


# Advent 2024

<p>1-1<sup>st</sup> week <b>HOPE</b></p> <p>Make or Set up your Advent Wreath</p> <p><b>Romans 13:11-12</b></p>	<p>2</p> <p>Reflect on Mary's yes. How are you saying yes to God?</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Memorial of St. Francis Xavier</p> <p>Make special placemats or decorate your table with purple items!</p>	<p>4 Mt 15:29-37</p> <p>As we reflect on hope imagine how the people who were with Jesus felt described in today's reading.</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Read about the Magi and their journey following the star to meet Jesus.</p> <p>Mt 2:1-12</p>	<p>6 Feast day of St. Nicolas</p> <p>Reflect on the generous soul of St. Nicolas. How can you be more like him?</p>	<p>7</p> <p><i>Make a Thank you or Advent card for your parish priest. Deliver it to him at Mass this weekend.</i></p>
<p>8 2<sup>nd</sup> week <b>PEACE</b></p> <p>Reflect on the Legend of the Candy Cane.</p>	<p>9</p> <p>The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</p> <p><i>Say a Rosary for a special intention.</i></p>	<p>10 Reflect on the true meaning of Christmas.</p> <p>Make a purple and pink Christmas sign.</p>	<p>11 ~ The Magi ~</p> <p>Reflect on the 3 gifts they brought Jesus. What spiritual gifts could you offer Jesus in the next 3 weeks?</p>	<p>12 Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe</p> <p>Read the story of Juan Diego.</p>	<p>13 Memorial of St. Lucy - patron saint of the blind.</p> <p>List all the things you are grateful to see!</p>	<p>14 Memorial of St. John the Cross</p> <p>John &amp; Peter were the only two disciples Jesus sent to prepare for the Last Supper. Make a special meal tonight in remembrance of Jesus.</p>
<p>15 3<sup>rd</sup> week <b>JOY</b></p> <p>Memorial of St. Mary Di Rosa</p> <p>The Foundress of the Handmaids of Charity. She was never afraid to open the door to a new opportunity to serve God.</p> <p><i>Make a visit to someone in need.</i></p>	<p>16</p> <p>Eat dinner by candlelight and reflect on how you may be the light of Christ to others.</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Ps 1:1-2,3,4 &amp; 6</p> <p>R. Those who follow you, Lord, will have the light of life.</p>	<p>18</p> <p>As a family or with friends, go spread the Christmas joy by singing Christmas carols.</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Watch a movie about the birth of Jesus or spend time setting up your manger.</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Lk 1:26-38</p> <p>Pray a decade of the rosary for mothers and their unborn children.</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Pray an Our Father</p> <p>Call someone you haven't spoken to in a long time or visit a person who needs some cheer!</p>
<p>22 4<sup>th</sup> week <b>LOVE</b></p> <p>Reflect on your family genealogy.</p> <p><i>Make a family tree. Then make a card for someone you love!</i></p>	<p>23 The 1-st Nativity</p> <p>Did you know, St. Francis of Assisi had a special devotion to the child of Jesus. St. Francis focused on poverty, humility, and simplicity.</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Joseph and Mary traveled far to reach Bethlehem. How has it been for you to wait to celebrate the coming of Christ? Over the next 24 hours, reflect on how.....</p>	<p>25</p> <p>.... you have waited and prepared for Christmas.</p> <p>Happy Birthday Jesus</p>			

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