**Prayers of the Faithful**

**8th December 2019**

**Priest:** Lets us pray to our Father, asking him to help us make the very most of this sacred time of Advent

**Reader:**

1. That this season of preparation for Christ coming

may truly be a season of renewal for disciples everywhere.

May Christians of all traditions be united in their longing for Christ.

**LORD** Hear Us

1. That believers may not be diverted from the true meaning of Advent

and Christmas by secular or commercial imitations.

May this be a season of giving more so than a season of acquiring.

**LORD** hear us

1. For those who struggle with depression or sadness at this time of the year,

May they find friendship, support and kindness.

**LORD** hear us

1. For Children, who look forward to Christmas with great excitement.

may the adults in their lives help them to understand

The full meaning of Advent and Christmas.

**LORD** hear us

1. For the faithful departed, that they may rest in the peace of Christ

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**LORD** hear us

1. **We pause for our own prayers………………………(5 Sec. Pause)**

**Priest:**

**We pray for the dead………………………………..**

Father, as we journey through this season of Advent, may we open our hearts to

your word and to your presents in our brothers and sisters. Through Christ our

Lord. Amen