

We begin a new Liturgical Year with the Season of Advent. It is a time of waiting and watching by nature. On this path, we, the acting body of Christ, which is the Church, prepare to celebrate the Mystery of the Nativity of the Lord.

The first and essential reference for us is his earthly life, which is why the liturgical year begins by dealing with his birth. Everything we know about God he has shown us with his life. Jesus made the Kingdom of God present in his person, through his human journey.

And not only did he make the Kingdom present, but he made a proposal to all men and women of all nations, all cultures, all religions. Jesus wanted to show everyone the path to true salvation.

Celebrating ADVENT today is becoming aware of this proposal of salvation and making it a reality. That possibility of human plenitude had to be our true concern.

A hug and Happy Advent.



Longing, thirst, expectation. That's what comes over us when we feel that something we really want is approaching. Well that's Advent. Time for big dreams. It is a new time to raise your head, look into the distance, well outside, well inside. Let the cry of a God who crosses time resound like a promise to tell us: "Your liberation is coming."

We begin TOGETHER this path that becomes a TRAIL of life and hope, from fraternity.

JAR OF LILYS

enin search of UNITY -Go to meet the other... Stay Awake



...lo...the values/talents that exist in you, in the Community, in the Group.

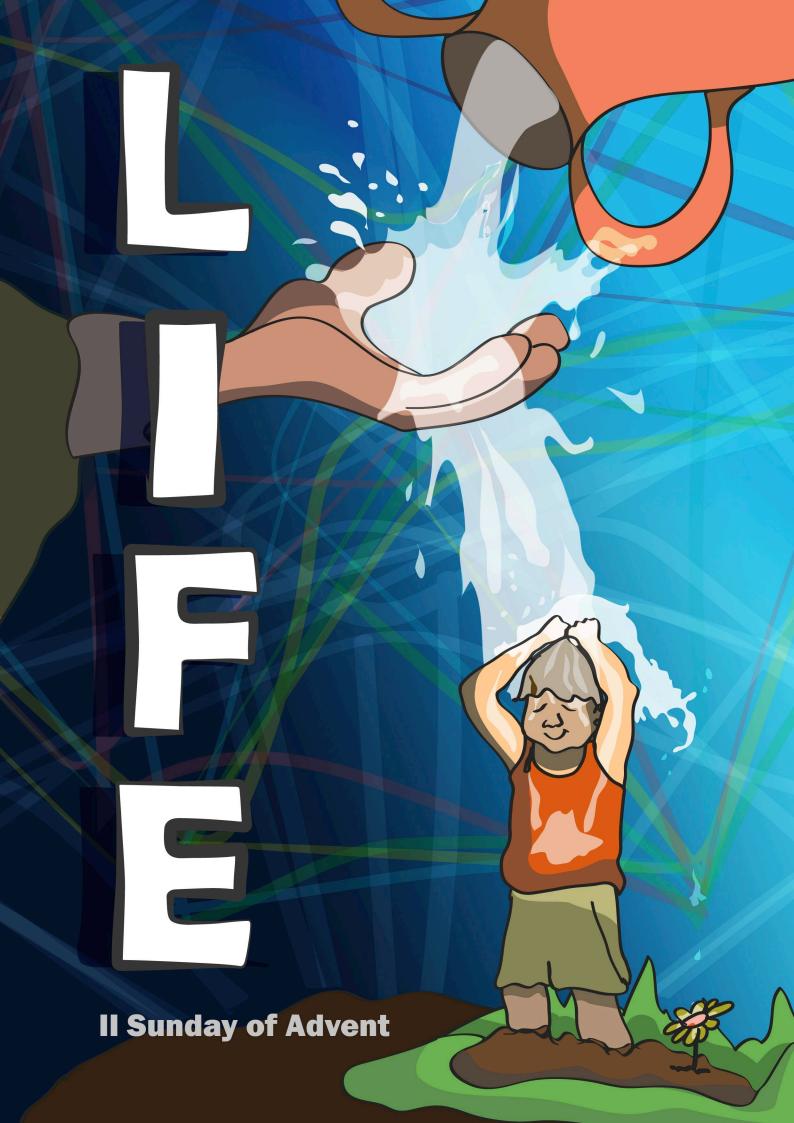


...with the person who coordinates the dynamic. Indicating the formation of pairs; duos that will change until we have met with everyone present.

A sheet of paper is distributed and we draw with a marker a large flower that has at least 7 petals. In each petal we will write the value/talent that each person gives me, I will also highlight each person's value/talent and so on. The person leading the activity can indicate the change of partner. We can put on background music that motivates the atmosphere.



...sharing
What happened?
How you felt?
What unites us?
Anything else you want to share?



We meet John the Baptist, the one who announces the coming of the Lord and prepares his ways, he is the figure that stands out in this second week of Advent. Peculiar man, with a deep spiritual life; It helps us see God's plans in our lives and invites us to announce, not only with our lips, but also with our lives, the One in whom we believe.

John the Baptist is a prophet who announces and denounces. Our Christian vocation also marks that identity and prophetic vocation in us believers.

POT

CArrying fresh water
- LIFE -



...in you

How do you live what you proclaim...

How you perceive the world around you...

What do you want to contribute to your environment...

What gives you life...



...visualizing an image that you like in which water appears: it could be a river, the sea, a lake, a fountain, a waterfall...

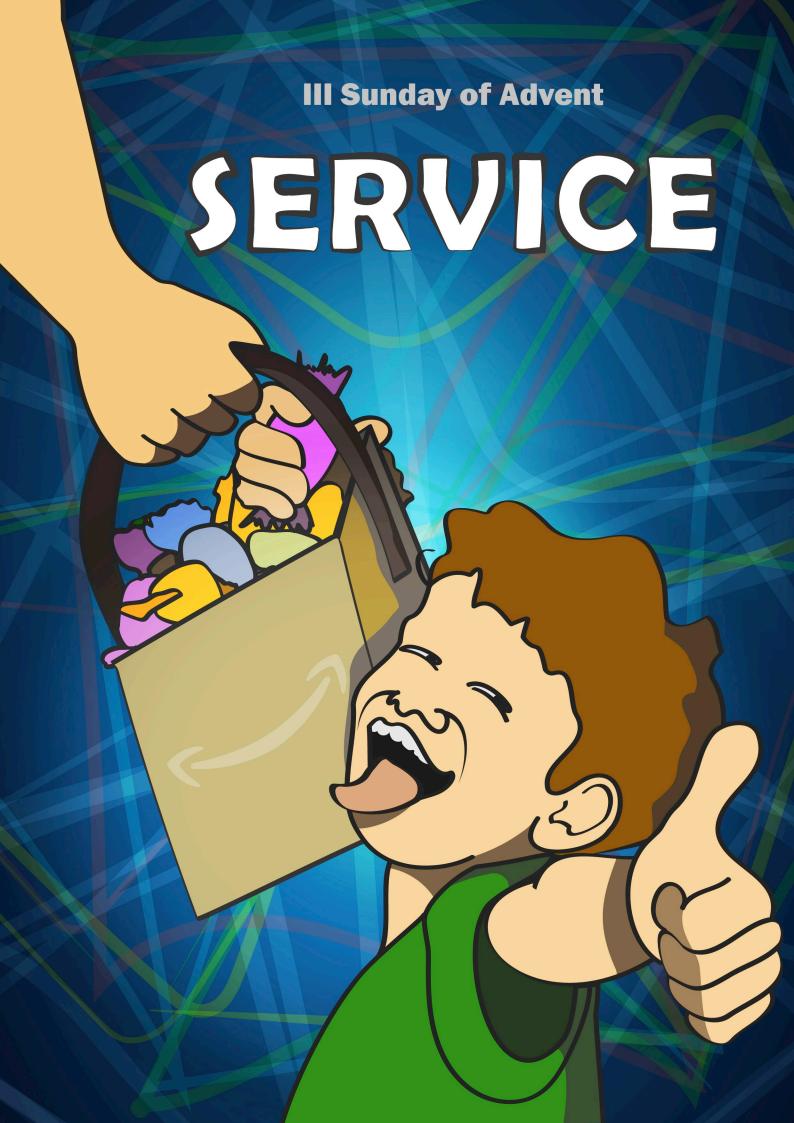
What happen with the water? We remember Israel and Palestine, or any other place where the lack of water is a serious problem for the lives of people and other living beings...



...commenting, empathizing. How can I save water costs? around me?

3 things I can do on a personal level

3 things we can do as a community, group, family.



Joy is essential in every celebration, and with Jesus we are celebrating. We celebrate Gaudete Sunday, of Joy, which places us in the middle of the road, indicating to us that the Birth of the Lord is near. Being happy in the present is a form of simplicity. And looking to the future with joy is hope.

Joy is the identity of the Christian. This joy is patient and hopeful; Fill with light any difficulty that darkens our walk. This joy encourages us, it makes everything easier, it has the virtue of uniting us in communion, so that together we can continue making service our reason for faith.

ALMS WEEK

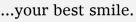
SERVICE that Becomes Joy and Smite





...with your essential self and search within yourself for all those gestures that make your service possible to those who need it most.

...in your heart true joy.
...what is it that produces it.





...sharing with your reference group that willingness to serve, organizing together concrete actions that fill with Christian commitment the spaces and times of those people who hope to be recognized, making their daily lives have a reason for being. And if it's smiling, the better.



From the second part of Advent, we find the figure of Mary, who appears as the center of the Mystery prepared and initiated. Although the announcement of the birth of Jesus has been made to Joseph and Mary, our gaze is fixed on the disposition of the young Mother.

Vatican II recalls that the messianic hopes of the Old Testament converge in Mary: "With her, exalted Daughter of Zion, after a long wait for the promise, the fullness of time is fulfilled and the new Economy is inaugurated, when the Son of God "He assumed human nature from it to free man from sin through the mysteries of his flesh." (LG 55).

Mary's attitudes become the model that Christians must follow to live Advent: her faith, her silence, her prayer, her grateful praise to the Father, her availability to the will of God and service to others.

As a family we must live the harmony, brotherhood and joy that this close celebration represents. All preparations for the party should be lived in this environment, with the firm purpose of accepting Jesus in our hearts, in communities, in families and groups.

PEOPLE OF GOD

...outgoing...towards the Other, towards others



...within you your Christian bond that makes you a son of God and brother of all.

...your baptismal commitment and its consequences.



...with this last section of this Advent Path. Reflect on those previous three weeks, how I have lived them.

...with this moment and discover what questions spring from you, thoughts, actions.



...sharing with your community, family, group, preparing a meeting where together, from the fraternity, we share the most relevant of these weeks.

...joining a synodal group in your parish.

