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CHRISTMAS



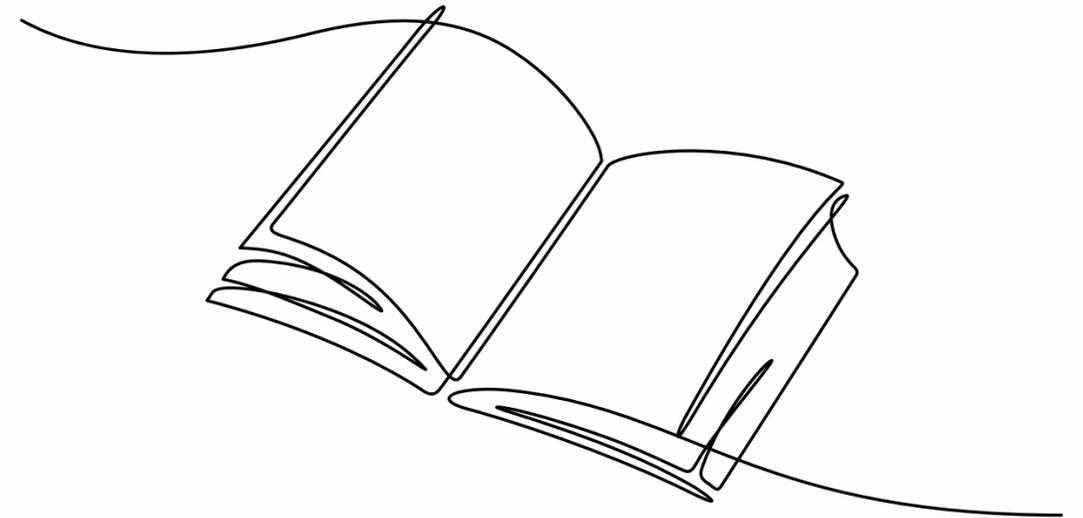
OPENING PRAYER

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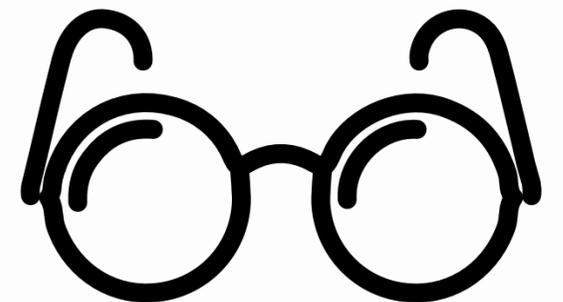
LESSON

What we'll be talking today is the holiday and season of CHRISTMAS.



Watch this video...

Right-click here and select the
option "**open link in new tab**" to
view "The Christmas Story" video.

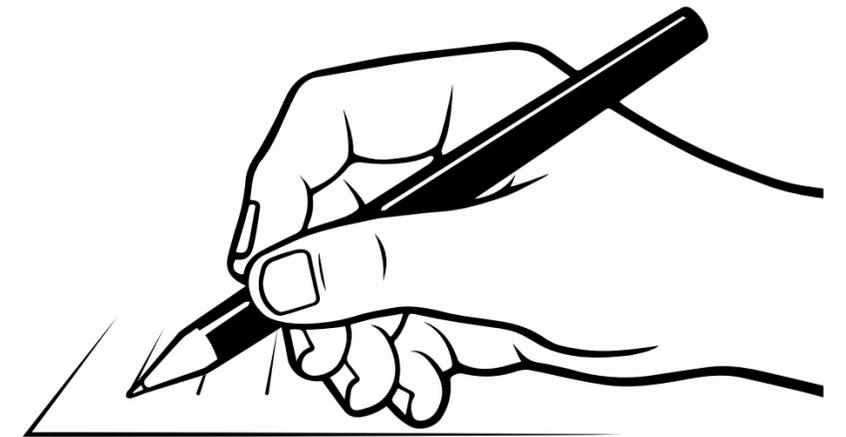


What is Christmas?

**Christmas is the holiday
and liturgical season that
celebrates Jesus' birth.**

Take a note...

HOLIDAY literally means "holy day".



When is Christmas?

Christmas Day is December 25, but the Christmas Season lasts from Jesus' birth to His Baptism on January 8.

What do we celebrate during Christmas?

**During Christmas, we
celebrate the birth of our
Savior, Jesus, Who came to
save us from sin.**

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 Christmas?

During Christmas, we must give constant thanks to God for sending us a Savior, and give Jesus our own gifts by being good.

What else happens during Christmas?

During Christmas, the decorations in the church change from purple to white and gold.

Why do the church decorations become white and gold during Christmas?

The church decorations become white and gold during Christmas because these colors mean joy, purity, and royalty.

What is the Epiphany?

The Epiphany is the holiday that celebrates the three wise men bringing their gifts to Jesus.

When is the Epiphany?

The Epiphany is on January 6.

Take a note...

Some people believe that the Christmas Season ends on the Epiphany. But it actually ends on the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord, on January 8.



What is the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord?

The Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord is the holiday that celebrates the Jesus being baptized by St. John the Baptist.

When is the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord?

**The Feast of the Baptism of
Our Lord is on January 8.**

DISCUSSION

How can we observe Christmas at home?



CLOSING PRAYER

Please turn to page 61 in your catechisms to follow along with the closing prayer.



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