Advent Events

Mass Schedule

Weekend:

Saturday 4:00pm

Sunday 8:00am, 10:30am, 6:00pm

Weekday:

Monday - Thursday 8:00am

First Friday, First Saturday:

12/6, 12/7, Mass at 8:00am

Holy Day Mass Schedule:

Immaculate Conception—

Monday, 12/9

8:00am, 10:00am, 7:00pm

Christmas Eve—

Tuesday, 12/24

4:00pm

7:00pm

Christmas—

Wednesday, 12/25

Midnight

9:30am

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Mary, Mother of God

Tuesday, 12/31/18 5:30pm Wednesday, 1/1/19 9:30am

Confession times in Advent:

Saturday: 3:00-3:45pm

Sunday: 7:30-7:45am, 10:00-

10:15am, 5:30-5:45pm

Reconciliation Service:

Saint Matthew Church, Windham

Sunday, December 1st at 1:30pm

Wednesday, 12/11 7:00pm

Wednesday, 12/18 7:00pm

Monday, 12/23 7:00pm

<u>Activities</u>

Lighting of the Outdoor Crèche

- Monday, December 2, 6:30pm at the outdoor Crèche
- Refreshments and Children's Activities to follow in the Parish Center

Youth

Youth Group

Advent Prayer Group — 6:00-7:00PM Fridays, December 6th, 13th, 20th

Youth Group Christmas Party

December 14th 6:00-7:30PM

Contact Adam Castor for more details

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

"How pleasing to Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament is the short quarter of an hour that we steal from our occupations, from something of no use, to come and <u>pray</u> to Him, to <u>visit</u>

Him, to <u>console</u> Him."

-St. Jean Vianney, the Curé d'Ars

Monday-Thursday 6:45-7:45am, Rosary at 7:20am

Wednesday 8:30-9:30am, 2:00-8:00pm

Children

The Children of Mary Prayer Group

is every Sunday at 11:45am in the Meeting Room. Come and join us as we grow closer to Jesus through Mary

NEEDED:

Angels, Shepherds and Singers

Join us as we prepare for the **Christmas Pageant** before the 4:00pm Mass on Christmas Eve

Rehearsals are:

Sundays, December 8th, 15th, & 22nd At 11:30am in the Church

For more information, contact Gary and Wendy Williams at 635-7669

JESUS aCROSS the Border

"Make Room" Christmas Concert

December 20, 2019

Immaculate Conception Parish
216 East Dunstable Rd., Nashua NH
7:00 PM - 12:00 AM
In partnership with: THRIVE Young Adults Group



St. Patrick Parish Christmas Craft Fair

Saturday, December 7th
9:00AM-4:00PM
in the Parish Center
Christmas Shopping, as you vis

Do your Christmas Shopping, as you visit the many local artisan tables, get some delicious food, win a raffle, and socialize with others.

The Advent Wreath

Everyone in the family can be involved in making an Advent wreath in your home. Explain the symbolism of each part. Decide how each person will participate in preparing the wreath and in daily or weekly family devotions. The first time you gather to pray around the wreath, have someone review the meaning of each part.

Circular Shape — The Advent wreath is a circle. We cannot find the end or the beginning of a circle. The circular Advent wreath reminds us that Jesus came to give us a life that will never end, eternal life with God in heaven.

Evergreen Branches — The evergreen branches used to make the circle do not change color as do the leaves on other kinds of trees. The evergreens in the Advent wreath remind us that God never changes: God always has loved us and always will.

Candles — There are four candles on the Advent wreath, one for each week in Advent. They remind us that the Jewish people waited a long time for the Savior to come. The burning candles remind us that Christ, the Light of the World, brightens the darkness around us. Each week we light one more candle, a sign that the more we let Christ into our lives, the brighter our lives will be.

PRAYER FOR EACH WEEK OF ADVENT

Opening Prayer — O God, bless this Advent wreath. May it help us prepare to welcome Jesus, your Son, into our lives, letting the light of his love shine through us. Amen.

Week 1 (*Light 1 candle*) Come to us, Lord Jesus. Warm our hearts with your love. Help us to prepare for your coming. Help us to see the good things we can do. Help us to see the good things others do. Come, Lord Jesus. (*Pause for silent prayer*.)

Week 2 (*Light 2 candles*) We believe in you, Lord. We know that you can help us to love each other more. You are our light. Come, Lord Jesus. (*Pause for silent prayer*.)

Week 3 (*Light 3 candles*) Jesus, we want your coming to make a difference in how we live and love. Open our hearts to hear you telling us how we can bring peace and joy to others. Come, Lord Jesus! (*Pause for silent prayer*.)

Week 4 (*Light 4 candles*) Quiet the worries and fears in our hearts, Lord. Give us your peace. Thank you for the life you share with us. Help us to share that life with others. Come, Lord Jesus! (*Pause for silent prayer*.)