First Sunday of Advent

Year B

Isaiah 64:1-9
Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19
1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Mark 13:24-37
From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you ...
... we are the clay, and you are our potter;

Isaiah 64:8b
Potter's Wheel

Else Berg
prior to 1942
we are all the work of your hand.

Isaiah 64:8c
John Agnus in Wheelchair

Church of St-Marguerite Tihange, Belgium
Ice Cream for Handicapped Children

Burlhome Park
Philadelphia, PA
Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved.

Psalm 80:19
God’s Shining Face

Church of St. Nicolas
Saint-Nicolas-de-Port
France
I give thanks to my God always for you ...

1 Corinthians 1:4a
The Seamstress

Anna Blunden
Yale Center for British Art
New Haven, CT
... because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus ...
Aging Grace
Fe Langdon

Rio Grande State Park,
Albuquerque, NM
... for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind ...

1 Corinthians 1:5
Queen of Sheba -- Lalibela Muralist, Addis Ababa National Museum, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
"But in those days ... the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light,

Mark 13:24
Solar Eclipse from Mount Santa Lucia -- Carleton Watkins, Getty Center, Los Angeles, CA
Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory.

Mark 13:26
Christ in Glory -- Apse mosaic, Church of the Transfiguration, Barnstable County, MA
Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

Mark 13:31
Eucharist Door with the Lord's Prayer -- Sagrada Familia, Barcelona, Spain
Therefore, keep awake ... or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly."

Mark 13:35a, 36
Jesus and His Disciples in Gethsemane -- Rembrandt, Teylers Museum, Haarlem, Netherlands