

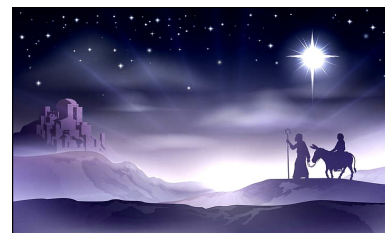
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# Advent AND Christmas 2022

Celebrate the rich traditions and spiritual treasures of the Seasons of Advent and Christmas with family & friends, at home and in church.

**The Advent Wreath** is composed of candles, light, and evergreen in an unbroken circle — a four-week “calendar” of prayer inviting us to prepare ourselves for the coming of Jesus, the Light of the World, Who calls us to everlasting life.



**The Christmas Crèche** was first presented by St. Francis of Assisi in the 13th century at a chapel in Greccio, Italy. It brings to our view the place, people and animals gathered around Jesus at His birth. It is a reminder also that the Wood of the Crib would become the Wood of the Cross. May we never lose sight of God’s incredible love for us!

## Advent-Spiritual Encounter

We welcome Redemptorist priests Fr. Francis, Fr. James and Fr. Phil who will join us on the Holy Day, December 8 and will lay the groundwork leading into an exciting parish spiritual experience, Monday-Wednesday, December 12-14. Please find the full schedule on the flip side of this page. The invitation goes out to one and all.

## The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8 — 6:30AM, 9:00AM & 7:00PM

Our liturgies are celebrated in-person and live-streamed and are accessible to you at all times from our parish website. Christmas is actually 8 days long (the Octave of Christmas).



With Christmas Day falling on Sunday this year, we will have a full and active Advent Season leading us to the Nativity of the Lord.

Take the time and enter into the sacred celebrations with family and friends.

## Christmas Eve

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24 — 5:00PM & MIDNIGHT

*Music prelude begins 15 minutes prior to each Mass.*

## The Nativity of the Lord

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25 —  
9:00AM & 11:30AM



## The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30 — 9:00AM

## The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God

### World Day of Prayer for Peace

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1 —  
SATURDAY VIGIL - 5:00PM  
SUNDAY - 9:00AM & 11:30AM



## The Epiphany of the Lord

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8 —  
SATURDAY VIGIL - 5:00PM;  
SUNDAY - 9:00 & 11:30AM



## The Baptism of the Lord

MONDAY, JANUARY 9 — 7:00PM

*The Christmas Season ends with The Baptism of the Lord.*