## Mission Together Advent Calendar 2023



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1st Sunday of Advent Today's Gospel tells us to get ready for Jesus. How can we prepare our hearts for his arrival?+ Mk 13:33-37	The Advent wreath's candles are a symbol of Christ's light. How can you be a light for others today?*	Learn our Advent Carol We are waiting* and sing it as a class. Why not film your singing and share it with us @MissioUK?	Today is the feast of St Nicholas. Find out what St Nicholas did to bring hope to poor people.*	GLOBAL FAMILY FACT: During Advent in the Philippines people decorate homes with paper lanterns called Paroles, as a reminder to look out forJesus.*	Today is special feast day for Mary, our mother. Let's say the Hail Mary, for Our Lady and for all mums.	Write an Advent prayer or poem. Try to include the words: hope, wait, light, God, Jesus.
2nd Sunday of Advent In today's Gospel reading, we learn about John the Baptist. What did he ask people to do?+ Mark 1:1-8	One way we can prepare for Jesus is by building peace. Make a peace paper-chain and think about how you can build peace in school this week.*	Say the Mission Together Prayer for children living in war zones:  May all children in the world, share love, share friendship and live in the peace of God's love.  Now and forever.  Amen.  Amen.	GLOBAL FAMILY FACT: Today in Denmark, children take part in candle lit processions to remember how Jesus' light wins over darkness.*	As a class, sing Silent Night.* Listen carefully to the words and think about what they mean.	Make peace today. Say sorry to someone you may have upset this week. Or forgive someone who has upset you.	Find somewhere peaceful to sit and thank God for the people who love and care for you.
3rd Sunday of Advent In today's psalm we hear the joyful words of Mary. Thank God for the gifts of faith and joy.+ Luke 1:46-50,53-54	Yesterday was Gaudete Sunday. Find out what Gaudete means and why yesterday's Advent candle is coloured pink.	GLOBAL FAMILY FACT:  On Mauke, a small island in Oceania, the people share the joy of Jesus' birth by giving hampers to strangers.*	Make a Joyful Angel and think about how you can share the joy of Jesus today.*	Joy is easy to pass on! Look out for people who are lonely today and invite them to play.	As a class sing Joy to the World.* Why not film your singing and share it with us @MissioUK	Say a prayer for all children who are upset, sad, or lonely. Ask God to help us share his joy with them.
4th Sunday of Advent In today's Gospel, an angel visits Mary and says, 'Do not to be afraid'. Ask God to help you with any worries you have.+ Luke 1:26-38	(5), 5	Rejoice! Jesus is born! Remember to thank God and your family for all the gifts their love brings.		The wise men are on their way to the crib. Find out when they are due to arrive?	accompanying liturgical pra- assemblies, or carols. Dowr	abridged scriptures found in our yers. Asterisks refer to activities, aload all for free from the Advent of the Mission Together website.

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