

Enhance your family prayer with FAMILY ROSARY

## Advent Resources To help enrich this holy season

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THE FAMILY THAT PRAYS TOGETHER STAYS TOGETHER

## Welcome to Our Family

It's the beginning of a new Liturgical Year. You can almost taste the anticipation of what lies ahead. Christ is coming! It's a mad scramble to properly prepare for this sacred moment. But don't worry, we've got you covered.

Across our family of ministries, we offer a variety of resources to enrich your Advent season and help your family get ready for this beautiful season. On the next page you'll find CatholicMom.com's printable Advent calendar filled with prayer ideas, acts of service and simple crafts (Pinterest abilities not required).

CatholicMom.com also offers uplifting articles, videos and podcast episodes that will carry you through the Advent season. Here are the **latest insights** we have for you!

If you're looking for a quick explanation about what Advent is all about and how Catholics use this transition of seasons, watch Catholic Central's short reflection on Advent. Interested in more free videos about Catholic teaching or just have questions about your faith? Check out CatholicCentral.com.

Family Rosary has daily inspiration for your family including weekly eBooks, daily homilies from our uplifting staff of Holy Cross priests, and daily family prayers to help you ground your family in Christ. Visit FamilyRosary.org for these resources and more!

Wherever you go, wherever this season takes you, we're always with you in prayer. Many blessings to you and yours this Advent.

## A LITTLE HISTORY

Father Patrick Peyton, C.S.C. began his ministry in 1942 with the goal of building **family unity** through daily prayer of the Rosary. Inspired by his own father who had a deep devotion to family prayer, praying the Rosary became the foundation for the life of Father Peyton (1909-92).

We at Family Rosary are ever so grateful Father Peyton's family instilled in him the importance of **family prayer**. Now it can be part of your family's tradition so you can fulfill the vision that "The Family That Prays Together Stays Together," the message created by Father Patrick Peyton, C.S.C., so many years ago.



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## **2018 ADVENT CALENDAR**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Dec. 2 <sup>nd</sup> 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent Tape up an Advent calendar on the wall or door in your room.	Dec. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Think up a handmade gift you can make for someone special. Begin working on it today.	Dec. 4 <sup>th</sup> Say a prayer for kids in hospitals today.	Dec. 5 <sup>th</sup> Draw a picture of the Nativity scene.	Dec. 6 <sup>th</sup> Today is St. Nicholas' Day! Pray to St. Nicholas	Dec. 7 <sup>th</sup> Think of seven things you are grateful for in your life.	Dec. 8 <sup>th</sup> Read Luke chapters 1 and 2.
Dec. 9 <sup>th</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent Pray very reverently during and after Holy Communion	Dec. 10 <sup>th</sup> Make your own Christmas card and mail it to someone.	Dec. 11 <sup>th</sup> Write a short story about the first Christmas.	Dec. 12 <sup>th</sup> Today is the feast day of our Lady of Guadeloupe. Look up the story of Saint Juan Diego.	Dec. 13 <sup>th</sup> Pray a decade of the Rosary today.	Dec. 14 <sup>th</sup> Take a moment this morning to say a quiet prayer in your own words.	<i>Dec. 15<sup>th</sup></i> Do an extra chore today.
Dec. 16 <sup>th</sup> <sup>3rd</sup> Sunday of Advent Look up the meaning of the pink candle that is lit today.	Dec. 17 <sup>th</sup> Think about Mary's journey after saying yes to God's plan. Was it easy for her?	<i>Dec. 18<sup>th</sup></i> Write a card to Jesus today.	Dec. 19 <sup>th</sup> Say a prayer for a relative or friend.	Dec. 20 <sup>th</sup> Give away some of your old things you no longer use.	Dec. 21 <sup>st</sup> Give up some time today to ask someone about themselves and just listen.	Dec. 22 <sup>nd</sup> Make sure to wish someone a Merry Christmas.
Dec. 23 <sup>rd</sup> Pay special attention to the readings in Mass today.	Dec. 24 <sup>th</sup> Christmas Eve With your parents' permission, light some candles and sing a Christmas carol or pray a special prayer.	Dec. 25 <sup>th</sup> Christmas Day! Make sure to give someone that gift you made during Advent, don't forget to pray for them.	<i>Act of Love</i> O my God, I love you above all things with my whole heart and soul, because you are all good and worthy of all my love. I love my neighbor as myself for the love of you. I forgive all who have injured me and I ask pardon of those whom I have injured. Amen.			

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