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Advent Wreath Prayer First Week of Advent – Year B

(This prayer is repeated each day during the first week. After the prayer, the family's youngest child lights the first purple candle)

All make the Sign of the Cross.

The leader says: Our home is blessed today, this first week of Advent,
As we prepare for the coming of the Great Light.
Let us pray,
Lord God, you made us a family, and you made us holy.
May this first week of Advent help us live in the hope of
Forever rejoicing in the house of the Lord.
We ask this in your most holy name. **Amen.**

Reader: **(R.) Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.**
O shepherd of Israel, hearken,
from your throne upon the cherubim, shine forth.
Rouse your power,
and come to save us.

All: (R.) Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

Reader: Once again, O Lord of hosts,
look down from heaven, and see;
take care of this vine,
and protect what your right hand has planted,
the son of man whom you yourself made strong.

All: (R.) Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

Reader: May your help be with the man of your right hand,
with the son of man whom you yourself made strong.
Then we will no more withdraw from you;
give us new life, and we will call upon your name,

All: (R.) Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

Leader: Let us light the first candle on our wreath and sing our Advent Wreath song.

(The first purple candle is lit before and left burning during the evening meals on each day of the first week in Advent)



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Advent Wreath Prayer Second Week of Advent – Year B

(This prayer is repeated each day during the second week. After the prayer, the family's oldest child lights both the first and second purple candles)

All make the Sign of the Cross.

The leader says: The Prince of Peace reigns in our home, and
among us as we prepare to light two candles on our wreath today.

Let us pray,
God of peace and justice, we turn to you during this second week of Advent,
Seeking ways that we may live in peace and harmony with one another,
Until that day when Your peace covers the earth.
We ask this in your most holy name. **Amen.**

Reader: **(R.) Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.**
I will hear what God proclaims;
the Lord—for he proclaims peace to his people.
Near indeed is his salvation to those who fear him,
glory dwelling in our land.

All: (R.) Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

Reader: Kindness and truth shall meet;
justice and peace shall kiss.
Truth shall spring out of the earth,
and justice shall look down from heaven.

All: (R.) Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

Reader: The Lord himself will give his benefits;
our land shall yield its increase.
Justice shall walk before him,
and prepare the way of his steps.

All: (R.) Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

Leader: Let us light the first and second candles on our wreath, as we
sing our Advent Wreath song.

(The first and second purple candles are lit before and left burning during the evening meals on each day of the second week in Advent)





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Advent Wreath Prayer Third Week of Advent – Year B

(This prayer is repeated each day during the third week. After the prayer, the mother of the family will light the first, second purple candles and the rose candle)

All make the Sign of the Cross.

The leader says: Our hearts are filled with joy, the Savior is coming,
as we prepare to light three candles on our Advent Wreath today.

Let us pray,
Savior of the World,
who comes to feed, to free, to heal, and protect us.
May we know the complete joy of being in Your presence,
of following You and remaining in Your love.
We ask this in your most holy name. **Amen.**

Reader: **(R.) My soul rejoices in my God.**
My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord;
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,
for he has looked upon his lowly servant.
From this day all generations will call me blessed:

All: (R.) My soul rejoices in my God.

Reader: The Almighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his Name.
He has mercy on those who fear him
in every generation.

All: (R.) My soul rejoices in my God.

Reader: He has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich he has sent away empty.
He has come to the help of his servant Israel
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,

All: (R.) My soul rejoices in my God.

Reader: Let us light the first, second, and third candles on our wreath, as we sing our Advent Wreath song.

(The first, second purple candles and the rose candles are lit before and left burning during the evening meals on each day of the third week in Advent)





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Advent Wreath Prayer Fourth Week of Advent – Year B

(This prayer is repeated each day during the fourth week. After the prayer, the head of the family will light all 4 candles)

All make the Sign of the Cross.

The leader says: We have reached the final Sunday of Advent, as we wait and prepare for the coming of Christ may with Mary may we say, “Be it done unto me according to your word.”
Let us pray,
Lord, your love and goodness reign in our hearts.
May these final moments of the season bring us closer to one another and mystery of the Incarnation,
as You enter our homes, our lives, and our history.
We ask this in your most holy name. **Amen.**

Reader: **(R.) Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.**
The promises of the Lord I will sing forever;
through all generations my mouth shall proclaim your faithfulness.
For you have said, “My kindness is established forever”;
in heaven you have confirmed your faithfulness.

All: (R.) Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Reader: “I have made a covenant with my chosen one,
I have sworn to David my servant:
forever will I confirm your posterity
and establish your throne for all generations.”

All: (R.) Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Reader: “He shall say of me, ‘You are my father,
my God, the Rock, my savior.’
Forever I will maintain my kindness toward him,
and my covenant with him stands firm.”

All: (R.) Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Leader: Let us light all four candles on our wreath, as we sing
our Advent Wreath song.

(All four candles are lit before and left burning during the evening meals on each day of the fourth week in Advent)

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