

### **An Advent Prayer**

God of light and hope,  
look upon us in love,  
and fill us with the Spirit of Jesus  
that we may love you and serve you in your Kingdom.  
Protect us during this week  
and keep us watchful in prayer  
as we await the coming of our Lord, Jesus Christ,  
who is the light of the world,  
and who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. Amen

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## **St Ninians Old Parish Church**

### **Order of Service and Intimations**



**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2019**  
**Second Sunday of Advent**

## Order of Service

**Welcome**

*Call to Worship*

**Hymn 87 (Ps 130) 'Lord, from the depths to thee I cried'**

*Prayer and Lord's Prayer*

*Children's Talk*

**Hymn 600 'Spirit of God, unseen as the wind'**

*The Word of God*

*Isaiah 40:1-11 (P600)*

*Mark 1:1-8 (P29)*

**Hymn 334 'On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry'**

*Prayer of Intercession*

**Hymn 273 'O come, O come, Emmanuel'**

*Sermon*

*'A word of comfort'*

*Offering*

*Prayer of Dedication*

**Hymn 283 'The voice of God goes out to all the world'  
(Tune – Highland Cathedral – Hymn 336)**

*Benediction and Three-Fold Amen*

## Intimations

*Visitors are invited to sign the Visitors book in the vestibule.*

*There is a loop system for people with hearing aids.*

*Please feel free to remain seated during the singing of the hymns.*

The **Hall Management Committee** will meet at the hall on Tuesday at 12:30pm.

It would be appreciated if the payment of £28 for '**Life and Work**' for 2020 could be paid by next Sunday. Thank you to those who have already paid their subscription.

The **Bible Study Group** will meet at the Manse on Wednesday at 7:30pm.

The children of the Sunday Club are invited to bring a **gift** to the Church next Sunday. Gifts will then be distributed by the Salvation Army to children who are less fortunate at Christmas.

There will be a Christmas service in **Westerlands Care home** next Sunday at 1:30pm.

There will be a service of **Lessons and Carols** next Sunday at 6:30pm. Following the service mulled wine, tea, coffee and mince pies will be served in the Parish Halls.

There will be a Christmas service in **Eccles Court** on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 2:30pm.

The **Christmas Family service** featuring the Nativity will be held on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 10:30am and will be followed by a further time of fellowship in the Parish Halls.

There will be a service on **Christmas Eve** at 11:30pm.

**Start Up Stirling** – Donations of food and money can be left at the Church on a Sunday.