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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
November 29	November 30	December 1	December 2	December 3	December 4	December 5
First Sunday of Advent "Be on your guard, stay awake, because you will never know when the time will come. What I say to you I say to all: Stay awake!"	As he was walking by the Lake he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother. And he said to them 'Come after me and I will make you fishers of people'.	Filled with the joy of the Holy Spirit, Jesus said:  "I bless you, Father, Lord of Heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children".	They brought the lame. crippled, blind and dumb and he healed them. They all ate as much as they wanted, and they collected what was left of the scraps, seven baskets full.	Jesus said to his disciples: "It is not those who say to me, "Lord, Lord" who will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the person who does the will of my Father in Heaven".	When Jesus reached the house the blind men came up to him. Then he touched their eyes saying, 'According to your faith, let it be done to you'. And their eyes were opened.	These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them: " proclaim that the kingdom of heaven is close at hand. Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out devils give without charge.
December 6	December 7	December 8	December 9	December 10	December 11	December 12
It is written in the book of the prophet Isaiah:  Look I am going to send my messengers before you: Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight.	Some men appeared, carrying on a bed a paralysed man. Seeing their faith Jesus said "My friend, your sins are forgiven you".	The Immaculate Conception The angel Gabriel said to Mary: "Mary, do not be afraid; you have won God's favour. Listen you are to conceive and bear a son and you must name him Jesus".	Jesus exclaimed: "Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me for I am gentle and humble in heart."	Jesus spoke to the crowds:  "a greater than John the Baptist has never been seen; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he is".	Jesus spoke to the crowds: "The son of Man came, eating and drinking, and they say, "look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners".	And the angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God."
December 13	December 14	December 15	December 16	December 17	December 18	December 19
A man came, sent by God. His name was John. He came as a witness, as a witness to speak for the light. Make a straight way for the Lord.	The chief priests and elders said "By what authority do you do these things" In reply Jesus said, "John's Baptism, was it heavenly or human?"	'Which of the two did the father's will?' They said, 'the first.' Jesus said, 'tax collectors and prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God before you.'	He answered them, "Go back and tell John what you have seen and heard: the blind see again, the lame walk, the good news is proclaimed to the poor."	"and Jacob (was) the father of Joseph, the husband of Mary; of her was born Jesus who is called the Messiah.	This is how Jesus Christ came to be born. His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, but before they came to live together she was found to be with child through the Holy Spirit	In the days of King Herod of Judea there lived a priest called Zechariah. The angel said: "Zechariah, do not be afraid, your prayer has been heard".
December 20 The angel Gabriel was sent by God to Nazareth. He said to Mary, "Rejoice, so highly favoured! The Lord is with you."	December 21 Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said: "Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb."	December 22 Mary said: "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord and my soul exults in God my saviour; because he has looked upon his lowly handmaid."	December 23 Elizabeth gave birth to a son; and when her neighbours and relations heard that the Lord had shown her so great a kindness, they shared her joy.	December 24 Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and said, "And you, child, shall be called prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways"	Christmas Day  While they were there the time came for Mary to have her child, and she gave birth to a son, her first-born. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger because there was no room for them at the inn.	