
SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

The grace and truth revealed in Jesus show God's freely-given love; through Jesus, God pours out his blessings on us and gives us real freedom.

Let us settle ourselves in the stillness of God's peace as we pray.

Lord, may the Church clear away any barriers which prevent your love from flooding it.
Wash away all but what is constructed out of your love and built on your foundations.

Silence

**O come:
let us adore.**

Lord, may our world become sensitised to hear the whispered voice of your love; may we honour your creation and value one another as you value us.

Silence

**O come:
let us adore.**

Lord, may we receive you into our homes and families, our shops, schools and places of work; may we receive you into our conflicts, our arguments and our expectations.

Silence

O come:
let us adore.

Lord, even as we thank you for giving us free will,
we pray for those suffering
as a tragic result of wrong choices.
May they experience your upholding and healing
in body and soul.

Silence

O come:
let us adore.

Lord, may those who are journeying
through death to eternity,
be awakened to the everlasting love
of your Presence.

Silence

O come:
let us adore.

Lord, to whom else could we go?
You alone have the words of eternal life!

Merciful Father,
accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.