



# 2025 Family Advent Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>30 November</b> Buy or make an Advent wreath and bless it. Light the violet candle every night this week. 	<b>1 December</b>  Put out your empty Nativity scene. Gradually add characters during Advent but leave the manger empty.	<b>2</b> Randomly assign "Advent Angels" to one another. Encourage daily acts of kindness in secret throughout the season. Reveal identities before Christmas.	<b>3</b>  Have everyone perform a chore they've been putting off.	<b>4</b>  Select a person or situation in the news and offer a prayer on their behalf.	<b>5</b> Attend First Friday Mass together, or set aside time later in the day to visit the Blessed Sacrament in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.	<b>6</b>  Share favorite Christmas memories over cookies and hot chocolate
<b>7</b> Light the second violet candle in the Advent Wreath. Read Isaiah 11:1-10, which foretells Jesus' coming. 	<b>8 The Immaculate Conception</b> Today, we honor Mary's preservation from sin from the moment of her conception. On this Holy Day of Obligation, attend Mass as a family.	<b>9</b> Today, fast from impatience and sarcasm. When in doubt, choose kindness. 	<b>10</b>  Call or email your parish office and ask how your family can help with upcoming preparations for Christmas.	<b>11</b>  <b>Guess That Carol:</b> Children draw a Christmas carol title from a jar and act it out while adults try to guess the song.	<b>12 Our Lady of Guadalupe</b> Place a vase of roses before a statue of Mary and sing, "Hail, Holy Queen" to celebrate.	<b>13 Family Game Night</b> Set aside all screens and enjoy time together with board games. The winner chooses dessert.
<b>14 Gaudete Sunday</b> Light the two violet candles and the rose candle to mark the theme of joy. 	<b>15</b>  During family dinner tonight, invite each person to share something for which they're grateful during the Advent season.	<b>16</b> Place an empty jar in a visible spot to collect spare change. Once full, donate the contents to the church's poor box.	<b>17</b>  With nine days until Christmas, place a candle or light in the window as a welcome for the Christ Child. Light it each evening until Christmas.	<b>18</b> During family dinner tonight, offer special prayers for those who will be away from home this Christmas.	<b>19</b> Invite everyone to make a small personal sacrifice today—such as skipping cream in coffee or sharing a favorite toy—as a simple offering of love for Jesus.	<b>20</b> Prepare your hearts for Christmas by attending Confession as a family. Receive the gift of God's mercy and make room for His grace. 
<b>21</b> Light all the candles in the wreath. Thank God for all His graces this Advent. 	<b>22</b> The King is coming—prepare with purpose. Tidy and declutter your home to create a warm, welcoming space for Christmas.	<b>23</b>  Reveal the Advent Angels and celebrate their acts of kindness.	<b>24</b>  Tonight, place Jesus in the manger and sing, "Joy to the World!"	<i>"When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, 'Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.' So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart." (Luke 2:15-18).</i>		