

'Tis the Season

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This quiz can help you, your students, and your students' families review what you know about our Catholic faith. Check your answers against the answer key on page 43.



1 _____ is the first season on the Church calendar.

- a) Lent b) Advent c) Easter
- d) Christmas

2 The readings at Mass for the first weeks of Advent focus on Jesus' second coming and the judgment of the world.

True | False

3 Advent lasts _____.

- a) for 40 days b) until the Christmas sales end
- c) until the groundhog appears d) four weeks

4 "O Come, O Come Emmanuel, and ransom captive _____."

- a) Israel b) Pokémon c) hostages d) prisoners

5 Jesus' cousin's name is _____.

- a) Joseph b) Myron c) John the Baptist
- d) George

6 When the Virgin Mary announced that she was pregnant, everyone was happy.

True | False

7 Mary was the mother of _____.

- a) John the Baptist
- b) God but not Jesus
- c) God d) Jesus but not God



8 Mary was a teenager when the angel told her she would be the mother of God's son.

True | False

9 When John baptized people, he was in the _____ river (Matthew 3:6).

- a) Mississippi b) Amazon c) Nile d) Jordan

10 When will the kingdom of God begin?

- a) when Jesus returns b) when Mary conceived Jesus in her womb
- c) when people stop sinning
- d) the end of the world

11 Christmas celebrates _____.

- a) the beginning of Lent
- b) Christ's resurrection
- c) the birth of Christ
- d) the arrival of Santa

12 St. Francis was there when Jesus was born. True | False

13 Jesus, Mary, and Joseph are members of the Holy _____.

- a) Name Society b) Club c) Trinity d) Family

14 The Magi who visited the newborn Jesus were _____ (Matthew 2:1-12).

- a) wise men from the East
- b) types of bugs
- c) young magicians
- d) from the town of Magiopolis



15 Christmas lights are a symbol of Jesus, who is the "_____ of the world" (John 8:12).

- a) Rudolph's nose b) light
- c) sun
- d) flashlight

16 The word crèche means _____.

- a) "candy canes" in Russian
- b) "jump like a French ballet dancer"
- c) "crush" in French
- d) "a representation of the Nativity scene"

17 Mary and Joseph traveled from Nazareth to _____, even though Mary was nine months pregnant.

- a) Jerusalem b) Bethlehem
- c) Rome d) Egypt

18 It was snowing when Jesus was born on the first Christmas.

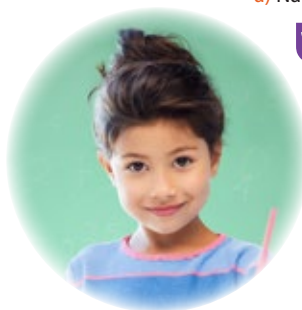
True | False

19 The Feast of the Annunciation celebrates _____.

- a) the angel's announcement to Mary that she would be Jesus' mother
- b) the birth of Jesus
- c) Jesus' graduation from college
- d) when Jesus told Pontius Pilate that he was God

20 Joseph found a fancy hotel for Mary to rest in before she went to the hospital to deliver the baby Jesus.

True | False



The story of Santa Claus was created only to sell toys. True | False

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