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FOR CHRISTMAS  
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For Primary Grades





# First Monday of Advent

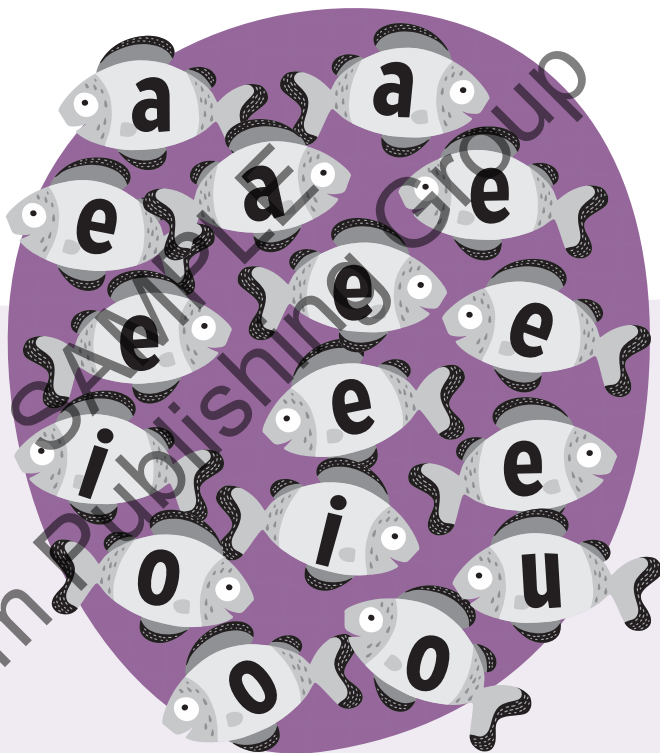
NOVEMBER 30 ★ SAINT ANDREW

## ★ Today's Gospel » Matthew 4:18-22 ★

*As [Jesus] walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen (4:18).*

This was an important day for Simon and Andrew. Do you know why? Jesus said something to them that changed their whole lives.

All the vowels that belong in this sentence got caught in the net! See if you can put them back in the right places. If you do, you will see what Jesus told Simon and Andrew that day.



C o m e f t e r m e ,

a n d I w e l l m a k e

y o u s e f m e n .



# First Friday of Advent

DECEMBER 4 ★ SAINT JOHN DAMASCENE

## ★ Today's Gospel » Matthew 9:27-31 ★

*Two blind men asked Jesus to cure them. First, Jesus asked them, "Do you believe that I am able to do this?" They answered, "Yes, Lord." Jesus said, "Because of your faith, you are cured" (9:28-29).*

### HAVING FAITH IN GOD IS VERY IMPORTANT.

Draw a line from the person's name to the event that showed his or her faith.

**LEVI SAYS...**

One of these people had faith at first and then began to doubt. He was sorry in a hurry! (See #3.)



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**He showed his faith when he built an ark.**

(See Genesis 6:22.)

A

**Peter**

2

**She showed her faith when the wine ran out at a wedding.** (See John 2:1-10.)

B

**Noah**

3

**He showed his faith when he walked on water.**

(See Matthew 14:27-33.)

C

**Mary**

D

**David**

4

**He showed his faith when God parted the Red Sea.**

(See Exodus 14:21.)

E

**Moses**

5

**He showed his faith when he killed a giant.**

(See 1 Samuel 17:37.)



# Levi and the Very First Advent

PART 2



*Ira took good care of his flock.  
He'd graze them by a brook.  
If one got lost, he searched for it  
and caught it with his crook.*

*But Levi liked to go explore,  
and sometimes lost his way.  
Then Ira had to look and look  
to find his little stray.*

*"Now, Levi," Ira said one night,  
"Stay very close to me.  
You see that Star way up on high?  
Watch it carefully.*

*"And, Levi, are you listening?  
Can you hear those angels sing?  
They say if we follow that Star,  
we'll find our Savior King!*

*"Who would have ever thought, Levi,  
that I would be among  
the people God would choose this night  
to hear the angels' song?*

*"So, you see, it's so important  
that the flock keeps all together.  
For we must stay right with that Star,  
we don't have time for stragglers."*



**Where do you  
think the Star  
was leading Levi  
and Ira?**

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**Who was the  
Savior King that  
Ira was talking  
about?**

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Do you know what the  
angels were singing?

**Unscramble these  
words to find out.**

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When do we sing  
those same words?

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# Second Friday *of* Advent

DECEMBER 11

## ★ Today's Gospel » Matthew 11:16-19 ★

*Jesus said, "John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, he eats and drinks too much'" (11:18-19).*

Jesus meant his good works would prove he was the Messiah, the Son of God. Our good works prove that we follow Jesus. **On each cross, write what good work you can do today that follows Jesus' example.**



# Second Saturday of Advent

DECEMBER 12 ★ OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

## ★ Today's Gospel » Luke 1:39-47 ★

*Mary said to her cousin Elizabeth, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior" (1:46-47).*

Today we celebrate Mary as **OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE**.

One cold December day in 1531, she appeared on a hilltop in Mexico to an Aztec man named Juan Diego. She was dressed like an Aztec princess.

Mary told Juan to tell his bishop to build a church in that spot. But the bishop didn't believe Juan had seen Mary. He wanted proof.

Mary told Juan to gather roses and take them to the bishop. Roses in December? Juan was sure he wouldn't find any, but there they were—right where Mary told him to look.

Juan gathered the roses into his cloak and took them to the bishop. When he opened his cloak, there was a picture of Our Lady of Guadalupe right on the cloak!

**Color this picture of Our Lady of Guadalupe.**

