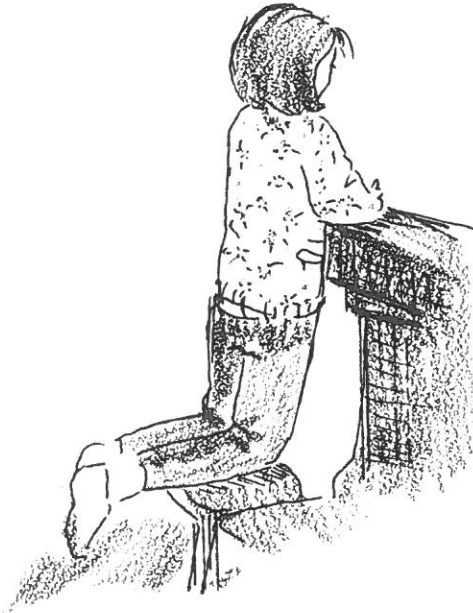


"Stewardship" Advent Activities

The Advent season is a time of reaching out to others with love and care.

Children must understand that during this season they too are called to help others. Discuss with the students ways they can reach out to others. Encourage students to contribute their own ideas. Advent opportunities for service include:



- praying for people in need
- giving blankets to the homeless
- introducing a new child to others
- sending Christmas greeting cards
- trimming a tree at a nursing home
- treating others with respect
- baking cookies and giving them away
- helping a younger child with schoolwork
- contributing to a children's hospital
- celebrating the sacrament of reconciliation
- sharing belongings with a friend.

These and other actions help children live the spirit of love, the spirit of the Advent season. Use these actions as starting points for reflection on the kind of people God calls us to be.