Kindergarten, Chapter 18 – Advent Prepares Us for Christmas

Bible story connections:

• Luke 1:26-38

Discussion Questions:

- What is the most important thing about Christmas?
- How can the Advent wreath help us prepare for Christmas?
- What are some things your family does during Advent?

Memory Work (Baltimore Catechism):

283. Which are the Holy Days of Obligation in the United States? (Note: This question will be the memory focus for four weeks.)

The Holy Days of Obligation in the United States are these six:

- Christmas Day (December 25)
- Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (January 1)
- Ascension Thursday (40 days after Easter)
- The Assumption of Mary (August 15)
- All Saints' Day (November 1)
- The Immaculate Conception (December 8)

Catholic Brain Connections:

Coloring pages

Advent Wreath

A Gift for Jesus

<u>Videos</u>

Adventure Catechism – What is Advent?

<u>Adventure Catechism – What is the Christmas Season?</u>

Brother Francis – Jesus is Coming

<u>Lukas Storyteller – The True Meaning of Christmas</u>

Nicholas – The Boy who became Santa

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Review:

Vocabulary

- Advent The first season of the Church year. The four weeks before Christmas during which we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus.
- 1) What does the season of Advent prepare us to celebrate? *Christmas*
- 2) What colors are the candles of the Advent wreath? *Three purple candles, and one rose candle*

Discussion Question:

Why is Christmas so important?

Activity:

Create a decoration as a family, that helps you remember the birth of Jesus. You can hang it up during Advent to help you remember the reason for the upcoming Christmas season, or you can leave it up all the time as a reminder of Jesus coming to us as a Baby.

You are a Child of God!