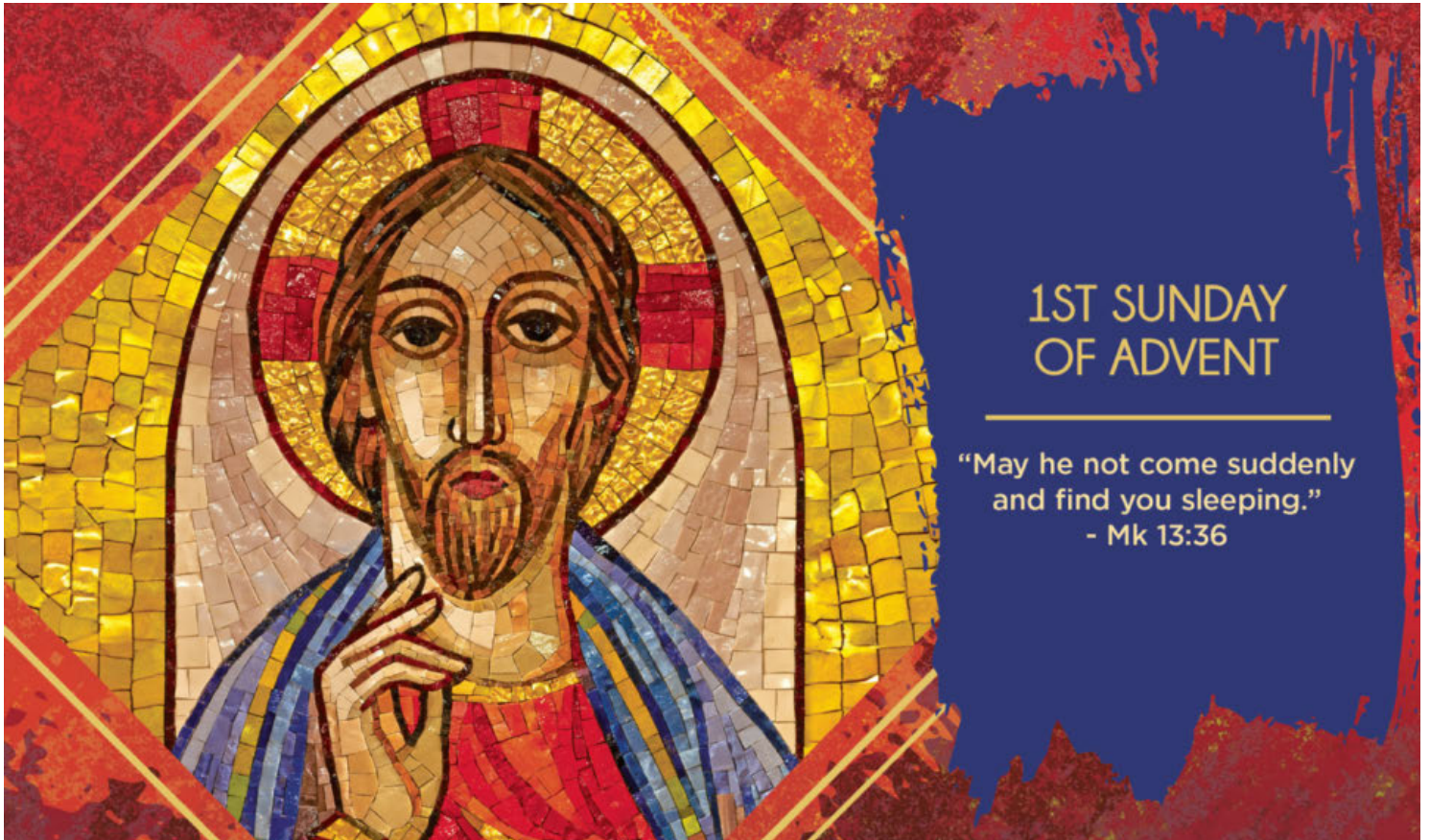


DECEMBER 3, 2023 | THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Cathedral OF THE Incarnation



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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Saturday - Sunday Closed

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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 12/2

8:00AM Special Intention

5:00PM † Amy Helene Kirschke (2nd Ann.) by Thomas Schwartz

SUNDAY 12/3

8:30AM † Lucius Lee Williams by Mary Lodigiani

11:00AM † Katherine "Kitty" Higgins Brogden by Pete & Katherine Delay

5:00PM People of the Parish

8:00PM University Catholic Students

MONDAY, 12/4

7:00AM † Michael Kaplan by Esther Cooke

12:10PM Souls in Purgatory by Martin & Mary Jean Stevens

5:30PM FOCUS

TUESDAY, 12/5

7:00AM † William Carter by Esther Cooke

12:10PM Deacon Hans Toecker by Deacon Joe & Pam Holzmer

5:30PM † Lorine Smith

WEDNESDAY, 12/6

7:00AM † Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary

12:10PM † Deacon CJ Ochee

5:30PM Fr. Ben Butler

THURSDAY, 12/7

7:00AM † Jane Street Gibbons by Kevin Raymond

12:10PM † Geraldine Gallagher Crawford (30th Ann.) by Pete & Katherine Delay

5:30PM † Robert Luttrell

FRIDAY, 12/8

7:00AM † Marta O'Dwyer by Esther Cooke

12:10PM † Deceased Members of the Marx Family by Martin & Mary Jean Stevens

SATURDAY, 12/9

5:00PM † Frederick Sarkis by the Kirschke-Schwartz Family

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

This Week At Cathedral

December 2 - December 9

SATURDAY

7:00 Cursillo Group in RM 303 & 304

SUNDAY

Coffee & Donuts After Morning Masses

8:00 Rosary Before Mass

8:30 CLOW RE RM 104

4:00 CYA Book Club RM 202

6:00 CYG Meeting

MONDAY

4:30 UCat Confession/Adoration

6:30 CYA Bible Study RM 305

7:00 Boy Scouts RM 304

7:30 Cathedral Choir Concert

TUESDAY

4:30 UCat Confession/Adoration

5:30 Legion of Mary RM 204

6:00 RIT in the Fleming Center

6:30 Cursillo RM 202 & 206

7:30 Cathedral Choir Concert

WEDNESDAY

4:30 UCat Confession/Adoration

7:00 K of C Meeting RM 305

THURSDAY

4:30 UCat Confession/Adoration

7:00 RCIA RM 303 & 305

SAURDAY

7:30 Christmas with Kevin & Friends
Fleming Center

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Advent Wreath-Making Workshop

Sunday, Dec 3rd
9:30am-1:00pm
Fleming Center



This is the perfect way to make your own Advent wreath and a great way to bring faith into your household and encourage prayer at home. Kid craft corner available. Reserve your place today. Limited space available.

RSVP: Susan Brigance--615-406-5815,
susan.brigance@vumc.org

The Mary & Martha Women's Group

has resumed meeting the 3rd Thursday of the month, in Room 202 of St. Albert Hall.

Altar Servers Needed

All rising 3rd graders who would like to be altar servers, please contact Deacon Joe and Pam Holzmer at holzmer5@att.net to schedule training.

Information Concerning Advent 2023

This year, the First Sunday of Advent falls on Sunday, December 3rd and the Fourth Sunday of Advent falls on Sunday, December 24th. With the coming of Advent we begin a new liturgical season and soon our reading cycle will be Year B, the Gospel of St. Mark.

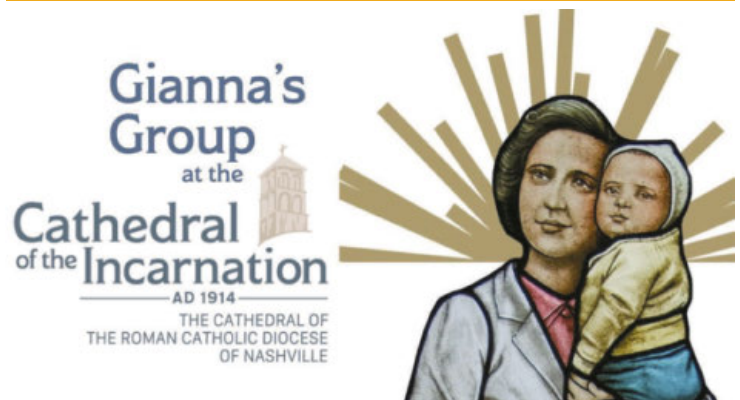
Because the Fourth Sunday of Advent falls on Christmas Eve this year, our Sunday Obligation tells us we must attend a Liturgy for that date (12/24) and a separate Liturgy to fulfill our Holy Day of Obligation for Christmas (12/25).

Masses for December 24th, the Fourth Sunday of Advent, will be:

Saturday, 12/23 at 5pm
Sunday, 12/24 at 8:30am and 11am

Our Masses for Christmas will be:

Sunday, 12/24 at 4pm Children's Mass in the Cathedral
Sunday, 12/24 at 4pm "Quiet" Mass in the Fleming Center
Sunday, 12/24 at 7pm Vigil Mass
Sunday, 12/24 at 10pm Solemn Mass
Monday, 12/25 at 10am



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 With Kevin & Friends

A Dinner / Concert at the
Cathedral of the Incarnation
Saturday, December 9, 2023

Join Kevin Raymond in the Fleming Center at the Cathedral of the Incarnation along with some of his favorite musicians and musical friends from the Cathedral, the Cathedral Choir and around Nashville as we celebrate the Holiday Season in style!

Enjoy an amazing homemade Holiday dinner followed by your favorite music: Holiday classics, comedy and stories.... don't miss it!

Proceeds are aimed at benefiting the preservation and renovation of our historic Cathedral.

Tickets can be purchased online:

<https://cathedralnashville.org/event-calendar/community-events/concerts/>

Dinner & Show - \$42.95 per person

Show Only - \$25 per person

Dinner (Reservations required for the meal) @ 6pm

Concert @ 7:30pm

A cash bar will be available

Scan the QR code for tickets!



The Cathedral Room in the Inn Program has already begun! We will 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 will 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.



The Knights 12th Annual See's Holiday Candies Sale

The Knights 12th Annual See's Holiday Candies Sale takes place the next two Sundays, December 10th and 17th. These candies come pre-wrapped, ready for gift-giving or snacking over the holidays. Originally organized by Terry Hill in 2012, this fundraiser helps support the Knights' many community and service programs. Please help honor Terry's legacy by supporting this Knights' tradition.



The Knights will have a table set up in the Fleming Center between the Sunday morning masses. They will have a selection of milk, dark, or mixed chocolates, and toffee-ettes for walk-up purchase. If you pre-ordered candy, you can pick it up at this time. Contact Chris Crane with any questions. (Christopher.e.crane@gmail.com)

Boy Scout Troop 1914

will be selling Christmas trees at the corner of 44th and Elkins Avenue in Sylvan Park. Sales start the day after Thanksgiving and go through December 10.

Hours are 8:00AM to 9:00PM on Saturdays, 2:30PM to 9:00PM on Sundays, and 5:00 PM to 8:30PM on weekdays.



Help support our Boy Scouts!

"The giver of every good and perfect gift has called upon us to mimic His giving, by grace, through faith, and this is not of ourselves."

— St. Nicholas of Myra
(AKA Santa Claus)

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.



Join Fr. Eric for a Special Mass
Friday, December 15th, 5:30 p.m.

To remember those
who won't be with us this Christmas
A table for displaying photos will be available



PEANUT BUTTER BALLS



2 lbs peanut butter
2 sticks of melted butter
2 lbs powdered sugar
4 packages of chocolate almond bark

Combine the first three ingredients and mix by hand kneading into a dough-like texture. Roll by hand into small mouth sized balls ensuring the peanut butter mixture is tightly compressed.

In a double boiler or via microwave (a little at a time) heat the almond bark until smooth. Toss in the balls and fully cover and lay on aluminum foil to cool completely. Or the more traditional way is to use a toothpick and leave a circle exposed showing the peanut butter mixture this making a buckeye.

Note: this recipe makes A LOT of balls. I suggest calling a friend, family member, or neighbor and splitting the finished product in exchange for help making them. Also I suggest putting them in a candy tin and freezing them until the big day.



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

Join us for our

Christmas at the Rectory

December 16th and 17th

after the 5pm, 8:30 and 11 am Masses.
The Rectory will be decorated for Christmas.
There will be hearty appetizers!
Meet the priests, deacons and fellow parishioners while enjoy the holiday decorations.



A view of the current Reconciliation Chapel as it looked in 1975. Notice the wrought iron gates and the pews that extend to the front of the church. Today, the downstairs organ sits in this spot.

Olive Wood Hand Carvings

On the weekend of December 9th -10th Mary & Khader Abu Sada, a Catholic couple from the Holy Land, will be visiting our parish to market olive wood hand carved religious articles made by the Christian artisans in the Holy Land.

With the hostilities worsening in the Holy Land and due to the lack of Christian pilgrims, the outlets for the olive wood hand carvings have been closed, leading unemployment to increase up to 75% and forcing many Christians to leave the Holy Land in order to find other ways to market their handiwork. But the absence of a living Christian community is very disastrous for the Holy sites such as the Church of Nativity and the Church of the Holy Sepulcher.

This sale is to strengthen the Christian presence in the city of Bethlehem, the birthplace of Jesus, as well as the surrounding areas. All proceeds will go directly to the Christian families and the artisans who are working with this type of hand carvings.

They are going to display all kinds of olive wood religious art works such as: Nativity scenes, Crucifixes, figures, rosaries, etc. which are unique and not usually found in religious stores. These crafts make wonderful presents for all occasions especially for Christmas. Checks and credit cards are welcome.



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| 1. Canned Pineapple | 13. Bag of Beans |
| 2. Canned Peaches | 14. Jar of Salsa |
| 3. Canned Pears | 15. Bag of Chips |
| 4. Canned Green Beans | 16. Boxed Cake Mix |
| 5. Canned Corn | 17. Boxed Muffin Mix |
| 6. Canned Black Beans | 18. Tub of Coconut Oil |
| 7. Can of Chili | 19. Jug of 100% Juice |
| 8. Can of Chicken Soup | 20. Package of Pasta |
| 9. Can of Tomato Soup | 21. Jar of Pasta Sauce |
| 10. Box of Cereal | 22. Jar of Peanut Butter |
| 11. Box of Granola | 23. Canister of Oatmeal |
| 12. Bag of Rice | 24. Box of Crackers |

Cathedral of the Incarnation will be giving to the Ladies of Charity this Advent Season. The Ladies of Charity give generously to those in need. They have given over 200 boxes of assorted foods to families every month. Please add some canned goods to our collection this Advent Season.



The Elijah Cup Program Is Coming!

What is the Elijah Cup?

The Elijah Cup ministry has as its main focus to pray for an increase in priestly, diaconal, and religious vocations. Each week, a family, couple, or individual that has signed up will receive the Elijah Cup Chalice at Mass. For that week the chalice remains with them as a focal point of prayer in their homes, dedicated specifically for an increase in vocations. At the end of the week the chalice is returned and is then handed over to the next person, couple, or family that signed up.



Why is it called the Elijah Cup?

The scriptural basis of the program is from the Old Testament reading of Elijah and the widow (Kings 1: 8-15) where God promises the widow that by providing food for Elijah of what little she had "the jar of flour shall not go empty, nor the jug of oil run dry". At this command, the widow and her son were able to eat for a year without running out of food. Likewise through this program, by offering what we have we pray that God will provide and we will see an overflow of vocations in the parish, the deanery and the Diocese at large.



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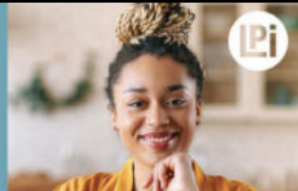
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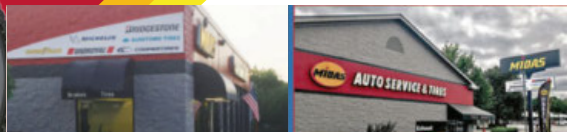
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