

**Thursday (2<sup>nd</sup> week of Advent) 9th December 2021**

Zech.9,9: *"See, your king comes, righteous and victorious."*

**King:** Who really sits enthroned over your life? Whose are you and whom do you serve? Fear? Drink? Anger? Material wealth? Ideology? Self-interest? Nihilism? ...? The candidates are many. And so are the manners of their oppression.

The coming king is what they all can only pretend to be and the opposite to what they really are. His gift is not the replacing of one oppression with another, it is freedom. He doesn't come to take your life, but to give you his own in order that yours should be free.

Lord God, the reign of your king ends that of sin and death and opens up the way for us to live under his rule, free from the rule and power of either. Draw us to him even as he is coming, in faith and love. Amen