



Second Sunday of Advent

December 2024

Luke 3:1-6

You can share a variety of liturgies linked to this week's gospel with your child at home.

You can find weekly Gospel Liturgies from The Mark 10 Mission by clicking on the link

[here.](#)

You can also share the Children's Liturgy from Redemptorist Publications with the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph by clicking this link

[here.](#)

Check this newsletter regularly for other links to liturgies designed for children.

Each week, you can download a weekly Bible verse from

The God Who Speaks website.

[Click here](#) to access the Weekly Bible Verse archive.



The Bible and Catholics

All Scripture is inspired by God

liturgies
FOR
children

It was the fifteenth year of the rule of the Emperor Tiberius; Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip was ruler of the territory of Iturea and Trachonitis; Lysanias was ruler of Abilene, and Annas and Caiaphas were High Priests. At that time the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the desert. So John went throughout the whole territory of the River Jordan, preaching, "Turn away from your sins and be baptized, and God will forgive your sins." As it is written in the book of the prophet Isaiah:

"Someone is shouting in the desert:

'Get the road ready for the Lord;
make a straight path for him to travel!

Every valley must be filled up,
every hill and mountain levelled off.

The winding roads must be made straight,
and the rough paths made smooth.

The whole human race will see God's salvation!"



(Gospel passage taken from Good News Translation® and used with permission)

God speaks to John while he is in the desert. What does John then go out and do?

John the Baptist goes round to the people and tells them to be prepared for the coming of Jesus. He offers to baptise them so that their sins will be forgiven.

How do you think the people felt when they heard this?

Advent is a time when we think about our actions and try to make sure that we are ready for the coming of Jesus. We think about what we could do better and try to make a change to our lives.

What do you think you could do differently, so that you can try to be ready for Jesus?



Art can help bring the Gospel to life for children.



You may find the website [Christian Art](https://www.christianart.org.uk/) enjoyable to explore with your child. Each day they share artwork linked to the daily Gospel.

**Blessed are the eyes that see
what you see!
Luke 10:21-24**

Trust in Jesus,
Painting by Yongsung Kim,
Painted in 2019,
Oil on canvas
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We can worship and pray through Music. For this week's Gospel, enjoy listening to both traditional and contemporary worship music!



Traditional: 'My Soul in Stillness Waits' by Marty Haugen
Traditional: 'Maranatha (Come Lord Jesus Come)' by Estelle White
Contemporary: '[Everlasting God](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1000000000000000000000)' by Brenton Brown



You can now access the Ten:Ten Parent Portal at home with the details below.

**Ten:Ten
Resources**

Username: st-michaels-tw15

Password: thames-orange
Parent Portal:

www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-portal



YouCat is a guide to the Catechism of the Catholic Church for children. It is an easy read and a user friendly guide for parents and carers to support their children.

You can find out more about YouCat at www.youcat.org

Catholic Social Teaching:

Which principle do you think the gospel teaching best relate to this week?

**DIGNITY SOLIDARITY THE COMMON GOOD THE OPTION FOR THE POOR PEACE
CARE FOR CREATION THE DIGNITY OF WORK AND PARTICIPATION**



*This week's Gospel activity sheet from **CAFOD**:*

Second week of Advent

"Someone is shouting in the desert: 'Get the road ready for the Lord; make a straight path for him to travel.'" Luke 3:4

Create your own bauble

The gospel this week calls us to get ready for Jesus. Write or draw on your bauble what you will try to do differently this Advent to get ready for Jesus.

A straight path

Gather some pebbles and decorate them with words or images that remind you what Advent is all about "hope", "peace", "joy", "love", "prepare" and think about how you will get ready for Jesus.

Make a straight path with your decorated pebbles in your home or outside to remind others who see them what this season is all about.

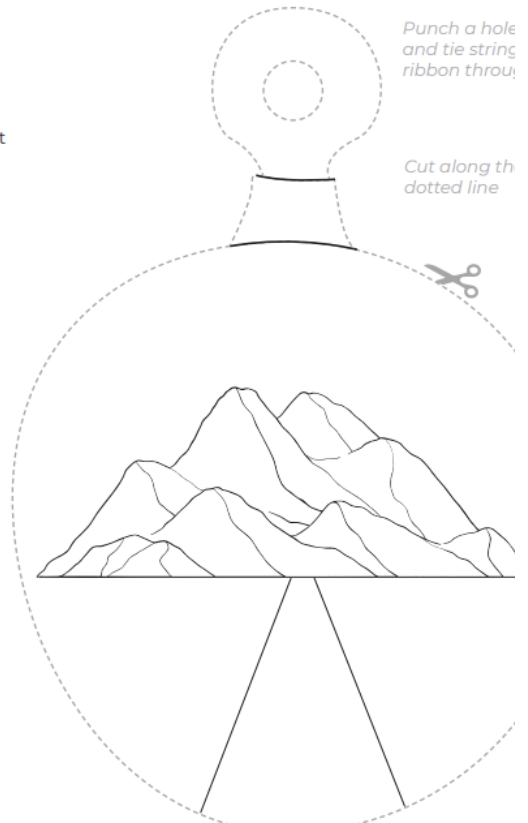
Prayer

Light two purple candles on your Advent wreath this week and say this prayer together as a family:

Patient God,
you gave John the Baptist
a special job to do,
to get people ready for the
coming of Jesus.
Hear our prayers as we
prepare:

*(share your family's
intentions here)*

Help us to get our hearts
ready for Jesus.
Amen.



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December 1: Wednesday of the First Week of Advent

December 6: Nicholas

December 8: Immaculate Conception of Mary

December 11–17: Third Sunday of Advent

December 12: Gaudete Sunday, the Third Sunday of Advent

December 18–24: Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 25: Christmas Day, the Nativity of the Lord

December 26: Saint Stephen's Day, the Feast of the Holy Family

December 27: Feast of St John the Apostle

December 28: Feast of the Holy Innocents

December 29: Thomas Becket

December 30–31: Seventh Day in the Octave of Christmas, Saint Sylvester's Day