

**Bethlehem Christian Families:** So many of us enjoy having Bethlehem Christian Families here in our parish to share with us their olive wood products from the Holy Land. This year however they are not able to join us physically. We want to provide you their website in case you have any need for their items especially as Christmas nears. Their website is <http://www.bcfmission.com>. It is our hope that our situation will be much better next year allowing them to come and visit us again.

**Advent “Blue Books”:** Advent begins next weekend, **November 28/29<sup>th</sup>**. So they you can begin planning your Advent preparations, we will be handing this book out this weekend, November 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. May this little book be a resource to help you acknowledge God’s presence and give you great joy as we are reminded of God’s gift to us “His Only Son”. These “Little Blue Books” go quickly. **To help our parish defray the cost of these booklets, donations are being accepted. The cost to us is approximately \$1.00 per book. Would you be willing to help with this cost?**

**Missalettes:** With a new liturgical season, comes a new missalette which contains all the prayers and scripture readings. These missalettes will be available this weekend as well for you to pick up and use at home and brought with you for your use during Mass.

**Dynamic Catholic:** For several years now we have been giving to our parish families a book for Christmas written by Matthew Kelly through Dynamic Catholic. This year’s new book out is “I Heard God Laugh”. We ordered 300 copies for our parish families. Would you be willing to make a donation to help defray the cost of these books? The total cost is \$300. If you are willing to help make a donation for these books, please see Libby.

“I Heard God Laugh”: Is Your Life Working? Most of us are trying to put together the jigsaw puzzle we call life without a very important piece. Over time this becomes incredibly frustrating. In this extraordinary book, Matthew Kelly powerfully demonstrates that we cannot live the life we have imagined, or experience the joy we yearn for, unless we learn to tend the soul. From there, with his classic style of practical wisdom, he teaches us how to remedy this problem.

**Remember: If you want to participate in the “Best Advent Ever” through Dynamic Catholic and receive daily emails then go to their website and sign up.** [www.dynamiccatholic.com/best-advent-ever](http://www.dynamiccatholic.com/best-advent-ever)

**Christmas Flower Memorial:** Our church is always decorated with beautiful flowers and decorations during the Christmas season, but nice poinsettias and other plants can be costly. If you would like to make an offering for flowers in memory of a loved one at Saints Peter and Paul there is an envelope marked “Christmas Flowers” in your envelope packet. You may



make a contribution to the Church in memory of a deceased loved one or in honor of a living loved one. Lines are provided on the back of the envelope. We will print and publish the memorial list later in December.

**Attention Parishioners:** It is that time of the year when the temperatures drop, especially at night. We ask for your help. If you are here at night on our campus, please take extra precaution before getting out of your car. Check your surroundings, see who else is in the parking lot – especially if you don’t know them or have not seen them around. If there is someone here in our parking lot, or near the church doors that you enter and you are uncomfortable, please call 911. Do not get out of your car until the police have arrived. Our police department wants to help us.



**SCRIP Gift Cards** are available in the School Office. We have low denomination cards available for a limited time. Please get your orders in to the SCRIP



Coordinator, Jennifer Groves, by calling the school office or emailing [jennifer.groves@sppshopkinsville.org](mailto:jennifer.groves@sppshopkinsville.org). **The order deadline to receive SCRIP by Christmas Break is 8AM Monday, December 14.**

**Relay for Life Fundraiser:** There are several wonderful items on display in the narthex during all the Masses this weekend - 21 and 22 November or by contacting Libby Downs or Bob Hilgartner. Proceeds go toward our Saints Peter and Paul Relay for Life Team as well as to assist with Fr. Timothy as they begin construction on a church to serve the people of Myanmar.



**Vatican’s report:** With this link you are able to access the Vatican’s published report on former Cardinal Theodore McCarrick. The executive summary and the conclusion are readily readable. By modifying the link, one may get a choice of languages. The catholicnewsagency.com has many analytical articles on topic with many more to come. [http://www.vatican.va/resources/resources\\_rapporto-card-mccarrick\\_20201110\\_en.pdf](http://www.vatican.va/resources/resources_rapporto-card-mccarrick_20201110_en.pdf)

**Upcoming Holy Day of Obligation:**  
**Tuesday, December 8 – the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
 Mass schedule is:  
 Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup>  
 Vigil Mass at 5:30 p.m. – English  
 Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>  
 8:00 a.m. – English  
 12:05 p.m. – English  
 6:00 p.m. – Spanish

# Paintsville Project

Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup> thru Tuesday,  
December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020

What is “Paintsville Project”? Saints Peter and Paul Parish have assisted St. Michael’s Parish in Paintsville, Kentucky for 18 years. This is our way of looking within our own homes and seeing what is it that we no longer need or are not using and donate to those in need in Eastern Kentucky. In our conversations with Father Hopp and Sister Nancy, our brothers in sisters in Eastern Kentucky have been hit hard again economically and many have lost their jobs. They are asking once again for any assistance we can help provide.

Items needed may include:

- **Clothing - used and new; especially sweaters and coats**
- **Baby items are always needed: Diapers, Receiving and crib blankets, Feeding bottles, formula**
- **Bed linens, comforters, blankets**
- **Toiletries – for men and women**
- **Toys – new and used; Books**
- **Bicycles**
- **Shoes, socks, hats, gloves, slippers**
- **Underwear – new**
- **No big appliances please**

With Covid 19, we are forced to make some changes in how this gathering of donations can take place. Volunteers handling these donations must be masked and gloved.

**We will be accepting donations as listed below**

**When:** Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m.  
(prior to the 5:30 p.m. Mass for the Immaculate Conception)

Or

**Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup> before 6:00 p.m.**  
Our trucks heads out early Wednesday morning.

**Where:** Donations are to be taken to the rear of the Thrift Store Building where our truck and trailer will be located. **(Please do not take donations to the gym as in prior years)**

**How:** Donations must be in plastic bags  
Only exceptions are large toys

## Reminder:

Parish Offices close for Thanksgiving Break on  
Wednesday, November 25 at 12:00 – Noon  
Re-open on Monday, November 30, 2020

# CHRISTMAS MASS

## SCHEDULE

December 24/25, 2020

**Thursday, December 24, 2020**

Vigil Mass at 3:00 p.m. – in English \*

Vigil Mass at 5:00 p.m. – in English

Vigil Mass at 7:00 p.m. – in Spanish

Midnight Mass at Midnight – in English -  
*Incense will be used*

**Friday, December 25, 2020**

Christmas Mass at 9:00 a.m. – in English

**All Vigil Masses will include the reading of a story to the children and the procession of Nativity pieces to the crèche. Masses that will be available on our Facebook and Radio station will be determined at a later date.**

There will be **No Mass at 8:00 a.m.**  
**on Saturday, December 26, 2020**  
**nor confessions from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.**

We will return to our regular schedule  
for the 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass  
on Saturday, December 26, 2020.

**Liturgical Ministers:** If you would like to serve at any of these Masses as an Altar Server, Lector, Eucharistic Minister or Usher, please see Libby or email her at [ljdwns@stspchurch.org](mailto:ljdwns@stspchurch.org).

Ushers will be expected to seat the congregation as they arrive at the church so that we are following our 6’ distancing requirements. Ushers will also count as we know that we can comfortably seat 150-175 people following CDC requirements at any of these Masses. This year of 2020 is causing many of us to make adjustments, so families, please talk with one another and let us alter our traditions for the safety of us all during this Most Holy Night.

**\*This schedule is for this year only. The Bishop has given permission during this pandemic year to allow a Mass prior to 4:00 p.m. to alleviate crowding and assurance of CDC requirements.**