

PDT prayers Advent week 2 - Peace



Monday 11th December

We all say; O God, come to our aid.

Lord Jesus,
You call us friends and promise never to
leave us.
Teach us to be good friends to all our global
family,
just as you have been to us.

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St Joseph – Pray for us



Tuesday 12th December

We all say; O God, come to our aid.

Loving God,
may we see all people as you do,
made in your image, loved and
precious,
and embrace them as sisters and
brothers.



St Joseph – Pray for us

Wednesday 13th December

We all say; O God, come to our aid.

Gentle God,
you invite me to come to you
and receive your rest.
Teach me your way of love,
so, I can help lift the burdens of others.

St Joseph – Pray for us



Thursday 14th December

We all say; O God, come to our aid.

God of blessings,
may your love flow through us.
Together may we reshape the
world,
so that the thirst for water,
and for justice, is satisfied.

St Joseph – Pray for us



The Friday message



The beginning of the good news about Jesus the Messiah,^[a] the Son of God,^[b] ² as it is written in Isaiah the prophet:

“I will send my messenger ahead of you,
who will prepare your way”^[c]—

³ “a voice of one calling in the wilderness,
‘Prepare the way for the Lord,
make straight paths for him.’”^[d]

⁴ And so John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵ The whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem went out to him. Confessing their sins, they were baptised by him in the Jordan River. ⁶ John wore clothing made of camel’s hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷ And this was his message: “After me comes the one more powerful than I, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. ⁸ I baptise you with^[e] water, but he will baptise you with^[f] the Holy Spirit.”



THE MESSAGE

This week the Gospel reminds us of the baptism of Jesus. Why would Jesus want to be baptised if he was sinless, he did not need saving. Jesus is baptised to show us the right thing to do, to demonstrate that we will chose to obey the will of God.

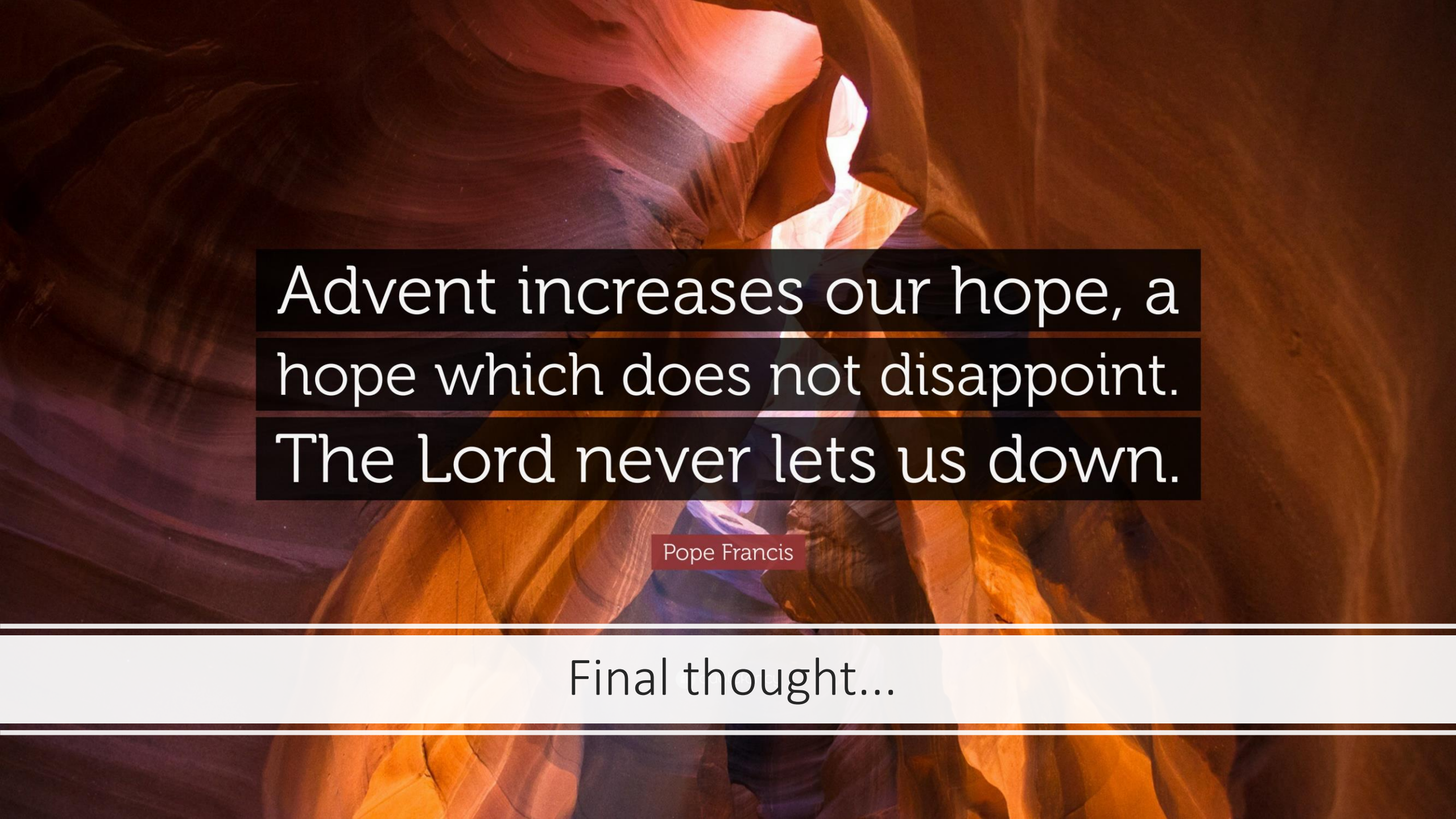
We are a multi faith community, and some of you may be sat there thinking that this means nothing to you as you may not be Christian, but as with many religious teachings there is a universal theme.

All people of faith want to build a strong relationship with God, and this ultimately means following the teachings of the Holy books and guidance given. This can sometimes go against the way we live our lives, and it is not meant to be easy. To build a relationship with God requires a lifelong commitment, but it is worth the struggles.

In this Advent season let us be open to and guided by the message of the birth of a child, one who will go on to spread a message of universal love, peace and understanding.

- Lord
- Be with us at the end of the second week of Advent. Let us enjoy the penultimate weekend before the Christmas break. Give us strength to support charity events and think of others during this season.
- St Joseph – Pray for us



The background of the slide is a photograph of the interior of Antelope Canyon. The walls are made of smooth, undulating sandstone, illuminated by warm, golden light that creates a series of soft, flowing patterns. The perspective is looking down a narrow passage, with light filtering in from above, creating a sense of depth and wonder.

Advent increases our hope, a
hope which does not disappoint.
The Lord never lets us down.

Pope Francis

Final thought...