  
Support our church and community as they help us to grow in faith together during  
advent. May the first, second and third candles of hope, faith and joy guide us through  
this stage of waiting and preparing for Christ to come.

Lord in your mercy.

**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for all the people who look forward to the celebration of Christmas, that Christ's  
words and values may find a place in their hearts.

Lord in your mercy.

**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for courage. The courage to bring joy to those around us, here at home and  
across the world, as we all wait for the celebration of Jesus' birthday.

Lord in your mercy.

**Hear our prayer.**

**We pray with Mary, the Mother of Jesus as we say... Hail Mary, Full of Grace**

## **Final Hymn – I Belong to the Family of God**

**Chorus:**

**I belong to the family of God,  
I belong to the family of friends,  
I belong to everyone.  
It's great to know,  
To know that I belong.  
Mm mm mm,  
Mm mm mm mm.**

The day that I was born  
Is the day I came to be.  
I belong to Mum and Dad  
And all my family.  
I belong. Mm mm mm  
Mm mm mm mm.

**I belong .....**

The day I was baptised  
Is the day I came to be.  
I was welcomed to God's house  
By all His family.  
I belong. Mm mm mm  
Mm mm mm mm.

**I belong .....**

**Following the example of Jesus, together we learn, love and respect one another to be the best we can be.**