

MONDAY 1ST DECEMBER 2025
MONDAY OF THE 1ST WEEK OF ADVENT

ENTRANCE VERSE: Hear the word of the Lord O nations; declare it to the distant lands: Behold, our Saviour will come; you need no longer fear.

First Reading: *Isaiah 4:2-6*

PSALM RESPONSE Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Come and save us, Lord our God; let us see your face, and we shall be saved. Alleluia!

The Gospel: *Matthew 8:5-11*

COMMUNION VERSE: Come O Lord, visit us in peace, that we may rejoice before you with a blameless heart.

TUESDAY 2ND DECEMBER 2025
TUESDAY OF THE 1ST WEEK OF ADVENT

ENTRANCE VERSE: Behold, the Lord will come, and all his holy ones with him; and on that day there will be a great light.

First Reading: *Isaiah 11:1-10*

PSALM RESPONSE: Justice shall flourish in time, and fullness of peace forever.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia alleluia! Behold, our Lord shall come with power; he will enlighten the eyes of his servants. Alleluia!

The Gospel: *Luke 10:21-24*

COMMUNION VERSE: The Just Judge will bestow a crown of righteousness on those who eagerly await his coming.

WEDNESDAY 3RD DECEMBER 2025

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

Born in 1506 in Navarre (Spain). Died on this day in 1552 off the coast of China. Met Saint Ignatius of Loyola (31 July) while studying in Paris, became one of the first Jesuits, and went to Goa (India) as a missionary. Travelled extensively through Southeast Asia to Japan, winning many converts and leaving behind organised Christian communities. Remembered for the witness of his poverty and for his tireless efforts as a missionary.

ENTRANCE VERSE

I will praise you, Lord, among the nations; I will tell of your name to my kin.

First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-10

PSALM RESPONSE: I shall live in the house of my God all my life.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord is coming to save his people;

Happy are those prepared to meet him.

Alleluia!

The Gospel: Matthew 15:29-37

COMMUNION VERSE:

What I say to you in the darkness speak in the light, says the Lord, what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops.

THURSDAY 4TH DECEMBER 2025
THURSDAY OF THE 1ST WEEK OF ADVENT

ENTRANCE VERSE

You, O Lord, are close, and all your ways are truth. From of old
I have known of your decrees, for you are eternal.

First Reading: ***Isaiah 26: 1-6***

PSALM RESPONSE:

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia! Alleluia,
Seek the Lord while he can be found.
Call on him while he is near.
Alleluia!

The Gospel: ***Matthew 7: 21, 24-27***

COMMUNION VERSE:

Let us live justly and devoutly in this age, as we await the
blessed hope and the coming of the glory of our great God,

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FRIDAY 5 DECEMBER 2025
FRIDAY OF THE 1ST WEEK OF ADVENT

ENTRANCE VERSE: Behold the Lord will come descending with splendour to visit his people with peace, and he will bestow on them eternal life.

First Reading: *Isaiah 29:17-24*

PSALM RESPONSE: The Lord is my light and my salvation

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Behold, our Lord shall come with power; he will enlighten the eyes of his servants. Alleluia!

The Gospel: *Matthew 9:27-31*

COMMUNION VERSE: We await a saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will change our mortal bodies, to conform with his glorified body.

SATURDAY 6 DECEMBER 2025
SATURDAY OF THE 1ST WEEK OF ADVENT

ENTRANCE VERSE: Come and show us your face O Lord, who are seated upon the Cherubim, and we will be saved.

First Reading: *Isaiah 30: 19-21, 23-26*

PSALM RESPONSE: Happy are all who long for the coming of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia! Alleluia, the Lord will judge us by his law; he is our King and Saviour. Alleluia!

The Gospel: *Matthew 9: 35-10: 1, 6-8*

COMMUNION VERSE: Behold, I am coming soon and my recompense is with me, says the Lord, to bestow a reward according to the deeds of each.