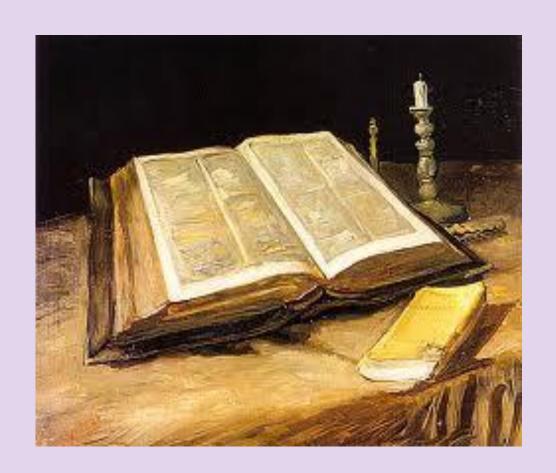
# **Getting Ready for Sunday!**



## The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Luke 1:26-38

## The Birth of Jesus the Messiah Foretold



The last candle will be lit this Sunday marking the beginning of the last week of preparing for Christmas. In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David.





The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said:

Greetings, favoured one! The Lord is with you.



But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be.

#### The angel said to her:



Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favour with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob for ever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.

#### How can this be, since I am a virgin?

The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God.



And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God



#### Then Mary said:

Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.' Then the angel departed from her.





### **Bible Search**

Read Luke 1:26-38 in your family Bible-this is the Gospel reading at Mass this Sunday.



# Consider



How can you live with trust in God this week?

## **Praying to Jesus**



Pray for the grace to know God's will in your

