

# Christmas Eve Children's Mass

Sunday, December 24th  
3:30pm

Please join us for a very special afternoon celebrating our Lord's birth. Families may participate in many ways.

Children may sing with the children's choir. Practices are held after the 9:30 mass for approximately 20 minutes. The practice days will be December 10th & 17th. Names of all choir participants must be submitted by December 17th. On Christmas Eve, promptly at 3:30, the children's choir will sing from the altar of the main church.

Children, not in the choir, may join the procession of shepherds and angels. Any shepherd or angel costume is acceptable. On Christmas Eve, these children will assemble in Murray Hall at 3:00. They will process up the main aisle, at 3:30 pm, to begin the celebration. The children will remain on the altar steps as Mary, Joseph, and Jesus, (carried by the presider), process to the altar. Following the blessing of the crib, children will rejoin their families.

## OTHER SIGN-UP DETAILS

- \* Children age 7 and up may place their names in a drawing for Mary, Joseph and the two lead shepherds, who will lead the procession.
- \* The names of infants under six(6) months of age may be placed in a drawing for Baby Jesus.
- \* Children in grade 3 and up may place their names in a drawing to bring up the offertory.
- \* Children in grade 4 and up may create and read the prayers of the faithful.
- \* Children may sign up to serve as ushers, providing programs to people as they enter mass.
- \* Children in grade 7 and up may serve as lectors for the mass - 3 are needed.
- \* Six altar servers are necessary for the mass.
- \* Adults are needed to assist the procession upstairs and down the aisle.



Names will be accepted Sunday, December 10th & Sunday, December 17th after the 9:30 mass.



WE ARE IN NEED OF ADULT MUSICIANS AND SINGERS TO LEAD THE CHILDREN IN CHRISTMAS HYMNS AT THE CHRISTMAS EVE MASS, AS WELL AS PROVIDE MUSIC THROUGHOUT THE 3:30 MASS.

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