# SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT December 4, 2016

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In a spirit of reconciliation we accept one another as God accepts us.

#### READINGS:

Isaiah 11:1-10; Romans 15: 4-9; Gospel Matthew 3: 1-12

John the Baptist calls us to prepare the landscape of our heart, fill the valleys with humility and lay low the mountains of pride.

## **REFLECTION:**

Picture the wolf resting with the lamb; the lion and calf browsing with each other. What a wonderful scene of reconciliation! This must be what the original "Garden of Paradise" was like.

A little child shall lead them. Jesus shows us how to be reconciled with each other. First, though, we must prepare our hearts to receive His Word. Then, secondly, we must make the rough ways smooth and the crooked ways straight with His help.

What are the rough and crooked ways I need to repair?

Let the Little Child lead us.

## PRAYER:

Lord, give me the grace of this Advent Season to become the person you want me to be

## ACTION:

Let the Little Child lead.