

St. Vincent de Paul Virtual Advent Calendar

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Click baby Jesus to
explore the Christmas
Story

Advent Week 2 Reflection



This week, we light two purple candles. The second purple candle represents **PEACE** .

Virtual Advent Calendar Day 6

An Angel



Reflection

Day 6 of our Advent calendar shows a beautiful Christmas Angel. She reminds us that God is always with us, to guide and protect us.

A Christmas Prayer for you

You're in my thoughts at Christmas

So I say this little prayer,

May angels always bless you

And keep you in their care.

And may the heaven's angels

Light a Christmas star

To shine on you all the year through

No matter where you are.

Amen.



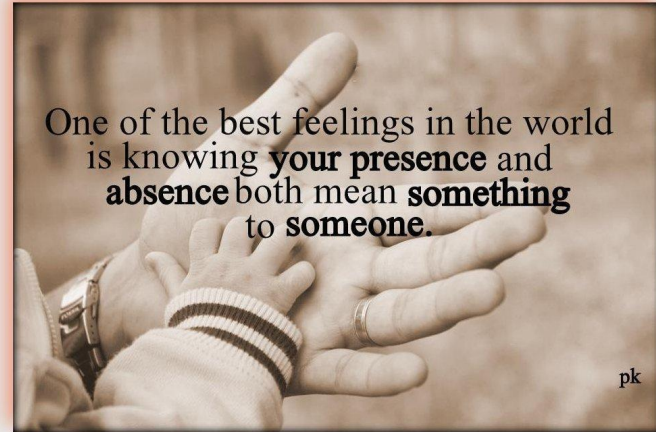
*This is your Kindness
Challenge for today...*



*Smile and say hello to someone
you don't know very well...*

Virtual Advent Calendar Day 7

A Christmas “presence”



Reflection

Our Day 7 Advent item is the gift of Christmas “presence”.
Presence in terms of being there for your loved ones every day.

Do you play on your phone at the dinner table?

Are you guilty of sitting by the tablet, computer or TV for hours,
rather than spending time with your families?

What do you do in your lives to make time for the ones you love?

Today, try to set a goal for yourself: Try to have less screen time
and more family time.

Class Discussion: What is one thing that you can do this evening
to spend more time with your family?



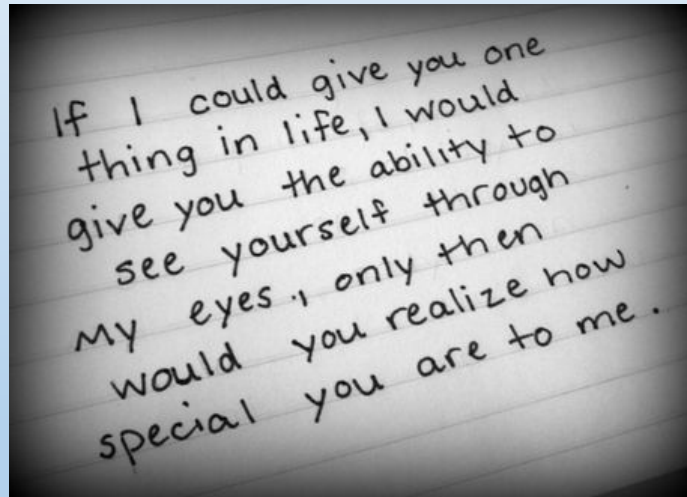
*This is your Kindness
Challenge for today...*



*Eat with someone without going on
your phone, or watching television.*

Virtual Advent Calendar Day 8

A Love Note



Reflection

Has your mom or dad ever written you a note and stuck it in your backpack or lunch pail just to remind you how much they love you? God wants to remind us just how special we are on a daily basis. It is important to love others, but it is also important to love ourselves. When you're feeling down, write yourself a little love note, reminding yourself just how awesome you really are.

Class Activity: Write yourself a “love note” about all the things that you love about yourself. OR, Fill someone's bucket- give someone else a note, giving them a special compliment.



*This is your Kindness
Challenge for today...*



Virtual Advent Calendar Day 9

A Christmas Bow



Reflection

Our Day 9 Advent Calendar item is a Christmas bow. While bows are lovely and intricate, the knots within can also remind us of difficult times.

Sometimes our lives and feelings get tangled up in “knots”. If we remember that God is there for us during these times, we can pull through.

Read “The Knots Prayer” next slide.

THE KNOTS

Dear God,
Please untie the knots
that are in my mind,
my heart and my life.
Remove the *Have Nots*,
the *Can Nots* and the *Do Nots*
I have in my mind.

Erase the *Will Nots*,
May Nots,
Might Nots that may find a home in my heart.

Release me from the *Could Nots*,
Would Nots and
Should Nots that obstruct my life.

And most of all,
Dear God,
I ask that you remove from my mind,
my heart and my life all of the '*Am Nots*'
that I have allowed to hold me back
especially the thought
that I am not good enough.



Possible Class Discussion:

What “knots” might we face in our daily interactions and at school (people not being kind, people getting hurt etc)?

What are some ways that we can “untie” these knots?



*This is your Kindness
Challenge for today...*



*Play with someone new at
recess...*

Virtual Advent Calendar Day 10

A Computer

Please open the link and watch the video. As you watch this modern day version of The Story of Jesus, think of the things that you use social media for. Do you spread love and kindness?





*This is your Kindness
Challenge for today...*



*Set the table for dinner
tonight..*