

PERSPECTIVES OF THE DAY

CHANGING PERSPECTIVES

NATIONAL DAY

Immaculate Conception

December 8th is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. The Immaculate Conception was

WHY DID THE ADVENT
WREATH BLUSH ON THE
SECOND SUNDAY?
IT SAW THE SECOND CANDLE
GET LIT AND THOUGHT
THINGS WERE HEATING UP!

Conception is the doctrine that the Virgin Mary was free from original sin the moment of her conception. This is one of the debated Marian dogmas of the Catholic Church, popular discussion in literature but because of its debated absolution, it was not used as the subject of art until later in



TODAY IN HISTORY

- IN 1941, FRANKLIN D ROOSEVELT STATES DECEMBER 7TH “A DAY THAT WILL LIVE IN INFAMY” AND DECLARES WAR ON JAPAN.
- IN 1953, PRESIDENT EISENHOWER DELIVERS HIS ATOMS FOR PEACE SPEECH.
- IN 1980, JOHN LENNON IS MURDERED IN FRONT OF THE DAKOTA IN NYC.
- IN 1987 DURING THE COLD WAR, THE INTERMEDIATE-RANGE NUCLEAR FORCES TREATY IS SIGNED BY PRESIDENT REAGAN.
- IN 1990, THE GALILEO SPACECRAFT FLIES PAST EARTH FOR THE FIRST TIME.

history. Anne, Mary's mother, and her husband Joachim first make appearances in the Gospel of James. This gospel was inspired by Greek tales of childhood heroes. In this Gospel, Anne and her husband are infertile and after God hears their

prayers, Mary is conceived. Within the Gospel, it is alluded that Mary is also conceived by immaculate conception, thus tying Mary to her purity.

The best way to celebrate this day is by attending Mass or a special service.

The liturgy for these

services usually focus on readings that connect the history of salvation and Mary's selection by God. Even reciting the Rosary, singing Gospels, or prayers of Mary at home with family is a great way to observe this day!

I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil one.

-John 16:24

Interesting Fact

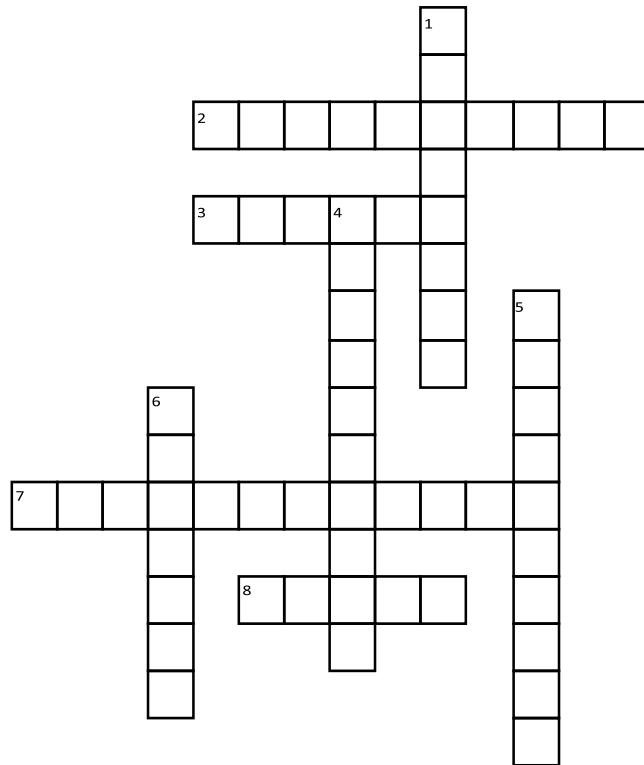
Today is also pretend to be a time traveler day! There have been tons of time travelling stories throughout history. From books, to movies, to tv shows, even video games have taken this plot and turned into an entire genre of media. Some of the most popular movies are the Back to the Future movies starring Michael J. Fox and Christopher Lloyd while tv has been dominated by the British television classic Doctor Who which has been running since 1963!

Trivia

What Agreement did President Clinton sign into law on December 8th?

- A: BONN Agreement
- B: Paris Agreement
- C: NAFTA
- D: AGOA

Pretend to be a Time Traveler Day



Down:

1. The scientist who created a time traveling DeLorean.
4. The android assassin sent back in time to hunt down Sarah Connor.
5. The main character of Back to the Future.
6. A selfish man who is visited by four ghosts on Christmas Eve to show his Past, Present, and Future.

Across:

2. The main character of Quantum Leap.
3. The Time Lord who travels all of time and space usually with a trusty companion.
7. A man who wishes he was never born and is taken back in time to see just how significant his life is.
8. A Starfleet officer who served as science and first officer under Captain Kirk on the USS Enterprise.

Answers:

1 Down: Doc Brown

4 Down: Terminator

5 Down: Marty McFly

6 Down: Scrooge

2 Across: Sam Beckett

3 Across: Doctor

7 Across: George Bailey

8 Across: Spock