ADVENT QUIZ

Discover how prepared you are for the Advent and Christmas season by trying this Advent quiz. You can have your teacher, catechist, Mom Dad or sibling(s) help you. The answers are on the third page. (Don't peak).

1. _____ is the first season on the Church calendar.
   a) Lent
   b) Advent
   c) Easter
   d) Christmas

2. Advent lasts _____
   a) for 40 days
   b) until the Christmas sales end
   c) until the groundhog appears
   d) four weeks (approx., varies annually)

3. "O Come, O Come Emmanuel, and ransom captive _____."
   a) Israel
   b) Pokémon
   c) hostages
   d) prisoners

4. Jesus' cousin's name is _____
   a) Joseph
   b) Jeremiah
   c) John the Baptist
   d) Peter

5. Mary was the mother of _____
   a) John the Baptist
   b) God but not Jesus
   c) God
   d) Jesus but not God

6. When John baptized people, he was in the (Matthew 3:6) _____
   a) Mississippi River
   b) Amazon River
   c) St Lawrence River
   d) Jordan River

7. Christmas celebrates _____
   a) the beginning of Lent
   b) Christ's Resurrection
   c) the birth of Christ
   d) the arrival of Santa

8. Jesus, Mary, and Joseph are members of the Holy _____
   a) Name Society
   b) Club
   c) Trinity
   d) Family

9. The Magi who visited the newborn Jesus were _____ (Matthew 2:1-12).
   a) wise men from the East
   b) types of insects
   c) young magicians
   d) from the town of Magiopolis

10. The word crèche means _____.
   a) “candy canes” in Russian
   b) “jump like a French ballet dancer”
   c) “crush” in French
   d) “a representation of the Nativity scene”

11. The Feast of the Annunciation celebrates _____.
   a) the angel Gabriel’s announcement to Mary that she would be Jesus’ mother
   b) the birth of Jesus
   c) Jesus’ graduation from college
   d) when Jesus told Pontius Pilate that he was God

12. Mary and Joseph traveled from Nazareth to _____ , even though Mary was nine months pregnant.
   a) Jerusalem
   b) Bethlehem
   c) Rome
   d) Egypt

13. The word Advent (from the Latin adventus) means _____
   a) before Christmas
   b) arrival or coming
   c) to go on an adventure
   d) a website for online Christmas coupons

14. The Advent candles in the wreath are arranged in the shape of a circle because _____
   a) they make a wreath, and wreaths are Christmassy
   b) it is the easiest way to see all four candles
   c) it takes up the least space
   d) circles symbolize eternity

15. A Jesse Tree is _____
   a) another name for a Christmas tree
   b) the tree decorated with Christmas baubles
   c) a tree that blossoms at Christmastime
   d) a representation of Jesus' family tree

16. On the third Sunday in Advent, a pink candle is lit in the Advent wreath because _____
    a) pink (or rose) is a colour of joy
    b) pink signifies Mary
    c) the rose colour symbolizes Jesus' childhood
    d) the rosebud is a sign of new birth

17. The meaning of the Hebrew word "Emmanuel" is _____
    a) Mighty King
    b) Christ child
    c) God with us
    d) all of the above

18. The traditional colour of Advent is _____
    a) red
    b) green
    c) purple
    d) yellow

19. The _____ is not sung or recited during Sunday Mass in Advent.
    a) Gloria (Glory to God)
    b) Creed (I believe)
    c) Sanctus (Holy, Holy)
    d) Our Father

20. Evergreen branches on the Advent Wreath symbolize _____
    a) Faith
    b) Eternal Life
    c) Hope
    d) Love

ANSWERS TO QUIZ

1. b) Advent
2. d) approx. four weeks
3. a) Israel
4. c) John the Baptist
5. c) God
6. d) Jordan River
7. c) the birth of Jesus
8. d) Family
9. a) wise men from the East
10. d) “a representation of the Nativity scene”
11. a) the angel Gabriel’s announcement to Mary that she would be Jesus’ mother
12. b) Bethlehem
13. b) arrival or coming
14. d) circles symbolize eternity
15. d) a representation of Jesus' family tree
16. a) pink (or rose) is a colour of joy
17. c) God with us
18. c) purple
19. a) Gloria (Glory to God)
20. b) Eternal Life