



Gift PROBLEMS

BABIES DRESSES, BONNETS,
SOFTIE SHOES, SOAKERS, CREPE
ROMPERS, VELVET OVERALLS,
FLEECE SLEEPERS
(pink and blue)

IRISH TABLE LINENS
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Hello Homemakers! Come the holidays and you're all set for plenty of food, plenty of company, plenty of fun, but also plenty of work. However, assign the small jobs and errands to other members of the family and get them started early. Monday's not too soon with Christmas one week away, because a good deal of the shopping and decorating can be done now, also some baking, as many holiday goodies improve with a bit of aging.

Here are some wonderful menus and a brief calendar for Christmas week. With definite plans in mind and helpers to depend on, you'll be in the mood to enjoy a real holiday with your family and friends.

Christmas Eve Family Snacks
Chicken Livers on Tea Biscuits
Celery and Carrot Fingers
Cookies and Tea

Christmas Breakfast
Cranberry Juice
Sausage and Scrambled Egg
Fruit Scones — Marmalade
Coffee

Christmas Dinner
Oysters on the Half Shell
Cream of Tomato Soup
Cheese Wafers — Melba Toast
Roast Chicken
with Celery Stuffing
Giblet Gravy
Pickled Crabbapples, Gherkins
Currant Jelly
Glazed Sweet Potatoes
Green Beans
Harvard Beets
Poinsettia Salad
Plum Pudding — Custard Sauce
Coffee

Buffet Supper
Cold Sliced Ham, Jellyed Tongue
Potato Salad
Jellyed Cranberry — Celery
Assorted Relishes
Sponge Cake — Cherry Ice Cream
Fruit Cake — Tea

Monday—
Order Perishables
Check Grocery List
Clean Silver

Tuesday—
Make Mince Tarts.
Bake Holiday Cookies
Make Steamed Pudding

Wednesday—
Mold Christmas Salad
Prepare Pudding Sauce
Prepare Salad Greens
Cook Salad Dressing

Thursday—
Decorate the House
Make Jellyed Tongue
Bake Sponge Cakes

Friday—
Clean and Stuff Fowl
Make Potato Salad and
Poinsettia Salad
Cherry Ice Cream
Order any Extra Supplies

HOT CHEESE WAFERS
1 package snappy cheese
1/2 cup sifted all-purpose flour
1/2 cup butter

Work all ingredients together with your hands. Make into small balls, place on ungreased pan, flatten down with the palm of your hand. Chill a half hour. Bake in a moderately hot electric oven, 400 degs. 7 to 10 minutes. Sprinkle with paprika. Makes about 12. These are extremely good and will keep (unbaked) in the refrigerator indefinitely. Very handy for these busy holidays.

FLUFFY CUSTARD SAUCE
Scald 1 cup milk. Separate 2 eggs, beat yolks with fork, add 2 tablespoons sugar and few grains salt. Gradually add the scalded milk. Place in double boiler over hot water. Cook, stirring constantly, until mixture thickens, about 8 minutes; cool. Beat egg whites until stiff; fold into cooled custard with 1 teaspoon vanilla.

CARROT PUDDING
1 cup grated raw carrots
1 cup grated raw potato
1 cup chopped suet
1 cup brown sugar
1/2 cup raisins
1 cup currants
1/2 cups flour
1 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 teaspoon salt

Mix and sift dry ingredients, then mix all together. Fill greased mold two thirds full. Cover loosely with parchment paper, place in steamer and steam a full three hours. (You'll find the potatoes make the pudding light and the carrots give it a lovely rich brown colour). You may add 1 teaspoon cinnamon, 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg, 1/2 teaspoon cloves if you like it spiced, or add 1 teaspoon almond flavouring, 1/2 cupful chopped blanched almonds and 1/2 cup mixed peel. For a still richer pudding, add 1/2 cup glazed cherries, 1/2 cup chopped candy peel, 1/2 cup chopped dates. In either case add an extra tablespoon of flour to the mixture. It's a foolproof pudding so develop your own special brand.

CELERY STUFFING
4 or five slices bacon
Fine-flavoured dripping
Two thirds cup finely-chopped onion
1 1/2 cups finely-diced celery
3 cups coarse soft bread crumbs
1/2 cups quick-cooking rolled oats
1 1/2 teaspoons salt
1/2 teaspoon pepper
2 tablespoons finely chopped parsley
Poultry seasoning, if desired
1 egg
2 tablespoons milk

Cut the bacon into small pieces, and pan-fry until crisp; lift bacon from the fat. Measure the fat in the pan, and if necessary, add more bacon dripping or other dripping to bring the measure to 3 tablespoons. Heat the 3 tablespoons dripping and add the onion and celery; cook together, stirring often, until golden. Combine the bread crumbs, rolled oats, salt, pepper, parsley and poultry seasoning if it is being used; add the cooked bacon; add the vegetables and the fat in which they were cooked; mix lightly. Beat the egg slightly and add the milk; add to stuffing and mix very lightly so as not to make a paste. Use for 5 or 6 pound chicken.

CHRISTMAS CRACKERS
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STEWARTTOWN

Dr. Mather and Miss Weedmark the school nurse were at the school last Monday morning for inspections and inoculations. We extend a welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Bob Harris and son Robert who have moved into their new home in the village. The children of the Sunday School will have their carol service in the Church Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock the regular Sunday School time.

LITTLE HELPERS TEA AT ST. GEORGE'S

There was a good attendance of mothers and children of six years and under, at the Little Helpers Tea, held in St. George's Sunday School Room last Wednesday afternoon. The Women's Auxiliary provided refreshments at the attractive tables, and each Little Helper received a gift. The tea was arranged under the convenship of Mrs. James Patton, Little Helpers secretary.

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