

ADVENT CALENDAR 2020

* Holy Day of Obligation

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29 1 st Sun of Advent Bless your Advent Wreath and light the first violet candle	30 Make a resolution at the start of the liturgical year that will bring you closer to Christ	1 Develop a new prayer to say before each meal during Advent	2 Offer your parish the gift of your time, talent or treasure.	3 Pick one habit that is keeping you from holiness. Resolve to conquer it during Advent	4 Put up a Christmas Tree. Bless it and decorate it a little each day until it is beautiful for Christmas	5 Include in your Christmas Cards a note about the blessings you have received this year as a witness to God's love.
6 2 nd Sun of Advent Light two violet candles on the wreath	7 Write and mail a letter to a loved one who lives far away	8 Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception BVM* Go to Mass and pray for all mothers	9 Purchase some items to donate to food drives for Christmas	10 Spend some time to visit Jesus in adoration	11 Ask forgiveness from someone you have hurt in the past year. Offer it to one that has wronged you	12 Set up a creche or nativity scene and bless it
13 3 rd Sun of Advent GAUDETE SUNDAY Light two violet candles and the rose candle for joy	14 Donate good second-hand toys, clothes and books to a local charity	15 Spend some time today examining your life for areas needing repentance and go to confession	16 Offer up your suffering for a friend a need or a specific intention	 17 Pray anytime you have to wait today. Keep your prayer simple and begin with praise. O Antiphons begin 	 18 Have a family movie night and watch a Christmas classic together O Antiphons 	19 The holidays can be a lonely time. Pray for the homeless and offer someone companionship O Antiphons
20 4 th Sun of Advent Light all four candles on the wreath O Antiphons	21 Take some time today to make a cake or biscuits and deliver to an elderly friend or relative O Antiphons	22 Take some time to listen to Christmas Carols as a joyful symbol of the season O Antiphons	23 The presence of Jesus in our lives speaks of our hope in God's mercy and love. List reasons for your hope in the future. O Antiphons	24 Finish decorating and lighting up your Christmas Tree and bless it	25 Christmas Day* REJOICE!! Light the white Christ candle in the centre of your wreath. Imagine how joyful it will be to meet Jesus when he comes again	