



Youth Ministry Newsletter for the week of December 8, 2024

Happy Thursday!

Baby It's Cold Outside! As you ponder ways to stay warm, consider the following:

- Pick up a tray after Masses to make cookies for the Cookie Sale on December 14/15. Better yet-come join Mrs. Aileo for her Gingerbread cookie baking gathering on December 14! So much fun!
- December 8 is Walk Through Bethlehem. See location Information below. NO evening programming. No Youth Group Meal. No Crescendo Practice.
- 8th Graders are on for Celebrate Youth Mass next Sunday, December 15 at the 11:15a Mass. 8th grade parents were sent an email today to sign up their children for youth Mass responsibilities. One of our own, Ryan Corrigan, will be giving a reflection about the Sunday readings! Go Ryan!

Youth Group Calendar

YOUTH MINISTRY

As we continue into Advent, remember that December activities go crazy! Don't forget to take time to reflect on the "reason for the season"! Here's a brief look into all the events through the end of the year so that you can get dates on your calendars:)

Here is the sign up genius Link to volunteer to help and/or participate with some of these activities: We still need help for all events! At this point, Jesus will never be born as we have no one for the Living Nativity! Lots of folks talking about the MS lockin, but no forms are in?!

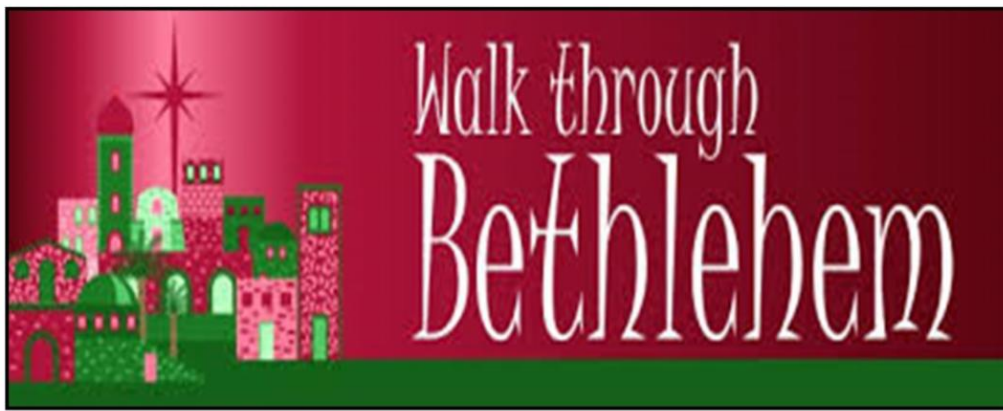
December Happenings

December 6-Christmas Concert
December 8-Walk Through Bethlehem--No evening programming
December 11-Confirmation TEAM meeting
December 13-Give A Parent A Hand-Christmas Babysitting

December 14-Gingerbread Cookie Baking gathering
December 14/15-Laura McKelvey Christmas Cookie Sale
December 15-Celebrate Youth Mass (8th grader)
December 22 & 29-No Christian Formation
December 24-Living Nativity at 4p Mass
December 27/28-Middle School New Years Eve Lock in
January 5-Christian Formation Resumes

UPCOMING EVENTS

Last chance for online orders of Christmas Greenery! Go to GiftitForward.com, use our code **STANNVA001** to sign in (include the name of your favorite youth to ensure your order gets added to their fundraising efforts) and order like crazy! For each item you purchase either using a specific Youth name or no name (profits go into the general account for youth) \$8 is made.



Step back 2,000 years in time and walk the busy streets of Bethlehem. See the Angel of the Lord appear and witness baby Jesus lying in a manger.

Sunday, December 8, 2024

25115 Smith Grove Rd, Petersburg, VA 23803

Meet at Ann's at 3:30p or meet us there around 4p.

- . Transportation is on your own. If you need a ride, You MUST CONTACT ELISE to arrange one:)**
- . Bring a canned good or two for your "entrance fee".**
- . This is our class for the evening! There will be NO EVENING ACTIVITIES.**

All are welcome!

**CHRISTMAS GIVE A PARENT A HAND
(aka Christmas Babysitting)**



Take the night off to go to dinner or get Christmas shopping out of the way!

WHEN: DECEMBER 13, 2024

WHERE: Condon Hall (Yep you read that right!)

TIME: 6:00PM-9:00PM

*We'll serve them dinner, help them with crafts, watch movies
AND HAVE LOTS OF FUN!*

We'll need volunteers, young and old, to help make this a big success!

*For more information, contact Elise at 526-2548/921-1022 or
echapman@stanncc.com*



Authentic Gingerbread Cookie Baking
(also sugar cookies)
With special
"classically royal frosting"
recipe and tips for decorating
from Mrs. Aileo!

December 14, 2024
9:00a-1:00p

In preparation for the Cookie Sale!
Limited Spaces available!
Families welcome!

[https://www.signupgenius.com/
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2023#/#](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094AA9AA29A20-46324362-2023#/)



*The Laura
McKelvey
Christmas
Cookie
Sale*

*The Christmas Cookie Bake Sale will be held
after all masses on December 14th & 15th.*

- Proceeds will go towards new altar linens and liturgical supplies.*
- Cookie trays in the commons (Nov 17-Dec 8)*
- Fill with your favorite cookies*
- Label specialty cookies (Nut/gluten free, pets)*
- Return tray Sat. Dec 14th between 12-5p. Please label with type of cookie.*

*Volunteers also needed to help sell cookies. Please
see signup sheet in the commons or at
The sign-up genius link:*

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094AA9AA29A20-holiday1#/>



LIVING NATIVITY
December 24, 2024
4pm Family Mass

WE NEED:

MARY, JOSEPH
(Confirmation or Senior Students)

3 SHEPHERDS & an ANGEL(S)
(Middle School Students)

A Donkey, a Sheep, camel (or a few elementary
kids who love to wear costumes)
and a couple bales of hay would be awesome
too!

Know anyone who's expecting about that time?

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Middle School New Year's Eve Lock-In

Friday, December 27 at 6pm
Thru
Saturday, December 28 at 10am.
Condon Hall

Lots of fun, Food & sleep (NOT)!
Cost \$25
Friends are welcome!

Bring a sleeping bag, pillow,
snack to share, movies to watch,
games to play, you get the idea!

Permission slips required!
Adult volunteers Needed!

Lock In Permission Slip

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