

# ADVENT 2018

Church of the Ascension  
New Milford, New Jersey

It's ADVENT, a wonderful season of grace!  
Once again, as a community of faith, we begin our annual reflection on the Good News of God's love for us.

How have we grown  
in response to God's love during the past year?

What growth do we hope  
to accomplish during this next year?

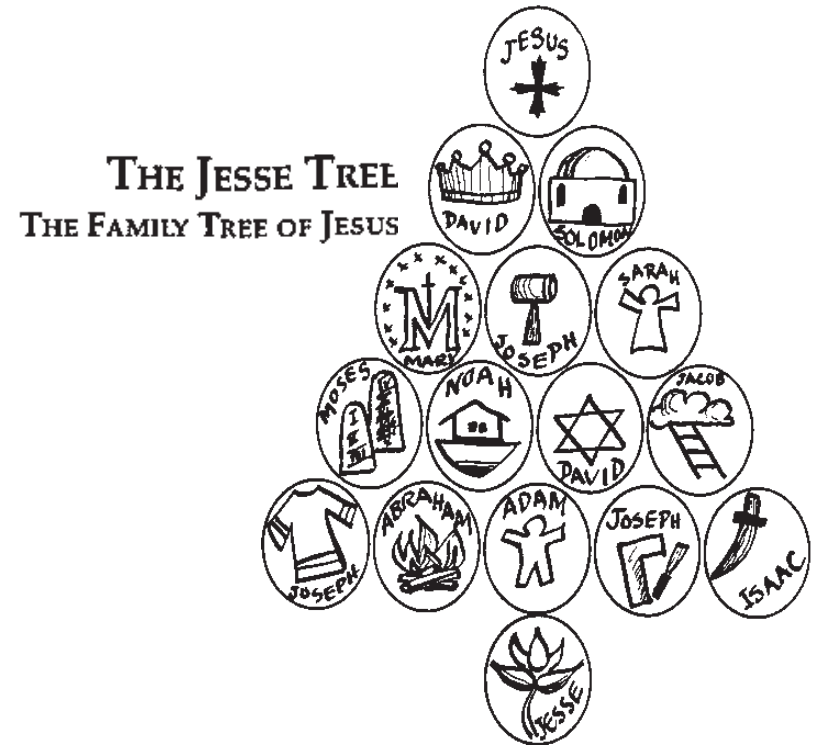
What is God asking of us as we begin to prepare  
for Christmas and a new year of grace?

This calendar offers each of us many opportunities to help us  
respond to Saint Paul's Advent challenge:


"We must learn to make still greater progress" in our relationship with God. (1 Thes. 3: 12-4:2)

May our communal and individual experience of Advent  
encourage us to recommit ourselves to further growth in the Lord.

May we find ourselves blessed with  
constant faith, patient hope and Christmas love!









## December

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>First Sunday of Advent</i>  <b>2</b>	<i>St. Francis Xavier</i> <b>3</b> Pray for missionaries throughout the world	<i>St. John of Damascus</i> <b>4</b> Pray for someone who is lonely	<b>5</b> Try to get to Mass today and pray for someone who has AIDS	<i>St. Nicholas</i> <b>6</b> Pray for all the children and youth of our parish	<i>St. Ambrose</i> <b>7</b> Pray for all bishops of the Church throughout the world	<i>Immaculate Conception</i> <b>8</b> Offer your Mass today for Mary's continued protection of our country

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The night is far spent the day draws nigh

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>Second Sunday of Advent</i> 9</p> 	<p>10</p> <p>Tell someone how much you love and appreciate them</p>	<p><i>St. Damasus 1</i> 11</p> <p>Pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life</p>	<p><i>Our Lady of Guadalupe</i> 12</p> <p>Pray a "Hail Mary" for all pregnant women</p>	<p><i>St. Lucy</i> 13</p> <p>Pray for those who have eye problems</p>	<p><i>St. John of the Cross</i> 14</p> <p><b>Parish Eucharistic Day</b></p> <p>Try to get to Mass today and pray for someone who needs a lift in spirit</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Send a card to a relative, friend or neighbor who is shut-in</p>
<p><i>Third Sunday of Advent</i> 16</p> 	<p><i>O Wisdom</i> 17</p> <p>Prepare yourself for Christmas by participating in our Tri-Parish Penance Service tonight at 7:30pm</p>	<p><i>O Sacred Lord</i> 18</p> <p>Try to get to Mass today and pray for Police Officers, Firefighters and Rescue Squaders</p>	<p><i>O Flower of Jesse's Stem</i> 19</p> <p>Pray for all who are poor and homeless</p>	<p><i>O Key of David</i> 20</p> <p>Call someone you have lost touch with</p>	<p><i>St. Peter Canisius O Radiant Dawn</i> 21</p> <p>Pray for all teachers and students</p>	<p><i>O King of all the Nations</i> 22</p> <p>Pray for all holiday travelers</p>
<p><i>Fourth Sunday of Advent O Emmanuel</i> 23</p> 	<p><i>Christmas Eve</i> 24</p> <p>Pray for all those who will be alone on Christmas</p>	<p><i>Christmas Day</i> 25</p>  <p>Have a Happy and Holy Christmas!</p>	 <p><i>Rejoice!</i></p> <p><i>The Lord is born for us!</i></p> 			

JOY TO THE WORLD

