



Living in faith

A CATHOLIC STUDENT'S GUIDE TO LIFE-LONG LEARNING

THE ADVENT WREATH

A symbol of the coming of the light, the Advent wreath contains four candles, one for each Sunday of the season.

EVERGREEN FOR ETERNITY

- Traditionally, three of the candles are purple and one is rose. The candles are placed in a circle of evergreen, which represents eternal life.
- The ritual of lighting the candles signals the coming of the light, the birth of Christ on Christmas Day.



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REPRESENTING EXPECTATION, HOPE, JOY, PURITY

- On the first Sunday, a purple candle is lit. It represents expectation.
- The next Sunday, the first candle and a new purple candle, this one representing hope, are lit.
- On the third Sunday, the rose candle, symbolizing joy, is lit, along with the candles from the first two weeks.
- On the last Sunday, the fourth candle, representing purity, is lit, along with the other three.
- On Christmas Day, the purple and rose candles are replaced with white candles, signaling the new beginning.

School Datebooks

“We light a candle today, a small dim light against a world that often seems forbidding and dark. But the light from our candles are a people of hope.”

— Sacred Heart League

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YOUR PERSONAL PREPARATION –

What hopes do you have during this time?

What are you doing during the Season of Advent to prepare for Christmas?
