Family Activity:

As a family, have someone read an examination of conscience. Be sure to pause for a minute after each question, giving your family members time to think about each question:

- Have my words and actions strengthened my family and community, or harmed it?
- Have I hurt others, with my hands or my words?
- Have I given support or encouragement to those who hurt others?
- Have I excluded others, or treated others with less than the respect they deserve as children of God?

Then talk about how each of you can change your actions and words to be in right-relationship with Jesus Christ. Take the opportunity to go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation this Advent. Both Fr. John at Good Shepherd, and I at Ss. Francis & John have extended hours for Reconciliation through Advent. Take the opportunity, and trust in the mercy of God.

God bless and see you at Mass!