

Family Liturgy

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

4th December, 2022



PREPARATION

Set up your sacred space. Place a violet cloth, cross, bible and candle.

Add any other symbols relevant to your family.

Light the candle or use a battery operated candle for safety.

GATHER

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.



COLLECT

God, let us be like John the Baptist. Help us to point others towards Jesus. Amen.

GOSPEL

A reading from the gospel according to Matthew 3:1-9, 11

John the Baptist started preaching in the desert of Judea. He said, "Turn back to God! The kingdom of heaven will soon be here."

John was the one the prophet Isaiah was talking about, when he said, "In the desert someone is shouting, 'Get the road ready for the Lord! Make a straight path for him.'"

John wore clothes made of camel's hair. He had a leather strap around his waist and ate grasshoppers and wild honey.

From Jerusalem and all Judea and from the Jordan River Valley crowds of people went to John. They told how sorry they were for their sins, and he baptised them in the river.

Many Pharisees and Sadducees also came to be baptised. But John said to them: "You bunch of snakes! Who warned you to run from the coming judgement? Do something to show that you have really given up your sins. And don't start telling yourselves that you belong to Abraham's family. I tell you that God can turn these stones into children for Abraham.

"I baptise you with water so that you will give up your sins. But someone more

powerful is going to come, and I am not good enough even to carry his sandals. He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire."

The gospel of the Lord.

R: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



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Watch: Reflection from this week's Mass readings

REFLECT

I wonder why John lived in the desert...

I wonder what John meant when he said, "Do something to show that you have really given up your sins"...

I wonder who John is speaking about when he said "someone more powerful is going to come"...

I wonder why John said "I am not good enough even to carry his sandals"...

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

Bring to mind any special intentions that you would like to pray for today.

Pray **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

DISMISSAL

May God bless us and protect us, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

ENDING SONG

Advent Hymn- Christy Nockels lyric video

ACTIVITIES

Pray: Write a prayer to Jesus in your journal

Colouring page: John the Baptist →

Family Connection: Follow the Advent Calendar from Loyola Press this week.

