

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2023 | SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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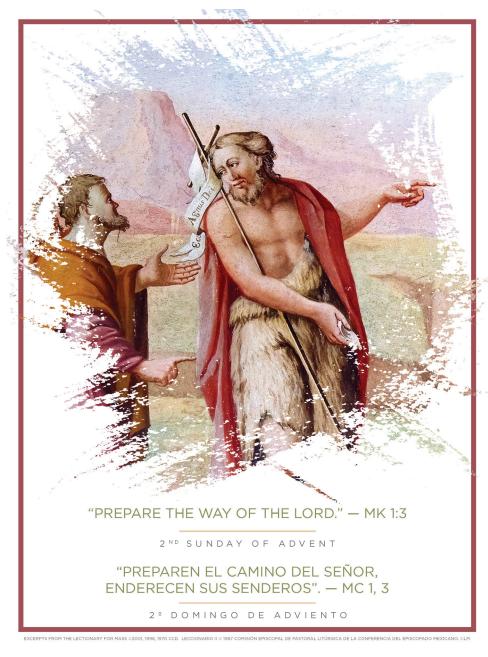
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"Unfurl the sails, and let God steer us where He will." - Saint Bede

SANCTUARY CANDLE

Msgr. Joseph Lehman

PRAYER REQUESTS

May the healing hand of God rest on these people and all others in need.

Valentine Judy Andrade Barbara Andrilla Joe Andrilla Frank Carrubba Familia Contreras Familia Diaz Tom Duffy Kathy Elias Dylan B. Flores Imelda Foley Anabel Galarza Joe Gordineer Cindy Germain Richard Hamon Yun Mee Hong Jenny Dick Johnson Karen Kessler John T Kostoff

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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY. DECEMBER 9

Vittorio Minichiello † 5:30 pm

Lynne R. Wallace †

SUNDAY. DECEMBER 10

8:30 am

John Delee † Sasha Digges †

Kathleen Furlong †

11:00 am Genevieve Karlicek

Sarah Skelly Keatley †

Paul Leo †

5:00 pm Pro Populo

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12

9:00 am Fr. Eric Ayers Fr. Anthony Ferguson

Fr. Kyle O'Connor

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13

9:00 am Msgr. Joseph Lehman † THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14

Abigail Avres † 9:00 am

Glenn Gillespie † Ralph Harshbarger †

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15

Legion of Mary 9:00 am

Mike Peifer

SATURDAY. DECEMBER 16

5:30 pm Pro Populo

> Subject to change if there is a funeral or if a celebrant is unavailable

DECEMBER MONTH ONLY

DAILY MASS

Tuesday-Friday 9:00 am 1st Saturday 9:00 am

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday Vigil 5:30 pm 8:30 am Sunday 11:00 am

> 2:00 pm (Spanish) 5:00 pm

Sunday Mass is also live-streamed at 8:30 am and 2:00 pm

RECONCILIATION & ADORATION

Please visit our website www.bedeva.org for the full Liturgical schedule. Due to the holidays and special events changes in times will vary.

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BULLETIN DEADLINES

Articles should be submitted two weeks prior before the weekend you want it printed.

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHOM DO I CONTACT TO REGISTER MY CHILDREN FOR BAPTISM?

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For children receiving First Reconciliation and First Communion, Rita Hipple | rhipple@bedeva.org

For teens preparing for Confirmation, Deacon Grimm | ppalm@bedeva.org

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WHOM DO I CONTACT TO GET MARRIED AT SAINT BEDE?

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WHOM DO I CONTACT TO REQUEST SICK, HOMEBOUND AND HOSPITAL VISITS?

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WHOM DO I CONTACT TO RENT KAPLAN PARISH HALL?

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WHOM DO I CONTACT ABOUT RESERVING A NICHE IN THE COLUMBARIUM?

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WHOM DO I CONTACT FOR SPANISH INQUIRIES?

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

SECOND DAY OF ADVENT

First Reading:

A voice cries out in the desert prepare the way of the LORD! Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God! (Is 40:3)

Psalm:

Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation. (Ps 85)

Second Reading:

We await new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. (1 Pt 1:13)

Gospel:

John the Baptist appeared in the desert proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. (Mk 16:4)

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WEEKLY READINGS

Sunday:

Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

Monday:

Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday:

Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde, 19/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Wednesday:

Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/ Mt 11:28-30

Thursday:

Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab/Mt 11:11-15

Friday:

Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mt 11:16-19

Saturday:

Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

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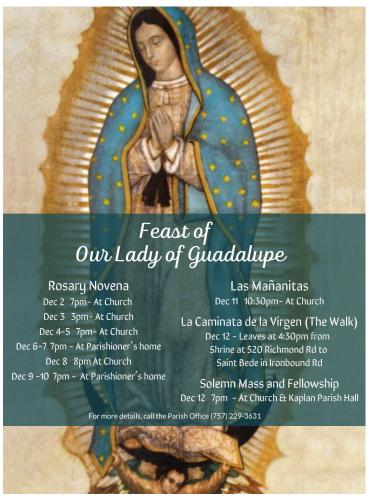
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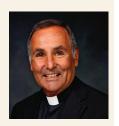
Sunday, December 10, 2023 | Second Sunday of Advent



MEMORIAL MASS FOR MSGR. JOSEPH LEHMAN

DECEMBER 13 - MASS 9:00 AM

We will commemorate the passing of Msgr. Joseph Lehman with a Mass offered in his honor.



All are welcome to attend and remember our beloved pastor.

The offices will open at 10:00 AM instead of 8:30 AM, so the staff may attend this Mass.



DECEMBER 16 - 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

In celebration of the 20th anniversary of the release of the final Lord of the Rings film, Fr. Anthony Ferguson will be offering a one-time presentation about the rich Catholic symbolism found in JRR Tolkien's book trilogy.

Each of the Seven Sacraments, from Baptism to Holy Orders, will be covered in this rousing catechetical adventure for the entire family... wizards, halflings, and all. RSVP's are not required

Saint Bede Catholic Church invites you to join us for

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Christmas Eve

 $4:\!00\,pm\quad Saint\,Bede\,Youth\,Choir\,Mass\,w/Brass$

Quintet

6:30 pm Saint Dunstan Ringers w/ Bell Choir and

Brass Quintet

8:30 pm Misa en Español

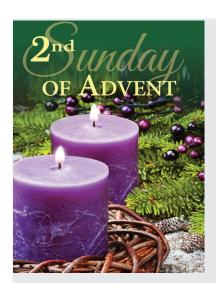
Coro la Paz w/ Instruments

10:30 pm Schola Cantorum w/ String Quartet

9:00 am Saint Cecilia Choir w/ Brass Quintet
11:00 am Saint Cecilia Choir w/ Brass Quintet







GOSPEL MEDITATION

SECOND DAY OF ADVENT

We like to think we are totally free, but the bitter truth is we simply are not. Or better put, our freedom is limited on every side — by governments, corporate giants, physical and mental frailties, genetic shortcomings, and even the boundaries of time

and space, and above all, the burden of our sins and pending deaths. In our day, we are perhaps particularly aware that we are not free to disconnect from the technocratic rulers of the air. If you doubt me, try not paying your internet bill and see what happens. We are not totally free.

It's nothing new, of course. In Jesus' day, everyone felt the crushing weight of the Roman Empire. You can say you're free all you want. But try not paying your taxes to Rome and see what happens.

Once we feel this burden in our own lives — however it comes — we are ready to hear the stunning announcement that commences Mark's gospel, "The beginning of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God." It's not a simple perfunctory introduction, but a dramatic announcement of new freedom. The word "gospel" was a political, even military, term. It meant: a great victory has been won and a new king is in charge. This Jesus — not the Roman emperor — is God's son, and he has defeated all that crushes human freedom. It's time to follow him and be truly free. This week let's refuse to submit our freedom to false rulers — especially that of sin. And let's rejoice that Christ is coming to make us perfectly free from all our oppressors. ©LPi

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

DECEMBER 11 - 6:00PM TRAINING IN CHURCH

Bring our most sacred treasure—the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ—to fellow parishioners at Masses. Additional Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are needed. One must have a love for Christ in the Eucharist and be a fully initiated Catholic in good standing with the Church.

Contact our Eucharistic Ministry coordinator, Emma McMillan, emmamcmillan@cox.net if interested.

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YOUTH CHOIR AWARDS



DECEMBER 10 & 17TH - 11 AM MASS

Our Youth Choir meets every week to rehearse choral music and handbells, along with music education and Catholic liturgical formation. Several members of our Youth Choir have progressed to the next level of our Royal School of Church Music (RSCM) education program and will receive either their white surplice or medal of Saint Nicholas with a specific level colored ribbon.

The Young Choristers will receive their surplices at the 11am Mass on Sunday, December 10. The Senior and Junior Choristers will receive their surplices and/or medals at the 11am Mass on Sunday, December 17. We congratulate these youth for their hard work and

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

DECEMBER 19 - 7:00 PM

The Sacrament of Reconciliation brings us to deeper conversion so that we may more fruitfully receive both Christ's first coming at Christmas and await his second coming at the end of time. More than twelve priests will be available to hear confessions and grant the Lord's absolution. Use this opportunity to prepare your heart and soul for Christmas.

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REGISTRATION FOR ADULT FORMATION NOW "LIVE"

Please go to our Ault Formation Webpage for Signups.

https://bedeva.org/adult

NURSERY HOLIDAY HOURS

The Nursery will be closed on: December 24th December 25th December 31st



MIDDLE SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PARTY

DECEMBER 15 - 6-8 PM

All Middle Schoolers in 6th-8th grade are invited for an evening of Christmas sweaters, snacks, and a Christmas gift exchange! If you would like your middle schooler to participate in the Christmas gift exchange, please have them bring a \$10 wrapped present.



If you would like to help by providing a potluck dish, if your last name starts with A-M please bring a savory option, and last names starting with N-Z please bring a sweet option. Drop-off Location: Kaplan Parish Hall

Please RSVP using the QR code or by visiting our webpage! www.bedeva.org/teens

If you have any questions, please contact Brittney Kinstetter.





MISAS EN ESPAÑOL DURANTE EL ADVIENTO:

	3 diciembre	2pm	Misa Primer Domingo de Adviento
	8 diciembre	7pm	Misa Solemnidad Inmaculada Concepción de María
	10 diciembre	2pm	Misa Segundo Domingo de Adviento
	12 diciembre	7pm	Misa Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe
	17 diciembre	2pm	Misa Tercer Domingo de Adviento
	19 diciembre	7pm	Servicio de Reconciliación - CONFESIONES
23 diciembre 5:30pm		30pm	Misa BILINGÜE Cuarto Domingo de Adviento
	24 diciembre	2pm -	NO HAY MISA EN ESPAÑOL
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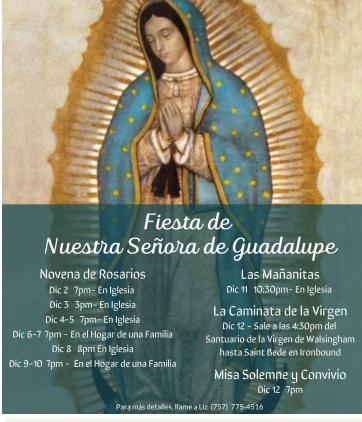
MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO

24 diciembre 8:30pm MISA DE NAVIDAD

SEGUNDO DIA DE ADVIENTO

El evangelista Marcos inicia su Evangelio con una exigencia de preparación, del cumplimiento de la Sagrada Escritura en Jesús y la invitación de Juan Bautista a la conversión: "Mira, te voy a enviar a mi mensajero delante de ti para que te prepare el camino. Escuchen ese grito en el desierto: Preparen el camino del Señor, enderecen sus senderos" (Marcos 1,2-3). Sin embargo, esa llegada suya requiere de nosotros una conversión verdadera desde el fondo del corazón. Salir en busca de lo novedoso, como el pueblo que seguía a Juan Bautista, implica movimiento y apertura. ¿Qué pide este pasaje del Evangelio de nuestra parte? ¿Qué cambios haré en este Adviento que ayude a mejorar mi relación con los que me rodean?

Otro elemento importante, en este segundo Domingo de Adviento, es lo que el Profeta Isaías nos indica con referencia a consolar a los que sufren. El deber de consolar lo experimentamos muy fuerte en el tiempo de la pandemia. ¿Lo recuerdas? El sufrimiento obliga a estar cerca del otro y anima a tener esperanza y a vivir más conscientes de las necesidades de nuestro prójimo. "Consuelen, dice Yavé, tu Dios, consuelen a mi pueblo" (Isaías 40,1). Entonces, comencemos, no esperemos sentados, llevemos consuelo y esperanza a nuestro alrededor. Enderecemos los caminos, las curvas que evitan llegar al Señor, para que su ternura baje del cielo y se pose en cada persona y así germine la justicia y la fidelidad. ¡Ven Señor!



OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE FEAST

En honor a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, únase a los Caballeros de Colón de San Beda en los Comunes, el Domingo 10 de Diciembre, después de la misa de las 2 p. m. con pasteles, tamales y bebidas.



MEDITANDO EN EL EVANGELIO DURANTE EL ADVIENTO

Únase a uno de nuestros grupos este Adviento...

Grupo de Fe - Para Adultos Tod los martes @ 7pm por Zoom Para el link, contacte a Ileana/Omar García 910.689.5603

Estudio Biblia Para Jóvenes Grados 6-12 miércoles @ 6pm en el Youth Room, sótano Comenzando el 29 de noviembre Inscriba su hijo en: https://www.bedeva.org/teens

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STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Thanks to all who have been helping prepare the church for the celebration of the Nativity of The Lord. Our Art and Environment group is decorating the inside of the Church and Commons both here and at the Shrine.

Our Monthly Maintenance Ministry is taking care of the outside lights and another group is installing the creche in the Commons.

There are still opportunities to help the parish during the many liturgies of the Advent and Christmas Season.

If you are not already involved, stop by the Welcome Center or contact Aaron Renninger (arenninger@bedeva.org) to sign up for a specific day/time.



STEWARDSHIP RESOURCES AND REMINDERS:

2024 IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER....

Look at your 2024 Giving- if you are 70 1/2 and over, consider using your IRA for a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) or if you are 73 and over, some or all of a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) for your gifts to Saint Bede. This is an easy way to reduce your taxable income and benefit the parish. Contact Sam Samorian at 757-229-3631 ext. 2315

STEWARDSHIP AND MARKETING RESOURCE TEAM

Join Sam Samorian and Anabelle Morales to help shape the Stewardship and Marketing efforts of the parish.

We will have an open session in January to discuss ways to better involve the parish in our call to stewardship as disciples of Christ.

If you are interested in participating, contact Anabelle amorales@bedeva.org or Sam ssamorian@bedeva.org .

STEWARDSHIP VERSE OF THE WEEK

Our original parish church, now the National Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham, is tied to the Annunciation. The Holy House of Nazareth, which is the location of the Gospel verse below, is the Holy House transported to Loreto, Italy in the late 1200's around the time of the fall of Jerusalem.

The Shrine in Walsingham, England was Our Lady's gift to the English people in remembrance of her Fiat, her "yes" to God. That Shrine in England bore the exact dimensions of the Holy House of Nazareth/Loreto. Our founding pastor, Father Thomas Walsh, had a personal devotion to Our Lady of Walsingham and fulfilled his promise to her to build an American Shrine.

Our parish devotion to Our Lady has it's roots in this verse from today's optional memorial for Our Lady of Loreto:

"The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you.

Therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God.

And behold, Elizabeth, your relative, has also conceived a son in her old age, and this is the sixth month for her who was called barren:

for nothing will be impossible for God."

Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord.

May it be done to me according to your word."

Lk 1:35-38

UPCOMING EVENTS

COMING SOON.....

Stations of the Cross trail

Stay tuned for more details!!



SAINT BEDE COMMUNITY PAGE

Saint Bede Catholic Church | Williamsburg, VA

ADVENT DECEMBER

Prayer and reflection resources for Advent are available at the table in

the Commons.

First Sunday of Advent Dec 3

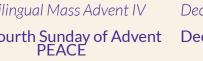
Second Sunday of Advent Dec 10 FAITH

Dec 17 Third Sunday of Advent

JOY

Bilingual Mass Advent IV Dec 23

Fourth Sunday of Advent Dec 24





PARKING ANNOUNCEMENT

DECEMBER 24 - 4PM ADDITIONAL PARKING

Weather permitting, we are hoping to use the grass field off the main circle for overflow parking. If the ground is too soft, there will be shuttle parking instead at Clara Byrd Baker Elementary School, on Ironbound near Harris Teeter. Multiple shuttle buses will be running to get everyone back and forth quickly.



KAPLAN PARISH HALL Are you looking to plan an event in

Kaplan Parish Hall for a corporate meeting or social event?

Kaplan Parish Hall can function as primary meeting space for a large group with ministry room usage as breakout space.

You do not need to be a parishioner to rent at Saint Bede.

Wedding receptions, socials, memorial receptions and special events can be scheduled in Kaplan Parish Hall.

If you have need of a more intimate space, the Zahn Lobby can be rented for a private dinner, cocktail reception, small wedding or memorial reception. Seating capacity is appox. 40, pending room arrangements.

An event space is determined based on the anticipated guest count for the event.

Call or email Jennifer Murthal Ext. 2305 or jmurtha@bedeva.org





January 19, 2024 is the National March for Life in DC and Saint Bede Knights of Columbus is once again preparing to support the March! Begin the day with 7am Mass at Saint Bede and enjoy coffee and pastries before boarding the bus to DC!

We will pray the rosary together on the drive and arrive in time to participate in the rally and march! On the way home, relax and enjoy sandwiches before returning to Saint Bede around 6pm.

Suggested donation is \$35 per person or \$100 per family in same household (3+). For more information please contact GK6828@vakofc.org

THERE WILL BE A BUS

