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Good morning everyone

I am proposing a change to our 'Daily Prayer' during advent. Thanks Sandra for the idea!  
The gospel of St.Luke has 24 chapters, if we read a chapter per day beginning today we will have covered the whole of Jesus' life on Christmas Eve and be ready to celebrate his birth on Christmas Day.

So let's be still and quiet before we begin.....

The Prayer from our St.Andrew's service yesterday evening

Lord, as you founded the Church on the teaching of the Apostles, grant that we – through our lives , bring people to you. On this day we give thanks for the witness of St Andrew – and we pray for this congregation here in the port – that we may follow Andrew's example. We remember those who founded this church and all who have worshipped in the various places throughout its history. We pray for our continued mission here. All who share in the baptismal name of Andrew.

Father Peter enlightened us with the following also:-

- Today we celebrate the feast of St Andrew – our patron saint here in Mallorca.
- St. Andrew was searching for truth. He was a disciple of St. John the Baptist, but as soon as John pointed to Jesus and said, "Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world!," Andrew immediately followed Jesus. Andrew ran to his brother Simon and announced, "We have found the Messiah!". When Simon came with Andrew to meet Jesus, Jesus said something extraordinary, "You are Simon, son of Jonah. You will be called Cephas (Peter, the Rock). Little did Andrew know what Jesus' plans would have been for his brother, that he would become the rock on whom Jesus would build his Church. All he did was bring Simon to Jesus and Jesus did the rest. Likewise, we never know when we bring others to Jesus what he will do with them.
- That's not the only time St. Andrew brought others to Christ. In the feeding of the five thousand Andrew brings the young lad who has simple gifts of bread and fish – and Jesus multiplies them so all are fed. Again showing what Christ can do when we bring people – even with very poor gifts to him.
- Pope Francis recently said: ' Just like the Church doesn't have a mission, but is the continuation of Jesus' mission, so as a Christian I don't have a mission either. *I am* a mission. And that's our job as well – to bring the encounter of Jesus to others – by the way we live. We are the mission!

A beautiful reflection, thank you Father Peter

Let's now get our Bibles out and read Luke Chapter 2.

Give yourself time to rest and meditate on the reading.....

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory for ever and ever. AMEN

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all evermore. AMEN

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord  
In the name of Christ. AMEN

Blessings and love  
Vicky