

**The Following Collect, Epistle & Gospel will be read during the Eucharist today in the personal Chapel of the Presiding Archbishop of the Australian Church of Antioch, The Most Reverend Frank Bugge.**

**The 2nd Sunday in Advent.**

**Intent - The God Within.**

**The Collect.**

We pray that you will allow us to hear the guiding voice within us, and that you will give us the boundless love to spread this message to those who will receive it, we ask this in the name of the Christed Lord. Amen.

O Holy Lord, bless all things manifested through birth that they may seek and find the light of your truth, which in turn gives out spiritual growth and love, and by this leads us all along the path of fulfilment, as shown by our Christed Lord. Amen.

**The Epistle for the 2nd Sunday in Advent is from the writings of the Gnostic Fathers.**

Cease to seek God in all thought created things, and in things of the outside, but seek him deep within yourself; thus learn who it is who takes possession of thee and says, My God, My Soul, My Consciousness, My understanding, My Body --- Then learn whence is sorrow, rejoicing, love and hate, being awake and being asleep, and getting angry against one's will. Now if you enquire into these many things, you shall find the way from thy lesser self.

**Here Endeth the Epistle.**

**The Gospel for the 2nd Sunday in Advent is from the words of the Pharaoh Smenkare.**

For countless centuries all humanity has searched for a God that will be all things to them. Many and varied are the beliefs and images that have presented themselves as Gods, but they fail miserably to comfort or give any real help. It is indisputable that through the ages there have been genuine people who have really known God. These people have learnt that to reach God we must search within ourselves. As we come to know that we contain within us a spark of God, we find this is virtually a direct communication tunnel to God. This spark of God is so easily recognised when you know what to look for. I will now give you the secret key to enter into God's communication tunnel. It is a thing called Love.

**Praise Be to Thee O Christ.**