

St. Mary of the Visitation opportunities offered for fellowship, charity, service during the next week. You are invited to join the events below. If applicable, contact information is listed for the event.

## Christmas Eve Youth Choir

This Saturday (12/14) is the first rehearsal for our Christmas Eve Youth Choir. For details and to sign up, scan the QR code →  
Send questions to [cjadk@aol.com](mailto:cjadk@aol.com)



We appreciate **Primrose School of Madison and Primrose School of West Madison** for their **Christmas Food drives** that donated **more than 800 items** of food to the **Visitation Food Pantry**. This is the second year the schools have generously supported our food pantry. The schools are owned by SMV parishioners Amy & Glenn Gallagher and Alison & Anthony Fenuccio. **Thank you!**

### St. Hunna Altar Linen Ministry

The Altar Linen Ministry serves an important role in making sure all of the altar cloths used in our liturgies are clean and ironed. Working from home on a rotating schedule, the Altar Linen team collects the purificators, corporals, towels and other soiled altar linens weekly, take them home to launder and iron them and return them so that the altar from which the celebration of the Eucharist takes place is beautifully presented.

**Can you serve?** With a sufficient number of volunteers, we are called upon just a few times a year to help launder the altar linens. Please contact Jen Skupien (256.932.0392 or [jenskup5@gmail.com](mailto:jenskup5@gmail.com)) if you can volunteer your time.

#### Wednesday, December 11, TODAY/TONIGHT

**St. Veronica Blanket Ministry** at Treacy Hall 4:00 Jackie Henderson, [cjadk@aol.com](mailto:cjadk@aol.com)

**Knights of Columbus** at the Parish Hall (Formal Room) 6:00pm Rosary, 6:30pm meeting Kirk Wimsett, 256.479.5860

#### Thursday, December 12

**Men of St. Joseph** at the HFR 6:00pm Dn. Jeff Montgomery, [jeffmontgomery35758@gmail.com](mailto:jeffmontgomery35758@gmail.com)

**Adoration & Confession** at the church 7:00pm

#### Friday, December 13

**Coffee Social** at Visitation Hall after the 8:00am Mass

**55+** Christmas Gathering at the Parish Hall 5:00pm Cherie Miller, 256.651.6492 (See page 2 for more information.)

#### Saturday, December 14

**Saturdays with God** everyone is invited to meet at the church grounds at 8:30am to work on various buildings and grounds projects (no special skills required) Manfred Segewitz, 256.527.2278

#### Sunday, December 15

**Food Pantry Food Distribution** on the sidewalk at lower parking lot 12:00-1:00pm Martha Jordan, [marthaannjordan@gmail.com](mailto:marthaannjordan@gmail.com)

**KofC Family Breakfast** at the Parish Hall 8:30-10:30am (**Special Breakfast with Santa**—see page 2 for more information).

#### Monday, December 16

**Book Club** at Visitation Hall 7:00pm LuAnn Poniatowski, [mna-mna@comcast.net](mailto:mna-mna@comcast.net)

#### Tuesday, December 17

**Pickleball** at the Parish Hall 6:00-8:00pm Bryan Miller, 256.337.1671



Join the Parish Social Ministry for a trip to the **Cullman Christkindlmarkt** on **Saturday, December 14**. We will depart from the church parking lot at 2:00pm and return no later than 7:00pm. We would like to carpool and are looking for drivers. Please contact Ed & LuAnn Poniatowski at 256.426.8874 if you would like to participate. **For more information about the Cullman, AL, German Christmas Market, visit [www.cullmanchristkindlmarkt.com](http://www.cullmanchristkindlmarkt.com).**

#### **NEED HELP PLEASE!!**

Are you someone who enjoys listening to music? Then we need your help with balancing and mixing the sound system. There are some technical aspects that will be taught, but it's mostly about volume control for the various church areas. If you are interested in helping, please contact Mike Riley at [Michael.rileyjr1@gmail.com](mailto:Michael.rileyjr1@gmail.com)

## 55+ Christmas Gathering

# Merry Christmas

Join us for an evening of food, fun, and fellowship on Friday, December 13 at the Parish Hall beginning at 5:00pm. Bring a side dish or dessert to share (ham will be provided along with beverages).

**All parishioners 55+ and nearing 55 are invited!**

### HOMEBOUND PRAYER MINISTRY

We are forming a new ministry for parish shut-ins or homebound. **Upon request, this ministry will come to your home and pray the rosary with you and your family.** If you would like to be on this ministry team or if you are a shut in or homebound and would like someone from this ministry to come and pray the rosary at your home please contact Steve Venckus at svenckus1@verizon.net.



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Confession  
7:00pm**

## 2024 Advent Giving Tree

This year, through the Advent Giving Tree, our parish will reach out to the isolated and elderly living in our downtown community as well as our weekly Food Pantry patrons. **The Advent Giving Tree will begin on the first Sunday of Advent, Nov 30/Dec 1 and will conclude on the third Sunday of Advent, Dec 14/15.**

- Select tag(s) from the tree and sign out in the notebook.
- Wrap the gift(s) and place them under the tree by Sunday, Dec 15.
- If you want to purchase gift cards for the Giving Tree, they are \$25 and available after each Mass.

**Members of the Food Pantry will be available to help.**

## Knightly News

### \*Perfect Gifts for Christmas Party Hosts\*

Seafood Soup

Our Own ...Homemade

The most delicious soup ever !

(Frozen Quarts)

**Freshly Ground Coffee - 6 Bean Blend**

Decaf \ **Regular** \ **Whole Bean**  
**1/2&1/2** \ **Darkest Roast**  
OUR VERY OWN BLEND

### **Christmas Cards**

Great Assortment

Great Prices

**AFTER ALL MASSES THIS AND NEXT WEEKEND**

Traditional

# Breakfast With Santa

SUNDAY December 15<sup>th</sup>

8:30am - 10:30am

FULL BREAKFAST BUFFET

(FREE WILL OFFERING)

St. Mary of the Visitation Parish Hall

