

## Second Sunday before Advent

15<sup>th</sup> November 2020

### Notices:

**Keep the Church going:** Whether we worship in person in Church or Online, your continuous financial support is vital for us to keep Church going. Our monthly expenses are **£4245** and regular monthly income **£1075**.

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**Account name:** Parish of the Good Shepherd & St Barnabas

**Sort code:** 77-19-46

**Account number:** 00034309

**Branch:** TSB Longsight

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### Reflection:

The parable of the talents which we have as our Gospel reading today is a challenge for each of us to reflect on how we are contributing to the bringing in of God's kingdom in our own communities and lives. How do we use what we have to support those who have too little to meet their needs – that isn't all to do with finances but more about recognising our own resources and sharing them. It may mean using our wealth to support those who have too little to meet their needs, it may mean offering our time to befriend or serve those who are lonely or isolating or weak or ill. It may mean using our influence to fight on behalf of the others. It may mean using our creativity, our attention or our insight to help someone else heal their lives or relationships. Whatever it may be, we only find life when we step up and do what we can as participants in the world. If, however, we refuse to contribute and we keep our resources for ourselves, we find that we lose life's joy and vibrancy, and we end up disconnected and depressed. It isn't hard to know where or how to act.... If we just look around us, we will discover opportunities at every turn. We just have to make the choice to act.

### DIARY DATES:

29<sup>th</sup> November 10 am 1<sup>st</sup> Advent

15<sup>th</sup> December 7.30 pm PCC (Zoom)

### Recently Deceased:

Years In Mind:

Birthdays:

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