

## MONDAY 29 DECEMBER 2025

### FIFTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

**ENTRANCE VERSE:** God so loved the World that he gave his Only Begotten Son, so that all who believe in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

***First Reading:*** *1 John 2: 3-11*

**PSALM RESPONSE** Let heaven and earth exult in joy.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Alleluia, alleluia! This is the light of revelation to the nations, and the glory of your people, Israel. Alleluia!

***The Gospel:*** *Luke 2: 22-35*

**COMMUNION VERSE:** Through the tender mercy of our God, the Dawn from on high will visit us.

## TUESDAY 30 DECEMBER 2025

### SIXTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

**ENTRANCE VERSE:** When a profound silence covers all things and night was in the middle of its course, your all-powerful Word, O Lord, bounded from heaven's royal throne.

***First Reading:*** *1 John 2:12-17*

**PSALM RESPONSE:** Let heaven and earth exult in joy!

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Alleluia, alleluia! A holy day has dawned upon us Come, you nations, and adore the Lord. Today a great light has come upon the earth. Alleluia!

***The Gospel:*** *Luke 2: 36-40*

**COMMUNION VERSE:** From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace.

**WEDNESDAY 31 DECEMBER 2025**  
**SEVENTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE**  
**LORD**

**ENTRANCE VERSE**

A child is born for us, and a son is given to us; his scepter of power rests upon his shoulder, and his name will be called messenger of great counsel.

***First Reading:***                      ***1 John 2:18-21***

**PSALM RESPONSE:** Let heaven and earth exult in joy!

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us. He enabled those who accepted him to become the children of God.

Alleluia!

***The Gospel:***                      ***John 1:1-18***

**COMMUNION VERSE:**              God sent his Only Begotten Son into the world, so that we might have life through him.

**THURSDAY 1 JANUARY 2026**  
**SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD**

*Venerated as Mother of God from ancient times, the Virgin Mary was acclaimed Theotokos (God-bearer) in 431 by the Council of Ephesus and commemorated on this day in Rome in the seventh century. Soon eclipsed by other feasts of Mary. Restored to the liturgical calendar in 1931, and to this day in 1969. Celebrates Mary's role in the mystery of the incarnation, enriches the octave of Christmas with a Marian perspective, and provides a solemn beginning to the New Year.*

**ENTRANCE VERSE:** Hail, Holy Mother, who gave birth to the King, who rules heaven and earth forever.

***First Reading:*** ***Numbers 6:22-27***

**PSALM RESPONSE:** May God bless us in his mercy

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, Alleluia!

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets; now he speaks to us through his Son.

Alleluia!

***The Gospel:*** ***Luke 2: 16-21***

**COMMUNION VERSE:**

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever.

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**FRIDAY 2 JANUARY 2026**  
**SAINT BASIL AND GREGORY**

**ENTRANCE VERSE:** Let the peoples recount the wisdom of the Saints and let the Church proclaim their praise. Their names will live on and on.

***First Reading:***                      ***1 John 2:22-28***

**PSALM RESPONSE:** All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Alleluia! Alleluia! In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets; now he speaks to us through his Son. Alleluia!

***The Gospel:***                      ***John 1: 19-28***

**COMMUNION VERSE** We proclaim Christ crucified; Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

**SATURDAY 3 JANUARY 2026**  
**SATURDAY BEFORE THE EPIPHANY**

**ENTRANCE VERSE:** God sent his Son, born of a woman, so that we might receive adoption as children.

***First Reading:***                      ***1 John 2:29-3:6***

**PSALM RESPONSE:** All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Alleluia, alleluia! The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us. He enabled those who accepted him to become the Children of God. Alleluia!

***The Gospel:***                      ***John 1: 29-34***

**COMMUNION VERSE** From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace.