**Bidding Prayers for 10th December 2023**

**Second Sunday of Advent**

**Father Rory introduces the prayers:**

Almighty God to whom this world with all its goodness and beauty belongs, give us grace joyfully to begin this day in your name. Let us pray.

**Reader:**

For Christians all over the world, and for those with power and influence. We pray for honesty, justice, and integrity.

Lord Hear Us: Lord graciously hear us.

**Reader:**

For those we love, and those whom we find hard to relate to. We pray for more love and forgiveness.

Lord Hear Us: Lord graciously hear us.

**Reader:**

For those in pain and those imprisoned by addiction. We pray for healing, wholeness, and freedom.

Lord Hear Us: Lord graciously hear us.

**Reader:**

For those in the Middle East and Ukraine who are undergoing unspeakable suffering. Heal and help those who are injured, give peace to the dying, and comfort and support the bereaved.

Lord Hear Us: Lord graciously hear us.

**Reader:**

We pray for those who have died. Eternal rest give unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

We now ask the prayers of our Holy Mother: Hail Mary ………….

Let us pray for a while in silence.

**Father Rory concludes the prayer:**

Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, Amen.