

KOLBE LITURGICAL

Living

VIRTUE OF THE MONTH

Welcome to the Advent season! This month we are celebrating the monthly virtue: **GENEROSITY**. Giving without counting the cost. *"You shall surely give to him, and your heart should not be grieved when you give to him, because for this thing the Lord your God will bless you in all your works and in all to which you put your hand"* (Deuteronomy 15:10).

Throughout December Kolbe students will learn about generosity through these inspiring exemplars: **St. Nicholas, St. Mary Magdalene, and St. Maximilian Kolbe**.

We are called as parents and teachers to instill these virtues into our homes and community as well. Here are a few creative ideas to help you, your family, and community celebrate and live the mystery of Christ throughout the Liturgical Year.

Ad maiorem Dei gloriam!

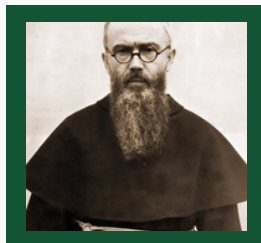
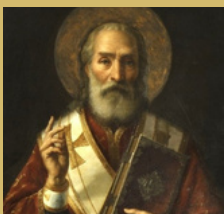
LITURGICAL LIVING AT HOME

Elementary

- **Generosity** involves sharing our hearts, time, and gifts with others. Advent is a wonderful season for this! Consider being extra generous this month by supporting a family or charity. If you don't have a tradition of giving during Advent, consider starting one such as anonymously leaving gifts for a family in need, sacrificing a Christmas gift to donate to the poor, or doing a family service project.
- To celebrate the excitement of Christmas, create a simple and homemade **Advent calendar** together! Here's a link and tutorial from Dynamic Catholic: <https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/advent/diy-advent-calendar.html>.

Middle School

- To celebrate **St. Lucy's** feast day, read the story of St. Lucy and have your oldest child prepare a sweet treat for the younger children. In Sweden and Norway, children make pastries and ginger cookies to deliver while singing songs. St. Lucy's name symbolizes "light" and the guidance of Christ's goodness to others! See the additional prayer and coloring activity on page 3.



DECEMBER feast days

St. Francis Xavier
(December 3)

Our Lady of Guadalupe
(December 12)

Immaculate
Conception of the
Blessed Virgin
Mary
(December 8)

St. Lucy
(December 13)

St. John, Apostle and
Evangelist
(December 27)

For a complete list see the
**December Feast Day
Calendar** below.

LET US Pray

Blessed Mother,

Mary, as we reflect on your yes to bring the Savior into the world, we ask that you be with us as we strive to bring Jesus to all those we encounter.

In this season of joyful hope, we turn to you for guidance. May we imitate your loving example, and steadfastly bring peace and justice to our world.

When we are tempted to distance ourselves from another, give us the grace to say yes to charity.

When we are frustrated, let us listen with our hearts to our neighbors.

When we are disappointed, help us seek new solutions as you did when the inn was full.

Let us embrace our own need for poverty and humility in order to work toward creative solutions for our world as we await the coming of Christ. Amen.

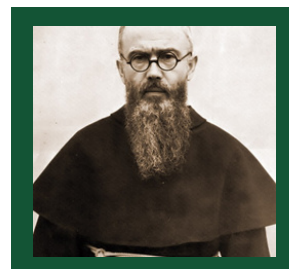
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DECEMBER FEAST DAY CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 St. Francis Xavier	4	5	6
7	8 The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9	10	11	12 Our Lady of Guadalupe	13 St. Lucy
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 Christmas	26 St. Stephen, the First Martyr	27 St. John, Apostle and Evangelist
28 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph	29	30	31			



St. Nicholas, St. Mary Magdalene, and St. Maximilian Kolbe,

Pray for us!

Prayer to St. Lucy

O, St. Lucy, preserve
the light of my eyes so
that I may see the
beauties of creation,
the glow of the sun,
the color of the
flowers and the smile
of children.

Preserve also the eyes
of my soul, the faith,
through which I can
know my God,
understand His
teachings, recognize
His love for me and
never miss the road
that leads me to where
you, St. Lucy, can be
found in the company
of the angels and
saints.

St. Lucy, protect my
eyes and preserve my
faith. Amen.

