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Notre Dame of Mount Carmel Church

MAY THE NEW YEAR BRING YOU



*Love
Joy
&
Peace*



Pope Benedict XVI
1927-2022



The LORD bless you and keep you! The LORD let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you! The LORD look upon you kindly and give you peace!

Thank you for your support of Our Parish Mission!

All that takes place at ND and beyond through the works of our ministries is made possible through the generous giving of our parish community.

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Food Rescue Ministry Christmas Celebration

By Beth Vecchio, Food Rescue Ministry Chair

The many volunteers and ministers of The Notre Dame Food Rescue Ministry came together on December 9th to celebrate and be recognized for their amazing work in feeding the food - insufficient in our area. Each team member was given a small token gift, with several folks receiving four or five because they serve on many of our sub-teams!



The Bagel Brigade, bread deliverers, bread baggers, IFPN kitchen food preparers, product pick-up teams, blessing bag packers, sandwich makers, and team leaders were recognized.



Guest speakers included Caroline Lake of The Interfaith Food Pantry, Chris Brancato of Paterson Catholic Charities, and Krist Dimogerodakis of Verrilli's Bakery in Morristown. Each expressed joy in partnering with our ministry to help our neighbors with food and support.



The success of this ministry is directly related to the hard work of its ministers. With God's help, we serve!

Critters Around the Creche: A Sensory Experience of Faith

Since the First Sunday of Advent, Family Faith Formation leaders and presenting families have led us weekly through the "Critters Around the Creche" exploratory series.



At the Family Mass, young families have been stepping into a sensory experience of the animals that might have been present at the time of Jesus' birth while being challenged to use sight, smell, sound, taste, and touch to appreciate the true gifts of Christmas: faith, hope, light, love, joy, and peace.



As we journeyed through Advent and Christmas, a donkey guided us to **hear love**; a dog led us to **smell hope**; a dove helped us to **taste peace**; a cow steered us **to touch joy**; and a lamb shepherded us to **see the light**.



Each family also received critter cutouts each week to complete their own nativity at home.



"My children and I were excited to recap the messages shared through the "Critters in the Crèche" series. I was pleasantly surprised at how much they learned and retained from the symbolism of each animal to which they were introduced each week. It warms my heart to watch them eagerly share what they have learned with others! I believe the series taught all of the children (and adults alike) about the magnitude of that special day and the simplicity of the setting of the birth of Jesus Christ -- The Lamb of God, born in a stable, surrounded by "critters" to save man." Jen Cohan



Stay tuned for the last installment of the series this coming Sunday, Feast of the Epiphany, when a camel will prompt us to **follow faith!**

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Mary's Boy Child



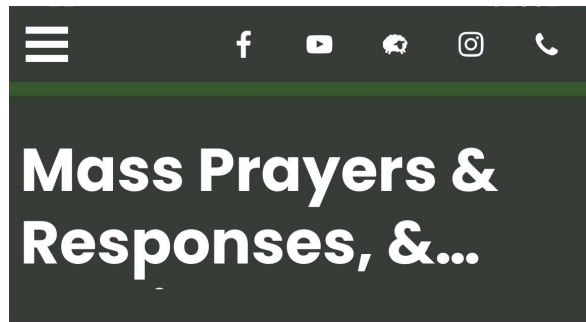


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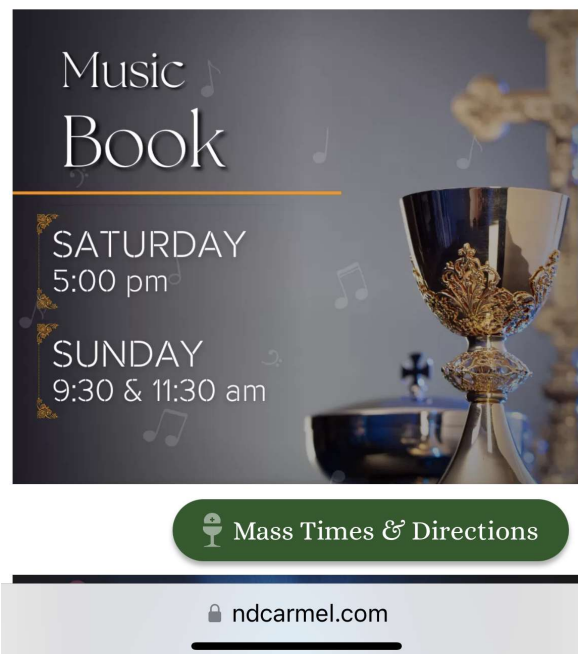


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