

Advent Calendar 2019 (Year A) – Daily Gospel Extract

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1st December First Sunday of Advent, Year A So stay awake, because you do not know the day when your master is coming. You must stand ready.</p>	<p>2nd December When Jesus entered Capernaum a centurion came up and pleaded with him. Jesus said: "I tell you solemnly, nowhere in Israel have I found faith like this".</p>	<p>3rd December 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".</p>	<p>4th December 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.</p>	<p>5th December 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".</p>	<p>6th December As Jesus went on his way two blind men followed him. Jesus said to the two blind men: "Your faith deserves it, so let this be done for you" And their sight returned.</p>	<p>7th December As you go, proclaim that the kingdom of heaven is close at hand. Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out devils. You received without charge, give without charge.</p>
<p>8th December John the Baptist appeared; he preached in the wilderness of Judaea and this was his message: 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand'.</p>	<p>9th December The Immaculate Conception The angel Gabriel said "Mary, do not be afraid; you have won God's favour. Listen you are to conceive and bear a son".</p>	<p>10th December Jesus said to his disciples: "Suppose a man has a hundred sheep and one of them strays. If he finds the lost sheep, it gives him more joy than do the ninety-nine that did not stray at all".</p>	<p>11th December 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."</p>	<p>12th December I tell you solemnly, of all the children born of women, a greater than John the Baptist has never been seen; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he is.</p>	<p>13th December John came, neither eating nor drinking, and they say, "He is possessed". "The son of Man came, eating and drinking, and they say, "look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners".</p>	<p>14th December Jesus said to his disciples: "I tell you that Elijah has come already and they did not recognise him ... and the Son of Man will suffer similarly at their hands".</p>
<p>15th December Jesus said: "the blind see again, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised to life. Happy is the man who does not lose faith in me".</p>	<p>16th December He had gone into the Temple and was teaching, when the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him and said, "What authority have you for acting like this? And who gave you this authority?"</p>	<p>17th December A genealogy of Jesus Christ, son of David, son of Abraham. Abraham was the father of Isaac, Isaac the father of Jacob, Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers ...</p>	<p>18th December 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.</p>	<p>19th December There lived a priest called Zechariah. The angel said: "Zechariah, do not be afraid, your prayer has been heard".</p>	<p>20th December The angel Gabriel was sent by God to Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph; and the virgin's name was Mary.</p>	<p>21st December Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, gave a loud cry and said: "Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb."</p>
<p>22nd December "Do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because she has conceived what is in her by the Holy Spirit."</p>	<p>23rd December The time came for Elizabeth to have her child. She gave birth to a son; All those who heard of it treasured it in their hearts.</p>	<p>24th December And you, little child, you shall be called Prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare the way for him."</p>	<p>Christmas Day Today in the town of David a saviour has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord.</p>	<p>26th December When they hand you over do not worry about how to speak ... the Spirit of your Father will be speaking in you.</p>	<p>27th December The other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and believed.</p>	<p>28th December So Joseph got up and taking the child and his mother with him left that night for Egypt.</p>