

Our Advent theme this year is “**Jesus – the Pathway to Peace.**” Peacemaking is an everyday activity – how you deal with conflict, and your daily decisions when reacting to frustration and disappointment. Living in peace is both an OUTWARD and an INWARD process. Outwardly, living in peace is a way of life in which we respect and love each other despite our differences. Inwardly, we all need to search our hearts and minds and understand the fear that causes the impulse to violence, or to continue ignoring the anger, rage within. If we do not address these storms on the inside, we cannot expect to find peace on the outside. *Making peace is a journey. Let it be our path during Advent.* And all journeys start with that first step of commitment to peace. Each week we will remind ourselves of one step we can take on this journey.

*“For whoever would love life and see good days must keep the tongue from evil and the lips from speaking deceit.... **do right...** (1 Peter 3: 10-11) **Week 3 – DO RIGHT –** The decision to do right closes the door to doing wrong. Don’t be weary in doing what is right, for in due season you will reap a harvest (Galatians 6:9) This week let us consciously make decisions to do right in our daily activities with others.*

FR. JOE MUTH ADVENT SERIES 2017: “WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE??”

THURSDAY DECEMBER 21: ADVENT REFLECTION:

WHAT DOES THE COMING OF JESUS MEAN AT THIS PARTICULAR TIME?

JESUS WAS BORN INTO A VIOLENT WORLD, HE DID NOT ESCAPE VIOLENCE!!

HOW DID HE AVOID VIOLENT BEHAVIOR? GOD IS ON THE SIDE OF THE OPPRESSED!

ARE YOU AWARE OF THE NATION'S FIRST INTENTIONALLY INTERRACIAL CONGREGATION: "THE CHURCH FOR THE FELLOWSHIP OF ALL PEOPLE" IN SAN FRANCISCO??

HOWARD THURMAN: “JESUS AND THE DISINHERITED.”

HAPPY ADVENT ---- COME SOON, LORD JESUS!!

