Advent Resources

Advent is a season to share God's longing to live among us, with radical justice, universal communion, and joy. Note these themes daily in Mary's *Magnificat* (which is the Prologue of Luke's Gospel). Mary's *Song of Praise* is a *SHALOM* hymn. There are a wonderful variety of Advent resources available online these days focusing on such items as simplicity and caring for our common home, living Laudato Si, reflecting on Laudate Deum, preparing the way for migrants and refugees, and more. Check them out below.

- **Advent Simplicity Challenge,** Ignatian Solidarity Network. This Advent, commit to simplicity**.** In a season that can mistakenly be focused on gifts and consumption, explore ways to live simply. Sign up to receive new daily challenges, as well as accompanying PDFs for folks who prefer not to use the interactive calendar.
- **CRS Online Advent Calendar:** Catholic Relief Services 2023 resource to help you pray and prepare for the coming of Christ. Sign up now and return each day during Advent to receive Scripture, quotes and images filled with hope as we reflect on the needs of our global family.
- **Advent 2023 Living Laudato Si'**, Archdiocese of Chicago. An Advent calendar that invites you to join Laudato Si' efforts to care for our common home during Advent. Each day addresses one of the seven goals of the Laudato Si' Action Platform, denoted by the color above the action.
- **Advent Guide 2023: Preparing the Way:** Maryknoll Office for Global Concerns' weekly reflections, questions, prayers, and actions based on each week's Gospel reading and the experience of Maryknoll missioners who have lived and worked with migrants and refugees from around the world.
- **A Reflection for Advent 2023 with Laudate Deum**, Office of Peace, Justice and Ecological Integrity of the Sisters of Charity of Saint Elizabeth. An Advent reflection calendar with a focus on creation care, Laudate Deum, and COP28.
- **Creation Care Tips 2024, Weekly Prompts to Care for Our Common Home**, The Pastoral Center. Beginning with Advent 2023 and continuing through Christ the King 2024, and available in Spanish.
- **Advent Conspiracy**: Lifting four tents during advent:—Worship Fully, Spend Less, Give More, Love All—to guide themselves, their families, and congregations through the Christmas season.
- **Advent Series: Our Lady of Guadalupe Vigils** In the days leading up to the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, join Ignatian Solidarity Network to stand in solidarity with our migrant sisters and brothers by learning about experiences of those in migration. December 1-12

