

Every day, every one of us experiences countless encounters

These encounters can be casual; as simple as two strangers making eye contact in a store. Encounters can be life-changing: strangers chatting and discovering they are long-lost siblings.

An encounter usually entails surprise or conflict. These days, encounters can be unnecessarily nasty.

Catholic-Christians know that every encounter is pregnant with the possibility of meeting Jesus Christ; God with us—Emmanuel.

Our Advent and Christmas tagline this year is “Encounters with Grace.” Our prayer is that the spiritual wisdom of our Roman Catholic traditions will hone your awareness of the precious presence of Christ in each moment — especially in the Sacraments of the Church. **From that awareness, may you find grace and share grace in every encounter.**

Please take a moment to review the events on these pages, especially Reconciliation and Mass.

If you have been away from the Church, please come home and share the gift of your presence with us.

Lucker Christi

Worship & Prayer

★ THE FOUR SUNDAYS OF ADVENT

- ◆ Nov. 27, Dec. 4, 11, 18
- ◆ Mass at 5pm Saturday ◆ 8:30 & 10:30am Sunday

★ THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Thursday, Dec. 8

- ◆ Mass at 6:30p Dec. 7 ◆ 9am Dec. 8

★ DAILY MASS

- ◆ 9-9:30am Tuesday and Friday in the chapel
- ◆ 9am Wednesday in church with Holy Trinity School

Give your soul the gift of participating in daily Mass at a parish near you. The scripture readings and the saints are exceptionally rich these seasons.

★ EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

- ◆ Tuesdays after 9am Mass until 8pm
- ◆ Tuesday, Dec. 13 ◆ “Behold the Mystery,” a diocesan-wide Holy Hour



The Sacrament of Reconciliation

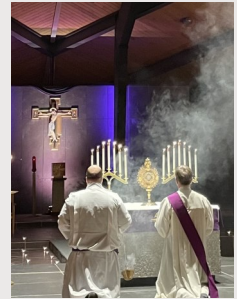
“Prepare the way of the Lord!” Heed St. John the Baptist’s cry every Advent. Encounter Christ’s mercy by making a heartfelt confession and receiving the grace of absolution.

- ◆ 10-11am every Saturday (except Christmas Day)
- ◆ Noon to 1pm & 5-6pm Wednesday, Dec. 21

★ SPECIAL ADVENT SERVICE with RECONCILIATION & EXPOSITION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT

- ◆ 6:30pm Wednesday, Dec. 14

A three-year Eucharistic revival is underway in the United States. This service will begin with a holy time of adoration and include reconciliation for anyone who would like the Sacrament of Reconciliation.



Other Events

★ ADVENT PROGRAM presented by HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL

◆ Monday, Dec. 12 at 6:30 in church. All are welcome. Enjoy the 8th Grade Bell Choir, Advent scriptures and music performed by the students. Milk & cookies afterward.

★ FRESH NUTS SALE after Mass Dec. 3, 4, 10, 11

A fundraiser for the Conklin Knights of Columbus.

Christian Charity

★ GIFT BAGS FOR LOCAL FAMILIES IN NEED

Take a tag or a bag from the Narthex window as you leave Mass. The next time you come to church, bring your gift and place it in the “give area” to your right as you enter the Narthex. Gifts are needed by Dec. 7.

★ CATHOLIC CHARITIES CHILDREN AND YOUTH GIFTS

Foster parents will have the opportunity to shop for their children at Catholic Charities’ Clients Christmas Store. Could you help stock it with merchandise? Collection boxes will be in the Narthex until Dec 11 for your unwrapped gift.

★ RETIREMENT FUND FOR THE RELIGIOUS — A collection on the third Sunday of Advent to provide care for elderly men and women who taught in schools, served in health care, worked in parishes and served as missionaries.

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Happy New Year!

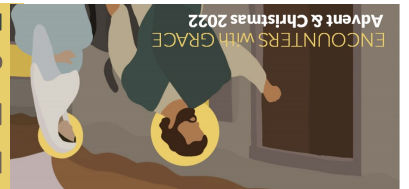
A new year of grace has begun. If you've been away, we'd love to see you at Christ's table.
Early is great, but **BETTER LATE THAN NEVER.**

1st Sunday of Advent ✦ Nov. 27

Eucharistic
NATIONAL
Revival



**MAY THIS MAILER BRING GIFTS OF FAITH,
PEACE & JOY into your home and to every
encounter this season.**
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**2021-22 FINANCIAL REPORT
INSIDE**

THANK YOU to all whose
financial offerings, time,
talent and PRESENCE are
keeping our parish strong in
these changing times.



Season of Advent: Nov. 27—Dec. 24, 2022 ✦ Season of Christmas Dec. 25—Jan. 9, 2023