

ADVENT EVENING

Drive Thru "Gifts of Giving, Angels in Action"



For: All Youth of our Parish

Date: Wednesday, Dec 9th

Time: 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Place: Resurrection Church West parking lot (Circle Drive under the covered entry)



The Covid Pandemic has definitely brought about many challenges this year, however, it has also opened our eyes to the things that really matter. We have all been forced to slow down and appreciate the “gifts” around us. We are also realizing how much impact a small gesture can have on someone who is being severely impacted by this pandemic. That is why I felt this was no time to cancel advent evening, but a time to use it for the good of others! So we will have an advent evening with a twist! I thought no better way to celebrate this season than to be “angels” for others. So, I would like to ask of each child/youth to do 2 things for our Advent Evening Drive Thru event.

1. Make 2 cards or Pictures (more if you like)

One of the cards/pictures will go to a resident, and one will go to a staff member at Country House Memory Care facility in Lincoln, NE

(My daughter works here and they are very excited to hear of our plans to deliver “gifts” to their residents. I did not mention that the staff are included in on our little Angels in Action- but definitely would not forget those caring for the residents on a daily basis but wanted to keep that a surprise. Along with the card/picture, the resident and staff will also receive a small bag of candy and a little stuffed animal to show our love and appreciation. Many of these residents and even staff have not seen their families in months due to restrictions so I am thankful for each of you to help me in spreading a little joy to each of them this holiday season)

2. In continuation of a tradition of our Advent Evening, I also ask that each child/youth bring a non perishable food item that will be donated to a local food pantry. We must remember those that are less fortunate and share our blessings with others in need.

So, as our Advent Evening this year is shifted a bit from our typical gathering sharing in crafts, music, and holiday festivities to being “Angels in Action” for others , I believe we are experiencing another way to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas. You are all so special and I have missed you greatly this year. God is smiling upon you all as we fill the hearts of others with some love, joy, and hope this Christmas! And you too will be blessed in more ways than you can imagine as the “gift of giving” leaves an imprint on your heart that not even a pandemic can erase!

I want to thank each and every one of you for helping with this “Gift Giving-Angels in Action” Advent Evening! You too will have a special treat bag to enjoy as you pull through the circle drive to drop off your cards and food items! May you all be blessed this holiday season and continue to share that “Angel” in you with those around you.

God’s Blessings and a very Merry Christmas,
Jill Kleint
Director of Religious Education

