

# ST. MARY CHURCH

HYDE PARK

DECEMBER 4, 2022

## THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

A VOICE OF ONE CRYING OUT  
IN THE DESERT,  
PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD,  
MAKE STRAIGHT HIS PATHS.

—MATTHEW 3:3



THE EASTSIDE FAMILY OF PARISHES ADVENT MISSION  
LIVE A LIFE OF NO REGRETS  
WITH ROBERT ROGERS

ST. MARY HYDE PARK | DECEMBER 4-6, 7-8 PM

# Worship Aid for the Second Sunday of Advent

## Entrance Hymn

## Entrance Antiphon for Advent



Advent 1 To you, O Lord, I lift my soul,  
Advent 2 To Zi - on's hill our God will come  
Advent 3 Re - joice, a - gain I say re - joice.  
Advent 4 O heav - ens, o - pen wide a - bove;



in you, my God, I place my trust.  
with heal - ing for all na - tions' ills.  
The Lord is near and com - ing soon.  
rain down the Just One, all you clouds;



Let not my en - e - mies ex - ult,  
Your hearts will quick - en as you hear  
Your gen - tle - ness be shown to all.  
bring forth a Sav - ior, mo - ther earth.



nor wait - ing hearts be put to shame.  
the Lord's ma - jest - tic, glo - rious voice.  
Re - joice, a - gain I say, re - joice.  
Let all crea - a - tion know its Lord.

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## Penitential Rite

### Option A

I confess to almighty God  
and to you, my brothers and sisters,  
that I have greatly sinned,  
in my thoughts and in my words,  
in what I have done and  
in what I have failed to do,  
*And striking their breast, they say:*  
through my fault, through my fault,  
through my most grievous fault;  
therefore I ask  
blessed Mary ever-Virgin,  
all the Angels and Saints,  
and you, my brothers and sisters,  
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

### Option B

Have mercy on us, O Lord.  
**For we have sinned against you.**

Show us, O Lord, your mercy.  
**And grant us your salvation.**

Kyrie Eleison/Lord, have mercy.  
Kyrie Eleison/Lord, have mercy.

Christe Eleison/Christ, have mercy.  
**Christe Eleison/Christ, have mercy.**

Kyrie Eleison/Lord, have mercy.  
Kyrie Eleison/Lord, have mercy.

## Prayer for Vocations



*Almighty Father, You have created for us some definite purpose. Grant us the grace to know the path You have planned for us in this life and to respond with a generous "Yes." Make our archdiocese, parishes, homes and hearts fruitful ground for Your gift of vocations.*

*May our young people respond to Your call with courage and zeal.*

*Stir among our men a desire and the strength to be good and holy priests.*

*Bless us with consecrated religious and those called to a chaste single life, permanent deacons, and faithful husbands and wives, who are a sign of Christ's love for His Church.*

*We commend our prayer for vocations to You, Father, through the intercession of Mary our Mother, in the Holy Spirit, through Christ our Lord.*

*Amen.*

-Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## First Reading

Is 11:1-10

On that day, a shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse, and from his roots a bud shall blossom. The spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him: a spirit of wisdom and of understanding, a spirit of counsel and of strength, a spirit of knowledge and of fear of the LORD, and his delight shall be the fear of the LORD. Not by appearance shall he judge, nor by hearsay shall he decide, but he shall judge the poor with justice, and decide aright for the land's afflicted. He shall strike the ruthless with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall slay the wicked. Justice shall be the band around his waist, and faithfulness a belt upon his hips. Then the wolf shall be a guest of the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; the calf and the young lion shall browse together, with a little child to guide them. The cow and the bear shall be neighbors, together their young shall rest; the lion shall eat hay like the ox. The baby shall play by the cobra's den, and the child lay his hand on the adder's lair. There shall be no harm or ruin on all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be filled with knowledge of the LORD, as water covers the sea. On that day, the root of Jesse, set up as a signal for the nations, the Gentiles shall seek out, for his dwelling shall be glorious.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## Responsorial Psalm

Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17



O God, give your judgment to the king,  
to a king's son your justice,  
that he may judge your people in justice,  
and your poor in right judgment. R.

In his days shall justice flourish,  
and great peace till the moon is no  
more.

He shall rule from sea to sea,  
from the River to the bounds  
of the earth. R.

For he shall save the needy when  
they cry,  
the poor, and those who are helpless.  
He will have pity on the weak and  
the needy,  
and save the lives of the needy. R.

May his name endure forever,  
his name continue like the sun.  
Every tribe shall be blest in him,  
all nations shall call him blessed. R.

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## Second Reading

Rom 15:4-9

Brothers and sisters: Whatever was written previously was written for our instruction, that by endurance and by the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to think in harmony with one another, in keeping with Christ Jesus, that with one accord you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome one another, then, as Christ welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I say that Christ became a minister of the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, to confirm the promises to the patriarchs, but so that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written: Therefore, I will praise you among the Gentiles and sing praises to your name.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## Gospel

Mt 3:1-12

John the Baptist appeared, preaching in the desert of Judea and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!" It was of him that the prophet Isaiah had spoken when he said:

*A voice of one crying out in the desert, Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.*

John wore clothing made of camel's hair and had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. At that time Jerusalem, all Judea, and the whole region around the Jordan were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River as they acknowledged their sins.

When he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Produce good fruit as evidence of your repentance. And do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I tell you, God can raise up children to Abraham from these stones. Even now the ax lies at the root of the trees. Therefore every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire. I am baptizing you with water, for repentance, but the one who is coming after me is mightier than I. I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fan is in his hand. He will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,

**All make a profound bow:**  
*and by the Holy Spirit  
was incarnate of the  
Virgin Mary,  
and became man.*

For our sake he was crucified  
under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand  
of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge  
the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.

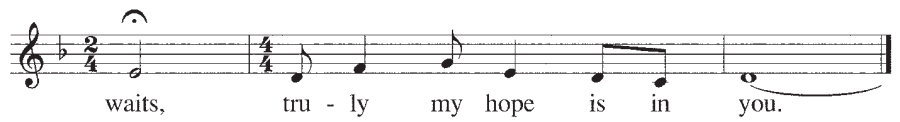
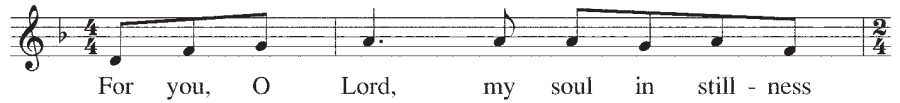
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father  
and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic  
and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the  
forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the  
resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come.  
Amen.

## Offertory Hymn

## My Soul in Stillness Waits

Refrain



Verses



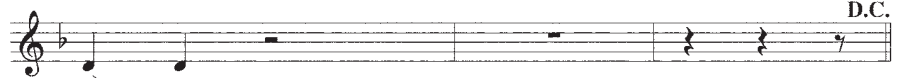
1. O Lord of Light, our on - ly hope of
2. O Spring of Joy, rain down up - on our
3. O Root of Life, im - plant your seed with -
4. O Key of Knowl - edge, guide us in our
5. Come, let us bow be - fore the God who
6. Here we shall meet the Mak - er of the



glo - ry, your ra - diance shines in all who look to  
spir - its, our thirst - y hearts are yearn - ing for your  
in us, and in your ad - vent, draw us all to  
pil - grim - age, we ev - er seek, yet un - ful - filled re -  
made us, let ev - 'ry heart be o - pened to the  
heav - ens, Cre - a - tor of the moun - tains and the



you, come, light the hearts of all in dark and  
Word, come, make us whole, be com - fort to our  
you, our hope re - born in dy - ing and in  
main, o - pen to us the path - way of your  
Lord, for we are all the peo - ple of his  
seas, Lord of the stars, and pres - ent to us



shad - ow.  
hearts.  
ris - ing.  
peace.  
hand.  
now.

Text: Psalm 95 and "O" Antiphons; Marty Haugen, b.1950  
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# THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

## Recessional Hymn On Jordan's Bank

### Communion Hymn

### Like a Shepherd

#### Refrain

Like a shep - herd he feeds his flock and gath - ers the  
lambs in his arms, hold - ing them care - ful - ly  
close to his heart, lead - ing them home.

#### Verses 1, 2

1. Say to the cit - ies of Ju - dah: Pre - pare the  
2. I my - self will shep - herd them, for oth - ers have  
way of the Lord. Go to the moun - tain top,  
led them a - stray. The lost I will res - cue and  
lift your voice; Je - ru - sa - lem, here is your God.  
heal their wounds and pas - sure them, giv - ing them rest. **D.C.**

#### Verse 3

3. Come un - to me if you are  
heav - i - ly bur - dened, and take my yoke up -  
on your shoul - ders, I will give you rest. **D.C.**

Text: Isaiah 40:9ff, Ezekiel 34:11, Matthew 11:28ff; Bob Dufford, SJ, b.1943  
Tune: Bob Dufford, SJ, b.1943; acc. by Sr. Theophane Hytrek, OSF, 1915-1992, alt.  
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1. On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry  
Announces that the Lord is nigh;  
Awake and hearken, for he brings  
Glad tidings of the King of kings.
2. Then cleansed be ev'ry heart from sin;  
Make straight the way of God within,  
And let each heart prepare a home  
Where such a mighty guest may come.
3. For you are our salvation, Lord,  
Our refuge, and our great reward;  
Without your grace we waste away  
Like flow'rs that wither and decay.
4. To heal the sick stretch out your hand,  
And bid the fallen sinner stand;  
Shine forth, and let your light restore  
Earth's own true loveliness once more.
5. All praise to You, eternal Son,  
Whose advent has our freedom won;  
Whom with the Father we adore,  
And Holy Spirit, evermore.

Text: Jordanis oras praevia; Charles  
Coffin, 1676-1749; tr. by John Chandler,  
1806-1876, alt.

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## Weekend Mass Schedule

**St. Cecilia (Oakley):** Saturday 3:30 PM | Sunday 8 AM, 10 AM, and 8:15 PM

**St. Mary (Hyde Park):** Saturday at 4 PM | Sunday at 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM

**The Oratory of St. John Vianney at St. Anthony Church (Madisonville):** Saturday 3 PM | Sunday 9:30 AM

## Daily Mass Schedule

**St. Cecilia (Oakley):** 9 AM Mass, Monday-Saturday. Communion service, Monday-Saturday 8 AM

All-day Adoration follows the 9 AM Mass on Wednesdays with 7 PM Holy Hour and Confessions from 7-7:50 PM.

**St. Mary (Hyde Park):** 5:30 PM evening Mass, Monday-Thursday with Holy Hour on Tuesdays following the 5:30 PM Mass.

**The Oratory of St. John Vianney at St. Anthony Church (Madisonville):** 11:45 AM Mass, Monday-Friday.

## Confession Schedule

Confessions begin immediately after all daily Masses and one hour before weekend Masses, ending 30 minutes before Mass.

*For information on weddings, baptisms and funerals, please visit [eastsidefaith.org](http://eastsidefaith.org) or call the appropriate parish office.*

## St. Cecilia (Oakley)

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[www.stceciliacincinnati.org](http://www.stceciliacincinnati.org)  
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## St. Mary (Hyde Park)

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**Priest Emergency Line: (513) 815-5038**

**For a complete listing of ministries and staff, visit [eastsidefaith.org](http://eastsidefaith.org).**

## Mass Intentions (St. Mary)

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 5

5:30 PM Mr & Mrs. Prospero by The Care Family

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6 Saint Nicholas

5:30 PM Morgan Judd by the Family

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7 Saint Ambrose

5:30 PM Dr & Mrs Esley R. Froots by The Care Family

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8 The Immaculate of Conception the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 AM Alex Siegel by Carol & David Glaser

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9 Saint Juan Diego

5:30 PM No Mass

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

4 PM Thomas A. Mack by Cole & Jenemann Families

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11 The Third Sunday of Advent

8:30 AM For the People of the Parish

10:30 AM Teachers and Staff of St. Mary School by SMS Families/Lisa Cornello

**Mass Intentions.** If you have any particular intentions for which you would like to have a Mass offered, please contact your parish office. Intentions are often requested for those who have died, but may include any kind of need that you or someone you know is experiencing for which prayer is needed.



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## The Second Sunday of Advent

December 4, 2022

Jesus became the Prince of Peace. He came to save us from our sinfulness. The readings this weekend call us to repentance. We are asked to change our ways. Is there something you are struggling with? Many people see this time of Advent as a time to think about what they need to do before the New Year to change a habit that has been keeping them down. People make New Year's resolutions to help them keep track of these changes. One of the best things to do as a Catholic is to start by repenting. Taking the time to confess our sins and our faults and to try and do better. Jesus gives us the strength to make these changes: to commit to working on our intention to change bad habits and to stop a sin that we have been struggling with.

I hope everyone can find the time to go to confession this Advent season and to start the Christmas season with a renewal of peace and hope. He will give us the strength to do this and we have to be committed to Him to make the pledge to change.

Amen? Amen!

*Fr. Jesse*

### ADVENT MISSION 2022

## Live a Life of No Regrets *with Robert Rogers*

St. Mary Hyde Park | December 4-6 from 7-8 PM each evening



Robert experienced a tragedy of biblical proportions when he lost his wife and all four children in a flash flood in Kansas in 2003. Through his immediate trust in God, Robert has risen above adversity and shared his compelling message across the country and with ABC, CBS, CNN, EWTN, Focus on the Family, and numerous Catholic churches, schools, youth rallies, & men's conferences.

An accomplished worship leader, pianist, songwriter, and author of "Into the Deep," "7 Steps to No Regrets," and "Rise Above," Robert teaches others to Live a Life of No Regrets with his inspiring words and original songs at the piano. In the midst of tragedy, Robert embraced his faith in Jesus. He comes to us to show how we can live in the **hope of Christ** in the midst of difficult life experiences, grief, loss, and any other cross that we bear in this life.



### Winter Bible Study: St. Joseph and Authentic Masculinity

Mondays 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM starting January 9 at St. Cecilia Parish (Commons)

Material Cost: \$20

A 6-week custom class taught by Mr. Colin Kunath

In this study, we will explore St. Joseph's role in salvation history in the context of major figures from the Old Testament and their struggles to embody the masculine virtues required for their God given missions.

By examining where figures like Adam, Noah and Abraham failed but Joseph succeeded, we will discover ways to better understand what it means to be a man living in Christ's image. This examination will lead us to the culmination of manhood in Christ's perfection and, with God's grace, help us to better understand what it is to be a man.

While this study will be focused on masculinity, both men and women are welcome.

**To register, go to [www.eastsidefaith.org](http://www.eastsidefaith.org), click on For Adults, then click on Desiring Formation.**



### From the Desk of Fr. Ken

Repent the Kingdom of God is at hand. How often do we repent? Some do every week. The more scrupulous people every other day. All of us are sinners, and we need to repent and receive the Lord's forgiveness which is always there. The best gift we can give Jesus for Christmas is a clean soul.

*Fr. Ken Schopf*

### From the School Office

Our Jr. High Student Council was inducted before we dismissed for Thanksgiving break. They pledged to serve our school with honor and integrity and be role models for their fellow students. Student council members are vital in organizing our many community service projects and serve as ambassadors to school visitors. Thank you for your service!



### First Reconciliation Service

Monday, December 19  
7:00 pm in Church  
Second-grade SMS and Family of Faith students preparing for their First Communion this spring will celebrate their First Reconciliation during Advent. Please keep our children in your prayers.

### Giving Tree

The Giving Tree is located on the Mary Altar. Gifts are being collected for children at Mother of Christ Church. Kroger gift cards are being collected for Mercy Neighborhood Ministries. **Please return gifts to the Mary Altar by Sunday, December 11.** Thank you for making Christmas special for these families.



### St. Vincent De Paul

#### Coat Drive – Going on NOW

Share the warmth this winter and donate a coat to a neighbor in need. Collection barrels are in the vestibule of church and outside the school cafeteria.

### Special Christmas Offerings

Special Christmas offerings can be made online at [smchp.weshareonline.org](http://smchp.weshareonline.org). For information on end of year stock donations, please visit [smchp.com](http://smchp.com) and Search: Gifts of Stock for instructions. Thank you for discerning St. Mary Parish in your end of year charitable giving plans.

### EPIC

Fellowship group for 65+ parishioners



**EPIC**  
A fellowship group for 65+ parishioners

## Christmas Party

Wednesday, December 14  
11:30 am - 2:30 pm in Robisch Hall  
\$12/person  
check payable to St. Mary Church  
RSVP to [mlandrum@smshp.com](mailto:mlandrum@smshp.com)  
or 513-321-1207 ext 8406 by Dec. 12

Enjoy carols sung by SMS Students & a delicious lunch along with fellowship  
*Small baby gifts (no diapers, please) are welcomed for Healthy Moms & Babes*

## Super EPIC Event

### June 11-17, 2023

**Join us on this fabulous trip to Cape Cod!**

**\$665 per person includes:**

- Motorcoach Transportation / 6 Nights lodging
- 10 meals / Visits to historical spots and more!

**For details, visit: [www.smchp.com/parish-groups-events/epic/](http://www.smchp.com/parish-groups-events/epic/)**

Our June event is open to our EPIC group, their friends and families, and all St. Mary Parishioners.

Please contact Marie O'Donnell or Mary Landrum to reserve your spot.

*Extraordinary Parishioners Involved in Community  
Fellowship group for 65+*







“All that is said about God  
presupposes something said by God.”  
– ST. EDITH STEIN

## CATECHESIS (kat'i-ke'sis) n.

### *What is Heaven?*

Heaven is the endless moment of love. Nothing more separates us from God, whom our soul loves and has sought our whole life long. Together with all the angels and saints we will be able to rejoice forever in and with God.

If you have ever observed a couple looking at each other lovingly or seen a baby nursing who looks for his mother's eyes as though it wanted to store up every smile forever, then you have some inkling of heaven. To be able to see God face-to-face – that is like one, single, never-ending moment of love. (YOUCAT question 158)



## KNOW YOUR SAINTS

*Sts. Cosmas and Damian*  
(died ~ 303)

Nothing is known of their lives except that they suffered martyrdom in Syria during the persecution of the Emperor Diocletian.

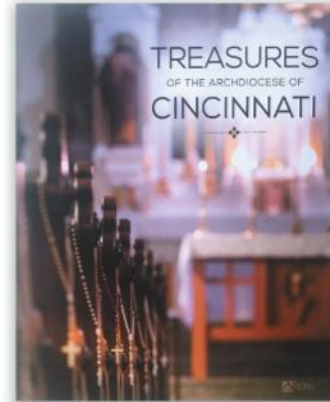
A church erected on the site of their burial place was enlarged by the emperor Justinian. Devotion to the two saints spread rapidly in both East and West. A

famous basilica was erected in their honor in Constantinople. Their names were placed in the canon of the Mass (Eucharistic Prayer I), probably in the sixth century.

Legend says that they were twin brothers born in Arabia, who became skilled doctors. They were among those who are venerated in the East as the “moneyless ones” because they did not charge a fee for their services. It was impossible that such prominent persons would escape unnoticed in time of persecution: They were arrested and beheaded.

Nine centuries later, Francis of Assisi (October 4) rebuilt the dilapidated San Damiano chapel outside Assisi.

**EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION ADORERS** are needed at St. Cecilia. Every Wednesday we are privileged to adore Jesus in exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 9:30 AM-8 PM. There is an immediate need for new people to take over the **12:30-1 PM, 2-3 PM, and 3-3:30 PM** time slots on a weekly basis. Please prayerfully consider giving a little of your time to the Lord. If you aren't unable to commit to a definite time each week, please consider becoming a substitute adorer. Call Mary Lou Huth at 513-908-6810 or email her at [Marylouhuth@yahoo.com](mailto:Marylouhuth@yahoo.com) to sign up.



## A Pictorial Collection of St. Cecilia Church

St. Cecilia Church is especially featured in *Treasures of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati*. A pictorial display of a dozen photographs, including inside the front and back covers of this book, capture the beauty of our church. This attractive 186-page coffee table book in full color is truly a collector's item. Experience the celebration of the great beauty and historical background of our church, and over 100 churches and holy places in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati like never before.

These books are on sale now in the Church office for \$30 each. It will make a beautiful Christmas gift or family remembrance of St. Cecilia Church. There is a limited quantity, so buy yours now.



## Financial Peace University

Wednesdays from 7-9 PM starting January 11 in the St. Cecilia School (classroom above the commons)  
Material Cost: \$79

Never worry about money again with Financial Peace University! It's a proven plan to help you master budgeting, beat debt, and live the life of your dreams.

Through nine lessons rooted in biblical wisdom, you'll learn from Dave Ramsey and his team of financial experts. This course is facilitated by parishioner Brian Sellers. To register, go to [www.eastsidefaith.org](http://www.eastsidefaith.org) > Click on For Adults > Click on Desiring Formation

Catechists are people who keep the memory of God alive; they keep it alive in themselves and they are able to revive it in others. – Pope Francis

The Archdiocesan Office of Prison Ministry is looking for men and women to teach three new courses at Lebanon Correctional Institution. The courses are eight weeks in duration, one evening each week – Fall of 2023: *Why be Poor in Spirit?*; Winter 2023: *Back to the Garden*; and Spring 2024: *Seeking God's Will*. Volunteers will be trained and all curriculum and materials will be provided. **Please call 513.240.3466 or email [info@serenelliproject.org](mailto:info@serenelliproject.org) to learn more.**



## Christmas in Bethlehem

Come to Christmas in Bethlehem at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center in Norwood, **this Sunday, December 4, from 3-7 pm**. A free event for the entire family. Walk through ancient Bethlehem, listen to a children's choir, kids can sit down for story time with St. Nicholas, do some crafts, eat some food and sweets, process outside with Mary and Joseph to the stable, pet the live animals, watch the star lighting, enter the gingerbread contest, shop at our gift store and more! Bring the whole family to experience a little bit of the **true** spirit of Christmas. **REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED** — visit [www.olhsc.org/events](http://www.olhsc.org/events) to sign up.

## Future Parish Leaders

Mount St. Mary's Seminary & School of Theology will host a series of seminars during the 2022-2023 spring semester focused on educating lay people to lead within their parish communities and families. *Leadership in an Age of Apathy*, a seminar for young adults, will take place **Saturday, January 14, from 9:00 a.m. -1 p.m.** This seminar will serve to form young adults, ages 18-35, with knowledge and practical leadership skills. From the foundational spirituality of leadership to instruction on how to be an excellent Catholic parent, young adults who are seeking impact and connection will find it here. They will be formed to better understand their own vocation and what their role is in society to share the gift of Faith. The cost to attend is \$25, morning coffee and lunch included.

## Discernment Retreat for Single Men

The Vocations Office will be hosting a discernment retreat for single men of the archdiocese aged 18-35 at **Mount St. Mary's Seminary & School of Theology on December 16-18**. For registration or more information go to: [catholicaoc.org/vocations/discernment-retreat](http://catholicaoc.org/vocations/discernment-retreat).

## The 40+ Fun Bunch

... is going to the Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption in Covington **this Sunday, December 4, at 3 PM** for an Advent recital. It will be a beautiful way to start the Christmas season together. Visit [cathedralconcertseries.org/advent-festival](http://cathedralconcertseries.org/advent-festival) for details on the recital.



## SAVE THE DATE!

### National Men's Conference:

**March 25, 2023**

The National Men's Conference (formerly known as the Cincinnati Men's Conference) will be held on Saturday, March 25, 2023 at the Cintas Center on the campus of Xavier University. Join us as we hear inspiring speakers, including Fr. Robert J. Spitzer, S.J., grow in fellowship and build our relationship with Jesus Christ centered on the Eucharist. Mass will be concelebrated by Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr and Bishop Earl K. Fernandes. Go to <https://nationalmensconference.com/> for more details.



**Second Sunday of Advent**

**Matthew 3:2. Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!**

Advent is penitential, as well as anticipatory — a time to look inward, as well as to look forward.

Today’s readings encourage us to “Repent for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.” Why is there a need to repent during this joyful and celebratory time of year? After all, this a great time to host parties, go shopping, attend the Festival of Lights, etc. While the world offers us plenty of distractions — and albeit some are worthy — the scriptures remind us to remain focused on the reason for the season.

With the flurry of activities between Thanksgiving and Christmas, it is easy to take our focus off the Lord. However, if we take Christ out of Christmas, we will end up failing to make the holidays happy.

John the Baptist tells us to “Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.” How do we do that? By loving God with our whole heart, mind, body, and soul — as well as loving our neighbor as ourselves. We keep the path straight by living for our Lord.

In the midst of the hustle and bustle of this time of year, the world will tempt us to become distracted by feeding our ego with prestige, popularity, or possessions. Instead, become counter-cultural: repent, turn away or perhaps dial back those temptations. Instead, use this time to deepen your faith. Prayer, fasting, and almsgiving need not only apply to Lent.

This Advent, spend more time with the Lord. Refrain from gorging on Christmas delicacies, donate to a special cause, or perform a work of mercy. As John the Baptist also counsels, “Produce good fruit.” Advent is to Christmas what Lent is to Easter.

Use this time of preparation wisely. ~Trey Rouse

*Trey Rouse and his family (Debra, Quinn, and Marissa) live in Anderson Township. Trey is involved at Mount St. Mary Seminary and the Jesuit Spiritual Center, and with the FATHERS Team and a variety of other ministries.*

**The Word In Your Heart** – a reflective response to the Sunday scriptures – is a faith-sharing opportunity open to all Eastside Family parishioners. New contributors warmly welcomed! Contact Janet Buening at 513-871-9294 or [janetrehlingbuening@gmail.com](mailto:janetrehlingbuening@gmail.com)

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Weekly Giving	Sunday 11/20/22	Sunday Giving thru October	(4 months)
Weekend Collection:	\$4,606	Sunday Giving:	\$294,687
Mailed:	\$3,595	FYTD Budget:	\$351,000
WeShare Online	\$8,674		
<b>Total Sunday Giving:</b>	<b>\$16,875</b>	Over (Under) FYTD Budget:	<b>(\$56,313)</b>
OVER (Under) Weekly Budget:	<b>(\$2,625)</b>		
		FYTD Last Year Actual:	\$321,431
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