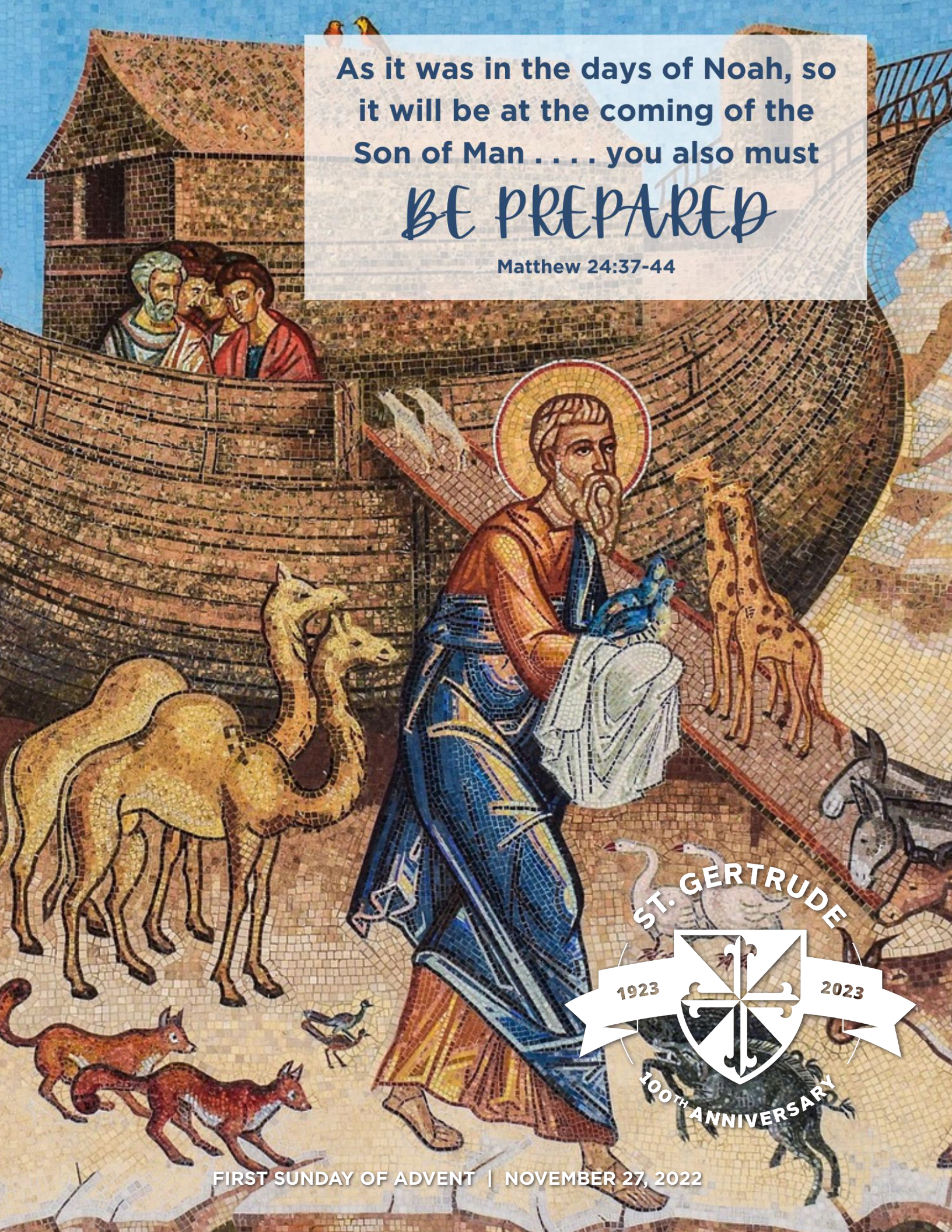


As it was in the days of Noah, so
it will be at the coming of the
Son of Man you also must

BE PREPARED

Matthew 24:37-44



ST. GERTRUDE

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2023

100TH ANNIVERSARY

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT | NOVEMBER 27, 2022

MASSES AND CONFESSIONS AT ST. GERTRUDE

Monday, November 28, Advent Weekday

- 7 a.m. † Holy Souls in Purgatory by John & Jan Cremons
- 8 a.m. † Paul Arling by Brad & Nancy Brockhoff
- 11:30 a.m. † Deceased Members of the Dominican Order

Tuesday, November 29, Advent Weekday

- 7 a.m. † Patrick Wee by Glenn & Cecilia Suntay
- 8 a.m. † Peggy Kindt by Paul D. Kindt
- 11:30 a.m. † Norbert Menke by Peter Bertoli

Wednesday, November 30, St. Andrew (F)

- 7 a.m. † Joanne Sanzere by Mike & Beth Stoll
- 8 a.m. † Harold Noble by The Noble Family
- 11:30 a.m. † Hedy Jansen by Tom & Peggy Frank

Thursday, December 1, Advent Weekday

- 7 a.m. Father George Schommer, O.P., by Greg & Connie Witte
- 8 a.m. † Brittany Peters by Tyler & Molly Castrucci
- 11:30 a.m. † Miguel Obdolio Carrillo by Elvira Carrillo

Friday, December 2, Advent Weekday

- 7 a.m. † Mary Kay Kliethermes by Jeanne Palcic
- 8 a.m. † Betty Schommer by Carol Carbonell
- 11:30 a.m. † Mary Kay Feighery by John Feighery

Saturday, December 3, St. Francis Xavier (M)

- 8 a.m. † Paul Sharpshair by Pete & Donna Marcello
- 11:30 a.m. † Joseph Pope by Kathy Balbach
- 4:30 p.m. † George Sullivan by John & Mary Carol Gagliardo

Sunday, December 4, 2nd Sunday of Advent

- 8 a.m. † William Farrell by Knights of Columbus
- 10 a.m. People of St. Gertrude
- 12 p.m. † Megan Johnson by The Connelly Family
- 6 p.m. Converse Kennedy by Nealy & Pat Mechley

Confessions will be heard in the church Monday-Friday at 4 p.m.,
Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday at 3:30 p.m.

Parish Information

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Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

School Office Hours

Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Church Hours

Every day: 7 a.m.-9 p.m.

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This is an expensive project, but thanks to the generosity of two anonymous donors who have committed to making major donations to St. Gertrude Church on Giving Tuesday, our parish goal is \$125,000

Be part of the excitement! Visit stgertrude.org/GivingTuesday2022 or scan the QR code to give to St. Gertrude on November 29.





A TALE OF TWO ADVENTS

As I am sure most of you (well, hopefully all of you!) are aware, this weekend we begin the liturgical season of Advent. We often think of Advent as the season of preparation before Christmas. Which it is . . . partially. But when we dig down deeper and examine the season more closely, Advent is really *two* seasons. And December 17 is the official “crossover” point where Advent makes a decided shift.

Rather than (simply) calling Advent the season of preparation *before Christmas*, it is really more accurate to call Advent the season where we prepare *for the coming of Christ to the earth*. With that as our overarching understanding of this liturgical season, the “tale of two Advents” comes into clearer view.

During the beginning portion of Advent, roughly the first two to three weeks, there are only occasional references to the coming celebration of Christmas and how Christ first came to Earth as the baby in the manger. During this first part of Advent, the focus instead is on how Christ will come to the earth once again, his second coming, at the end of time. This is the focus of many of the readings both at daily and Sunday Masses and is also very evident in the Preface to the Eucharistic Prayer that is prayed at every Advent Mass from the beginning of the season until December 16. One portion of this Preface is especially beautiful:

*“ . . . that, when he comes again in glory and majesty
and all is at last made manifest,
we who watch for that day may inherit the great promise
in which now we dare to hope.”*

During these first weeks of Advent, therefore, the Church is calling us to remember “the great promise” in which we hope, and to “watch for that day” when, in glory and majesty, Christ will return to the earth and all will at last be made manifest.

However, beginning on December 17—one week out from Christmas Eve—everything changes. The Church begins shifting our attention to the first coming of Christ, his historical coming, in the manger at Bethlehem. The weekday readings from December 17 onward, in particular, are filled with the various Old Testament prophecies of the coming of the Messiah, and the Gospel readings begin telling the story of the Savior’s birth. We also begin using Advent Preface II, which emphasizes this new focus:

*“For all the oracles of the prophets foretold him,
the Virgin Mother longed for him with love beyond all telling,
John the Baptist sang of his coming and proclaimed his presence when he came.
It is by his gift that already we rejoice at the mystery of his Nativity,
so that he may find us watchful in prayer and exultant in his praise.”*

So as we now begin this season of Advent, I pray we can all take advantage of these last days of November and early days of December to truly watch and long for the day, at some unknown point in the future, when Jesus our Lord will return in all his majesty and glory. And once we hit that last week before Christmas, let us all do our best to long for him “with love beyond all telling” and remain watchful in prayer, so that we may rejoice with indescribable joy when we gather to celebrate his birth on Christmas.

God bless,

Rev. John Paul Walker, O.P.

Father John Paul Walker, O.P.



PRAYER FROM ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT



A Prayer for Advent

Lord Jesus, surpassingly sweet, who has said with your own gracious lips that your delights are to be with the children of men: my soul longs for you, my heart yearns now toward you. I invite you to come unto me with all that devotion and that love with which any loving soul has ever invited you. Come, then, O most beloved of my soul; come and turn into the poor and wretched hovel of my heart. Amen.

SCHOOL NEWS

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

- Thursday, December 15: Christmas Pageant
- Friday, December 16: Early dismissal; Christmas Pageant

ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT FEAST DAY

In honor of St. Gertrude's feast day on Wednesday, November 16, our PTO welcomed our students in the morning with yummy donuts. The celebration of our patroness continued later with an all-school Mass.



SPIRIT WEAR

Looking for SGS spirit wear? Check out spirit2share.com/?s=st+gertrude! If there's an item (e.g. bags, tumblers, etc.) that you don't see under SGS that you'd like to order with the bulldog, SGS sport shield (volleyball and basketball), and/or the school shield/logo, feel free to reach out to Taunja Kruckeberg at taunja@spirit2share.com.

OPEN POSITIONS

St. Gertrude School is hiring the following positions for the 2022–2023 school year:

- Grades K-3 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd catechist(s)
- Substitute teachers for grades K-8
- Latin teacher for grades 3-5 (part-time)

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

For the week of November 28, 2022, the school office will be open Monday-Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

MAKE AN IMPACT

Support the St. Gertrude School Annual Fund

For over 85 years, St. Gertrude School has been making a difference in the lives of our students—inspiring spiritual growth, intellectual challenge, and compassion for others. We invite you to support our mission and work by participating in the St. Gertrude School 2022-2023 Annual Fund.

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(TRYING TO) LIVE THE MISSION: WAITING FOR CHRISTMAS

BY CATHERINE FISHLOCK,
PARISHIONER AND NOVITIATE
VOICE INSTRUCTOR

Attempting to prepare for Christmas by actually *waiting* for Christmas can be practically impossible in today's world.

Especially when the heavy battering ram of “The Spirit of Christmas” commercial—with its premature decorating, hours of shopping, holiday music, and party planning—is pounding at the door before Thanksgiving has even arrived.

I was blessed to grow up with parents who were very successful in teaching my seven siblings and me how to wait for things. I believe that part of their success was a clear understanding of and a devotion to the rhythm of life, as established by the Church, not by the world. My mother, in particular, was not to be swayed by TV shows, commercials, trends, the movies, or music of the day. She and my father taught me what being countercultural, in the Christian sense, really means. It wasn't always easy, but now I thank God every day for how they parented me.

One of the most memorable parts of our preparation for Christmas was the *observance* of Advent. We had an Advent calendar, and with eight children, we learned to wait our turns. We each got to open three of the windows over the course of the 24 days. There were no parties and no early gift exchanges. Of course, there had to be some practical preparations for Christmas—secret shopping for gifts, planning for the big meals, and writing and mailing Christmas cards. We baked enough cookies to have on Christmas Eve, but the real baking happened between Christmas Day and the feast of Mary, Mother of God (New Year's Day). To observe Advent meant learning how to hold the reins on celebrating Christmas.

One iron clad rule was that we could not listen to Christmas music until Christmas Eve, when we decorated the tree. The tree never went up before the morning of December 24, and while my father and brothers put the outside lights up a few days earlier, they could not be turned on until we left for midnight Mass. Coming home after Mass was when the celebrating began! The lights on the now-decorated tree could be plugged in, and we stayed up very late eating cookies and treats of all kinds, drinking eggnog, and finally freely playing Christmas carols. The glorious twelve days had officially begun! School was out, the snow was deep on the ground (most years anyway, in central New York), and the presents would be there in the morning. It felt like *something important had actually happened and was real. Christ, the Savior was born.* Everything about it was a thrill, and now there were twelve wonderful days of Christmas parties, singing, baking, visiting, Christmas stories, sledding, and immersing ourselves in the season of Christmas.

When I became a mother, I wanted to carry on these kinds of Advent practices and add some others, as well. There are such things as Advent carols—so beautiful and a relatively untouched resource of religious songs about the coming of the Messiah. Carols like “O Come Divine Messiah,” “Creator of the Stars,” and “The Angel Gabriel” are just a few, and you might even find jazz, country, or pop versions, if that's what you're looking for!

Our Advent wreath hangs from the ceiling in the kitchen, and we use seven-day votive candles so that they burn all week. As the next candle is lit, the glow in the dark kitchen gets a little brighter with each passing week. Each Sunday of Advent, we gather around and sing a verse or two of a carol and light the next candle. When our children were small, they made Advent calendars for each other out of construction paper. We learned about the Jesse Tree from friends here in Cincinnati, which is a wonderful way to walk through the Old Testament, teaching children the foreshadowings of the Messiah. We'd cut out circles of felt and draw a picture of something that connected a Bible story to the birth of Christ—the apple from the Fall, the Arc of the Covenant, the ram from the sacrifice of Abraham. Each day, an ornament was added to the tree with the final one being the Star of Bethlehem on Christmas Eve.

As my children grow up, I hope that the way we spend the Advent season teaches them the truth of what Christmas is really all about and why it's so valuable to learn how to let our hearts beat in time with the heart of the Church.

One Sunday of each month, St. Gertrude Bulletin will feature stories and tips for trying to live the faith in the ordinariness of life.



CENTENNIAL KICKOFF EVENTS RECAP

It's hard to believe that our first centennial events have come and gone. From our kickoff Mass with Archbishop Chris Cardone and our Vigil of All Saints, to Christopher Holman's beautiful organ music concert and our St. Gertrude the Great parish celebration, it's been an exciting month! It was wonderful to see so many parishioners and families participating in the festivities . . . and this is only the beginning. You have more centennial events to look forward to in the new year. For now, enjoy these photos from our kickoff events.



ANNUAL CHRISTMAS NOVENA

Remember your family, friends, and loved ones in a special way this Christmas with our annual Christmas novena of Masses offered here at St. Gertrude Church. The novena will begin on Christmas Day, December 25, 2022, and go through Monday, January 2, 2023. Novena cards are available at the entrances of the church and in the parish office. Please return your novena offering envelope in the collection basket or to the parish office before Christmas.

FIRST QUARTER HONORS - MOELLER

Congratulations to the following parishioners for making the honor roll at Moeller High School: **First Honors** – Michael Billups, Duncan Bonjour, James Collins, John Cordier, Kemper Hassman, Jack Rentrop, Michael Roncallo, Aidan Sargent, John Paul Schuette, Dean Seeger, Chase Snyder, and Thomas Stines. **Second Honors** – William Holt, Christopher Joncas, Converse Kennedy, David Platt, Gabriel Sargent, Isaac Shade, Evan Shannon.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THANKS YOU

There is an Advent spirit in the heart of every human person. It is one of longing, of yearning for a fulfillment that somehow lies beyond ourselves—for we long for the coming of the Lord. Thank you for your participation in the Thanksgiving Food Drive, as well as the St. Vincent de Paul Coat Drive. We will be able to restock our food pantry and extras will be sent to the Neyer Outreach Center on Bank Street to replenish the Food Distribution Center there. Our neighbors in need will be able to obtain a winter coat at one of the Coat Distribution locations being held throughout the city.

LET US PRAY

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THE RECENTLY DECEASED

All Our Beloved Dead



2022 CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

It's already the First Sunday of Advent! That means it's time for the Ladies of Charity annual Christmas Giving Tree project. This weekend, the Ladies of Charity will be at the white van in the parking lot before and after all Masses (except 6 p.m.) handing out the list of needed items. You can also grab a gift tag off of the Giving Tree in the church to help fill the wishes of some very special people. Please drop off your items next weekend, December 3 and 4. For a general list of items and the agencies served this year, please visit stgertrude.org/ladiesofcharity. Thank you for your generosity—you will ensure a joyful Christmas for those in need.

CHRISTMAS IN BETHLEHEM

December 4, 3-7 p.m.

Spend the Second Sunday of Advent at Christmas in Bethlehem, a free family event at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center in Norwood. Activities include a walk through ancient Bethlehem, listening to a children's choir, storytime with St. Nicholas, crafting, eating food and sweets, processing outside with Mary and Joseph to the stable, live animals that you can pet, the star lighting, a gingerbread contest, shopping at the gift store, and more! Visit ohlsc.org/events to register. (Registration is required.)

ADVENT MORNING OF REFLECTION

During this busy season, take time for yourself to slow down, pray, and listen to God's Word at an Advent morning of reflection on Tuesday, December 13, 2022 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Jesuit Spiritual Center in Milford (Loyola Building). The morning will include *Lectio* and *Visio Divina* and help you find peace, community, reflection, and prayer. All are welcome. To register, please call (513) 248-3500, ext. 10, or email reservations@jesuitspiritualcenter.com. Freewill offering.

PREPLANNING SEMINAR

Thinking of a wonderful Christmas gift for your loved ones? Peace of mind is priceless! Attend a Preplanning Seminar on Tuesday, December 13, at 11 a.m., 2 p.m., or 6 p.m. at Gate of Heaven Cemetery (11000 Montgomery Road). Please RSVP by December 12 to community@gateofheaven.org or (513) 489-0300.



THINKING ABOUT SEPARATION OR DIVORCE?

Is your marriage or the marriage of a relative or friend heading for divorce? Do you know how to save that marriage, or do you feel helpless? Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) is designed to help troubled marriages regain their health. It helps spouses uncover or reawaken the love, trust, and commitment that originally brought them together. The program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced. For confidential information about or to register for the January program beginning with a weekend on January 7-9, 2023, call (513) 486-6222 or visit HelpOurMarriage.com.

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Monday, November 28	Tuesday, November 29	Wednesday, November 30	Thursday, December 1	Friday, December 2	Saturday, December 3	Sunday, December 4
Schola Cantorum 3:30 p.m. PC Choir Room	CGS Level I & II 6 p.m. Atrium I & II	Schola Cantorum 3:30 p.m. PC Choir Room	Cana Family – Year 2 9:30 a.m. St. Dominic Lobby	Walking with Purpose Bible Study 8:30 a.m. St. Dominic Lobby	Las Guadalupanas 9 a.m. St. Joseph Room	LofC Giving Tree Drop Offs After 8, 10 & 12 Masses St. Dominic Lobby
Become Catholic (RCIA) 7 p.m. St. Dominic Lobby	Boy Scouts 7 p.m. School Cafeteria	Cub Scouts 6:30 p.m. School Cafeteria	CGS Level I 11:15 a.m. Atrium I	L'alto: Confirmation Teaching Mass (Option 1) 7 p.m. Church	Regina Veritatis First Saturday Meeting 10:50 a.m. St. Joseph Room	CGS Level I & II 9 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Atrium I & II
Healing Rosary 7 p.m. Rosary Garden		Holy Hour with Confessions 7:30 p.m. Church	Regina Veritatis Team Meeting 6:30 p.m. St. Joseph Room		First Saturday Prayer Service 12 p.m. Church	Family Faith – Parent & Child Session 9 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. School Cafeteria
			St. Gertrude School First Reconciliation Parent Meeting 6:30 p.m. School Cafeteria		LofC Giving Tree Drop Offs After 4:30 p.m. Mass St. Dominic Lobby	Winter Sports Mass 12 p.m. Mass
			KofC Business Meeting 7 p.m. KofC Hall			Baptisms 1:15 p.m. Church
			Parish Choir 7 p.m. PC Choir Room			L'alto: High School Night 7 p.m. School Cafeteria
			SGS PTO Meeting 7 p.m. School Library			

INTERESTED IN JOINING ST. GERTRUDE PARISH?

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You can also find paper copies of the registration form in the church and the parish office. We look forward to meeting you.

OFFERING

**St. Gertrude Parish Weekly Collection and Budget Report
Collection for November 20**

Collection	\$	31,011
Weekly Budget	\$	36,500
Weekly Deficit	\$	(5,489)

Second Collection – Catholic Campaign for
Human Development: \$3,211

Fiscal Year-To-Date (for year ending June 30, 2023)

Fiscal YTD Actual	\$	724,397
Fiscal YTD Budget	\$	766,500
Fiscal YTD Deficit	\$	(42,103)

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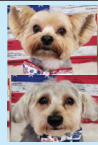
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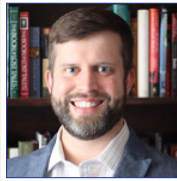
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