St. Philomena Parish

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2022 Family Advent Calendar

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 27 November Buy or make an Advent wreath. Have the youngest light the first violet candle for Hope. | 28 Choose a gift to prepare throughout Advent to give Jesus on His birthday: myrrh (sacrifice), frankincense (holiness), gold (treasure). | 29 Make Christmas cards for troops overseas. Use these ideas: https://tinyurl. com/2pwx9vme. | 30 St. Andrew the Apostle St. Andrew answered the Lord's call. Pray for priests and more vocations to the priesthood and religious life. | 1 December Practice singing all the verses to "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel." | 2 First Friday Devotion Visit Jesus in the tabernacle in church (find the lighted tabernacle candle). Thank Him for His blessings. | Bake and decorate cookies Advent- style, holiday-style, or free-style. Enjoy them together. |
| 4 Light the first candle and a second violet one for Faith. Share a way you experienced God's love today. | 5 Add gently used clothes to a box. When it's full, bring it to a clothing drive. | 6 ^{St. Nicholas of Myra} Perform an act of kindness in honor of this generous saint. | 7 Sacrifice sweets and desserts today as penance for the souls in Purgatory. | 8 The Immaculate Conception of Mary Honor Mary by attending Mass and praying a family Rosary. | 9 St. Juan Diego Mary's miraculous image on St. Juan's <i>tilma</i> (cloak) helped convert Mexico. Use playdough to make roses like the ones he gathered in his <i>tilma</i> . | 10 ^{Attend Confession} as a family. Make sure everyone is prepared. Celebrate God's mercy. |
| 11 Gaudete Sunday Light two violet candles and the rose one for Joy! | 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe Place roses on the family table and pray a decade of the Rosary together. | 13 Eat dinner together by candle light. Mention the ways Jesus brings light to the darkness. | 14 At bedtime, pray for everyone who is traveling for Christmas. | 15 Start a Christmas Charity Chain. Every time someone performs a good deed out of charity, add a loop to the chain. Hang it on the tree at Christmas. | 16 ^{Eat pizza and} play boardgames together. | 17 Have each child pick an "O Antiphon" and draw it. (Hint: find them here at https://www.usccb.org/ prayers/o-antiphons/ advent) |
| 18 Light all the candles, including the last one for Peace. Pray for peace in the world. | 19 ^{Pray tonight} for Catholic missionaries. | 20 ^{Play} "Name that hymn." The winner gets to light the Advent candles tonight. | 21 Eat dinner together and ask everyone to share a favorite Christmas memory. | 22 ^{Put up your family} Nativity set. Leave out the Baby. | 23 Read Luke 2:7-20 and talk about how you would each welcome Jesus if you visited the manger. | 24 Christmas Eve in the Infant Jesus in the manger and sing "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing!" |

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