



St. Nicholas

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the weekly family faith formation planner

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## December 2–8 • First Week of Advent

### ★ Get Advent ideas

#### Bible verse

**“Stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand.”**

Luke 21:28

#### Saint quote

**“If you have two shirts, one belongs to you and the other to the man with no shirt.”**

St. Ambrose

#### Family challenge

**Celebrate St. Nicholas Day. Celebrate the feast of the Immaculate Conception.**

**Pray with your Advent wreath.**

*Check out the articles about these ideas at [pbgrace.com](http://pbgrace.com).*

### ★ SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2

#### First Sunday of Advent

“The days are coming...” Listen for what Jeremiah and Jesus say about the future.

### ★ MONDAY, DECEMBER 3

#### St. Francis Xavier (1506-1552)

One of the first Jesuits, he went all over Asia, including India, Japan, and Malaysia.

### ★ TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4

#### St. John Damascene (657-749)

This composer of hymns and Doctor of the Church defended the veneration of icons.

### ★ WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5

#### St. Sabas (b. 439)

Sabas became a monk when he was a boy; he is the founder of eastern monasticism.

### ★ THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6

#### St. Nicholas of Myra (270–343)

The bishop of Myra whose legend inspired the story of Santa Claus.

### ★ FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7

#### St. Ambrose (340-397)

The bishop who defied the emperor, composed new hymns, developed Christian doctrine, and converted St. Augustine.

### ★ SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8

#### The Immaculate Conception

The solemnity celebrating that Mary was born free of original sin.

### We're praying for...

### Our mission this week:

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