# Advent 2023

Daily Scripture and Reflections for the Sacred Season

#### Sunday

## Keep Watch

Always be on the lookout for the coming of Christ into your life. He enters in his time.

Mark 13:33-37

## Repent

A voice in the wilderness beckons us to repent and be prepared for the Mighty One.

Mark 1:1-8

## Rejoice

Celebrate the blessing, the mercy, the might of our God, who has brought joy to the world.

Luke 1:46-50, 53-54

## 24 Revelations

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The mystery of almighty God is revealed in the kicking feet and outstretched arms of a baby.

#### Monday

# Grow with

Only implements of planting and growth are welcome in the kingdom of God.

Isaiah 2:1-5

## 11 Replenished

Like waters that refresh the dry ground, our Lord renews the barren wastelands ravaged by sin.

Isaiah 35:1-10

#### Jesus' Name

We live, work and sleep in the name of Jesus, who saves us from our

Matthew 1:18-25

# 25 Good News

The good news is heard by the shepherds, sung by the angels and seen by Mary and Joseph: a child is

## Tuesday

#### Led to Peace

Enemies become friends when a little child of God enters the picture. Let him lead.

Isaiah 11:1-10

#### A New Song

Lift up your voice and sing. New beginnings are afoot and we are the Lord's delight.

Psalm 149

# Silenced

The angel Gabriel silenced the voice of doubting Zechariah. May all our doubts be silenced.

Luke 1:5-25

## Wednesday

#### Fed with More

Jesus makes a lot from a little and gives us more than enough of what we need.

Matthew 15:29-37

#### Take Notice

Know, hear and see. The Lord is wise. The Lord is powerful. The Lord is alorious.

Isaiah 40:25-31

## 20 A Lullaby

Our God quietly serenades us to sleep with songs of his love for us in

Zephaniah 3:14-18

#### Thursday

## Strong and Firm

Our God is like a wall that surrounds us with strength and protection, keeping our faith firm.

Isaiah 26:1-6

#### A Prophet Comes

John the Baptist paves the way for Jesus to arrive and settle within each one of us.

Matthew 11:11-15

## 21 Greetings

Greet one another with the joy of Mary and Elizabeth, full of expectant hope in God's plan.

Luke 1:39-45

#### Friday

#### Servant Hearts

With a servant heart, Mary accepted the role of the mother of our Lord. Our hearts serve him still.

Luke 1:26-38

15 Look Up

of God.

#### Marthew 9:35-10:1, 5-8

Saturday .

Sent Out

We are sent by our

Savior to declare

that the kingdom

of God is near. Be

ready to share.

## 16 Recognize

We are often Recognize the quick to judge presence of those and discredit. But who point to we should always Jesus when others honor the people may not be paying attention.

Matthew 17:9-13

Give yourself to the Lord, as a thank-offering to him for his goodness to you in Jesus' birth.

Matthew 11:16-19

22 To the Lord

1 Samuel 1:24-28

## 23 Blessings

We announce blessings to God for the birth of all children, especially the Son of God.

Luke 1:57-66

Every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

- Philippians 2:11