

Reverse Advent Calendar Fun

What is a Reverse Advent Calendar? It's a lot of fun and a great way to share the blessings of the holiday season with others.

The STM Service and Justice Commission has created two Reverse Advent Calendars for this year's Advent season. Here is how they work:

Calendar 1: Food Products

Find a big box or basket. Each day of Advent, add the item listed on the calendar to the box or basket. On Christmas, bring the box or basket to STM and we will make sure the items are passed on to our friends at St. Anthony Parish in Neopit.

Calendar 2: Random Acts of Kindness

Each day of Advent, perform a simple Random Act of Kindness for someone in your life. That person may be someone you see every day or a stranger. We've provided you with a calendar to give you ideas, but be sure to keep it simple and fun! Then, watch for how God works through your kindness.

May your Christmas be blessed with the warmth of Jesus' love.

Blessings,

STM Service and Justice Commission

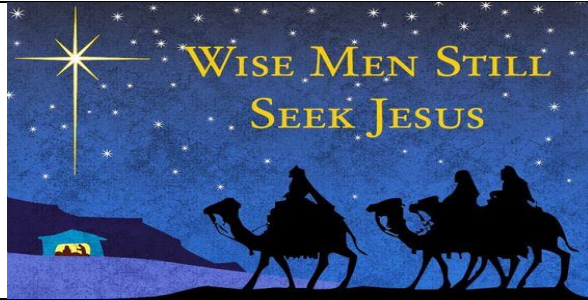


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Products for St. Anthony Parish, Neopit

Add an item to your Advent box or basket and return to STM on Christmas Day.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
November 29 Bar soap	November 30 Cake or dessert mix	December 1 Frosting	December 2 Canned meat (chicken, tuna, Spam)	December 3 Canned tomatoes	December 4 Chili powder	December 5 Coffee, tea, hot chocolate
December 6 Crackers	December 7 Cream soup: Chicken, celery or mushroom	December 8 Canned soup: Tomato, chicken noodle, etc.	December 9 Kidney or chili beans	December 10 Pasta or rice	December 11 Sugar	December 12 Flour
December 13 Tomato paste or sauce	December 14 Toilet paper	December 15 Toothpaste	December 16 Toothbrush	December 17 Deodorant	December 18 Shampoo	December 19 Juice – Any kind
December 20 Canned vegetables	December 21 Canned fruit	December 22 Spaghetti sauce	December 23 Boxed cereal or oatmeal	December 24 Boxed potatoes or stuffing mix	December 25 Blessings to you on Christmas Day!	



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Random Acts of Kindness

Share the warmth and love of Jesus with others through simple acts of kindness.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
November 29 Call a friend or family member to say hello	November 30 Say a prayer for someone who is sick	December 1 Smile at someone	December 2 Send someone a card or letter	December 3 Compliment someone	December 4 Do someone a favor	December 5 Read a story to someone
December 6 Say a prayer <i>with</i> someone for a cause that is special to both of you	December 7 Say Thank You to someone – and really mean it	December 8 Send someone an encouraging message	December 9 Donate to a charity	December 10 Sing a Christmas carol to someone	December 11 Leave a care package or gift on a friend's porch	December 12 Clean a closet and donate what you don't need
December 13 Read a Bible passage and say a prayer for someone special to you	December 14 Hide an encouraging note in a book and donate the book	December 15 Forgive someone	December 16 Make someone laugh	December 17 Leave a Thank You note for the USPS/FedEx/UPS person	December 18 Say a prayer for our military members	December 19 Do something good for nature/the environment
December 20 Say a prayer for someone you don't especially like	December 21 Don't complain or whine all day	December 22 Really listen to someone who needs to talk	December 23 Tell someone you love them	December 23 Ask others to continue Random Acts of Kindness	December 25 Blessings to you on Christmas Day	