



ALL HALLOWS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

PILGRIMS OF HOPE

ADVENT APPEAL 2024

ON A JOURNEY OF HOPE TO THE MANGER

Advent begins this Sunday (1st Dec). As we prepare to enter this special season let us pray this week that we can be pilgrims of hope, living in hope ourselves and bringing hope to those around us.



Word of the Week

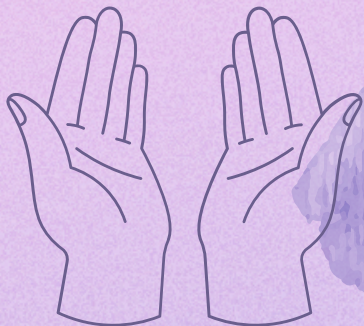
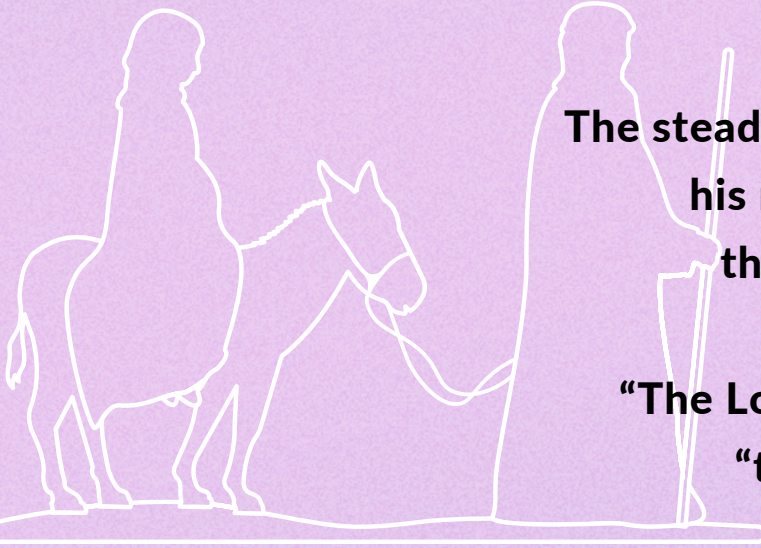
A READING FROM THE BOOK OF LAMENTATIONS

But this I call to mind,

and therefore I have hope:

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;
his mercies never come to an end;
they are new every morning;
great is your faithfulness.

“The Lord is my portion,” says my soul,
“therefore I will hope in him.”



Prayer for the Week

Leader: As we journey through Advent, we walk in hope.

All: We walk in hope, guided by God's light.

Leader: Like pilgrims, we seek the path to peace.

All: We seek peace, trusting in God's promise.

Leader: We wait for Christ to come, bringing joy and love.

All: We wait with joy, and our hearts are open.





The God who Speaks

Take a moment to think about what God might be saying to you this morning through the words of this week's Word of the Week.

Advent is a time of waiting and preparation. How can you learn to wait with hope, like the writer of Lamentations, knowing that God is faithful?

In this passage, the writer remembers God's love and faithfulness in difficult times. How can you remind yourself of God's love and hope, especially when life feels hard or uncertain?

What are some ways you can embrace God's compassion and share that hope with others during Advent?

How does this passage challenge you to live as a "pilgrim of hope" during Advent?

An Advent Poem by John Bell

Light looked down and saw
the darkness

"I will go there" said light.

Peace looked down and saw war.

"I will go there said peace".

Love looked down and saw hatred.

"I will go there", said love.

So he, The Lord of Light,

The Prince of Peace,

The King of love,

Came down and crept in beside us.

In addition to this week's prayer sheet there is also a journal sheet. Your form tutor will lead you through the reflections and you are invited to have some quiet time to reflect on what you hear and the questions asked. Why not put one of the songs on the prayer sheet on in the background while you journal.



"At Christmas when Christ comes, will he find a warm heart? mark the season of Advent by loving and serving others with God's own love and concern."

WATCH AND LISTEN

Advent in 2 Minutes
([WATCH HERE](#))

Christy Nockels - The Thrill of Hope
([LISTEN HERE](#))

Katie Williams - Waiting
([LISTEN HERE](#))

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This year we are supporting the word of the Metanoia project who run a weekly homeless drop in for local homeless people. Each year group is challenged this year to bring in as many of the items assigned to their year group as possible!

Year 7: Towels, Flannels, Underwear.

Year 8: Plain T-Shirts, Socks.

Year 9: Shaving foam, shower gel, deodorant.

Year 10: Hats, gloves, scarves.

Year 11: Christmas Chocolate.

