



# St Barnabas

Monday 27th November 2023

Church of England Primary Academy

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PEACE BE WITH YOU

And also with you



# *Advent*

A Time to Prepare





# ad·vent

/'ad,vent/

*noun*

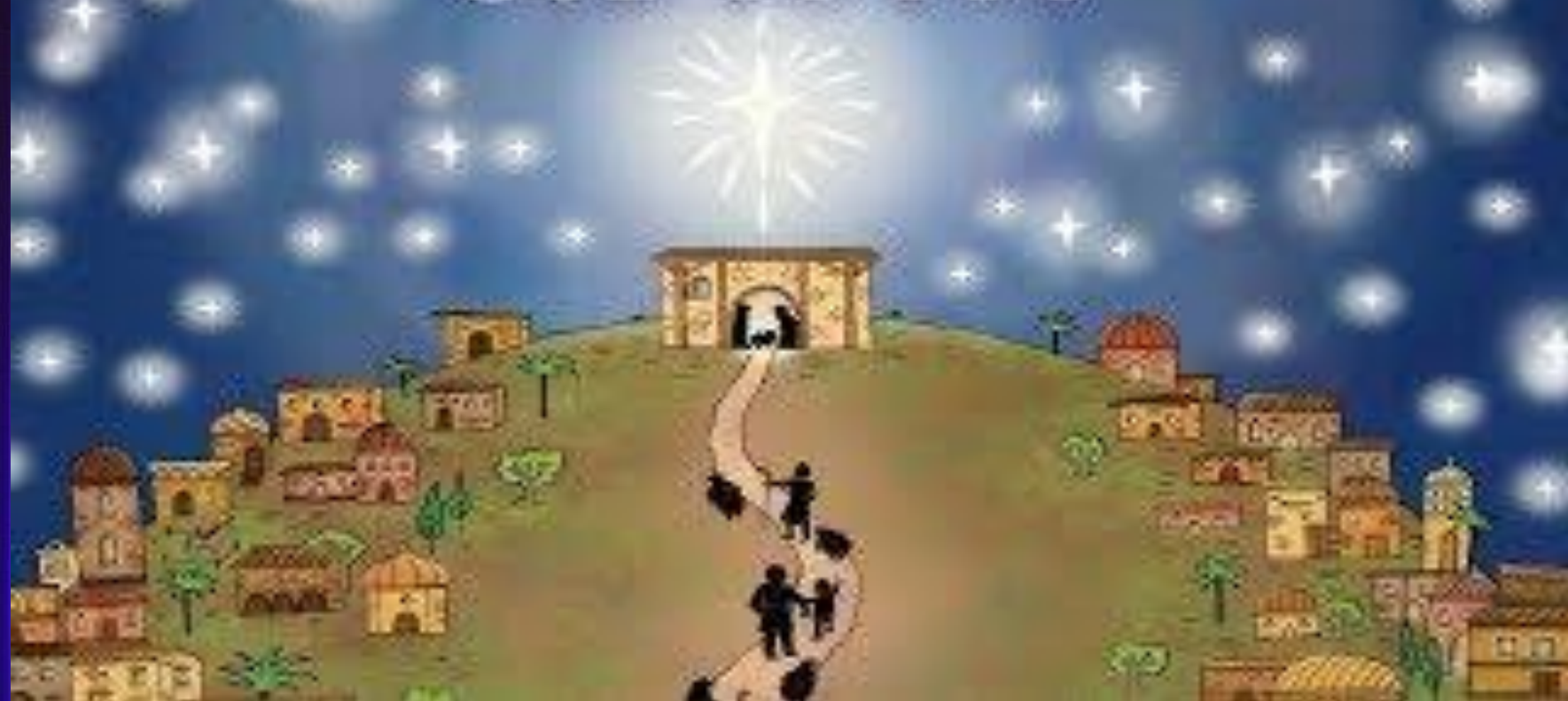
From the Latin, meaning “come into,”  
as Jesus came into the world for us.

**Good things come to  
those who wait**





With Love From  
**GOD TO YOU**



THE FIRST SUNDAY  
IN ADVENT:

HOPE



JESUS SAID:

“I came so that  
everyone would  
have life in its  
fullest”



hope



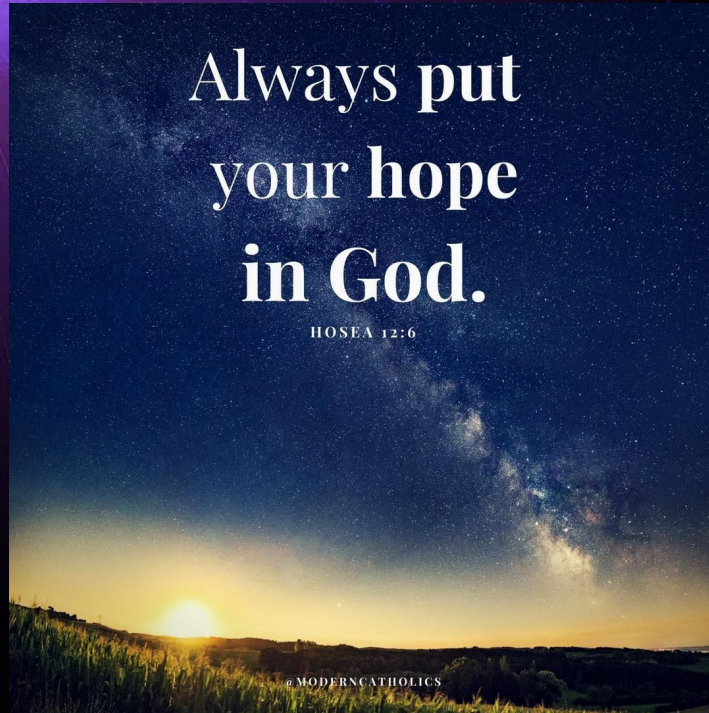








# What is your hope for the future?



plant  
SEEDS OF  
KINDNESS

grow  
HOPE



HOPE  
LOVE  
EQUALITY  
INCLUSION  
KINDNESS



We light this first candle to pray for hope.

We pray for ourselves and for everyone. We ask that our hope will be fixed on God and that God will inspire us to hope for good things.

We pray for everyone who feels that their hope has gone. May they find a new hope that shines like this candle flame.

Lord Jesus Christ, hope of our hearts and hope for the world, come close to us this Advent.

Jesus, you are light even in the darkest places. Help us to trust in you when we are lost or lonely. Shine hope into our hearts we pray. Amen

*Hope*



# Reflection

Do you know anyone who seems to have little hope at the moment? Can you think of a way to bring some hope to this person this Christmas?

How can you help to bring hope to people in our community or school family? How can you show love and kindness to bring hope to others?





Dear God,

Thank you that Christmas is a time of hope.

Thank you that you sent Jesus at Christmas to give us the hope  
that the world can be a better place.

Please help us to play our part in bringing hope, love, joy and  
peace to the world.

Amen.



# Come and join the celebration

Words and music: Valerie Collison (b. 1933)

Come and join the celebration,  
It's a very special day;  
come and **share** our jubilation,  
there's a new King born today!

See the shepherds  
hurry down to Bethlehem;  
gaze in wonder  
at the Son of God who lay before them.

Come and join...

Wise men journey,  
led to worship by a star,  
Kneel in homage,  
bringing precious **gifts** from lands afar, so...

Come and join...

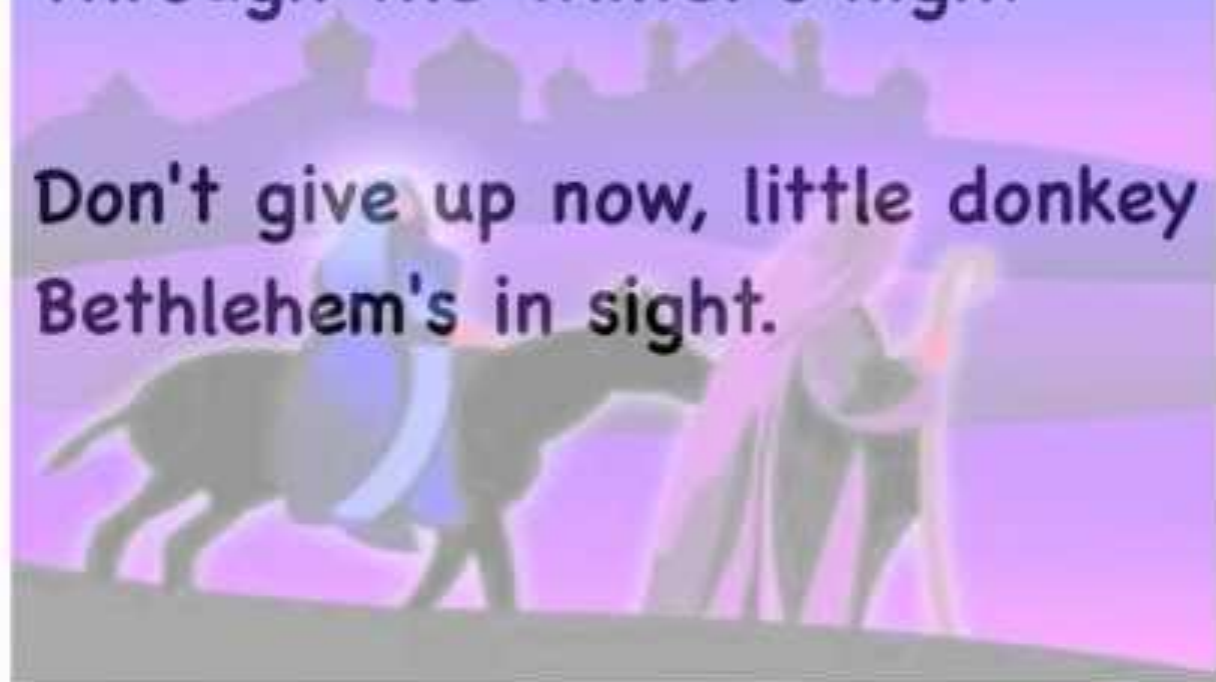
'God is with us'  
'round the world the message bring;  
He is with us,  
'Welcome!' all the bells on earth are pealing.

Come and join the celebration,  
It's a very special day;  
come and share our jubilation,  
there's a new King born today!  
there's a new king born today!



Been a long time, little donkey  
Through the winter's night

Don't give up now, little donkey  
Bethlehem's in sight.







And all the angels  
sang for him,  
  
the bells of heaven  
rang for him  
  
for a boy was born,  
king of all the world.

*W.C. Three Kings*

*By Rev. John Henry Hopkins*







# Away in a Manger