

## Advent Resources.



[5 easy ways to celebrate Advent.](#)

[A simple family plan for Advent.](#)

[Free Advent calendar website/app.](#)

[Printable Advent calendars.](#)

[https://www.loyolapress.com/our-catholic-faith/liturgical-year/advent?](https://www.loyolapress.com/our-catholic-faith/liturgical-year/advent?utm_source=YOCC&utm_medium=email&utm_content=sacadv&utm_campaign=advent2017)

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<https://www.sadlier.com/religion/advent-christmas-resources?hsCtaTracking=c22b6bfb-649f-46b8-ad7b-628ec22fac2a%7Cca4903b7-9bca-457e-abdd-7f2ddeca0c26>

<https://www.osv.com/search.aspx?q=advent>

<https://www.thereligionteacher.com/advent-activities/>

<http://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/Advent/Advent Activities>

*The Religion Teacher's Advent Activity Pack (or Combo Pack)*

A 2017 Advent Calendar

## Advent

The following are some of the resources available from the Diocesan Resource Library.

### DVDs

Advent and Christmas Journey with Fr. Michael Himes – 5 DVDs  
 Preparing for Christmas  
 Christmas in Rome  
 Advent: Celebrating the Season  
 Advent: Time for Hope  
 The Angel's Advent Lesson  
 The Kind Is Born  
 The Perfect Present

### Books

Advent Begins at Home: Family Prayers and Activities  
 Advent Activities for Home and School  
 Advent, Christmas and Epiphany in the domestic Church  
 Advent in the Home: Activities for Families  
 Learning Center for Advent and Lent  
 The Jesse Tree: Stories and Symbols of Advent  
 Building Family Faith through Advent  
 Jesse Tree Kit  
 Saints-in-Waiting: Saints of the Seasons for Children: Advent and Christmas

## Apostleship of Prayer December Intention

### The Elderly

That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.

### Reflections

Consider yourself kneeling before Christ on His Cross. Ask yourself: How have I shared the faith with young people? How am I sharing the faith? How ought I to share the faith? (Conversely, younger people might ask how they share the faith with their elders.)

## Parish Catechetical Leader January Meetings

Tallahassee:

Monday, January 8

9:30 am Good Shepherd

6 pm Blessed Sacrament

Middle: Tentative

Tuesday, January 9 or January 23

9:30 am Corpus Christi

6:00 pm St. Dominic

Pensacola: Pastoral Center:

Thursday, January 18

9:30 am and 6:30 pm

## Protection and Prevention through Respect: Creating Safe Environments

Thanks for all that is done to create Safe Environments for our children and youth.

Please be sure that all who are with the children/youth are in compliance!

As you plan of 2017-2018: Remember that you may need to have more than one session in order to have 100% participation which is our goal.

**Forms for reporting were sent and are on the Diocesan website.**

**If you plan on using materials (DVDS, etc.) from the Diocesan Library, please reserve as soon as possible.**

## Emerald Coast Coalition for Life Walk for Life

Friday, January 12:

Vigil Mass at St. Paul Parish, Pensacola

Saturday, January 13:

Mass at St. Joseph Parish, Pensacola,

Speakers at Seville Square

A march through part of the city.

## New in the Library

*Prayer for Parish Groups* by Donal Harrington and Julie Kavanagh from The Columba Press

*Heaven's Song: Sexual Love as it was Meant to Be* by Christopher West from Ascension Press

*Chosen and Cherished* by Kimberly Hahn from Servant Books

*To Believe in Jesus* by Ruth Burrows from Paulist Press  
*Early Will I Seek You* by David Hazard from Bethany House Publishes

*Mustard Seed Preaching* by Ann Garrido from Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Publications

*How the Catholic Church Built Western Civilization* by Thomas Woods from Regnery Publishing, Inc.

*Life-Giving Love: Embracing God's Beautiful Design for Marriage* by Kimberly Hahn from Servant Publications

## RCIA Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion

Tallahassee:: Sunday, February 18 at 3 pm  
Co-Cathedral of St. Thomas More

Pensacola:: Sunday, February 25 at 3 pm  
St. Paul Catholic Church

Forms have been emailed to priests, RCIA Coordinators and Parish Catechetical Leaders  
Parish Forms are due January 12, 2018.

## Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Visit the following parishes to see this in person  
Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Good Shepherd  
St. Dominic, Nativity of Our Lord

Formation of Catechists for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd will be held in Tallahassee in July. 8-14, 2018

Contact Sr. Margaret Kuntz for more information.

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**January 11-13, 2018**  
**GO! GULF COAST**  
**FAITH FORMATION CONFERENCE**  
<https://go4th.faith/>



**DUBLIN, IRELAND**  
**WORLD MEETING of FAMILIES**  
22-26, AUGUST 2018

**INTERESTED IN EXPERIENCING THE RICHNESS OF GOD'S PLAN FOR FAMILY LIFE?**

**JOIN OUR DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO IRELAND!**

Trip Dates: August 16-27, 2018  
\$3900/person for   
Mass with Pope Francis  
Many Irish Pilgrimage Sites  
Register at [www.catholicsindublin.com](http://www.catholicsindublin.com)  
Contact: Chez Filippini (850) 435-3553 or [filippinic@ptdiocese.org](mailto:filippinic@ptdiocese.org)

## Young Adult Ministry

**Calling all young adults and those who know, live, or work with young adults**

To involve young people in preparations for the Synod of Bishops on youth in 2018, the Vatican has released an online questionnaire to better understand the lives, attitudes and concerns of **16- to 29-year-olds around the world**. The questionnaire can be found on the synod's official site: [youth.synod2018.va/content/synod2018/it.html](http://youth.synod2018.va/content/synod2018/it.html) and is open to any young person, regardless of faith or religious belief, or opinions from this age group regarding life, attitudes and concerns about our world. Please follow this link to read the news story and to fill out the survey! In keeping with the October 2018 synod on "Young people, faith and vocational discernment", the diocesan young adult ministry has developed two surveys so that we can better meet the needs of the young adults in our diocese.

If you are a young adult between 18 and 39, please complete the survey found at <https://form.jotform.us/71016057908152>

If you are a person who lives with, works with, or know young adults, please complete this survey. <https://form.jotform.us/71094762308155>

### **Catechist Certification**

*Level I is becoming Echoes of Faith*  
*Level II will be on-line on our diocesan website by the end of January*

### **Catholic Days at the Capitol** **January 30-31**

*Public Policy Briefing; Legislator Meetings*  
*Food and Fellowship; Red Mass with Bishops*

For information: go to [www.ptdiocese.org](http://www.ptdiocese.org) — Office of Advocacy and Justice or [aguador@ptdiocese.org](mailto:aguador@ptdiocese.org)

