Advent Meditations for Personal Use

On-line Advent calendars:

- ❖ Grace Cathedral, San Francisco: http://www.gracecathedral.com/advent/
- Episcopal Diocese of Washington (DC): http://www.edow.org/spirituality/advent/2009/advent-calendar-2009.html
- From Trinity Church, Wall Street, New York City: http://www.trinitywallstreet.org/news/features/2009-advent-calendar
- Artcyclopedia's Altarpiece of the Seven Joys of Mary explores The Nativity in Renaissance Art (2004): http://www.artcyclopedia.com/feature-2004-12.html
- ❖ The Church of England: http://www.whywearewaiting.com/
- ❖ A Bach Christmas Calendar from the BBC http://www.bbc.co.uk/radio3/bach/adventcalendar/
- ❖ Full Homely Divinity: An Advent Calendar artwork, hymn texts and scripture http://fullhomelydivinity.org/articles/Advent%20Calendar/advent%20calendar %201.htm
- ❖ Episcopal Diocese of Maryland: http://www.ang-md.org/index.php#advent
- Episcopal Diocese of West Texas: http://www.dwtx.org/index.php/prayer/Advent_Calendar (2008)
- Episcopal Diocese of Bethlehem: http://www.diobeth.org/Ministries/Christian%20Formation/Advent.html
- Episcopal Diocese of Texas: http://www.epicenter.org/Gallery.asp?GID=49&SnID=723607313 (2008)

Blogs & Podcasts of a spiritual nature following the Advent Sunday readings:

- ❖ At the Edge of Enclosure from the Rev. Suzanne Guthrie offers materials on prayer and Christian mysticism. It also includes a weekly self-guided retreat to prepare spiritually for Sunday's lections that you can subscribe to as well as tap into on the website. http://edgeofenclosure.org/
- Speaking to the Soul is the daily meditation on Episcopal Café posted by Vicki K. Black of the Diocese of Washington. http://www.episcopalcafe.com/thesoul/
- Love Blooms Bright is from the Scottish Episcopal Church http://lovebloomsbright.wordpress.com/
- Devo-to-Go Podcast is a collaborative effort of young Episcopal clergy and lay people from throughout the country. This series of digital meditations is meant to help you move along your own spiritual journey toward the Light, to help you listen for how God might be speaking to you today. http://www.ecmgsu.org/podcast.htm
- Praying Advent from Creighton University offers audio retreats, daily prayer and other reflection links.
 - http://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/Advent
- ❖ Daily Meditations from Katherine Ragsdale, Episcopal Divinity School President & Dean http://www.eds.edu/sec.asp?pageID=341
- ❖ Hear the Word a weekly Revised Common Lectionary podcast of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A) http://www.pcusa.org/devotions/podcast.htm

On-line Stories and Artwork for Reflection:

- Christmas Unwrapped is the story of the Nativity, with pictures and narration from Bible Society in the United Kingdom http://www.christmasunwrapped.org.uk/
- World's Great Madonnas is a collection of historical images of the Madonna paired with the story of Jesus' birth from Luke's narrative. http://davenation.com/madonnas/
- Paperless Christmas from the United Kingdom offers an interesting merge of the Christmas story from Biblical times to today's world http://www.paperlesschristmas.org/uk
- ❖ The Twelve Voices of Christmas are Mp3 files along with a text drama by Dr. Woodrow Kroll examining the Christmas story in first person account from characters such as Gabriel, Zacharias, Elizabeth, the Angels, Shepherds, Wise Men and Herod. http://www.backtothebible.org/index.php/The-Twelve-Voices-of-Christmas.html



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