Preparing for Advent



Information for **Parents** and **Caregivers**

Creating an Advent wreath



What is an Advent wreath?

Advent wreaths are circular, representing God's infinite love, and are usually made of evergreen leaves, which represent the hope of eternal life brought by Jesus.

The four candles of Advent usually sit on top of the advent wreath and represent an aspect of the preparation for the coming of Jesus.

Materials

- 1 paper plate
- 1 packet of green tissue paper
- 1 tube of green acrylic paint
- 1 pair of scissors (supervision required)
- 1 bottle of PVA glue
- Paint brushes

Steps

For this activity it is recommended that newspaper be placed underneath the plates to catch any paint or glue.

- 1. Paint the paper plate green.
- 2. Once the plate is dry, cut a circular hole in the middle of the green plate. *(supervision required)*
- 3. Tear strips of green tissue paper and scrunch into pieces.
- 4. Use the paint brush and the PVA glue to coat one side of the scrunched tissue paper in glue and stick the tissue paper onto the paper plate.
- 5. Repeat step four until the whole paper plate is covered in scrunched green tissue paper.
- 6. Place the candles in the centre of the wreath ready to light on each Sunday during Advent.

