

# ADVENT 2023

*As the season of Advent quickly approaches, we want to encourage you to utilize the tools from Word of Life and FORMED to make the season one of joyful preparation and expectation.*

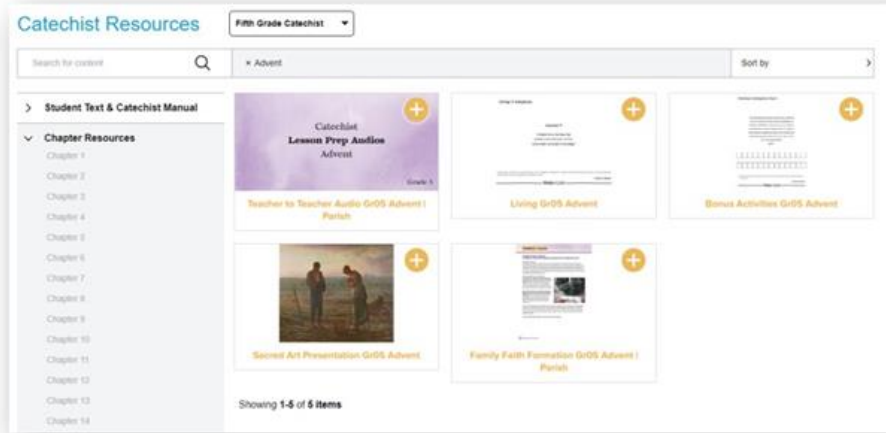
## Word of Life Curriculum

**NEW Word of Life Grade Level Workshops:** We invite you to join our Word of Life coaching team in grade-level workshops during Advent. These workshops are designed for teachers and catechists as we focus on best practices for utilizing the curriculum and portal resources by grade level. We will focus on the curriculum as a whole, beyond the Advent season. Registration links are below for each workshop and you can click [here](#) to learn more:

Grade Level	School Edition	Parish Edition
Kindergarten	<a href="#">Nov 29th 3:30 or 6:30pmET</a>	<a href="#">Nov 29th 8pmET</a>
1st Grade	<a href="#">Dec 13th 3:30 or 6:30pmET</a>	<a href="#">Dec 13th 8pmET</a>
2nd Grade	<a href="#">Dec 4th 3:30 or 6:30pmET</a>	<a href="#">Dec 4th 8pmET</a>
3rd Grade	<a href="#">Dec 6th 3:30 or 6:30pmET</a>	<a href="#">Dec 6th 8pmET</a>
4th Grade	<a href="#">Dec 19th 3:30 or 6:30pmET</a>	<a href="#">Dec 19th 8pmET</a>
5th Grade	<a href="#">Nov 30th 3:30 or 6:30pmET</a>	<a href="#">Nov 30th 8pmET</a>
6th Grade	<a href="#">Dec 14th 3:30 or 6:30pmET</a>	<a href="#">Dec 14th 8pmET</a>

**Event Next Week! Advent Coaching Workshop:** Join us on Tuesday, November 28 at 1pm EST as we take a deep dive into the liturgical season resources mentioned above: [Click Here to Register](#)

**Lesson Planning:** Word of Life features an Advent Chapter in each student textbook with accompanying lesson ideas in the teacher manual. **More Advent learning activities can be found on the Word of Life portal under *Chapter Resources*.** Here you'll find a mix of Family Faith pages, Optional Activities, and Sacred Art lessons designed to bring the Advent season to life for children and families.



Have a few students signed up for formation late? Here is an easy way to purchase additional books: [Word of Life Reorder Form 2023-2024](#)

## Formed

Sign up [here](#) to receive inspiring daily reflections with Dr. Tim Gray, President of the Augustine Institute, and you can check out our new *Rooted* Series for Advent [here](#).

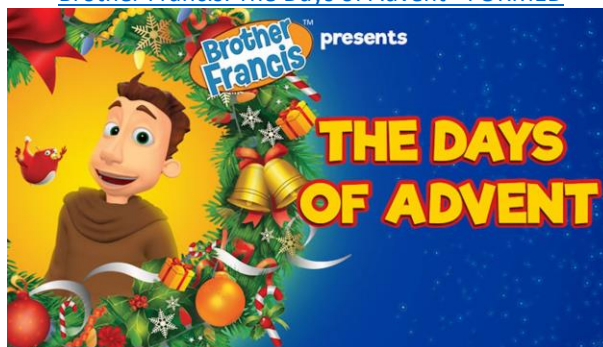


We have a wonderful new series to incorporate into your Advent Art Lesson! Find the first episode of this six-part series below.



Brother Francis Advent videos are available on FORMED for you to use in the classroom daily. Available in English and Spanish.

[Brother Francis: The Days of Advent - FORMED](#)



Finally, consider purchasing this wonderful fictional book for students to read together as a class or send home as an assignment for families. Purchase on [Catholic Market](#) for \$2.50 each with free shipping.



**Thank you for your feedback after our Fall Workshops:**

*“Great foundation and it looks like a great program to involve the parents more.”*

*-Catechist, Colorado Springs Diocese*

*“Great job!! Thank you for all the improvements and training!”*

*-Director of Faith Formation, Pensacola-Tallahassee Diocese*

Please let us know if we can assist you in any way.

Blessings upon your Advent Season,

Your Ministry Coaching Team