

Sunday, December 4, 2005 – **Second Sunday of Advent**

This Week's Readings: [Is 40:1-5, 9-11](#), [2 Pt 3:8-14](#), [Mk 1:1-8](#)



*“Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make straight his paths.”*

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This week, we celebrate the **Second Sunday of Advent** as we joyously wait for Jesus' coming at Christmas. In our Gospel reading this Sunday, we meet John the Baptist who came to prepare the way for Jesus. John was sent by God to tell everyone he met that Jesus was coming and that they needed to change their lives. John the Baptist called on people to "repent", which means to turn away from lives of sin and live according to God's laws of love. In preparing ourselves to welcome Jesus at Christmas, it's important that you and I say we are sorry for any sins we may have committed or any ways in which we may have hurt our loved ones. Jesus calls us to follow John's message and to make our world a better place as we "prepare the way" for Christmas during this season of Advent.

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