



Second Sunday of Advent - Peace



Nightly Prayer: Peace

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Leader: Come Holy Spirit! In this second week of Advent, we ask You to fill our hearts with *Peace* as we prepare for Christ's coming.

All: Come, Lord Jesus.

Family member lights the first and second purple advent candles.

Leader: Lord, we ask to receive the *Peace* of Your Holy Spirit throughout this week and especially right now as we pray together as a family. Help us to be peacemakers, sharing Your *Peace* within our home and beyond.

All: Come, Lord Jesus.

Leader: Help us make room in our hearts; help us clear out all that is not from You, so that the Holy Spirit might fill us with the fruits of eternal life and happiness. As we prepare for Jesus' coming, let Your *Peace* fill our hearts and minds; let Your *Peace* inform our words, actions, and attitudes.

All: Fill our hearts with *Hope* and *Peace*! Amen.

Scriptures of Peace *for the Second Week of Advent*

Sunday's Peace

If possible, on your part, live at *peace* with all.

— ROM. 12:18

Monday's Peace

Peace I leave with you; my *peace* I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.

— JN. 14:27

Tuesday's Peace

For a child is born to us, a son is given to us; upon his shoulder dominion rests. They name him Wonder-Counselor, God-Hero, Father-Forever, Prince of *Peace*.

— ISA. 9:5

Wednesday's Peace

And suddenly there was a multitude of heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest and on earth *peace* to those on whom his favor rests."

— LUKE 2:13-14

Thursday's Peace

You will keep in perfect *peace* those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you.

— ISA. 26:3

Friday's Peace

Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the *peace* of God that surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. — PHIL. 4:6-7

Saturday's Peace

Blessed are the *peacemakers*, for they will be called children of God.

— MT. 5:9

Food For Thought for the Second Week of Advent

The second purple candle is called the “*Candle of Peace*.” During this second week of Advent, we reflect on our lives and orient ourselves toward Christ’s coming, preparing our hearts to receive Him anew.

Recall a time when you experienced deep peace. What did it feel like?

What circumstances “steal” your peace? How can you guard your heart against losing peace?

St. Augustine defines peace as “the tranquility of order.” How does peace relate to order? How are we called to better order our lives?

**Let us join in together in prayer and reflection
with Hope, Peace, Joy and Love
for the Coming of Our Lord.**

*In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight in the desert a highway for our God. – Isaiah 40:3*