


<p>1-1st week HOPE Make or Set up your Advent Wreath Romans 13:11-12 Make your box or bag to collect items.</p>	<p>2 Reflect on Mary's yes. How are you saying yes to God? Dried Beans or Rice</p>	<p>3 Memorial of St. Francis Xavier Make special placemats or decorate your table with purple items! Dry Pasta</p>	<p>4 Mt 15:29-37 As we reflect on hope imagine how the people who were with Jesus felt described in today's reading. Can of tuna</p>	<p>5 Read about the Magi and their journey following the star to meet Jesus. Mt 2:1-12 Trail mix</p>	<p>6 Feast day of St. Nicolas Reflect on the generous soul of St. Nicolas. How can you be more like him? Sweet treat</p>	<p>7 Make a Thank you or Advent card for your parish priest. Deliver it to him at Mass this weekend. Box of crackers</p>
<p>8 2nd week PEACE Reflect on the Legend of the Candy Cane. Candy Canes</p>	<p>9 The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Say a Rosary for those you are collecting for.</p>	<p>10 Reflect on the true meaning of Christmas. Make a purple and pink Christmas sign. Can of soup</p>	<p>11 ~ The Magi ~ Reflect on the 3 gifts they brought Jesus. What spiritual gifts could you offer Jesus in the next 3 weeks? Shampoo or soap</p>	<p>12 Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe Read the story of Juan Diego. Container of juice</p>	<p>13 Memorial of St. Lucy - patron saint of the blind. List all the things you are grateful to see! Sunglasses</p>	<p>14 Memorial of St. John the Cross John & Peter were the only two disciples Jesus sent to prepare for the Last Supper. Make a special meal tonight in remembrance of Jesus. Seasoning</p>
<p>15 3rd week JOY Memorial of St. Mary Di Rosa The Foundress of the Handmaids of Charity. She was never afraid to open the door to a new opportunity to serve God. Make a visit to someone in need.</p>	<p>16 Eat dinner by candlelight and reflect on how you may be the light of Christ to others. A candle</p>	<p>17 Ps 1:1-2,3,4 & 6 R. Those who follow you, Lord, will have the light of life. A Blanket or Coat</p>	<p>18 As a family or with friends, go spread the Christmas joy by singing Christmas carols. Toothbrush & Toothpaste</p>	<p>19 Watch a movie about the birth of Jesus or spend time setting up your manger. Granola Bars</p>	<p>20 Lk 1:26-38 Pray a decade of the rosary for mothers and their unborn children. A baby item</p>	<p>21 Pray an Our Father Call someone you haven't spoken to in a long time or visit a person who needs some cheer! Dried Stuffing or Instant Mashed Potatoes</p>
<p>22 4th week LOVE Reflect on your family genealogy. Make a family tree. Then make a card for someone you love! Jar of jam</p>	<p>23 The 1-st Nativity Did you know, St. Francis of Assisi had a special devotion to the child of Jesus. St. Francis focused on poverty, humility, and simplicity. Peanut Butter</p>	<p>24 Joseph and Mary traveled far to reach Bethlehem. How has it been for you to wait to celebrate the coming of Christ? Over the next 24 hours, reflect on how...</p>	<p>25 ... you have waited and prepared for Christmas. Deliver your items to your parish or local food bank.</p>			

Traditional Reflections

Advent 2024

gifting collection items

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