We invite you to prepare your hearts for the coming of Jesus with us this Advent Season. Here is a look at the events we will have coming up. Be sure to subscribe to our weekly emails for updates.

**Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be held on Tuesday, December 7th - Vigil Mass at 7:00 pm; Wednesday, December 8th at 9:00 am; Noon, and 6:00 pm in Spanish.

**Advent Penance Service**
Prepare your hearts for Christmas and plan to attend our annual Advent Penance Service. We will have several priests from the surrounding areas to hear confessions. Saint Bede Catholic Church December 14 at 7:00 pm

**Christmas Eve Shutter Service**
There will be shuttle parking for the 4 pm Christmas Eve Mass at Clara Byrd Baker Elementary School, on Ironbound near Harris Teeter. Multiple shuttle buses will be running to get everyone back and forth quickly. If possible please consider using the shuttle lot as an act of hospitality so those guests arriving closer to the start of Mass can find a parking spot in the main lot.

**Mary, Mother of God** is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year. Masses will be held on Friday, December 31 at 5:30 pm and Saturday, January 1 at 9:00 am

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**Pastor’s Update:**

Greetings on this 2nd weekend in the magical season of Advent. May your “Adventing” bring you even closer to the coming one who touches us all with glory to encourage us in our journey to God’s embrace.

The Advent Lessons and Carols this past Wednesday night helped us settle into the season. It was beyond beautiful. Thank you to our choirs (voice ad bell) who delighted us. And to Aaron and Carina who directed the night.

Our Advent Penance Service is scheduled for Dec. 14. As of this printing, we have 14 priests joining us to help experience the mercy of God.

This week, I will be on retreat at the Trappist monastery in Gethsemani, Kentucky….. where Thomas Merton lived and died. Be assured I will pray for you and for your intentions. Because of this, We beg you people, don’t die this week. When one is gone the rest of us are busy enough. Thank you for waiting til next week to meet our Maker.

-Monsignor Joe
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5:00 p.m. Mary Eileen Hrbek (D)

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9:00 a.m.  Amy Moser (D); Nilda Ilumin (D)

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7:00 p.m. Maggie DeStefano (D)

Wednesday, 12/8
9:00 a.m. Dorothy Leahey (D); Andrea Henna & unborn daughter, Carmela Young (D)

Thursday, 12/9
9:00 a.m. Robert Harding (D); Benigno Banez (D)

Friday, 12/10
9:00 a.m. Kathryn Free (D)

Saturday, 12/11
9:00 a.m. Joan Irons (D)

Sunday, 12/12
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11:00 a.m. Parishioners
2:00 p.m. Maria Amezquita (D)
5:00 p.m. Arthur Hilstrom (L)

This Week’s Mass Intentions
Intentions are subject to change if there is a funeral or if a celebrant is unavailable.

Saint Bede Prayer List

SANCTUARY CANDLE
Week of Dec 6, 2021
DeStefano Family

REST IN PEACE
Rita Dryden
Clare Kelly
Yolanda Lee
John “Matt” Mattingly
Christina O’Shea

PRAYER REQUESTS:
Father John Abe, Wayne Babiash, Lucy Cantonwine, Camille Carrubba, Madelon Croskell, Michael Evans, Marcia Gaudet, Sara Lane, Elmer May, Tracy McGuirk, Philip Merriss, John O’Hare, Deborah Pepe, John Preisser, Paul Pressley, Private Intention, Clare Robinson, John Robinson, George Scott, Mrs. Stuart Schuller, John Siemietkowski, Linda Simek, Pat Sullivan, Tom Sullivan, Deborah Tete, Lynn R. Walker, Timothy Webber Family, Williamsburg House of Mercy Staff and Volunteer

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