Advent 2018

Be Ready, Get Ready

Advent is a season of preparation. We get ready to celebrate the first coming of Christ into this world. We also get ready for His Second Coming at the end of the world...or at the end of our individual lives. During Advent, we get ready to die.

Discussion Questions

- 1. If you could know the exact date and time of your death, would you want to know? Why or why not?
- 2. Many people think of Advent as a season to prepare for Christmas, December 25th. Have you thought of it as a season to prepare for the second coming of Christ, for your death?
- 3. Christ's second coming doesn't have to be seen as a day of destruction. It can be a day of hope, when everything you've lived for is in your possession...if you're ready. Do you feel prepared for that moment? Please share why or why not.
- 4. As a baptized Catholic Christian, you have been given an inheritance of the sacraments, grace, joy, and all of the love you could possibly handle in your life. Are you spending that inheritance, or are you letting it go to waste? Being specific, please share how so.
- 5. Reflect on the effects of drunkenness (dimmed intellect, weakened will, attraction to sin) on a person. What about this might be so attractive to so many of us? Share and discuss.
- 6. In the midst of the anxieties of daily life, do you find yourself bound to GoPro vision or are you able to exercise "drone" vision? Please share and discuss.

God in Real Life

If there is anyone in your life that you need to forgive or you need to ask for forgiveness from, ask them. Is there someone you wanted to spend time with? Contact them, set up a time. Is there something you need to bring to Confession? Bring it.

To the Heart

"Beware that your hearts do not become drowsy from carousing and drunkenness and the anxieties of daily life, and that day catch you by surprise like a trap." Luke 21:34