

Advent 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29 1st Sunday of Advent Happy New Year! Celebrate the first day of the Church year by planning your calendar. Add all parish events to your schedule. Put out your Advent wreath if you haven't yet.	Consider adding a Jesse Tree to your Advent décor. Look up a free, easy, printable version such as the ones found here: catholicinspired.com/2015/11/printable-jesse-tree-ornaments-free-and.html or catholicicing.com/jesse-tree-readings-ornaments-and-free-printables/	1 Do you have your FORMED account yet? This is great time to log onto formed.org and find something to watch. If not, set up your account and start browsing!	Say "cheese"! Take or locate a family photo of your family without masks. Get it printed so you can include it in a Christmas card to the priests.	3 Memorial of St. Francis Xavier St. Francis Xavier is patron of foreign missions. Say a special prayer for Fr. Melwin who has given his life in service as a missionary priest and in thanksgiving for all missionaries.	What is something you are hoping to receive for Christmas? Cross one thing off your Christmas list. Ask your family to buy you one less thing for Christmas so they can do more for those in need this season.	Put out a shoe before bed. St. Nicholas comes tonight! Traditional gifts from St. Nicholas include oranges, coins (regular or chocolate!), and nuts.
6 2 nd Sunday of Advent Memorial of St. Nicholas Attend the St. Nicholas Shuffle or mail the priests a Christmas card.	7 Memorial of St. Ambrose St. Ambrose was known for building a Basilica. Take a virtual tour of a Basilica online such as the ones at: vatican.va/various/basiliche/ san_pietro/vr_tour/ index-en.html or nationalshrine.org/virtual-tour/	8 Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception Make plans to attend Mass or watch Mass (if unable to safely attend in person).	9 Memorial of St. Juan Diego Look up Juan Diego or Our Lady of Guadalupe on "FORMED". Watch a video to learn more about the miracle at Tepyac.	10 Is there a chore in your household that you dislike and always hope someone else will do? Do that chore without anyone asking you.	11 Tonight is the first night of Hanukkah. Pray for our Jewish brothers/sisters in faith. Also, prepare some fried foods in honor of this Jewish celebration.	12 Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe Special Guadalupe Mass at 4 pm at Sacred Heart.
13 3 rd Sunday of Advent The third Sunday of Advent is a day for joy. Engage in family activities that bring you and your household joy: games, watching a movie, holiday baking, etc.	14 Memorial of St. John of the Cross Use your FORMED account to download one of the following ebooks: Fire Within: Teresa of Avila, John of the Cross, & the Gospel on Prayer by Fr. Thomas Dubay or Fire of Love: a Historical Novel about St. John of the Cross by José Olaizola. Make an effort to read 1 chapter/day.	15 Make an Examination of Conscience. You can find them online or in the parish app. If you haven't make a good confession this Advent, check the parish schedule and plan to attend.	16 Tomorrow marks the beginning of the "O Antiphons". Look them up and learn more about them in preparation for the days ahead.	17 O Wisdom of our God Most High, guiding creation with power and love: come to teach us the path of knowledge!	18 O Leader of the House of Israel, giver of the Law to Moses on Sinai: come to rescue us with your mighty power!	19 O Root of Jesse's stem, sign of God's love for all his people: come to save us without delay! Go through old photos to celebrate your family and heritage.
20 4th Sunday of Advent O Key of David, opening the gates of God's eternal Kingdom: come and free the prisoners of darkness! Advent Reconciliation 1:30-3 pm at STA	21 O Radiant Dawn, splendor of eternal light, sun of justice: come and shine on those who dwell in darkness and in the shadow of death. Pray for the world to be a more peaceful and just place for all.	22 O King of all nations and keystone of the Church: come and save man, whom you formed from the dust!	230 Emmanuel, our King and Giver of Law: come to save us, Lord our God!	24 Christmas Eve Mass times: 4 pm, St. Thomas 4:30 pm, Sacred Heart 6 pm, St. Stephen 11 pm, St. Stephen (carols beginning at 10:40 pm) Both 4 and 11 pm Masses will be live streamed.	25 Christmas Day Mass time 9 am, Sacred Heart	