

Kids

ADVENT CHALLENGE!

NOVEMBER 30 TO DECEMBER 25

Name: _____ Date: _____

Day 1: BIG NEWS!

Sean & Josie are enjoying their snow day when they get some BIG news! As we get to know Josie's family, let's draw the members of the family we met today. Include details in your drawing based on what we heard today.

DRAW JOSIE, MRS. LEWIS, & MR. LEWIS



WHAT IS THE LEWIS FAMILY WAITING FOR THIS ADVENT?

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Day 2: WAITING IN THE DESERT

Grandma ZuZu helps Josie to consider the Nativity Scene and what it was like to be waiting and wandering in the desert as the Magi did. Color the Nativity Scene below and rewrite the names of the Magi in the spaces provided.



_____

CASPAR

_____

MELCHIOR

_____

BALTHASAR

Name: _____ Date: _____

Day 3: ADVENT-URE



Mr. Reyes hosts our first "Advent-ure" game today! Answer the questions below to play along. Also, have fun coloring the images around the page.



1. What does the word "Advent" actually mean?

a. Coming, or arrival
b. A type of candle
c. A Christmas cookie

2. How many candles are on an Advent wreath, and what colors are they?

a. Four candles: three purple, one rose
b. Seven candles, all white
c. Two candles, both gold

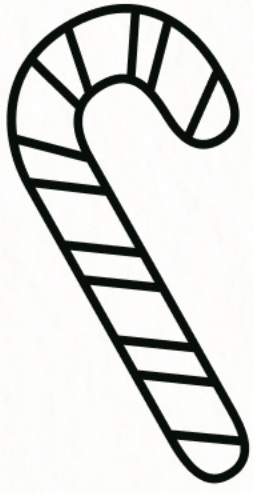


3. The rose candle is lit on which Sunday of Advent?

a. The first Sunday
b. The third Sunday (Gaudete Sunday)
c. The very last Sunday

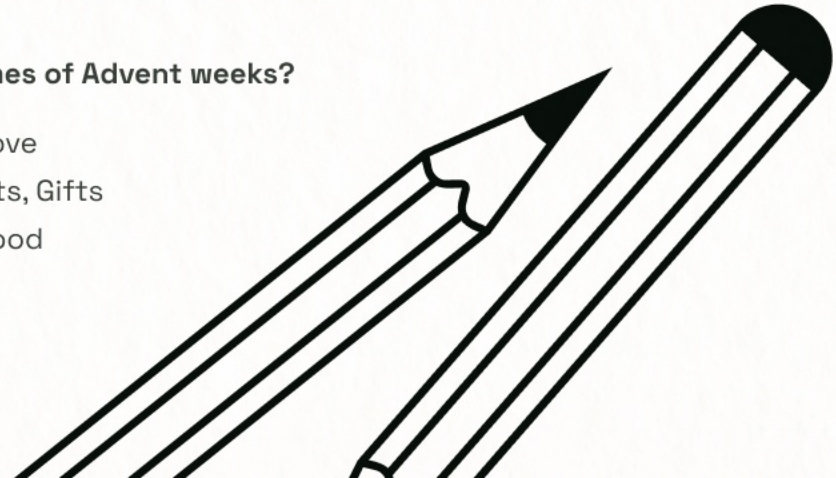
4. Who is "the voice crying in the wilderness" who prepares the way for Jesus?

a. John the Baptist
b. Sean Donovan
c. King David



5. What are the four themes of Advent weeks?

a. Hope, Peace, Joy, Love
b. Snow, Cookies, Lights, Gifts
c. Faith, Fun, Family, Food



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Day 4: PRAYING WITH THE PSALMS

Josie and her father pray with scripture this week as they wait. Today, you can pray the same way. Read & respond below by writing a note to God or by drawing a picture about something you are waiting for or praying about today.

**"OUT OF THE DEPTH I CALL TO YOU, LORD; LORD, HEAR MY CRY!
MAY YOUR EARS BE ATTENTIVE TO MY CRY FOR MERCY."**

PSALM 130

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Day 5: HOLY MOLY

As you listen to Tanner & Alli today, find some of this week's BIG WORDS about Advent and the wonder in waiting.

MAGI **CANDLE** **ROSE** **PSALM** **ADVENT**

PURPLE **BALTHASAR** **MELCHIOR** **CASPAR**



HOLY MOLY

C	X	K	E	M	R	O	S	E	R	M	X	T	Y	X
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V	X	C	G	I	E	Q	X	P	Y	L	Z	N	Y	A
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E	F	L	I	E	Z	Y	P	S	E	C	R	K	R	M
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Day 6: DONOVAN MASS PREP —SATURDAY

It's a loud, happy Saturday at the Donovan house before the family settles down to study Sunday's Mass readings about St. John the Baptist. Unscramble each word below, using the clue to help.

H P E R P T O

SOMEONE WHO SPEAKS GOD'S MESSAGE

T S R E E D

A DRY, EMPTY PLACE

Y O E N H

WILD FOOD JOHN THE BAPTIST ATE

G E L S O P

GOOD NEWS ABOUT THE LIFE OF JESUS

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H P E R P T O

PROPHET

SOMEONE WHO SPEAKS GOD'S MESSAGE

T S R E E D

DESERT

A DRY, EMPTY PLACE

Y O E N H

HONEY

WILD FOOD JOHN THE BAPTIST ATE

G E L S O P

GOSPEL

GOOD NEWS ABOUT THE LIFE OF JESUS

PRAY



Day 7: Sunday REVIEW

PRAY TODAY

Light your own Advent wreath with your family at home!

As you listen today, pray along and light the second candle on your family's wreath.

NEXT WEEK PREVIEW

Sean & Josie learn more about the graces of waiting.

We'll consider the shepherds from the Nativity Story, & we'll pray the Angelus.

WHAT WE LEARNED

Josie and her parents are waiting to hear if they'll have a new baby joining the family in December.

Grandma ZuZu helped Josie to reflect on the Nativity and the beauty in waiting.

In Scripture, we focused on the Psalms and on the character of St. John the Baptist who made the way for Christ.

WAYS TO PRAY WITH YOUR FAMILY & HALLOW:

- Parents & Teachers - Join us for **Pray25**!
- Pray to Our Lady in her many titles with the **Litany of Loretto** in the Hallow app.
- Pick a new **Bedtime Prayer** to try out together in the evenings.



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Day 8: SIBLING LESSONS

Sean gives Josie some ideas about how to be a good sibling. Maybe you agree with some of his ideas, but maybe you would say something different. Use the space below to write or draw your best advice for being a good sibling.







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Day 9: NATIVITY SHEPHERDS

Today, Grandma ZuZu helps Josie & Sean to reflect on the shepherds who saw the angels and heard the good news of Christ's birth. Color the image and write or draw what the shepherds may have been thinking as they traveled to meet the new born king.



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Day 10: MORE ADVENT-URE

Mr. Reyes hosts another "Advent-ure" game today! Answer the questions below to play along. Also, have fun coloring the images around the page.

1. For nine months, this priest couldn't speak—then he sang a beautiful prayer of praise. Who is he?

A. Zechariah B. Elijah C. Joseph

2. He never died—he was taken up to heaven in a chariot of fire. Who is he?

A. Elijah B. Jesus C. John the Baptist

3. This Hebrew word means more than just peace—it means everything being whole and right. What is it?

A. Shalom B. Amen C. Hosanna

4. In three words, what does John the Baptist tell people to do?

A. Eat more locusts B. Prepare the way C. Wait for spring

5. What appeared when Jesus was baptized in the Jordan River?

A. A dove B. A fish C. A rainbow



Name: _____ Date: _____

Day 11: THE ANGELUS

Use Use the word bank below to fill in the spaces provided as we pray the Angelus together today. If students cannot write, draw a line from the word to the blank.

FLESH **CONCEIVED** **HANDMAID** **LORD**

The Angel of the _____ declared unto Mary, and she _____ by the Holy Spirit... Behold the _____ of the Lord; be it done unto mee according to thy word... And the Word was made _____, and dwelt among us.



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Day 12: HOLY MOLY

As you listen to Tanner & Alli today, find some of this week's BIG WORDS about Advent and the wonder in waiting.

HOPE **JOY** **LOVE** **PEACE**

SHEPHERD **NATIVITY** **ANGEL**

HOLY MOLY

S	H	E	P	H	E	R	D	M	A	T	N
B	Q	L	C	F	U	W	K	P	N	R	A
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C	P	R	S	U	J	E	W	N	T	O	Y
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L	O	V	E	G	Y	T	M	P	I	A	T
C	P	R	S	U	J	E	W	N	T	O	Y
M	E	D	L	H	O	P	E	A	Y	B	F
Z	A	K	N	R	C	G	S	L	V	P	J
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Day 13: DONOVAN MASS PREP —SATURDAY





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E T E G U A D

THE LATIN WORD FOR "REJOICE"

E S O R

THE COLOR OF THIS WEEK'S CANDLE

O E J C R E I

THIS WEEK WE CELEBRATE WITH JOY, MEANING WE...

A H I A I S

THE FIRST READING THIS WEEK IS FROM THIS PROPHET

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E T E G U A D

GAUDETE

THE LATIN WORD FOR "REJOICE"

E S O R

ROSE

THE COLOR OF THIS WEEK'S CANDLE

O E J C R E I

REJOICE

THIS WEEK WE CELEBRATE WITH JOY, MEANING WE...

A H I A I S

ISAIAH

THE FIRST READING THIS WEEK IS FROM THIS PROPHET

PRAY



Day 14: Sunday REVIEW

PRAY TODAY

Light your own Advent wreath with your family at home!

As you listen today, pray along and light the third candle on your family's wreath.

NEXT WEEK PREVIEW

Sean & Josie learn more about the graces of waiting.

We'll consider Joseph and the Annunciation as we prepared to welcome Jesus!

WHAT WE LEARNED

Josie and her parents are waiting to hear if they'll have a new baby joining the family in December.

Grandma ZuZu helped Josie to reflect on the Shepherds' experiences in the Nativity story.

We prayed the Angelus and focused on the joy of Gaudete Sunday.

WAYS TO PRAY WITH YOUR FAMILY & HALLOW:

- Parents & Teachers - Join us for **Pray25**!
- Listen to **Advent Hymns** in the Hallow app!
- Pick a new **Bedtime Story with Hallie** to try out together in the evenings.



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Day 15: THE ANGEL TREE

Today, Josie & Sean both learned about the importance of being present to those around you while you wait. What are some things you enjoy doing while you wait? Draw or write your answer below! Then enjoy coloring the images around the page.



Name: _____ Date: _____

Day 16: ST. JOSEPH

Today we learned about St. Joseph as we reviewed the Nativity Scene, Let's practice writing the names of the Holy Family & color the image of St. Joseph together!



_____

JESUS

_____

MARY

_____

JOSEPH

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Day 17: ADVENT-URE

Mr. Reyes hosts another "Advent-ure" game today! Answer the questions below to play along. Also, have fun coloring the images around the page.

1. What does "Emmanuel" mean?

A. God with us B. Silent night C. Good news

2. "I was a young woman from a small town. An angel came with unexpected news, and I said yes." Who is this?

A. Mary B. Grandma Zuzu C. Sister Margaret

3. What's the name of Mary's prayer of praise, sung when she visits Elizabeth?

A. The Magnificat B. The Angelus C. The Our Father

4. What did the Wise Men follow to find Jesus?

A. A star B. A map C. A rainbow

5. What were the Wise Men's three gifts?

A. Gold, frankincense, and myrrh B. Gold, silver, and wood C. Diapers, formula, and a swing



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Day 18: PRAYING WITH SCRIPTURE

Today, Josie prayed with Sean's family. Reflecting on a piece from the gospel of Luke, they remembered together how special it is that they will soon celebrate the Light of the World. Color in the words from the scripture below, and recite the scripture together.

"...FOR MY EYES HAVE SEEN YOUR SALVATION, WHICH YOU PREPARED IN THE SIGHT OF ALL THE PEOPLES..."

LUKE 2:30-32

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Day 19: HOLY MOLY

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JESUS **JOSEPH** **MARY** **JOHN**

MARK **LUKE** **MATTHEW** **STAR**

HOLY MOLY

Y	H	C	S	J	Q	P	K	X	O	J	T
C	D	Q	N	F	Y	J	O	S	E	P	H
K	E	P	N	B	V	C	E	Y	R	K	S
S	Z	K	K	W	L	K	T	P	R	S	T
Z	O	C	C	I	U	P	W	A	V	C	A
B	M	X	W	L	J	U	M	S	V	O	R
J	A	W	M	V	L	A	O	L	F	T	D
P	R	B	G	Y	J	E	X	H	M	J	M
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MARK **LUKE** **MATTHEW** **STAR**

HOLY MOLY

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Day 20: DONOVAN MASS PREP —SATURDAY



It's a loud, happy Saturday at the Donovan house before the family settles down to study Sunday's Mass readings about St. John the Baptist. Unscramble each word below, using the clue to help.



G I N K V A D I D

WHICH CHARACTER IN THE OLD TESTAMENT SEEKS TO GIVE GOD A HOUSE?

S A H I M E S

THE FIGURE ALSO CALLED THE SAVIOR OR REDEEMER

L I H A Y R A M

THE PRAYER WE GET FROM THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL

B R A G I E L

THE ANGEL WHO SPOKE TO MARY AT THE ANNUNCIATION

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G I N K V A D I D

KIND DAVID

WHICH CHARACTER IN THE OLD TESTAMENT SEEKS TO GIVE GOD A HOUSE?

S A H I M E S

MESSIAH

THE FIGURE ALSO CALLED THE SAVIOR OR REDEEMER

L I H A Y R A M

HAIL MARY

THE PRAYER WE GET FROM THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL

B R A G I E L

GABRIEL

THE ANGEL WHO SPOKE TO MARY AT THE ANNUNCIATION

PRAY



Day 21: Sunday REVIEW

PRAY TODAY

Light your own Advent wreath with your family at home!

As you listen today, pray along and light the fourth candle on your family's wreath.

NEXT WEEK PREVIEW

Sean & Josie learn more about the graces of waiting.

Closing in on the big day! Join us as we approach Christmas.

WHAT WE LEARNED

Josie and her parents are waiting to hear more about when the baby may arrive.

We learned of how Joseph's life had to change and his ideas of family life had to change in order for the Holy Family to form in those crucial days.

We prayed the Hail Mary with the Angel Gabriel as we reflected on Scripture.

WAYS TO PRAY WITH YOUR FAMILY & HALLOW:

- Parents & Teachers - Join us for **Pray25**!
- Listen to the **Daily Readings in Hallow** as you head to Mass!
- Listen to the **Nativity Story** to try out together in the evenings.



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Day 22: THE WAITING GAME

Sean races, finally! At the end, he realizes how important it is to have family and friends. Write a prayer of gratitude or draw a picture of your family and friends as you reflect on how grateful you are for each person in your life.







Name: _____ Date: _____

Day 23: MARY & ELIZABETH

Today we learned about Mary and her visit with Elizabeth, Let's practice writing the names of the other figures from Mary's story & color the image of Our Mother!



_____

ELIZABETH

_____

GABRIEL

_____

HOLY SPIRIT

Name: _____ Date: _____

Day 24: ADVENT-URE

Mr. Reyes hosts another "Advent-ure" game today! Answer the questions below to play along. Also, have fun coloring the images around the page.

1. Name a saint whose feast day falls during Advent.

A. St. Nicholas or St. Lucy B. St. Patrick C. St. Francis

2. What is the name of the special prayer the Church prays each night from Dec 17-23?

A. The O Antiphons B. The Rosary C. The Angelus

3. What does "O Emmanuel" mean?

A. God with us B. Silent night C. Wise men

4. Name one of the three Wise Men.

A. Balthazar (or Caspar, or Melchior) B. Simeon C. Zechariah

5. What does Christmas actually mean?

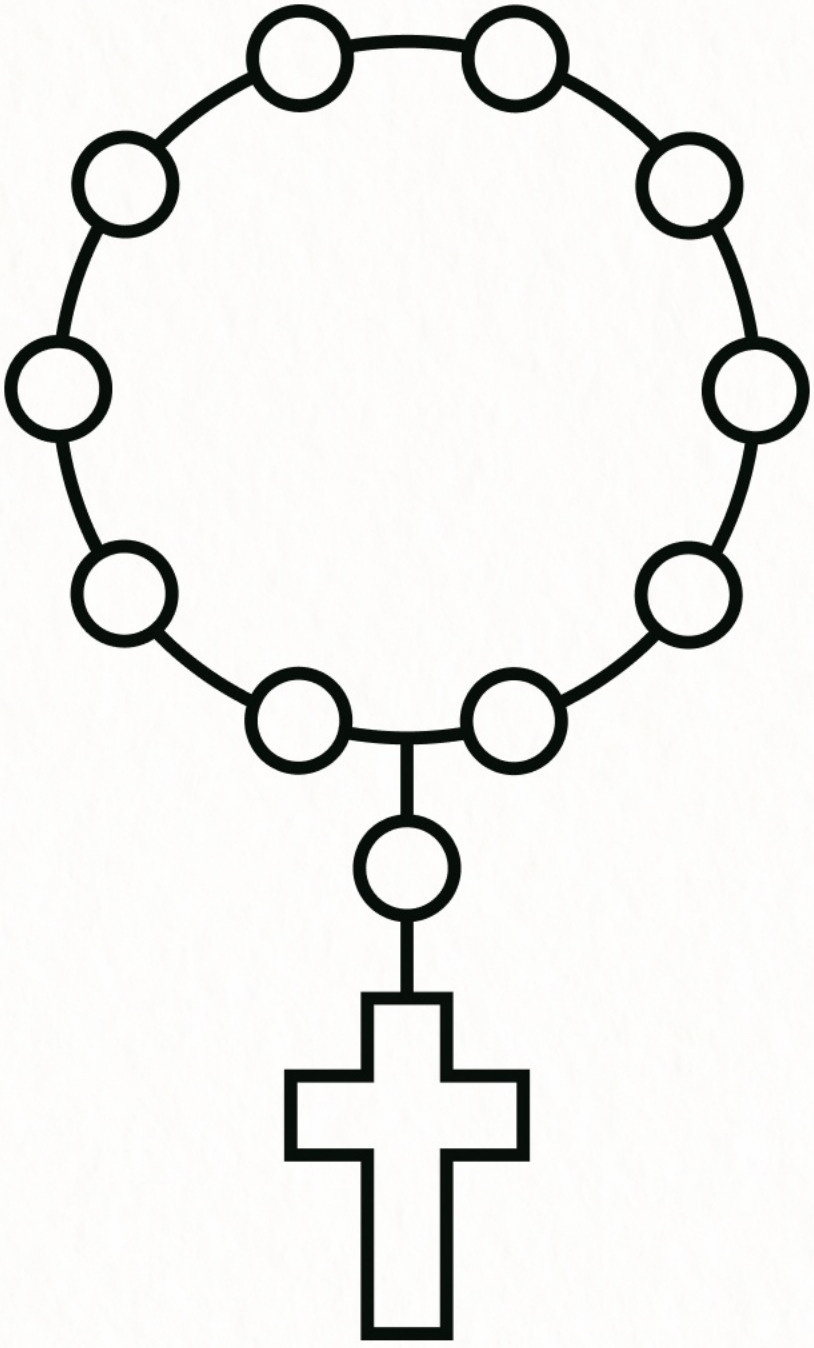
A. God came close to us, as a baby, so we could hold Him
B. A day off from school
C. A big dinner



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Day 25: THE BABY IS COMING!

Today, we started to learn that the baby is coming! Josie's family prays a decade of the rosary as they travel to pick up the baby. **Pray a decade of the rosary today and color each bead as you finish the prayer.**





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Day 26: BONUS

The Donovans surprised Josie and the new baby with everything they need to take care of the Christmas surprise. Josie is grateful and says it was worth the wait to meet her new sibling. What could you do this Christmas season to practice giving? Who could you give to?

Draw a picture or write your answer below.