

# Advent 2018

# A Savior is Born!

SUNDAY

2 DECEMBER

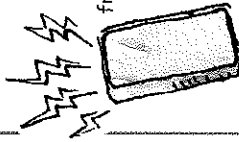
THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Waiting and hoping for a Savior.

## Wait!

MONDAY

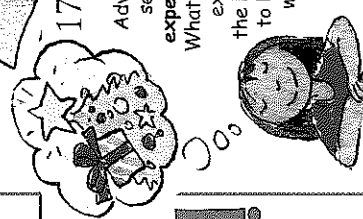
3 Advent is a season of waiting. Is anyone waiting to hear from you? Put a smile on the face of a friend, neighbor or relative by calling or stopping by to say hello!



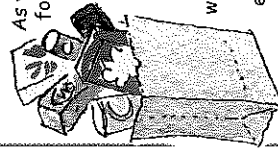
10 Advent is a season of watching. Watch for signs of God's love for us all week long!



17 Advent is a season of expectation. What are you expecting the holidays to be filled with this year?

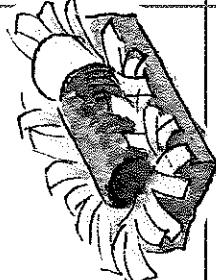


24 Advent is a season of getting ready. As you get ready for tables filled with goodies this holiday season, think about what you might be able to share with those who may not have enough to eat.

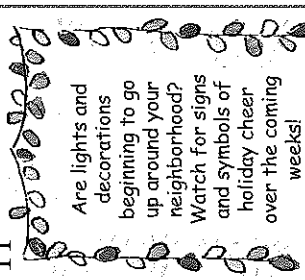


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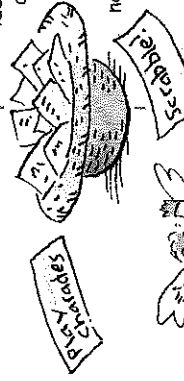
4 Have you set up your manger scene yet? You can make your own out of clay or even cardboard tubes.



11 Are lights and decorations beginning to go up around your neighborhood? Watch for signs and symbols of holiday cheer over the coming weeks!



18 Sometimes the holidays feel hectic and rushed rather than filled with peace. Ask each family member to think of one quiet activity everyone could do together. Place ideas in a container and draw one out to do on the days there is time between now and Epiphany!

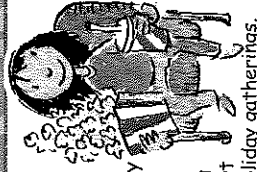


25 CHRISTMAS DAY

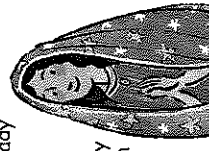
Take turns reading the Christmas story from Luke 2:1-20.

WEDNESDAY

5 Talk with your family about the things you are hoping will be part of your holiday gatherings. Do you want time with relatives you don't often get to see?



12 OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE Our Lady reminds us that standing with the poor gets us ready for Jesus. How can you and your family share with the poor?



19 Make a Christmas card for a friend, neighbor or family member. Think of the things that make you glad this person is part of your life and tell them in your card!

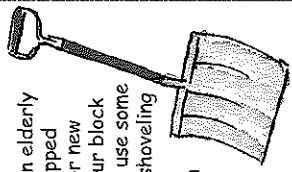


THURSDAY

6 ST. NICHOLAS DAY Do you know about the tradition of putting a shoe out for a visit from St. Nicholas? How about donating a pair of gently-worn shoes to someone in need today?



13 Is there an elderly or handicapped mom on your block that could use some help with shoveling snow or carrying in groceries today?

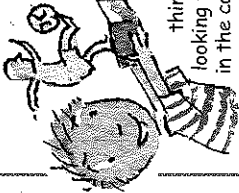


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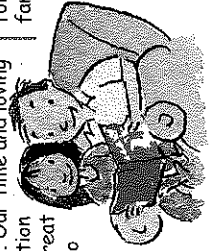


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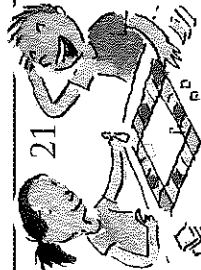
7 Around the dinner table tonight, ask each family member to share a highlight from their year, a low-point and something they are looking forward to in the coming year!



14 Read a favorite book to a younger sibling or friend today. Our time and loving attention is a great gift to give!

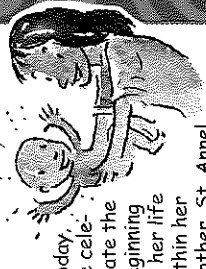


21 Invite a friend to share dinner tonight and ask them to bring their favorite game to share for a fun evening together!

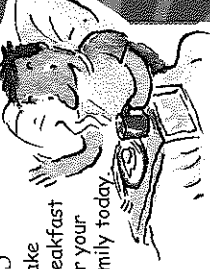


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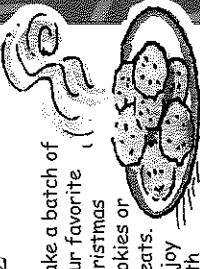
8 IMMACULATE CONCEPTION Mary, Mother of Jesus, gave herself fully to God.



15 Make breakfast for your family today Or get some help and serve your parent(s) breakfast in bed!



22 Make a batch of your favorite Christmas cookies or treats. Enjoy with family and share with friends or neighbors.



23 THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT Getting ready to welcome Jesus!

Say a prayer of thanks today for God's gift of Jesus Christ to each and every person on earth!

