

Lectio Divina

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- **Read and re-read**, out loud and slowly the Gospel
 - **Pray** - Thanksgiving – Repentance – Petition
 - **Meditate** on reading as being spoken to you, an experience in your life
 - **Action** – Attitude (Call to change / to act / to do)
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December 23rd 2012 4th Sunday in Advent – Year C – Luke 1:39-44

In this week's gospel we read the story of Mary's pregnancy. We reflect on the visitation – the second joyful mystery of the rosary. Mary is the main focus of our attention as she awaits the birth of Jesus. She was a person of great faith and through this has brought great faith to others. Mary's blessedness is that she had faith, no great achievements or visible signs of God's favour – just faith.

How often do we appreciate our gift of faith and all the blessings it brings? Do we hide it or are we willing to bring it to others?

Prayer :

Lord we thank you for our faith and for the people who help us to strengthen it by their example and love.

Forgive us for the times when we get fearful and confused.

Help us to listen to your word and believe in the power of the Holy Spirit as Our Blessed Lady did.

