

DECEMBER 24, 2023 | THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Cathedral OF THE Incarnation



4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"Therefore the child to be
born will be called holy,
the Son of God." - Lk 1:35

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Friday 7:00 AM & 12:10 PM
Monday - Thursday 5:30 PM UCat

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 8:00 AM (First Saturday Only)
5:00 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday 8:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 5:00 PM

CONFESSION

Saturday 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM

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MASS INTENTIONS

Mass intentions may be obtained for loved ones, living or deceased, through the parish office. Please email info@cathedralnashville.org.

SATURDAY, 12/23

5:00PM † Deceased Members of the Mulhall Family by Martin & Mary Jean Stevens

SUNDAY 12/24

8:30AM † Biagio Raymond by Irene & Kevin F. Raymond
11:00AM † The Hundley Family (Special Intention) by Danielle Bauer
4:00PM (Cathedral) Francis & Aileen Kovacie by Tami Wallace
4:00PM (Fleming Center) People of the Parish
7:00PM † Jimmy Dale Coomer by James Metz
10:00PM People of the Parish

MONDAY, 12/25

10:00AM † Roy Manning by the Manning Family

TUESDAY, 12/26

7:00AM † Margaret Teresa Moran by the Moran Family
12:10PM † Robert Nosal by Ed & Sally Stack

WEDNESDAY, 12/27

7:00AM Seminarians in the Diocese by Cathedral Heart of Mary
12:10PM Vocations
† Deceased Members of the Ambrosino Family by Martin & Mary Jean Stevens

THURSDAY, 12/28

7:00AM † Joseph P. Walsh by Susan Brigance
12:10PM † Ed & Jean Marie Jenkins by Family

FRIDAY, 12/29

7:00AM † Deceased Members of St. Mary's Bookstore
12:10PM Priests of the Cathedral by Christine Di Stadio

SATURDAY, 12/30

5:00PM † Betty Crecelius (3rd Ann.) by Deacon Joe & Pam Holzmer

*May the Souls of the Faithful Departed,
through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen*

This Week At Cathedral

December 23 - December 30

SATURDAY

7:00 Cursillo Group in RM 303 & 304

SUNDAY

8:00 Rosary Before Mass
8:30 CLOW RE RM 104

MONDAY

No Scheduled Events

TUESDAY

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WEDNESDAY

No Scheduled Events

THURSDAY

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FRIDAY

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The 4th Sunday of Advent falls on Christmas Eve this year. Our Sunday Obligation tells us we must attend a Liturgy for that date (12/24) and a separate Liturgy to fulfill our Holy Day of Obligation for Christmas (12/25).



Christmas Mass Schedule

December 23rd & 24th, 2023
Fourth Sunday of Advent
 5:00PM SATURDAY MASS
 8:30AM MORNING MASS
 11AM MORNING MASS

December 24th & 25th, 2023
Christmas Eve
 4PM CHILDREN'S LITURGY IN THE CATHEDRAL
 4PM QUIET MASS IN THE FLEMING CENTER
 7PM VIGIL MASS
 10PM SOLEMN MASS WITH BISHOP SPALDING

Christmas Day
 10AM MORNING MASS
 THERE WILL BE NO 5PM MASS CHRISTMAS DAY

CHRISTMAS AND YEAR-END GIVING

What a year 2023 has been! At Cathedral, we have witnessed Mass attendance increasing, new ministries forming, and generosity overflowing! We are grateful for all of this and excited to see continued growth in the New Year.

Our beautiful Cathedral and campus have seen several improvements this past year – most notably the addition of the new organ; the roof replacement on the Fleming Center lobby, parish offices and connector corridors; landscaping updates and so much more. We are grateful for the generous support given to each of these and so many more needs!

Room in the Inn, Habitat for Humanity, Bishop's Appeal, Haiti Mission, and so many more have received your generosity. Real lives are impacted by your support. For this we are grateful!

And yet, so much remains to be achieved. Please consider making a Christmas or year-end gift to support the many needs and ministries of the Cathedral. As you can see, the needs are many and each of us must unite to do our part to achieve and meet those needs.

Use the QR code at the bottom of page 2 to give a one-time gift or to give monthly. You can also use the envelopes found in the pews or mail a donation to the parish office.

Whatever gift you give, please know that we are grateful for each one. Together, with your generosity, we can continue to serve the needs of our Cathedral Community. Thank you and may God bless you!

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| Deacon Joe & Pam Holzmer – In Memory of Ron & Betty Crecelius, Bob & Margaret Holzmer, Francis, May Claire, Teresa Jane and Gabriel Holzmer | |
| Mr. & Mrs. Rhett Harris – In Memory of our deceased loved ones | |
| Mr. & Mrs. Jonathan Cortner – In Memory of Abigail, Sara and Roland | |
| Ms. Marie-Louise Miesel – In Memory of family and friends | |



The Cathedral Room in the Inn Program has begun! We host 20 men every Tuesday night, EXCEPT December 26. Set up will begin at 5:30pm in the Fleming Center.

*****We are always in need of innkeepers to stay the night.*****

If you are able, please consider helping in this role. Also, we no longer have a bus in the morning, so if you can help as a morning driver, please sign up.

The sign up sheet is here:

Also, we have started the Amazon store. This will be updated throughout the season. Everything is shipped directly to the Cathedral.



<https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view/MOQNY7ZCD0S0>

Contact Sarah McLeod at 615-308-9767 or mcleodsarah@comcast.net for more information.

And this is why Room In The Inn is important...

We wanted to include this beautiful, unedited letter from one of our Room In The Inn Guests as a testimony to this amazing ministry!

Dear Cathedral of the Incarnation,
Thank-you for opening your doors to me. From pick-up to lights out, I felt like I was spending time with family. Thank-you to everyone who made this possible and thanks to those that spent time with me and served me. Loved. That is how I feel after breaking bread with y'all. It's amazing how the love of Christ can be so universal, from homeless to well established. Thanks for pouring out that love tonight. I pray that God bless y'all in the same might way you have blessed me, for when I needed it most God provided me Christians. God provided me you. I wish I didn't need the help, but you gave it without condemnation or condescension. Thanks for your grace, especially in this holiday season. God bless each person who calls the Cathedral of the Incarnation home. Which includes me tonight, I suppose.

Very Respectfully,
Room in the Inn Guest - Night of December 5th, 2023

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Remember the sufferings of Christ, the storms that were weathered... the crown that came from those sufferings which gave new radiance to the faith... All saints give testimony to the truth that without real effort, no one ever wins the crown.

~ Saint Thomas Becket

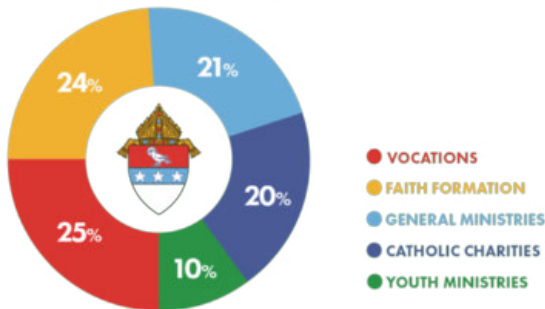


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Thank you for your support of the *Bishop's Annual Appeal for Ministries* which helps to meet the daily needs of your brothers and sisters in Christ. Together, we're providing faith formation for youth and adults; supporting workforce development and financial counseling to prevent homelessness; promoting vocations to priestly and religious life; and forming our seminarians. Your commitment to Catholic ministries is inspiring and truly helps provide the light of Christ for those in need in Middle Tennessee. Scan the QR code to make a gift!



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Text and Email Scammers

This is just a reminder that no member of the clergy or parish staff will contact you by text or email to ask you to send donations, gift cards, etc. If you get one of these, kindly ignore it as they are scammers trying to steal money or information.

Cathedral Heart of Mary Women's Group for Vocations

We are looking to have all of our 28 seminarians adopted. Many seminarians are far from home and several are from other countries. It would involve sending cards for the different holidays, birthdays as well as remembering them in prayer and just staying in touch to let them know you are praying for them. This is a wonderful project to start in Advent. Please contact Pam Holzmer at holzmer5@att.net and she will issue you a Seminarian's name.

Gianna's Group
at the
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All moms of young children are invited to join the Cathedral Gianna's Group, named after St. Gianna Molla, for fellowship and faith formation. Events will include bible studies, prayer groups, playdates, dinners, and more! If you are interested in learning more, please fill out the form linked in the QR code or contact Katie Fullan (314) 456-8609 or katie.fullan@gmail.com.



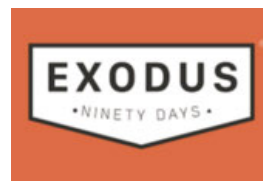


Christmas Nativity scene at the Cathedral, circa late 1960's.

Looking for a way to grow in holiness this New Year?

"The world offers you comfort, but you were not made for comfort. You were made for greatness!"

– Pope Benedict XVI



We weren't created to be comfortable and cozy and in control in this life – we were created to be on fire for Jesus Christ and to live a life of self-giving for God and neighbor.

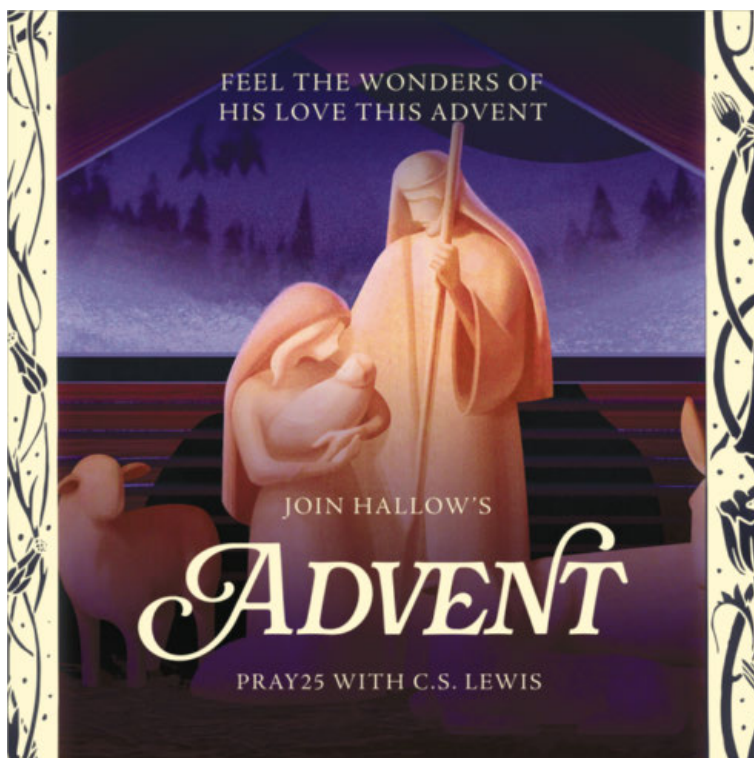
Knowing this to be true, here's an invitation to all the men of The Cathedral to consider the Exodus 90 program this coming 2024 new year. The program will begin on January 1, 2024, and ends on March 31, Easter Sunday. It's a good way to meet other men in the Parish and create community.

Exodus 90 has been around for a few years after it was developed at Mount Saint Mary Seminary in Emmitsburg as a way to help seminarians to find the kind of freedom they needed to be able to pursue vocation to the priesthood, now it is offered to all Catholic men.

Essentially it is 90 days of prayer, fasting, and fraternity – and it's pretty heavy on the fasting or penance part. For more information, email BarneyZeng@gmail.com.

Also, here's a link with more information:

www.Exodus90.com



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Daily Prayers

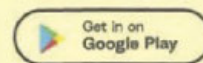
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