



Weekly NEWS

December 14th , 2025

Important Dates

- **Dec 21 and 28 No PSR**
- **Jan 4 PSR Begins again**
- **Jan 25th NO PSR**
- **Feb 8th Class 10am and Mass 11am**

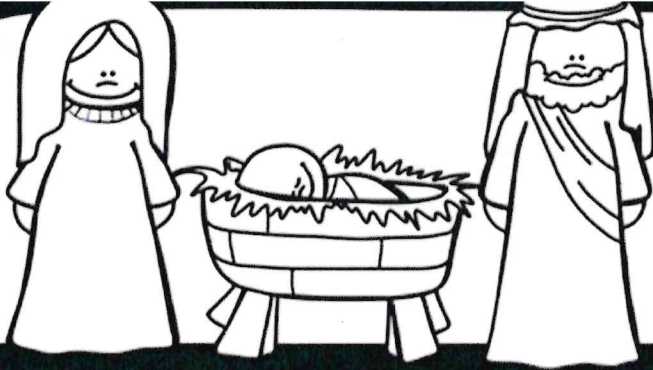
Reminders

Advent is a time to prepare
for Christ's Coming.
Have a very Merry Christmas,
see you in January!

What Are We Learning?

*Look at a Candy Cane
What do you see?
Stripes that are red
Like the blood shed for me
White for my Savior
Who's sinless and pure!
"J" is for Jesus My Lord, that's for sure!
Turn it around
And a staff you will see
Jesus my shepherd
is coming for Me!*





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Faith Reflection

First Reading

Isaiah 35:1-6,10

Second Reading

James 5:7-10

Gospel Reading

Matthew 11:2-11

It is easy to look at our world and become discouraged by the apparent absence of God and signs of God's salvation. Advent, however, is a season of hope, in which we acknowledge that salvation is both mysteriously present, even in our world, and yet to be fulfilled. Together as a family, look through the newspaper for signs of hope that God is at work in our world. Pray that the world will know God's salvation by praying together the Lord's Prayer.

Good News

A TRADITION CONTINUES, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5 FROM 6:30-8:30PM:

Advent By Candlelight FOR WOMEN

ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT is an opportunity for the women of our parish and their guests to focus minds and hearts on the Advent season—the joyful anticipation of our Messiah's incarnation—setting aside the hustle and bustle of holiday preparation.

In fellowship, and fortified by music and delicious desserts, we will explore the theme

"Magnifying Presence: The Visitation" with our guest Sr. Janet McCann, ASC.

All women are welcome, Friday, Dec. 5, from 6:30-8:30pm in the Garden Level.

We encourage parish ladies to host a table of 8-10, and provide dessert and decor for your table.

(Coffee, tea and water will be provided, avon is optional.)

To host a table or come as a guest, please see the sign-up sheet in the Gathering Space, or contact

Beth Pembrey at beth.s.pembrey@gmail.com or 636-328-6556.

Parish Mass of Thanksgiving

♦NEW: Wednesday evening, November 26, 6pm

Additional Advent Opportunities

♦Sacrament of Reconciliation: Advent Saturdays, for everyone, 3:30-4:30pm, RC'S Student Services Dec. 4 at 1pm, PSR Family Services Saturday, Dec. 13 at 2pm.

♦NEW: Fr. Brian's Advent Music & Reflection, Thursday, Dec. 4 at 6:30pm

♦Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception Masses on Monday, Dec. 8, morning & evening (check bulletin)

♦Decorate for Christmas, Sunday, Dec. 21, after 11am Mass

What Are We Learning?

Any students who missed the placement test can sign up for the Makeup Placement Test, to be held January 10, 2026 at 8:30am. Contact Pam Kueker to Sign up.

The 2026-27 New Student Application deadline to be included in our January 16 Acceptance Day event is Monday, January 5, 2026. Go to <https://gibaulthawks.com> and click "APPLY" to apply. All 7th and 8th graders can schedule a shadow visit and spend the day with one of our Student Ambassadors. Go to <https://gibaulthawks.com> and click "INQUIRE" to request more information. Questions can also be emailed to our Admissions Coordinator, Pam Kueker at pkueker@gibaulthawks.com.