

Advent to Epiphany liturgies Week 3

Advent 3, Sunday 17 December

On the theme of Love

An orange candle is to be lit by a mother

The angel told Mary: 'Don't be afraid! God is pleased with you, and you will have a son. His name will be Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of God Most High. The Lord God will make him King, as his ancestor David was. He will rule the people of Israel forever, and his kingdom will never end.' (Luke 1.30-33)

Mothers pack our bags, worry about us when we are away, keep in touch as we travel, loving us whether we are far away or travelling with them.

- This week, what opportunities will you have to share God's love?

We pray today for all who miss the love of a mother:

When we feel alone in the world

Let your love be known

Where there is no one to call out to in the night

Let your love be known

To all who long for a mother's touch

Let your love be known

And may we share your love on our journey

Amen.

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