ADVENT 2020

BEHOLD!! LCG ADVENT READING PROGRAM. PLEASE JOIN WITH US.

"Advent is primarily about the coming of God, and only in a secondary way about our asking, seeking, waiting, and longing. There is hope, because we are unconditionally loved, whatever may be our failures, our trepidity, or our secret despair. The word "Come" is a bearer of mystery." Maria Boulding, *The Coming of God*.

LCG sisters and brothers in solidarity are encouraged to make special provision for this Advent season. Many of us devote time during the season to read and pray a special book. Our reading program can inspire and offer greater confidence as we read a book along with our LCG sisters and brothers.

Any book might suffice—the discipline is important. And more: Advent reading helps to focus and embrace God's word in your life. This year we suggest you consider from the following:

1. Meditations for Advent by Bishop Jacques-Bénigne Bossuet. One of the greatest homilists in the history of the Church offers these forty daily meditations keeping you mindful of the real meaning of Christmas while affording you an admirable distillation of the doctrines and piety of our Holy Catholic Church. s his every word Pray the holy words of Isaiah foretelling the birth of our savior; marvel at the Annunciation and the Visitation; rejoice in anticipation of the coming birth of Jesus; and, finally, kneel with St. Joseph and the Blessed Virgin in silent adoration of the incarnate Son of God. Available through Amazon at https://www.amazon.com/Meditations-Advent-Bishop-Jacques-Bénigne-Bossuet-

<u>ebook/dp/B009KE81EY/ref=sr 1 fkmr0 1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=154248</u> <u>0119&sr=1-1-fkmr0&keywords=advent+readings+bossuet</u>

2. Bridges to Contemplative Living With Thomas Merton: Advent and Christmas. Reflect on Psalms, some Merton excerpts plus selected

readings from other authors exploring themes of Hope, Salvation, Compassion, Tenderness, and The Word Made Flesh. The better to accept "Come Lord Jesus".

Available at: Advent and Christmas (Bridges to Contemplative Living with Thomas Merton): The Merton Institute for Contemplative L, Jonathan Montaldo, Robert G Toth: 9781594711954: Amazon.com: Books

Thank you for joining with your LCG sisters and brothers.

Advent Blessings to you, LCG Advisory Council