



Advent by Candlelight is an enchanting evening as women gather together in joyful anticipation of the birth of Christ.

This year's theme is: Full of Grace, and will focus on Mary's transforming grace in our lives.

<u>Thursday, December 4:</u> Speaker - Father Matt Deptula

<u>Saturday, December 6</u>: Speaker - Father Chase Hilgenbrinck

<u>Musical Entertainment December 4&6</u>: Lydia Olson, Harpist

and the Chesterton Academy Chamber Singers

Doors open at 5:30pm, Opening Prayer and Dinner at 6:00pm

Hostess Information:

- Your table can seat up to eight guests, if your table is not full additional guests may be seated with your guests. Prior to the event you will be notified of your guest list.
- Decide the table theme, this year we encourage you to choose a <u>Title of Mary</u>, this link can be used to choose a name: <u>Litany of Loreto</u> or choose a Marian apparition title such as; Our Lady of Lourdes, Our Lady of Guadalupe, Our Lady of Fatima, etc... <u>If you choose to use a title of Mary</u>, <u>please update the parish office staff with the name of your table by November 21.</u>
- Catered dinner, water, and coffee provided. <u>Please bring place settings for 8 china, glassware</u> &silverware, clear dinner and dessert plates will be provided to be placed on top of china for ease of cleanup.
- As a table you have the option to bring: an appetizer for your own table, wine or other beverage. Any
 items you bring must fit on your own table, no overflow tables permitted, remember to bring a
 corkscrew if needed.
- As a table please bring two desserts ready to serve, these will be shared with all of the guests, and will be placed on a dessert buffet table when you arrive.

• Decorating and Set up:

- o If attending Thursday, December 4 the banquet room will be available on Wednesday, December 3 from 5-7pm or Thursday December 4 from 9am-12pm.
- If attending Saturday, December 6 the banquet room will be available on Friday, December 5 from 5-7pm or Saturday, December 6 from 9-11am.
- Tables will be dressed with a white linen, or by request a navy blue linen. You are welcome to bring an overlay or your own tablecloth.
- Please no glitter or glittered decorations!
- Don't forget the candles. Candles should be on drip plates, in vases, or with a protective doily.
 Please no taper candles.

• Clean up

All place settings and decorations must be cleared and taken home at the end of the evening.
 You are welcome to leave any of your storage totes or boxes at the Parish Center after your set up to make clean up easier.

Any questions or concerns please contact Amy Couri via email: akcouri@gmail.com