

ADVENT

Peace



Word of the Week

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

A child is born to us!

A son is given to us!

And he will be our ruler.

He will be called, "Wonderful Counselor,"

"Mighty God," "Eternal Father,"

"Prince of Peace."

His royal power will continue to grow;

his kingdom will always be at peace.

He will rule as King David's successor,

basing his power on right and justice,

from now until the end of time.

The Lord Almighty is determined to do all this.

PEACE
ON Earth

Prayer for the Week

Leader: During Advent, we wait for the Prince of Peace.

All: Come, Lord Jesus, bring us peace.

Leader: We prepare our hearts for His peace.

All: Come, Lord Jesus, bring us peace.

Leader: May we share His peace with the world.

All: Come, Lord Jesus, bring us peace. Amen.

"Advent is a time of waiting for our Lord, who will visit us all in our own hearts. The Lord is coming! let us wait for him!"

Pope Francis



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For lots of people, the four weeks of Advent are just a countdown of shopping days to Christmas. For Christians, Advent is a special holy time leading up to the birth of their saviour Jesus Christ. The word Advent means "coming". When someone special is coming to visit, it is usual to prepare and get ready. During Advent Christians prepare themselves for the coming of the infant Jesus.

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Advent is a time of waiting and preparation, a season when we focus on hope, love, joy, and peace. This can be a busy and sometimes stressful time but Advent invites us to pause and reflect on the peace that comes with knowing God is with us, even in the chaos.

Peace isn't just about quiet moments, it's about finding calm in our hearts, even when things around us are noisy or difficult. It's about trusting that, like the story of Jesus' birth, peace can come in unexpected ways, in small moments, and in the kindness we show to others. This Advent, think about how you can bring peace to your own heart and to the people around you. Peace starts within, and it can spread through acts of kindness, listening, and forgiveness. May this season remind you that peace is possible, no matter what's going on in the world.

Can you think of a time when you have experienced God's peace?

Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Prince of Peace

In this week's Word of the Week, we hear about a King unlike any other—one who brings hope, wisdom, and peace to the world. It can sometimes feel like the world is full of uncertainty, pressure, and confusion. But this passage reminds us that Jesus, the Prince of Peace, offers us a different kind of strength. He's not a ruler of force, but a ruler of love, who came to show us that peace isn't something we have to fight for—it's something He offers freely.

We take a moment now to think about how Jesus can be our "Wonderful Counselor" when we are feeling lost or unsure, our "Mighty God" when we are facing tough challenges, and our "Prince of Peace" when we are overwhelmed.

His peace doesn't depend on perfect circumstances—it comes from knowing He's with us, always. This Advent season, let's pray for the peace He offers, to fill our hearts and guide us through the ups and downs of life. May we carry His peace with us, and share it with others in a world that needs it so much.

Jesus, thank you for being our Prince of Peace. Help us to trust in Your presence and Your promise that peace will never end. Amen.



HE WILL BE
OUR PEACE.

ISAIAH 5:5



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