

St Mary, Whitegate and St Peter, Little Budworth
Readings for Sunday 16th November - 2nd Sunday before Advent
Morning Prayer or Holy Communion

COLLECT:

Heavenly Father,
whose blessed Son was revealed to
destroy the works of the devil and to
make us the children of God and heirs of
eternal life:

grant that we, having this hope, may
purify ourselves even as he is pure; that
when he shall appear in power and great
glory we may be made like him in his
eternal and glorious kingdom;

where he is alive and reigns with you, in
the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now
and for ever.

PSALM: 98

1 Sing to the Lord a new song, ♦
for he has done marvellous things.

2 His own right hand and his holy
arm ♦
have won for him the victory.

3 The Lord has made known his
salvation; ♦
*his deliverance has he openly shown in
the sight of the nations.*

4 He has remembered his mercy and
faithfulness towards the house of
Israel, ♦
*and all the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.*

5 Sound praises to the Lord, all the
earth; ♦
break into singing and make music.

6 Make music to the Lord with the
lyre, ♦

with the lyre and the voice of melody.

7 With trumpets and the sound of the
horn ♦

sound praises before the Lord, the King.

8 Let the sea thunder and all that fills
it, ♦

the world and all that dwell upon it.

9 Let the rivers clap their hands ♦

*and let the hills ring out together before
the Lord, for he comes to judge the earth.*

10 In righteousness shall he judge the
world ♦

and the peoples with equity.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to
the Holy Spirit;

***As it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. AMEN***

FIRST READING:

Malachi 4: 1-2a

See, the day is coming, burning like an
oven, when all the arrogant and all
evildoers will be stubble; the day that
comes shall burn them up, says the LORD
of hosts, so that it will leave them neither
root nor branch. But for you who revere
my name the sun of righteousness shall
rise, with healing in its wings.

SECOND READING:

Luke 21:5-19

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, 'As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.'

They asked him, 'Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?' And he said, 'Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and, "The time is near!" Do not go after them.

'When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

'But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls.

POST COMMUNION:

Gracious Lord,
in this holy sacrament
you give substance to our hope:
bring us at the last
to that fullness of life for which we long;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

SAFEGUARDING:

St Mary's & St Peter's take our duty and obligation to protect all extremely seriously. We have adopted the national Church of England's procedures and guidelines. You can find out more about the national policies and procedures at www.churchofengland.org/safeguarding

If you have any safeguarding concerns or issues of a safeguarding matter then you can find useful contact information at :

<https://www.chesterdiocese.org/safeguarding>

AFTER THE SERVICE:

Please join us for refreshments. At St Mary's these are served in the Mews which is at the bottom of the steps leading to the village green. Toilets are available in the Mews.

At St Peter's refreshments are served in Church and there is a toilet at the back of church.

