

Meditation read at the Our Lady and St Dominic's Advent Carol Service – 13
December 2009

"Long after the angels disappear into the heavens, the shepherds return to their flocks, the magi journey home and the great star sets, Jesus remains.

The Child in whom we rediscover God's great love for humanity becomes the adult Redeemer who challenges us to imitate his selflessness and compassion in order that we might transform our world in love...

Will we allow the miracle of Christmas to continue long after the holiday trappings have been packed away?

Will we welcome the adult Messiah and his challenging Gospel to recreate our lives?

Let us make the peace, justice and hope of this holy season a reality in every season of the New Year"

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