



St. Bede's Catholic Primary School
Advent Newsletter, Week 1



"We are waiting for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed"

Dear families of St. Bede's,

This weekend we welcomed the first Sunday of Advent. We are reminded through the second reading that we are waiting for Jesus to be revealed. Whilst waiting, we should give thanks to God for all the graces that have been bestowed upon us. We are called to give thanks for teachers and preachers who give witness to the power of Christ. The Gospel reading reminds us to stay awake and be ready as we do not know when the Lord is coming. In school we are helping the children to understand that the season of Advent is about preparing for the second coming of Christ and to celebrate His birth. We hope that through scripture readings, the sharing of the stories of Jesus' ancestors and through decorating our Jesse Trees that they too will share in the message of this season.

Our Christmas tree is up in the hall and our crib awaits the arrival of Baby Jesus.



I thank you again for your continued support and wish you all a happy and peaceful weekend.
Yours sincerely,

Mrs Ridguard-Thomas

(RE Lead)

Dairy Dates

9th December - EYFS Nativity 2pm

10th December - EYFS Nativity

9.30am

KS2 Advent Penitential Service

1.45pm (Children only)

14th December - KS1 Nativity

9.30am

KS2 Carol Service: 6pm KS2

playground

16th December - KS1 Nativity

9.30am & 2pm

17th December - Advent Mass

9.30am

(Updates regarding parental attendance will be sent via teachers2parents)

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Advent Prayer for week 1

Lord our God, help us to prepare for the coming of Christ your Son.

May he find us waiting, eager in joyful prayer.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Reflection ideas

Take a moment this week to think about hope. Our hope and anticipation revealed through the messianic prophecy of Isaiah. What are you doing to prepare as a family?

La Posada

Las Posadas, (Spanish: "The Inns") is a religious festival celebrated in Mexico and some parts of the United States between December 16 and 24. Las Posadas commemorates the journey that Joseph and Mary made from Nazareth to Bethlehem in search of a safe refuge where Mary could give birth to the baby Jesus. When they were unable to find lodging in Bethlehem, Joseph and Mary were forced to seek shelter in a stable, where the Christ Child was born. Las Posadas is celebrated from Wednesday, December 16 to Thursday, December 24.

During our remaining time in school, we will celebrate Las Posadas. Mary and Joseph will travel around the school and spend a couple of days in each year group bubble, have a day's rest and then continue on their journey to the next bubble.