



Advent Wreath Prayers

Family Handout

As you gather to light your Advent wreath, use the following prayers to focus your reflection. When praying the last sentence, trace a Sign of the Cross on your forehead, lips, and heart, as we do at Mass before the Gospel reading.

First Week of Advent: purple

Jesus, as we wait for your coming, help us not to be afraid and to trust in you. As we light this candle, we remember that you bring the light of hope into our lives. May your Word be always in our minds, on our lips, and in our hearts.

Amen.

Second Week of Advent: purple

Jesus, John the Baptist told the people, "If you have two coats, give one to someone who doesn't have any. If you have food, share it with someone else." As we light this candle, we remember that you bring the light of peace into our lives. May your Word be always in our minds, on our lips, and in our hearts.

Amen.

Third Week of Advent: pink

Jesus, we gather here as a family to dedicate our lives to you, as John the Baptist did. Help us to know, love, and serve you. As we light this candle, we remember that you bring the light of joy into our lives. May your Word be always in our minds, on our lips, and in our hearts.

Amen.

Fourth Week of Advent: purple

Jesus, your mother, Mary, is "blessed among women." We are happy that she said "Yes!" to being your mother. As we light this candle, we remember that you bring the light of love into our lives. May your Word be always in our minds, on our lips, and in our hearts.

Amen.

