



December is Here! Advent is Here!

There are so many things happening in the next few weeks—at church, at home, in the community. Gifts to wrap, garland to hang, and trees to decorate. I confess, I am one of those weird people that has already done most of my Christmas shopping. Not because I'm organized, but because I know if I don't get it done by Thanksgiving, I won't have time to do it in December. Once December 1st arrives, my world seems to be on fast forward. Between Advent services and cantata rehearsals, my days become long and full! Things like Christmas cards, baking, throwing parties, and fancy gift-wrapping are a thing of the past in my world. One day I'll do those things again, but at this stage in life, it's full steam ahead.

Don't get me wrong, I LOVE the hustle & bustle of the Christmas season, I just wish it lasted longer! If I had my way, my home would have Christmas up all year. My tree would always be up, the garland would remain on the stairs & the large Christmas wreath would be on the door. But I get enough strange looks already for some of my decorating choices, so I guess I'll skip this one.

Now, on to the important stuff.

The Month of December is:

- Buckwheat Month
- National Pear Month
- National Tie Month
- Spiritual Literacy Month

The Week December 1-10 is:

- Cookie Cutter Week
- Recipe Greetings Week
- Computer Science Education Week

Some celebrations only last a day:

- 1st-** Basketball Day
Civil Air Patrol Day
Clark Kent's Birthday
- 2nd-** Bartender Appreciation Day
Safety Razor Day
National Mutt Day
- 3rd-** Faux Fur Friday
Be A Blessing Day
International Baboon Day
Play Outside Day
Rhubarb Vodka Day
World Pear Day
- 4th-** National Cookie Day
National Dice Day
National Sock Day
- 5th-** Bathtub Party Day
International Ninja Day
World Soil Day
Sachertorte Day (Austrian Cake)

- 6th-** Mitten Tree Day
World Trick Shot Day
- 7th-** National Cotton Candy Day
Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
Special kids Day
- 8th-** National Day of Lard
Pretend to Be a Time Traveler Day
Toilet Paper Appreciation Day
- 9th-** Official Lost & Found Day
Weary Willie Day (Emmett Kelly)
- 10th-** Day of the Horse
Gingerbread Decorating Day
Gingerbread House Day

Yes, I know there are not 10 days in a week, but I wanted to get us back to the Friday to Friday Schedule.

Have a great week & call if you need anything!

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Dear Santa,

I've been good all year. Okay, most of the time. Once in a while. Never mind, I'll buy my own stuff.