



Sunday Praise & Worship Community Bulletin

December 2, 2018

Monday	Dec. 3	8-9:00PM	Intercessory Prayer - Our Lady's Chapel, Goshen House
Saturday	Dec. 8	9AM-2PM	St. Nick's Shoppe – Mother of God School Gym
Saturday	Dec. 8	5-10:00PM	Lessons & Carols & Community Advent Celebration -Goshen House
Monday	Dec. 10	8-9:00PM	Intercessory Prayer - Our Lady's Chapel, Goshen House



Please come if you can for **intercessory prayer in Our Lady's Chapel at Mother of God Community on Monday of each week from 8:00 pm to 9:00 pm** to intercede for the state of the Church and the world, in particular regarding the sex abuse scandal and for the victims, for healing and restoration. With confident prayer that God hears the cry of the poor, we trust that our prayers will be taken to the heart of the Father through the mighty Name of Jesus and through the powerful intercession of Our Lady. Intercessory prayers will continue every week, same time, same place. Please join us when you can; pray on your own when you can't!



The Mother of God Community Council invites members and friends to consecrate/renew their **consecration to Mary on Tuesday, January 1, 2019** (Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God), our community's patronal feast. Participants are encouraged to pray with the book *33 Days to Morning Glory* **starting on Thursday, November 29th** in preparation for their consecration or re-consecration. Purchase the prayer book or smaller magazine at our praise & worship gathering.



Get a head start on your Christmas shopping and support **Mother of God School** at the same time, at this year's **St. Nick's Shoppe**, open to the public in the school gym on **Saturday, December 8 from 9 am until 2 pm**. Inexpensive gifts are available for purchase, as well as snacks and gift wrapping; all proceeds go to support the Mother of God School. **Thank you in advance for your support!**



CELEBRATE THE COMING OF OUR SAVIOR at our **Community Advent celebration**, on **Saturday, December 8th starting at 5:00 p.m. in Goshen House**. Once again Ray and Dawn Glennon have agreed to take on the lion's share of this tradition started by our beloved Janice Zimmerman, who will no doubt be enjoying the festivities from up above. **Additional helping hands are always appreciated!**

Here is the schedule of events:

5:00 p.m. Lessons and Carols in Our Lady's Chapel – *join us for this beautiful presentation of the Christmas story!*

6:00 p.m. Dinner Reception with various food stations around the living room and dining room.

Around 7:00 p.m. **Saint Nicholas** makes his appearance with goodie bags for the children.

Merry-making continues, along with **clean-up and departure by 10:00 p.m.**

Cost, payable at the door, is **\$10.00 per person, \$30.00 maximum per family**. We are asking, in addition to the entrance cost, for each family to *bring a dessert to share*. This can be a favorite Christmas treat, cookies, cake, or chocolates, M&M's, candy canes – anything you enjoy at Christmastime! Be creative!

There is no RSVP required, but ****please tell Teri Stief** in the MOGC office, the names of kids** who are coming (up to age 16) so we'll know who St. Nicholas should bring a goodie bag for.
Put on your best holiday duds, a happy heart and celebrate Jesus' coming with us!!



Please join us for our annual **Christmas Eve Mass**, on **Monday, December 24 at 7:00 pm** in the school gym, celebrated by our good friend Fr. Peter Ryan, SJ. Following Mass we'll have a simple **Christmas cookie reception** in the gym hallway – *bring your favorite Christmas cookies* to share! Clean-up will be quick and easy so the kiddos can get to bed before Santa arrives!

** You are invited to **sponsor a potted poinsettia plant** that will adorn the altar during our Christmas Eve Mass – **please donate \$10.00 check or cash to the MOGC office**, along with a note indicating your intentions. Those who sponsor a plant can then take it home with them after Mass to enjoy it during their family Christmas celebration. Thank you for your support!

**Patronal Feast Day Celebration
Tuesday, January 1, 2019, 11:30 am
Goshen House Dining Room**

Celebrate the liturgical **Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**
with a community brunch
followed by prayers of consecration to Our Lady
on her Feast Day and ours.

*The name "Mother of God" was chosen for our community to signify that, like Mary,
we are called to receive and treasure the Word of God in obedient faith.
By yielding ourselves to God that Christ may be formed in us, we become vessels
through which Christ is brought forth into the world.*

Please bring a baked good to share as part of our meal.
Everyone is welcome!

NOTE: Parish Masses at St. John Neumann are at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Contact Teri Stief at 301-648-8557 for more information or to help.

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