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Date: November 2, 2020

To: Clergy

From: Patricia DeJarnett, Ph.D., Associate Director, Office for Divine Worship

Re: Advent-Christmas liturgy preparation aid

[Attached](#), please find the annual liturgical preparation aid for the seasons of Advent and Christmas (Year B). It contains:

- Information regarding preparing liturgies during the pandemic
- Handouts which you might provide for families and the homebound (about the Advent season, the Advent wreath and the Jesse tree)
- A full text for a Rite of Reconciliation of several penitents with individual confession and absolution (to be used in regions where permissible)
 - Readings
 - Alternative readings
 - Sample penances
 - Music suggestions

- The Liturgical Year Calendar Advisory
- Lectionary readings for Sundays and solemnities (Year B)
- The proclamation of the birth of Christ (to be sung before Mass)
- Proclamation of the date of Easter (to be sung on the Solemnity of the Epiphany)
- The O Antiphons (December 17-24)
- Information about the FDLC

We hope that you will find it to be helpful.

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Please give us some time to post the Spanish edition.