

Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 19, 2021



SAINTS CYRIL AND
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A Personal Parish Established To Serve The Slovak Catholic Community In The Archdiocese Of Detroit

Advent

PREPARING THE WAY



4th Sunday of Advent

MASS Intentions

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December 18, Saturday - Sobota

- 9:00AM For the Fontana Children req. Mother
❖†Kathy Bora req. Elaine
❖†Matthew Edward Kassab
- 5:30PM *(Vigil)*
For Bill Lantzy (B'Day)
❖For Clair Cavins req. Langlois Family
❖For Monir & Alia Korkis & Family
❖†Andrew Desso req. Schullers
❖†Chuck Brookman req. Gloria Rayles
❖†Margaret Schuller req. Daughter, Gloria
❖†Kenneth Nowak req. Mom

December 19, Fourth Sunday of Advent - Nedela

Zep 3:14-18a; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18

- 7:30AM For the Asker Family
❖†Esther Norris req. Alma Warman
❖†Gloria Sunman req. Alma Warman
❖†Larry Vargo req. Basile Family
❖†John Maciag req. Wife
❖†Randy Pasieka req. Wife
❖†Raymond Tresh (B'Day)
- 9:30AM For the Intentions of the Members of the
St. Monica Sodality
❖For William Parker req. Langlois Family
❖For John Santi (B'Day) req. Marian
❖For the Vitale & Monsu Families
❖†Donald Weil
❖†Paolo Persichetti ❖†Betty Showler
- 11:30AM *(Slovak)*
For Nardi Gjekaj ❖For Gayle Haas
❖For Michael Hudson & Family
❖For the Lauer Family ❖†Jeffrey McMahon
❖†Katka Cornak req. Sobolic Family
❖†Marge Robine
- 6:00PM *(Latin) Tridentine:*
For the Intentions of all Parishioners
- 8:30PM For the Holy Souls in Purgatory
❖For Eli Mansoor req. Family
❖†Ashley Rose Collins req. Sharon Brown
❖†Noreeya Israel ❖†Wafaa Korkis
❖†Matthew Edward Kassab
❖†Dan Looby req. Wife

December 20, Monday - Pondelok

- 9:00AM For Kaleigh Zabawa req. Langlois Family
❖For Sophia Skrocki & Family
❖For the Asker Family
- 12:00PM †Bert Shubnell ❖†Paterno Pablo
❖†Michael Foley

December 21, Tuesday - Utorok

- 6:00AM For Rachel Millioto ❖For Meilssa Eichbauer
❖†Helena Osiewach
- 12:00PM For Margaret Voland req. Sister, Mary Fredal
❖†Paul Truchan req. Family ❖†Joseph Jagotka

December 22, Wednesday - Streda

- 9:00AM *(Latin)*
For Mark Hornbacher req. Family
❖For the Asker Family
❖†Kostika Fushi req. Family

- 12:00PM For Janet & †Dan Sullivan
❖†Robert Frank Bolda ❖†Michael Foley

December 23, Thursday - Štvrtok

- 6:00AM For Mark & Gayle Hornbacher
❖†Helena Osiewach ❖For Al Huly
- 12:00PM †Audrey Bustillo req. Parents
❖†Michael Foley ❖†Matthew Edward Kassab
- 7:00PM For Hayley Reynolds & Family
❖†Kelly Mudel ❖†Brenda Bressman

December 24, Friday - Piatok

Christmas Eve *Stedry Den*

- 12:00PM For the Holy Souls in Purgatory
❖For the Priests of St. Cyril's
❖For the Parishioners of Holy Family in Tanzania
- 4:00PM *(Christmas Vigil Mass)*
For the Drozdowski Family
❖†Michael Foley ❖†Louis Brady
- MIDNIGHT For the Intentions of All Parishioners

December 25 - Christmas

Zep 3:14-18a; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18

- 7:30AM For Mike & Vickie Rolling
❖For Andrea, Mary, Joseph & Xhuli Kasneci
❖†Walter & Stephanie Duzyj
❖†Joseph & Louise White ❖†Paolo Persichetti
❖†John Maciag req. Wife ❖†Helene Maciag
- 9:30AM For Joseph & Louis Families
❖For Richard & Heidi Wiegand (25th Wed. Ann.)
❖For Sophia Skrocki & Family
❖For Emmanuel Velarde ❖†Leka Peter Gojcaj
❖†Rose Orris ❖†Anthony Bustamante req. Wife
- 11:30AM *(Slovak)*
For Pete Nikprelaj req. Vicki
❖For Sam & Amy Shamoon & Family
❖For the Zwirner Family
❖†Noreeya Israel req. Vicki
❖†Natale & Agatha Mangano
❖†Matthew Edward Kassab ❖†Jan Patlevič
- 5:30PM For the Intentions of all Parishioners

December 26 - The Most Holy Family - Nedela

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17; Lk 2:41-52

- 7:30AM For the Holy Souls in Purgatory
For the Deceased Members of the Knights of
Columbus ❖For the Drozdowski Family
❖†Adelbert & Mildred Novotny req. Miller Family
❖†John Maciag req. Wife
❖†Roberto P. Pablo ❖†Halina Borkowski
- 9:30AM For the Intentions of the Christmas Novena
- 11:30AM *(Slovak)*
❖†Vladimir & Terezia Krizik req. Sobolic Family
❖†Stefan & Anna Sobolic req. Family
❖†Hedy Richiert req. Niece ❖†Marge Robine
❖For Angelina & Lily Millioto
❖For Enriquo Vennettelli ❖For Carlos Vennettelli
- 6:00PM *(Latin)-Tridentine:* For Mike Rolling (B'Day)
- 8:30PM For Steven Smigielski req. Mom
❖For Margaret Voland req. Sister, Mary Fredal
❖For the Glen Wilkins Family
❖For the Asker Family❖†Dan Looby req. wife
❖†Mary & Greg Manning & Family ❖†Gjek Gjolakaj



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Jesus Christ, The High Priest

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❄ WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE ❄

PLEASE NOTE:

*Christmas Day is a Holy Day of Obligation. Since Christmas day falls on a Saturday, you must also attend a Mass on Sunday, December 26, in order to fulfill your weekly Holy Mass Obligation! Sunday, December 26, is the Feast of the Holy Family.

WEEK DAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, December 20: 9:00AM & 12:00PM

Tuesday, December 21: 6:00AM & 12:00PM

Wednesday, December 22: 9:00AM & 12:00PM

Thursday, December 23: 6:00AM, 12:00PM & 7:00PM

Friday, December 24: 12:00PM

❄ CHRISTMAS & WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE ❄

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

*Friday, December 24

Christmas Eve:

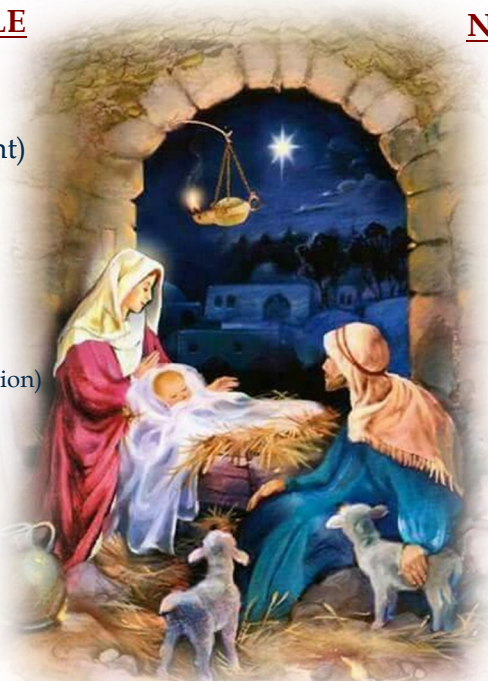
4:00PM (Vigil) & 12:00AM (Midnight)

*Saturday, December 25

Christmas Day7:30AM, 9:30AM,
11:30AM (in Slovak),
& *5:30PM

*(5:30PM Mass does not fulfill Sunday obligation)

*Sunday, December 26

Feast of the Holy Family:(Must attend to fulfill yourSunday Obligation7:30AM, 9:30AM,
11:30AM (in Slovak),
6:00PM (Latin Tridentine),
& 8:30PMNEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

Friday, December 31

New Year's Eve:

5:30PM (Vigil)

Saturday, January 1

Solemnity of Mary,Mother of God

9:00AM

ADORATION SCHEDULE:Thursdays,
December 23 & 30:
1:00PM - 7:00PMOFFICE SCHEDULE:

Closed:

December 24 - January 2

Reopens:

January 3, 2022

CONFESSION SCHEDULETHIS Monday, December 20: Special Day of Confession (with many priests):

10:00AM – NOON and also 6:00PM – 9:00PM

NO CONFESSIONS WILL BE HEARD ON:

December 22, 23, 24 & 25, 31 & January 1

"O Holy Night, the stars are brightly shining. It is the night of our dear Savior's birth!"

COOKIE WALK & BAKE SALE ~ THIS WEEKEND



2021 Parish Advent Giving Projects

The remaining Advent Giving Projects are outlined below.

If you have questions about any of the projects, contact:

Erin Rybicki at ChristianService@saintcyrils.church or

Sandi Brady in the Parish Office.

Christian Service Fund: Donations made to the parish Christian Service Fund during Advent will be divided among **Catholic Charities' Senior Outreach Program** and **Image of God Crisis Pregnancy Centers**. You can contribute to this fund online using **PushPay** or place a check made out to **Ss. Cyril & Methodius** in a white Advent giving envelope and put it in the collection basket by **December 25, 2021**.

Senior Outreach: When the Covid shutdown occurred, **Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan** started a new initiative to deliver groceries to low-income seniors and people with disabilities. They discovered homebound individuals and couples who had struggled to get groceries prior to the pandemic. Because of this, the initiative is now a continuing program with volunteers delivering groceries, incontinence items, and cleaning products to 600 individuals in the tri-county area. A **monetary donation** to this program will help buy a commercial freezer so meat can be purchased in larger quantities (and lower prices), frozen, and stored until it can be delivered to clients. Any additional donations will help buy a refrigerator, and incontinence and cleaning products. You can give directly to the Senior Outreach Program on CCSEM's website <https://ccsem.org/senior-citizen-services/senior-outreach-program/> or mail a check payable to *Catholic Charities* to: 24445 Northwestern Hwy., Ste 200, Southfield, MI 48075.

Image of God Crisis Pregnancy Centers: For many years, these four centers have quietly and consistently been a haven sharing God's love for local pregnant women in crisis and in need. The centers provide free pregnancy tests and ultrasounds, maternity clothes, parenting classes, baby clothing, and baby furniture and supplies. Just as important, the staff offers loving counsel and guidance to help young mothers with life goals like finishing their education, building better relationships, developing a spiritual life, or finding a job. **Donations to Image of God CPC** will help meet essential costs, such as rent and utilities, so all four centers can continue serving women and babies in 2022. You can support Image of God directly by mailing a check made out to *Image of God CPD* to: Deacon Joe Montes, 33700 Groesbeck Hwy., Fraser, MI 48026.

Christmas Novena Mass Cards Available † Novena Begins Sunday, December 26



**Christmas Novena
Holy Mass Cards
are now available
(in Slovak and English).**

You may pick up Novenas:
 ◇ after weekend Holy Masses
 ◇ in the Parish Office or
 ◇ you may order them on our website:
www.saintcyrils.church

*The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass
is the most precious gift
anyone can receive.*

JESUS CHRIST,
 Eternal God and
 Son of the Eternal Father,
 desiring to consecrate the world
 by His most loving presence,
 was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
 and when nine months
 had passed since His conception,
 was born of the Virgin Mary
 in Bethlehem of Judah,
 and was made man:
 The Nativity of
 Our Lord Jesus Christ
 according to the flesh.
 ~Christmas Proclamation
 (PRINTED ON BACK OF CARD)

CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS † THIS Monday, December 20

EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE FOR ADULTS

1. I am the Lord your God. You shall not have strange gods before me.

- Do I give God time every day in prayer? • Do I seek to love Him with my whole heart?
- Have I been involved with superstitious practices or have I been involved with the occult?
 - Do I seek to surrender myself to God's word as taught by the Church?
 - Have I ever received communion in the state of mortal sin?
- Have I ever deliberately told a lie in Confession or have I withheld a mortal sin from the priest in Confession?
 - Are there other "gods" in my life? Money, Security, Power, People, etc.?

2. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.

- Have I used God's name in vain: lightly or carelessly? • Have I been angry with God?
- Have I wished evil upon any other person? • Have I insulted a sacred person or abused a sacred object?

3. Remember to keep holy the Lord's Day.

- Have I deliberately missed Mass on Sundays or Holy Days of Obligation?
- Have I tried to observe Sunday as a family day and a day of rest? • Do I do needless work on Sunday?

4. Honor your father and your mother.

- Do I honor and obey my parents? • Have I neglected my duties to my spouse and children?
 - Do I try to bring peace into my home life?
- Have I given my family good religious example? • Do I care for my aged and infirm relatives?

5. You shall not kill.

- Have I had an abortion or encouraged or helped anyone to have an abortion? • Have I physically harmed anyone?
 - Have I abused alcohol or drugs? • Have I participated in or approved of euthanasia?
 - Did I give scandal to anyone, thereby leading him or her into sin?
 - Have I been angry or resentful? • Have I harbored hatred in my heart?
- Have I mutilated myself through any form of sterilization? • Have I encouraged or condoned sterilization?
- Have I engaged, in any way, in sins against human life such as artificial insemination or in vitro fertilization?

6. You shall not commit adultery.

- Have I been faithful to my marriage vows in thought and action?
 - Have I engaged in any sexual activity outside of marriage?
- Have I used any method of contraception or artificial birth control in my marriage?
 - Has each sexual act in my marriage been open to the transmission of new life?
- Have I been guilty of masturbation? • Do I seek to control my thoughts and imaginations?
- Have I respected all members of the opposite sex, or have I thought of other people as mere objects?
 - Have I been guilty of any homosexual activity?
- Do I seek to be chaste in my thoughts, words, actions? • Am I careful to dress modestly?

7. You shall not steal.

- Have I stolen what is not mine? • Have I returned or made restitution for what I have stolen?
- Do I waste time at work, school, and home? • Do I gamble excessively, thereby denying my family of their needs?
 - Do I pay my debts promptly? • Do I seek to share what I have with the poor?
- Have I cheated anyone out of what is justly theirs, for example creditors, insurance companies, big corporations?

8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

- Have I lied? Have I gossiped? • Do I speak badly of others behind their back?
- Am I sincere in my dealings with others? • Am I critical, negative or uncharitable in my thoughts of others?
- Do I keep secret what should be kept confidential? • Have I injured the reputation of others by slanders?

9. You shall not desire your neighbor's wife.

- Have I consented to impure thoughts? • Have I caused them by impure reading, movies, television, conversation or curiosity?
 - Do I pray at once to banish impure thoughts and temptations?
- Have I behaved in an inappropriate way with members of the opposite sex: flirting, being superficial, etc.?

10. You shall not desire your neighbor's goods.

- Am I jealous of what other people have? • Do I envy the families or possessions of others?
 - Am I greedy or selfish? • Are material possessions the purpose of my life?

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PREPARE FOR A GOOD CONFESSION

Additional Guides for a Good Confession can be found at: www.saintcyrils.church for:

Younger Children: <https://saintcyrils.church/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/Guide-for-a-Good-Confession-for-Children.pdf>

Older Children: <https://saintcyrils.church/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/Guide-for-Confession-for-Children.pdf>

Adults: <https://saintcyrils.church/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/Guide-for-a-Good-Confession-2018-Adult.pdf>

PRAYER BEFORE CONFESSION

O most merciful God! Prostrate at your feet, I implore your forgiveness. I sincerely desire to leave all my evil ways and to confess my sins with all sincerity to you and to your priest. I am a sinner, have mercy on me, O Lord. Give me a lively faith and a firm hope in the Passion of my Redeemer. Give me, for your mercy's sake a sorrow for having offended so good a God. Mary, my mother, refuge of sinners, pray for me that I may make a good confession. Amen.

ACT OF CONTRITION

O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee, and I detest all my sins because of Thy just punishments, but most of all because they offend Thee, my God, who art all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve with the help of Thy grace to sin no more and to avoid the near occasion of sin. Amen.

Catechism - Class Schedule

Wednesday, December 22: NO CLASS (Have a Blessed Christmas!)

Wednesday, December 29: NO CLASS (Have a Joyful New Year!)

Wednesday, January 5, 2022, 6:15PM:

Class & Benediction for All

As always, if you have any concerns, please call:

Paul or Carroll Schuller, DREs, (586) 254-9212 or

p_schuller@yahoo.com or cschuller@saintcyriels.church

Life Teen Ministry

All high school teens are welcome to Life Teen. Life Nights are dynamic youth gatherings including snacks, games, small group discussions, and an opportunity for teens to learn more about the Catholic faith with their peers.

To be added to the email list, please contact:

Alexandria Collins, (586) 641-7672 or lifeteen@saintcyriels.church

EDGE Youth Group

All middle school teens (6th, 7th and 8th grade) are welcome to our Edge Nights. Edge Nights are dynamic youth gatherings including snacks, games, small group discussions, and an opportunity for teens to learn more about the Catholic faith at a middle school level. New teens who would like to attend can register at the EDGE Night. If you have any questions, please contact:

Alexandria Collins, (586) 641-7672 or edge@saintcyriels.church

Reporting Sexual Abuse

The Archdiocese of Detroit encourages individuals to report clergy sexual abuse of minors and others – no matter when the abuse occurred. Individuals may contact local law enforcement authorities and/or they may report to the Archdiocese of Detroit by calling the Victim Assistance Coordinator at (866) 343-8055 or by emailing: vac@aod.org. In addition the Michigan Attorney General's Office can be contacted at its toll-free reporting hotline at (844) 324-3374 (Monday through Friday from 8:00AM-5:00PM) or by email at: aginvestigations@michigan.gov.

More information about the Archdiocese of Detroit's efforts to address abuse may be found at protect.aod.org.

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Detroitská Arcidiecéza povzbudzuje jednotlivcov, ktorí by vedeli o prípadoch sexuálneho obťažovania mladistvých zo strany kleru, aby ich ohlásili bez ohľadu na to, kedy sa tieto prípady vyskytli. Jednotlivci môžu kontaktovať orgány činné v trestnom konaní, alebo upovedomiť Detroitškú Arcidiecézu prostredníctvom koordinátora pre pomoc obetiam na tel. čísle 866-343-8055, alebo emailom vac@aod.org. Úrad generálneho prokurátora v Michigane možno kontaktovať na bezplatnom telefónnom čísle 844-324-3374 (od pondelka do piatku, od 8:00 do 17:00), alebo emailom aginvestigations@michigan.gov.

Viac informácií o snahe Detroitskej Arcidiecézy predchádzať zneužívaniu je k dispozícii na adrese protect.aod.org.

### Sarisan's 50th Anniversary Gala

**When:** Saturday, February 5, 2022 at 6pm

**Where:** Macedonian Cultural Center

43133 Ryan Road

Sterling Heights, MI 48314

Black Tie Event

16 years old and up

\$60/person

**Ticket price includes:**

Music by Pajtasi Folk Band, Buffet Dinner,

Open Bar and a night of fun!

Advance Ticket Sales Only!

**Deadline to purchase tickets is January 21, 2022**

## Catholic Services Appeal Update

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the CSA. So far, we have been able to reach \$118,176 of our goal of \$160,134. This represents 74% of our goal. This would not be possible without the generosity and sacrifice of many parishioners. We still have a long way to go but every single donation, big or small, brings us one step closer to the goal. If you have not

### GOAL

\$ 160,134

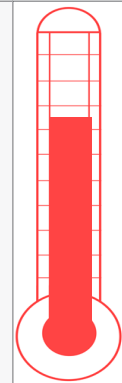
### PLEDGED

**TO-DATE**

\$ 118,176

### SHORTFALL

\$ 41,958



contributed, please consider doing so as soon as possible. Feel free to talk to me if you have any questions. Thank you for your generosity and support, both financially and spiritually. *Fr. Libor Marek*

CSA information:

<https://info.aod.org/articles/your-gifts-at-work>

### Chicago Christmas Pilgrimage of Historic Churches

On December 28-30, for three days and two nights, you are welcome to join Prayer Pilgrimages in Chicago as we plan to tour & visit Our Lady of Sorrows, Queen of All Saints & St. Hyacinth Basilicas, Marytown National Shrine, Monastery of the Holy Cross with Evening Vespers, St. Stanislaus Kostka, St. John Cantius, St. Mary of the Angels, St. Hedwig, Holy Trinity, & SSt. Peter's in the Loop Churches all especially decorated for Christmas.

Daily Holy Mass & ample downtown free time also included. Lodging at The Claridge House near Magnificent Mile. Deluxe motorcoach pickups & returns from Ss. Cyril & Methodius Activity Center and St. Joseph Shrine in Detroit.

Total cost per person, including four star hotel lodging, is:

\$325 (single); \$250-\$275 (double); \$225 (triple); \$210 (quad)

To reserve and/or more information:

Michael Semaan, (248) 250-6005 and/or please visit

<https://prayerpilgrimages.com/>

### Christmas Detroit Area Historic Churches Pilgrimage

On Tuesday, January 4, you are welcome to join Prayer Pilgrimages as we are planning to visit and tour, with informative talks, the following seven churches specially decorated during the Christmas Season: Sweetest Heart of Mary Church, St. Joseph Shrine, Holy Cross Hungarian Church, St. Florian Church, Our Lady of Czestochowa Church, National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica, & Basilica of Ste. Anne de Detroit with Noon Healing Holy Mass.

Scheduled deluxe motorcoach local pickup departures & returns from Ss. Cyril & Methodius Activity Center (8:00AM departure, 6:30PM return) & Our Lady of the Woods Church in Woodhaven (7:00AM departure, 7:30PM return).

Total cost per person is \$40

(with lunch on your own in Mexicantown).

To reserve and/or more information:

Michael Semaan, (248) 250-6005 and/or please visit

<https://prayerpilgrimages.com/>



# *Ss. Cyril & Methodius*



**MUSIC IS SUCH AN IMMENSE PART OF THE CHRISTMAS SEASON ...  
BOTH WITHIN OUR HOMES AND AS A PARISH FAMILY!  
THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON, LET US UNITE AS A PARISH TO  
CELEBRATE OUR LORD'S BIRTH WITH OUR  
SECOND ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT!**

**SIGN UP TODAY TO PERFORM A SOLO IN OUR  
CHRISTMAS CONCERT THAT WILL TAKE PLACE ON:**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 2ND, 2022, AT 3:00PM  
THE SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY**

**EVERYONE is encouraged to participate by singing,  
playing an instrument, or even  
reciting a Christmas poem or prayer!**

- ❄ **Songs or recitations must be under 5 minutes long.**
- ❄ **Songs can be instrumental or vocal, and can be sacred or secular.**
- ❄ **Recitations can be prayers or poems. Poems can also be sacred or secular.**
- ❄ **If you will need music accompaniment, we can help! Please make sure the sheet music is provided a week in advance.**

**A sign-up sheet is in the vestibule of the Church!**

**For questions, please email our Director of Music, Joe Long at:  
[jlong@saintcyrils.church](mailto:jlong@saintcyrils.church)  
or call the Parish Office at (586) 726-6911**

**Finally, spread the word, and invite your  
family & friends to attend our concert.**

**May God bless you all this Advent  
and in the upcoming Christmas Season!**

