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**MASS SCHEDULE  
HORARIO DE MISAS**

**Saturday/Sábado**  
5:30 pm English

**Sunday/Domingo**  
10:00 am English  
12:30 pm Español

**Tuesday-Thursday / Martes-Jueves**  
8:15 am English

**First Friday/Primer Viernes**  
10:00 am English

**CONFESSION/CONFESIÓN:**  
**Saturday/Sábado**  
4:30-5:15 pm or by appointment. *O con cita*

**SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY/  
SACRAMENTO DEL MATRIMONIO**  
Please call the Parish Office for appointment (6 months of marriage preparation required).  
*Favor de hablar a la oficina para una cita (6 meses de preparacion requerida).*

**BAPTISM/BAUTISMOS**  
Please call the parish office. *Favor de hablar a la oficina.*

**MASS INTENTIONS/INTENCIONES PARA  
LAS MISAS**  
Please visit the parish office. *Favor de hablar a la oficina.*

**CONFIRMATION/CONFIRMACIÓN**  
Confirmation is every year with a 2 year preparation. *La confirmacion se realiza cada ano con una preparacion de 2 anos.*

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA**

Grades K-6/Grados K-6:  
Sundays/Domingo 11:00 am -12:15 pm  
Grades 7-12/Grados 7-12:  
Wednesdays/Miércoles 7:00 pm

**FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST COMMUNION/PRIMERA RECONCILIACIÓN Y PRIMERA COMUNIÓN**  
Children in first grade must be enrolled in the Parish School/Parish School of Religion (PSR) to receive the sacrament in second grade. *Los niños en primer grado deben estar inscritos en la Escuela Parroquial/Escuela Parroquial de Religión (PSR) para recibir el sacramento en segundo grado.*

**EMAUS:** Invites you to pray the Holy Rosary every Saturday at 7:50 am. *Se les invita a rezar el Santo Rosario cada sábado a las 7:50 am.*

*Welcome to the Catholic Community of*

**FOUNDED  
1892**

**St. Lawrence Catholic Church**

**DIocese of  
SPRINGFIELD  
-CAPE  
GIRARDEAU**

Parish Office 417-235-3286 Parish School 417-235-3721 405 7th Street, Monett, MO 65708

**Digital bulletins available at [www.stlawrencemonett.com](http://www.stlawrencemonett.com)**

Office Hours/Horas de Oficina: Monday-Friday/Lunes-Viernes 9:00am-4:00pm

**Please remember St. Lawrence Church and School in your will.**

**Parish Mission Statement/ Misión Parroquial**

“We children of God and the Catholic community of St. Lawrence parish are committed to the worship of God and the spreading of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through education and our living example of love and concern for all the people of our area.”

“Los hijos de Dios y la comunidad Católica de la parroquia de San Lorenzo estamos comprometidos con la adoración a Dios y la difusión del Evangelio de Jesucristo a través de la educación y nuestro ejemplo vivo de amor y preocupación por todas las personas de nuestra área”.

**WELCOME**

Welcome to St. Lawrence Catholic Church. Our Parish has helped to bring Jesus Christ to the city of Monett since 1892. We seek to foster the spiritual growth of our parishioners through the celebration of the Sacraments, Catechists, community life, and personal prayer.

**WEEKLY COLLECTION**

**November 24, 2024**

Envelopes/Loose Checks	\$2,291.00
Loose Bills/Change	\$1,231.72
Children's Collection	\$46.00
Catholic Charities	\$2,155.10
Votive Candles	\$23.00
Mass Offerings	\$30.00
School Support	\$26.00
Religious Store	\$35.00
Our Lady of Guadalupe	\$2.00
Welcome Envelopes	\$7.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,846.82</b>

**Fr. Rahab would like to thank everyone for your generous contributions to our Parish.**

**SECOND COLLECTIONS**

Dec. 25th—Seminarian & Diocesan Retired Clergy

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

If you have a prayer request, please call Joan McNerney (417) 235-3836 or Marlene Hayes (417) 235-5524

**KIDS BULLETIN**

We now have a kids bulletin available. It has stories and activities. All are biblical. They will be available in the back of the church for children to have. They will also be on the website with the church bulletin. Thank You.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE**

If you would like to have something in the bulletin, please send via email to the parish office **no later than Tuesday - stlawrence1892@gmail.com**

**PARISH REGISTRATION**

If you are new to the parish, have not previously registered, or your information has changed in the last 5+ years, please fill out a parish registration/change form in the office. Forms are also available at the back of church.



**PCCW Christmas Party and Diaper Drive**  
6-8pm  
Monday, December 2

*All women are invited to join us in fellowship for our Dec. meeting at Big Baldy's. We will order from the menu and be collecting diapers and wipes that night to donate to our local Pregnancy Resource Center.*

**ANGEL TREE 2024**

We have partnered with Prison Fellowship Angel Tree since 2006 to provide Christmas gifts to children of incarcerated men and women on their behalf. This is a blessing and healing for these families. There are a few angels left on the tree. For angels with a gift item, please wrap the gift, stick the top part of the angel to the gift, and discard the lower part. For angels requesting a gift card, return the angel and the gift card; no need to wrap.. There is a box next to the Angel Tree for toiletry items that will be used to prepare gifts bags for each of the families (currently 6 families/25 children). Any excess items and toys will be given to the foster closet. If the angels are gone and you would like to participate, any new unwrapped toys for all ages (books, balls, dolls, games, etc) will be accepted for foster families and those in need.

**FROM THE DESK OF SISTER SOCORRO**

The Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration is getting close. Please be aware of the insert in the bulletin with all the information for the celebration. Prayers for Sister Oralia and myself as we are traveling back to Missouri from Texas Monday, December 2nd.

**HELP NEEDED CORNER**

Please call or email the parish office if you are able to help with these activities:

- Helpers to decorate the church for Christmas
- Eucharistic ministers, especially for the Saturday 5:30 pm mass
- Drivers to provide rides to mass for parishioners who are unable to drive
- Leader(s) for Eucharistic Revival activities
- Volunteers with electrical, plumbing, roofing, sheetrock or other maintenance skills to help with minor repairs

## DIOCESAN NEWS

### Cursillo Weekend Experiences for Men and Women

In today's world can Christianity penetrate the many areas of secular life? Can it live there and grow? Can it transform the world in a way that is more fruitful than the past and in keeping with the times? The Cursillo Movement thinks so. It proposes no new type of spirituality, but simply a method through which one's spirituality may be developed, lived, and shared in any area of human life. Come to a weekend retreat to encounter Christ anew and grow in relationship through prayer, sacraments, talks and discussions.

- Men's Retreat weekend: Dec. 5-8th, in Fredericktown, MO

For more information and to register for a retreat, go to: <https://dioscg.org/cursillo/>

### The Diocese is looking for a Diocesan Hispanic Coordinator

If you are interested in finding out more information or about the job please contact the Catholic Center in Springfield at (417) 866-0841

### Celebration of Bishop Emeritus John J. Leibrecht's 40th Episcopal Anniversary

- Tues., Dec. 10—St. Agnes Cathedral, Springfield, Mass, at 7pm
- Thu., Dec. 12—St. Mary Cathedral, Cape Girardeau, Mass at 7pm

### Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception—Holy Day of Obligation Dec. 9

This year, the **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception**: Please note that the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception has been transferred to Mon., Dec. 9, to avoid overlapping with the Second Sunday of Advent. A recent clarification issued by the Vatican to answer a question by Bishop Paprocki has made it known that, even if the solemnity is transferred to Monday, the obligation also transfers to the day for the seasons of Advent, Lent and Easter. Thus, this transferred Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is, in fact, a holy day of obligation, Dec. 9, contrary to what some sources might have indicated prior to this clarification. Also, the solemnity allows the faithful as much access as is pastorally appropriate to Mass for the day, and please make sure the obligation is communicated to your congregation. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

## PRAY FOR THE SICK

**Barbara Alvarez; Jane Ellen Saunders; Sarah Sylvain Isidor (Father's Mom); Maria Padilla; Juan Cecenas; Maria Rueda; Father Peter Morciniec; Parker Laning; Rosemary Schmidt; Kenneth Wroblewski; Bob DeGraff; Irene Cavazos**  
If you want to put a name in the bulletin or know of any sick or homebound parishioners who would like visitors, please call the parish office.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS & LADIES AUXILIARY



- ◆ Meetings held every 1st Thursday of the month at 7:00p.m in the church basement.
- ◆ Join us in praying the rosary, every Saturday before Mass at 5:00pm and before Mass on the 5th Sunday at 9:30am.

## FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Our parish has been blessed to have First Friday adoration for many years. Many of the people who have been active in this are now unable to do so because of age or illness. Adoration is done for 30 minutes or 1 hour. If you are able to participate call Joan McNerney at (417) 235-3836.

### Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe

Most gracious Virgin of Guadalupe, in your apparitions on Mount Tepeyac, you promised to show mercy and compassion to all who sought your help and protection. In loving trust, I place my petitions before you, and ask for your motherly care. I come to you hopeful and confident that, relying on your heavenly intercession, nothing can trouble or harm me. As you have remained with us through your admirable image, so now obtain for us the graces we need.  
Amen.

## SCHOOL NEWS

The Christmas Program for our school is **Tues., Dec. 10th at 6:30pm**. All are welcome! Come and support these kids as they have worked hard on this program.

Annual Gingerbread House Decorating Party is **Tues., Dec. 6th at 5:30pm**. Join us for a festive evening of Gingerbread House Decorating. Get into the holiday spirit and unleash your creativity as you decorate your own gingerbread house.

**ENGLISH LECTORS****Saturday 5:30pm**

- Nov. 30.....Nikki Pierce
- Dec. 7.....Patricia Randall
- Dec 14.....Jim Haston

**Sunday 10:00am**

- Dec. 1.....Sandy Jastal
- Dec. 8.....Youth (Jayden Apostol)
- Dec. 15.....Jim Haston

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS****Saturdays**

- Nov. 30—Al Dohmen, Geri Carey, Nikki Pierce, Katelyn Conley, Agnes Bruner
- Dec. 7—Al Dohmen, Geri Carey, Nikki Pierce, Katlyn Conley, Agnes Bruner
- Dec. 14th—Jim Haston, Marilyn Ceselski, Jason Ceselski, Ashley Ceselski, Geri Carey

**Sundays**

- Dec. 1—Anyone, Gary Schad, Randy Schad, Charles Wilke, Bailey Flynt
  - Dec. 8— Youth Group
- Dec. 15—Jay Jastal, Sandy Jastal, Jerry Hudson, Judy Hudson, Ann Saunders

**SERVERS 10AM MASS**

- Dec. 1—Alex Apostol, Francisco & Fernando Salas
  - Dec. 8— Youth Group
- Dec. 15—Joseph Velten, Gabe Romo, Isaac Saunders

**December 1, 2024**

1st Read: Jer 33:14-16; **Psalm:** Ps 25:4-5,8-10,14;  
2nd Read: 1 Thes 3:12; **Gospel:** Lk 21:25-28,34-36

**December 2, 2024**

1st Read: Is 2:1-5; **Psalm:** Ps 122:1-9; **Gospel:** Mt 8:5-11

**December 3, 2024**

1st Read: Is 11:1-10; **Psalm:** Ps 72:1-2,7-8,12-13,17; **Gospel:** Lk 10:21-24

**December 4, 2024**

1st Read: Is 25:6-10; **Psalm:** Ps 23:1-6; **Gospel:** Mt 15:29-37

**December 5, 2024**

1st Read: Is 26:1-6; **Psalm:** Ps 118:1-9,19-21,25-27; **Gospel:** Mt 7:21,24-27

**December 6, 2024**

1st Read: Is 29:17-24; **Psalm:** Ps 27:1,4,13-14; **Gospel:** Mt 9:27-31

**December 7, 2024**

1st Read: Is 30:19-21,23-26; **Psalm:** Ps 147:1-6; **Gospel:** Mt 9:35

**WEEKLY CALENDAR/  
CALENDARIO SEMANAL**

**SAT. NOVEMBER 30TH: ST. ANDREW, APOSTLE**

**SABADO: SAN ANDRES, APOSTOL**

4:30 pm Confessions

5:30 pm Monett Mass — +Dr. Andres Apostol and Mary Ann Apostol

**SUN. DECEMBER 1ST: 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**DOMINGO: PRIMER DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO**

8:00 am Verona Mass

10:00 am Monett Mass— + Arturo Meza and Susan Roller

11:00am PSR

12:30 pm Monett Misa de Domingo - Spanish Mass

5:00 pm Verona Misa de Domingo- Spanish Mass

**MON. DECEMBER 2ND**

6:00 pm Prayer Group

**TUE. DECEMBER 3RD: ST. FRANCIS XAVIER**

**MARTES: SAN FRANCISCO JAVIER**

8:15am Monett Weekday Mass + Glenn and

Barbara Monto and Todd Storms

**WED. DECEMBER 4TH: ST. JOHN DAMASCENE**

**MIERCOLES: SAN JUAN DAMASCENO**

8:00am Verona Weekday Mass

6:00pm Youth Group

7:00pm PSR

**THUR. DECEMBER 5TH**

8:15am Monett Weekday Mass— +Lawrence

Washeck and Sara Schad

**FRI. DECEMBER 6TH: ST. NICHOLAS; FIRST FRIDAY**

**VIERNES: SAN NICOLAS; PRIMER VIERNES**

8:00am Verona Weekday Mass

10:00am First Friday Mass—+ Jerry Monto and Geri Sherpard

5:00pm Benediction

1:00 pm Card Party in the Church Basement

**SAT. DECEMBER 7TH: ST. AMBROSE**

**SABADO: SANTA AMBROSIO**

4:30 pm Confessions

5:30 pm Saturday Mass Monett - + Jim Ceselski and Michael Schmidt

**SUN. DECEMBER 8TH: 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**DOMINGO: SEGUNDO DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO**

8:00 am Verona Sunday Mass

10:00 am Monett Sunday Mass —+ Arturo Meza

11:00am PSR

12:30 pm Misa de Domingo Monett - Spanish Mass

5:00 pm Misa de Domingo Verona - Spanish Mass



## ESCUELA SAN LORENZO

El programa de Navidad para nuestra escuela es el **martes 10 de diciembre a las 6:30 pm.** ¡Todos son bienvenidos! Venga y apoye a estos niños ya que han trabajado arduamente en este programa. La fiesta anual de decoración de la casa de jengibre es el **martes 6 de diciembre a las 5:30 p.m.** Únase a nosotros para una noche festiva de decoración de casas de jengibre. Sumérgete en el espíritu navideño y da rienda suelta a tu creatividad mientras decoras tu propia casa de pan de jengibre.

### Del Escritorio de la Hermana Socorro

La celebración de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe se acerca. Por favor, estén atentos al inserto en el boletín con toda la información para la celebración. Oraciones por la Hermana Oralia y por mí mientras viajamos de regreso a Missouri desde Texas el lunes 2 de diciembre.

## ARBOL DE LOS ANGELES 2024

Nos hemos asociado con Prison Fellowship Angel Tree desde 2006 para proporcionar regalos de Navidad a los hijos de hombres y mujeres encarcelados en su nombre. Esto es una bendición y sanación para estas familias. Quedan algunos ángeles en el árbol. Para los ángeles con un artículo de regalo, envuelva el regalo, pegue la parte superior del ángel al regalo y deseche la parte inferior. Para los ángeles que solicitan una tarjeta de regalo, devuelva el ángel y la tarjeta de regalo; No es necesario envolver. Al lado del Árbol del Ángel hay una caja para artículos de aseo que se utilizarán para preparar bolsas de regalos para cada una de las familias (actualmente 6 familias/25 niños). Cualquier exceso de artículos y juguetes se entregará al armario de acogida. Si los ángeles se han ido y le gustaría participar, cualquier juguete nuevo sin envolver para todas las edades (libros, pelotas, muñecas, juegos, etc.) será aceptado para familias de acogida y aquellos necesitados.

### Parroquia Registro

Si usted es nuevo en la parroquia, no se ha registrado previamente, no está recibiendo sobres de donación, o su información ha cambiado en los últimos 5+ años, por favor llene un formulario de registro parroquial / cambio en la oficina. Los formularios también están disponibles en la parte trasera de la iglesia.

### 1 de Diciembre de 2024

**Primera:** Jer 33:14-16; **Salmo:** Salmo 24:4-5,8-10 y 14; **Segunda:** 1 Tes 3:12; **Evangelio:** Lc 21:25-28, 34-36

### 2 de Diciembre de 2024

**Primera:** Is 2:1-5; **Salmo:** Salmo 121:1-9; **Evangelio:** Mt 8:5-11

### 3 de Diciembre de 2024

**Primera:** Is 11:1-10; **Salmo:** Sal 71:2,7-8, 12-13, 17; **Evangelio:** Lc 10:21-24

### 4 de Diciembre de 2024

## Oración a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

Graciosa Virgen de Guadalupe, en tus apariciones en el Monte Tepeyac, prometiste mostrar misericordia y compasión a todos los que buscaban tu ayuda y protección. Con amorosa confianza, pongo mis peticiones ante ti y pido tu cuidado maternal. Vengo a ti con esperanza y confianza en que, confiando en tu intercesión celestial, nada puede molestarme o dañarme. Así como has permanecido con nosotros a través de tu admirable imagen, ahora alcánzanos las gracias que necesitamos. Amén.

## Noticias Diocesanas

Solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción—Día Santo de Precepto 9 de diciembre Este año, la Solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción: Tenga en cuenta que la Solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción se ha trasladado al lunes 9 de diciembre, para evitar que coincida con el Segundo Domingo de Adviento. Una reciente aclaración emitida por el Vaticano para responder a una pregunta de Mons. Paprocki ha hecho saber que, aunque la solemnidad se traslade al lunes, la obligación se traslada también al día para los tiempos de Adviento, Cuaresma y Pascua. Por lo tanto, esta solemnidad transferida de la Inmaculada Concepción es, de hecho, un día santo de precepto, el 9 de diciembre, contrariamente a lo que algunas fuentes podrían haber indicado antes de esta aclaración, además, la solemnidad permite a los fieles tanto acceso como sea pastoralmente apropiado a la Misa del día, y asegúrese de que la obligación se comunique a su congregación. Gracias por su atención a este asunto.

## SE NECESITA AYUDA

Por favor llame o envíe un correo electrónico a la oficina parroquial si puede ayudar con estas actividades:

- Ayudantes para decorar la iglesia para Navidad
- Ministros de la Eucaristía, especialmente para la misa del sábado a las 5:30pm
- Conductores para llevar a misa a los feligreses que no pueden conducir
- Líder(es) para las actividades de Avivamiento Eucarístico
- Voluntarios con electricidad, plomería, techos, placas de yeso u otras habilidades de mantenimiento para ayudar con reparaciones menores

**Primera:** Is 25:6-10; **Salmo:** Sal 22:1-6; **Evangelio:** Mt 15:29-37

### 5 de Diciembre de 2024

**Primera:** Is 26:1-6; **Salmo:** Sal 117:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27; **Evangelio:** Mt 7:21, 24-27

### 6 de Diciembre de 2024

**Primera:** Is 29:17-24; **Salmo:** Sal 26:1-4, 13-14; **Evangelio:** Mt 9:27-31

### 7 de Diciembre de 2024

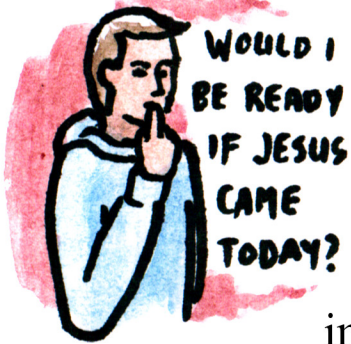
**Primera:** Is 30:19-21, 23-26; **Salmo:** Sal 146:1-6; **Evangelio:** Mt 9:35

# Advent is Here!

Today is the beginning of Advent, the time when we prepare for Christmas.



The word "advent" comes from the Latin word that means "coming". In Advent we are preparing for Jesus' coming. We look forward to Christmas, which is the celebration of His first coming and we also look forward to His second coming.



Did you know that the most important thing to have ready for Christmas is a clean soul?

During Advent you can try extra hard to be good. It is also a very good idea to go to confession before Christmas so that your soul will be good and clean when Jesus comes!

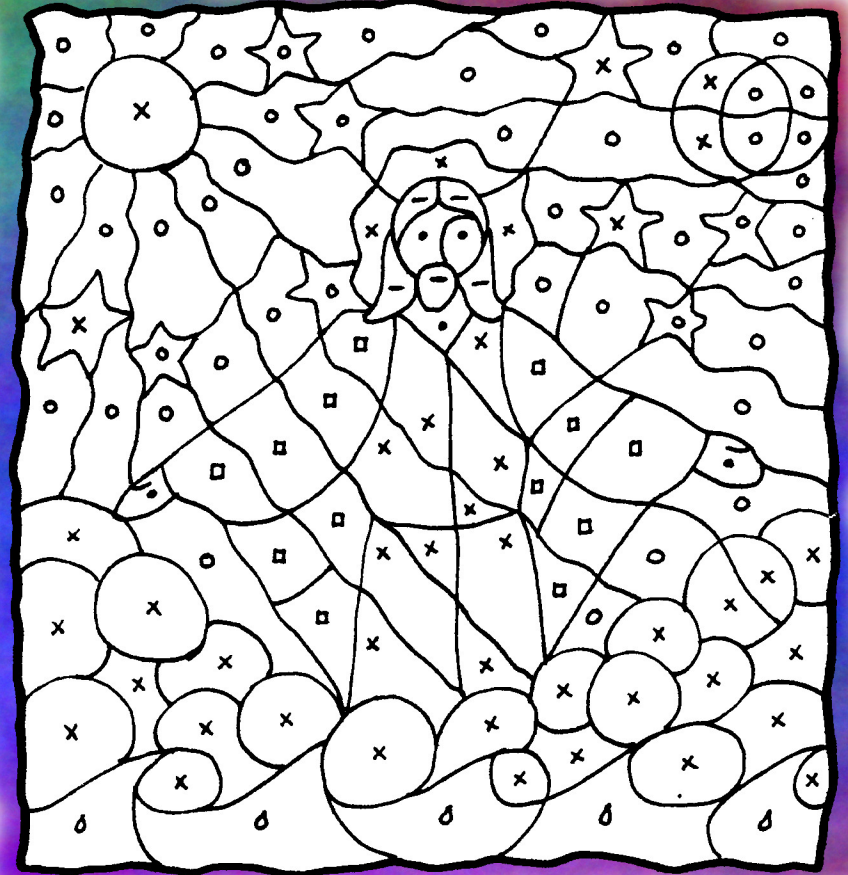


Answer to the Second Coming Word Puzzle: THE LORD OUR JUSTICE

[www.thekidsbulletin.com](http://www.thekidsbulletin.com)

# The Kids' Bulletin

First Sunday of Advent  
December 1st, 2024



Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

In today's Gospel reading Jesus talks about what is going to happen when He comes back at the end of the world.

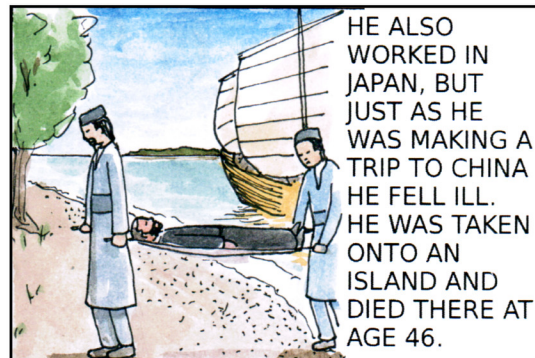
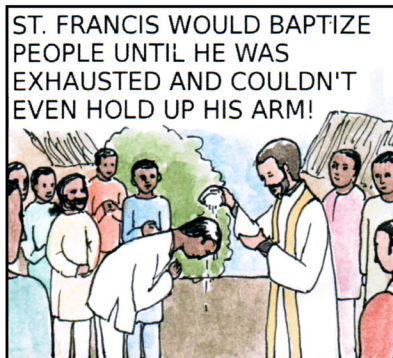
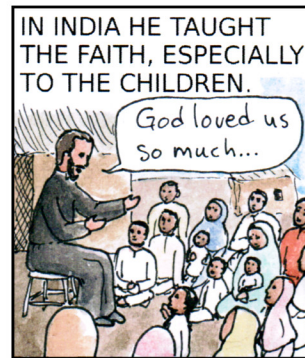
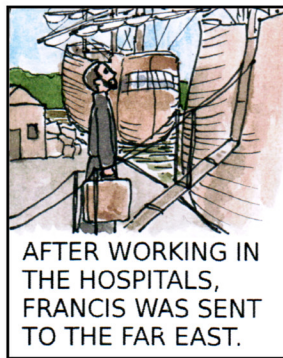
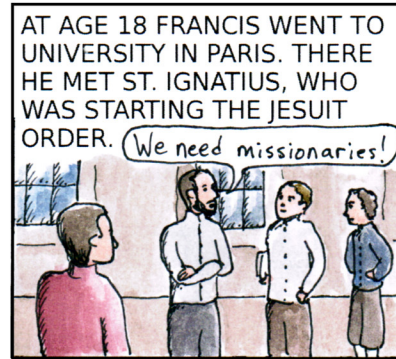
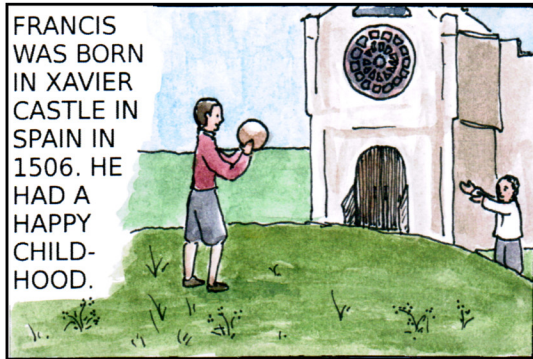
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# Saint Francis Xavier

## December 3



SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER ONLY WORKED AS A MISSIONARY FOR TEN YEARS, BUT HE BROUGHT THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE TO THE FAITH! HE IS THE PATRON SAINT OF MISSIONARIES. YOU CAN PRAY TO SAINT FRANCIS THAT GOD WILL HELP BRING MANY PEOPLE TO THE CHURCH WITH YOUR HELP TOO!

# The Second Coming

## Word Puzzle

Jeremiah 33:14-16

*Fill in the missing letters from today's first reading and copy them to finish the last line.*

The days are c\_\_ming (5), says \_\_he (14)

Lo\_\_d, (10) when I will f\_\_lfill (9) the p\_\_omise (6) I made to the \_\_ouse (2) of Israel and Judah. In tho\_\_e (13) days, in that tim\_\_, (3) I will raise up for \_\_avid (7) a just shoot; he shall d\_\_ (8) what is right and jus\_\_ (1) in the \_\_and.(4) In those days \_\_udah (11) shall be safe and Jer\_\_salem (12) shall dw\_\_ll (17) secure; th\_\_s (15) is what they shall \_\_all (16) her:

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11 12 13 14 15 16 17

