

*November 20, 2022*

# ADVENT



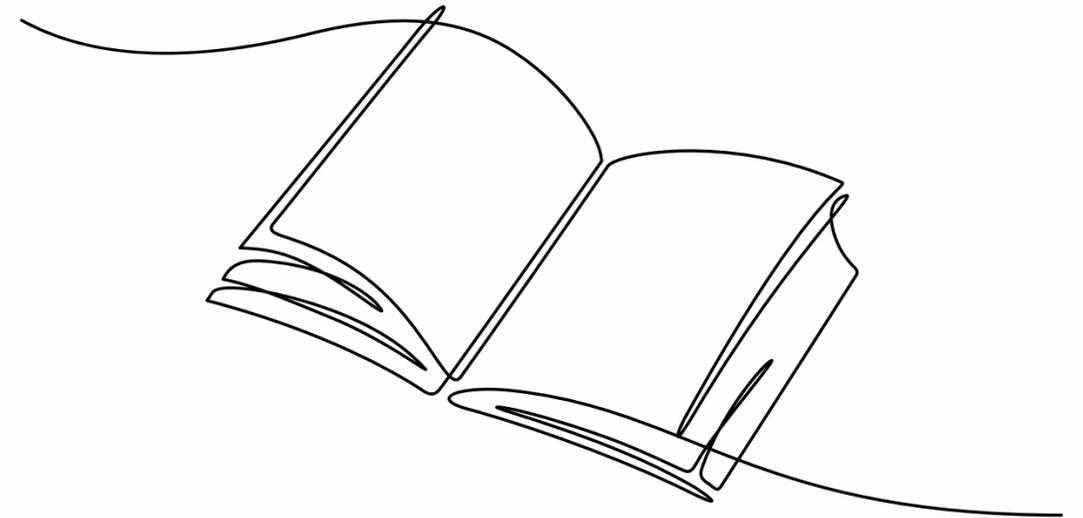
# OPENING PRAYER

**Please turn to the end (pages 170-171) of your catechism booklets to follow along with the opening prayer.**



# LESSON

**What we'll be talking today is the  
season of ADVENT.**



*What did God promise to send His people?*

**God promised to send a  
Savior to His people, to save  
them from sin.**

**Take a note...**

**SAVIOR means "someone who saves".**



*Who is the Savior that God sent?*

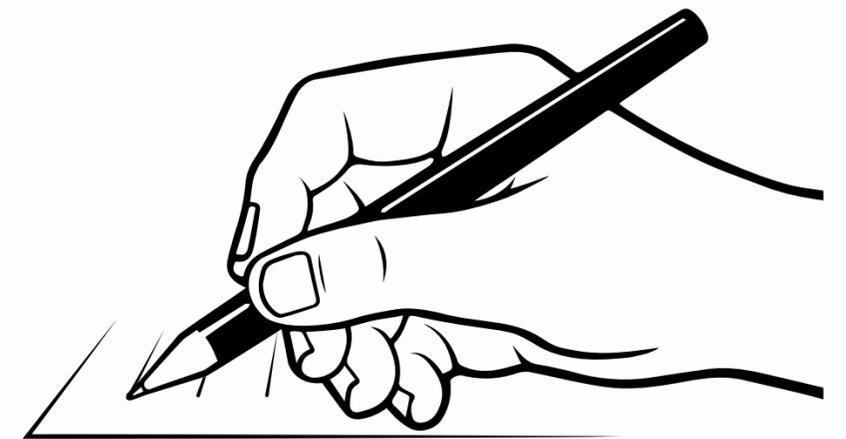
**Jesus Christ is the  
Savior that God sent.**

## *What is Advent?*

**Advent is the liturgical season during which we prepare for celebration of Jesus' birth.**

# *Take a note...*

**ADVENT** comes from the Latin word **ADVENTUS**, and it means "coming". We're waiting for the coming of Christ!



*When is Advent?*

**Advent is the four weeks  
leading up to Christmas Day.**

*Why do we celebrate Jesus' birth?*

**We celebrate Jesus' birth  
because He is our Savior, who  
saves us from sin.**

# *Take a note...*

**Jesus' birth means that God kept His  
promise to us.**



*What is a liturgical season?*

**A liturgical season is a special time in the Church, when all Catholic people must do special things.**

*What must we do during Advent?*

**During Advent, we must pray to Jesus to fill our hearts with love and prepare for His birth by doing good works.**

*What else happens during Advent?*

**During Advent, the decorations in the church change from green to purple and the Advent wreath is brought out.**

*Why do the church decorations become purple during Advent?*

**The church decorations become purple during Advent because the color purple means preparation.**

*What is an Advent wreath?*

**An Advent wreath is a wreath with five candles on it. Every week in Advent, one candle is lit. Then, the last one is lit on Christmas.**



*Why do we light candles on the Advent wreath?*

**We light candles on the  
Advent wreath to count the  
weeks until Christmas and to  
remind us of certain virtues.**

*What do the candles remind us of?*

**The candles remind us of hope, love, joy and peace. The last candle reminds of Jesus Christ coming into the world.**

ADVENTUS *(Latin)* = COMING *(English)*

ADVENT = Coming of Christ

1st Sunday  
*(nearest 30th of Nov)*



*Hope*

Prophecy  
Candle

2nd Sunday



*Love*

Bethlehem  
Candle

3rd Sunday



*Joy*

Shepherd's  
Candle

4th Sunday



*Peace*

Angel's  
Candle

Christmas Eve  
or Christmas Day

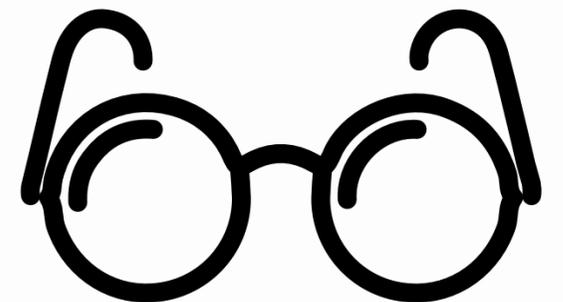


*Life of Christ  
that came into  
the World*

Christ  
Candle

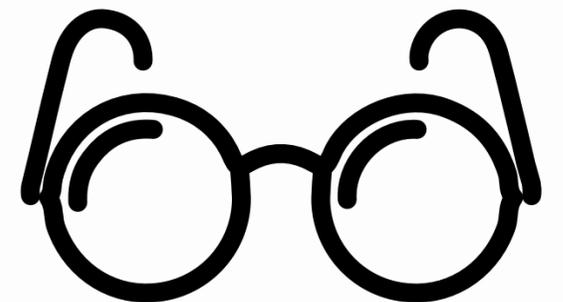
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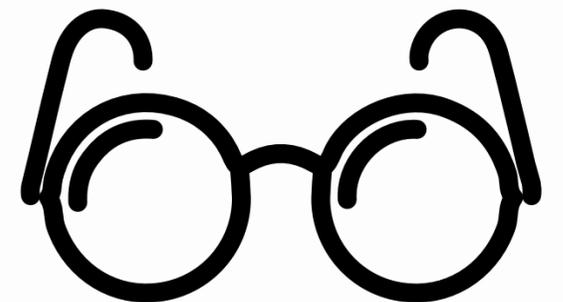
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# ***Watch this video...***

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# DISCUSSION

**How can we observe Advent at home?**



# CLOSING PRAYER

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**Don't forget to observe Advent at  
home with your parents!**