

First Week

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As we enter into this Advent season, may we listen to the advice of the psalmist. May we seek out the face of the Lord, in prayer, in the faces of our families, in the faces of our teachers, in the faces of our classmates. We pray...

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In this first week of the Advent season, let us set out on this journey with hearts watchful and alert to the coming of Jesus in our daily lives – in our work, in our play, and in our prayer. We pray...

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May all of our preparations this season root us, not in the material gifts we will receive, but in the ultimate gift, our Savior born unto us. Increase in us an appreciation for the precious gift of salvation and help us to share that good news with all we encounter. We pray...

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Second Week

Our response is, Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

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In this second week of the Advent season, may we draw ourselves back to the precious gift of redemption given to us through the coming of Christ. Give us eyes to see other gifts in our lives that may be disguised or wrapped in swaddling clothes. We pray...

Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

Help us to show kindness in our lives this week, in our interactions with other students, our teachers, and our family. Give us the grace to name the kindness we see in others and ultimately, to be Christ's kindness to a world in need. We pray...

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May we remain steadfast in our preparations for Emmanuel, God with us, by listening to the words of John the Baptist to "make straight the paths." Grant us the ability to right our paths that are wandering and serve as an example to others to do the same. We pray...

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Third Week

Our response is, my soul rejoices in my God.

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In this third week of the Advent season, may our souls truly be filled with the joy of the Incarnation, and may we use that joy to magnify the Lord in all that we think, say, and do. We pray...

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Like John the Baptist, give us the gift of testifying to the light of Christ instead of fanning our own flames. In so doing, allow our testimony to be a witness to the power of the light of Christ and its ability to overcome all darkness. We pray...

My soul rejoices in my God.

Let us live as examples of Christ's love, magnifying the many ways God is moving in the lives of those around us, especially those whose light has been suppressed or smothered in any way. We pray...

My soul rejoices in my God.

Fourth Week

Our response is, forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

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In this fourth week of the Advent season, may we rest in the promise that just as the angel Gabriel said to Mary, "The Lord is with you," so too is God always with us, especially as we approach the day of our Savior's birth. We pray...

Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Like Mary, may we strive to live lives filled with moments of responding to God's invitations in our lives. May we do so especially in response to the needs of our world, our communities, our schools, and our classrooms. We pray...

Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

As our time of Advent preparation comes to a close, may the gifts that we have prayed about in these days, gifts of hope, peace, joy, and love, reign in our hearts and continue to bear much fruit in our lives. We pray...

Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

