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“St. Paul Cathedral Parish is a diverse body of Catholic people whom God calls by name, given a mission by Jesus Christ to be a faithful sign, a realistic foretaste and an instrument of the Kingdom of God. As Cathedral Parishioners, we recognize our responsibility to show leadership by example and to provide service to God’s people.”

My Dear Parishioners:

Just a bit shorter letter to alert you to all the upcoming events & celebrations for the remainder of Advent and the Christmas/Epiphany Season ahead of us.

1. This weekend after all Masses the Young Ladies Institute (YLI) will hold their infamous Christmas Cookies Sale in our Cathedral vestibule for the benefit of our diocesan seminarians and their charity outreach. Stop & partake of these delectable delicacies!!
2. WE NEED YOU ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22ND at 9:00AM to help decorate our Cathedral for the upcoming season; erecting Christmas trees, stringing lights, setting up banners etc. PLEASE GIVE US A HAND! THE MORE THE MERRIER (and easier, too).
3. CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE
Monday, December 24th, Christmas Eve
Masses: 5:30PM-Family/Children’s Mass
10:30PM-Solemn Mass of Christmas with Bishop Tyson preceded by Carols & Scripture at 10:00PM
Tuesday, December 25th, Christmas Day
Masses: 7:00AM, 9:00AM, 11:00AM & 1:00PM (Spanish)
No Evening Mass
4. Attention all Young Adults & College/University students!! Come & have dinner “on your parish” at Keokis 2107 Lincoln Avenue on DECEMBER 26TH AT 6:00PM. It’s on (your parish) but reservations are essential. Contact the parish office before noon by Monday, December 24th.
5. HOLY INNOCENTS’ MASS FOR ALL WHO HAVE LOST CHILDREN IN DEATH. FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28TH AT 5:30PM IN OUR CHAPEL FOLLOWED BY A RECEPTION IN OUR ASSEMBLY PLACE.
6. As is our custom, on the Feast off the Holy Family, this year on Sunday, December 30th, we offer a renewal of Marriage vows at all weekend Masses. A day to uphold Marriage and renew love & commitment.
7. Tuesday, January 1st is the Feast of Mary, Mother of the Lord, A HOLYDAY and World Day of Prayer for Peace. Masses on Monday, December 30th at 5:30PM & on Tuesday, January 1st at 7:00AM, 9:00AM, 11:00AM and 1:00PM (Spanish). NO EVENING MASS ON NEW YEAR’S DAY.

8. Sunday, January 6th is the Feast of the Epiphany, the coming of the MAGI to worship the newborn Savior & the MANIFESTATION of Christ to the non Jewish or Gentile world. We close the season with our annual Epiphany party in our school cafeteria at 3:00PM & a gift exchange. What to bring?

Last Name A-M Salad or Ethnic Food

N-Z Dessert or Ethnic Food

AND A GIFT FOR SOMEONE SIMILAR TO YOURSELF (under \$5.00). Plan to join us!!

9. The following week (January 14-17) I will be in Seattle, participating in the biennial Cathedral Ministries Conference, drawing Cathedral pastors, staff & musicians from the English-speaking world focusing on the special place of “The Cathedral”.

Enclosed in this mailing is our parish calendar for 2019 & a booklet of prayers to assist you in your journey through life for 2019 and beyond. Bishop Tyson, Msgr. Siler & Fathers Jesus & Darell join me in wishing all of you a most blessed Christmas and a New Year full of God’s blessings & favors. Thank you for your continuing kindness & support, for putting up with us and for being who you are.

Devotedly in Christ,



Rev. Msgr. John A. Ecker – VG
Pastor

