



Invitation

Come, Lord Jesus

How sad there was no room in the inn for the Christ Child. St. Benedict, whose followers are known for their hospitality, challenges us, **“Let everyone that comes be received as Christ.”** We have the opportunity to make room in many ways.

-People coming to our church doors asking for assistance are treated with respect.

-We can warmly greet visitors who come to our church and make them feel welcome.

-We can make a special effort to get to know each other and see the Christ in one another.

-We can strive to let go of grudges and hurts that inevitably arise out of our humanness, in our families and church community.

-We can set aside some quiet time to open our hearts to Jesus in Eucharistic adoration in our chapel.

-We offer hospitality to homeless families and those in need through Families Moving Forward and Adopt-A-Family.

-We remain open to the possibility that Jesus may come to us in the migrant, the immigrant, the refugee, in people who don't look or sound like us.

We are challenged to open our hearts and hands to stranger, friend and family alike.

May the blessings of this season be upon us, our families and our parish community of faith. May we be awake to wonder, joy, grace and to the coming of Christ among us in each other.

Discipleship Update

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Our New Prague Area Catholic Community parish mission:

We are a Catholic community forming disciples of Jesus Christ dedicated to loving God through our worship, sharing the Good News, and loving service to others.

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There's more to the story...

The story of Christmas is beautiful, but it's just a small part of the whole story. You are invited to spend some time reflecting on

The Great Story of Jesus, the basic message of good news.

Our parish will be offering 2 opportunities, both Saturdays - Jan. 19 and Mar. 2, from 8:30-3:30 in the PAC. Bring your Bible and prepare to dig into the great story of our salvation in Jesus Christ, in nine acts. The day will present the Gospel in video format with quiet time for reflection, small group discussion and time with fellow parishioners.

Participants in the first session will be invited to provide feedback before the opportunity is offered to the whole parish community as a pre-Lenten experience.

Please register for Jan. 19 by calling Laura in the Faith Formation office at 952-758-5131 or email laura.schoenecker@npcatholic.org The suggested offering is \$15 for materials and food.

