



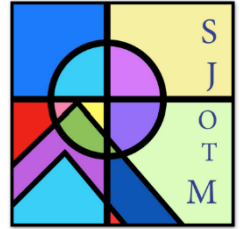
St. Bernard's Episcopal Church St. John on the Mountain

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 7, 2025

11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

Thank you for sharing in our worship today. Hymns and service music are found in the blue Hymnal 1982.



PRELUDE

ADVENT RESPONSORY *sung by the choir*

Malcom Archer

*Blessed are you, Sovereign Lord, God of our ancestors:
to you be praise and glory for ever!*

*You called the patriarchs to live by the light of faith and
to journey in the hope of your promised fulfillment.*

*May we be obedient to your call
and be ready and watchful to receive your Christ,
a lamp to our feet and a light to our path; for you are our
light and our salvation. Blessed be God forever.*

The assembly stands as able

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 65

Prepare the way, O Zion

Bereden väg för Herran

1 Prepare the way, O Zion,
your Christ is drawing near!
Let every hill and valley
a level way appear.
Greet One who comes in glory,
foretold in sacred story.

*Refrain Oh, blest is Christ that came
in God's most holy Name.*

2 He brings God's rule, O Zion;
he comes from heaven above.
His rule is peace and freedom,
and justice, truth, and love.
Lift high your praise resounding,
for grace and joy abounding.

Refrain

3 Fling wide your gates, O Zion; your Savior's rule embrace.
His tidings of salvation proclaim in every place.
All lands will bow before him, their voices will adore him.

Refrain

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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Presider Blessed are you, holy and living One.
Assembly You come to your people and set them free.

KYRIE



O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy tribes on Sinai's height
in ancient times didst give the law, in cloud, and majesty, and awe.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!

O come, thou Branch of Jesse's tree, free them from Satan's tyranny
that trust thy mighty power to save, and give them victory o'er the grave

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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Presider The Lord be with you.

Assembly **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray. Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The assembly is seated for the readings

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 11:1-10

9 am: Lynda Stadtmueller, 11 am: John Smith

Lector A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

Assembly **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 72:1-7, 18-19 *sung by the choir with congregational antiphon*

St. Martin's Psalter



1 Give the King your justice, O God, *
and your righteousness to the King's Son;

2 That he may rule your people righteously *
and the poor with justice;

3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, *
and the little hills bring righteousness.

4 He shall defend the needy among the people; *
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.

5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, *
from one generation to another. *Antiphon*

6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field,
* like showers that water the earth.

7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; *
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.

18 Blessed be the Lord GOD, the God of Israel, *
who alone does wondrous deeds!

19 And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! *
and may all the earth be filled with his glory.
Amen. Amen. *Antiphon*

SECOND LESSON: Romans 15:4-13*9 am: Lynda Stadtmueller, 11 am: Jane Rauen**Lector*

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name"; and again he says, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; and again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; and again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope." May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Lector

The Word of the Lord.

*Assembly***Thanks be to God.****POETRY PRAYER:** God's Promised Day Can't Wait (Hope Can't Wait) Prayer by Rev. Sarah A. Speed*read by Jane Rauen*

Sometimes,
While the sky is still dark,
I slip sock feet into tennis shoes and go for a
walk.
Step by step
I ask my deepest questions,
While the sky lets go of its deepest dark blue.
Am I doing enough?
Ink to indigo.
Does my brother know how much I love him?
Indigo to navy.
Will my friends keep showing up?
Navy to royal blue.
Will we ever know peace?
Royal blue to gold.

And after a while, my pilgrimage must end,
So I turn apologetic feet toward home
And walk my repentance back toward the sun.
And once again, while I stand in sock feet and tennis
shoes,
God takes my breath away.
For once again,
The sky's deepest void is now a watercolor of light.
And I am reminded
That like the sky,
God touches everything.
And I am reminded,
That like the sky,
Nothing is so broken that it can't be painted gold.
In the morning light, there is peace.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT – *Children (and parents) are welcome to come forward for a brief story**The assembly stands for the Sequence Hymn and Gospel***SEQUENCE HYMN 66**

Come, thou long expected Jesus

Stuttgart

1 Come, thou long-expected Jesus,
born to set thy people free;
from our fears and sins release us,
let us find our rest in thee.

3 Born thy people to deliver,
born a child, and yet a king,
born to reign in us for ever,
now thy gracious kingdom bring.

2 Israel's strength and consolation,
hope of all the earth thou art:
dear desire of every nation,
joy of every longing heart.

4 By thine own eternal Spirit
rule in all our hearts alone;
by thine all-sufficient merit
raise us to thy glorious throne.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 3:1-24

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Assembly **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.'" Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. "I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

Assembly

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Beth Rauen Sciaino

The assembly stands for the Creed and Prayers

THE NICENE CREED

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We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

ADVENT PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sundays and Seasons: Year A 2023 pp. 34-35

Intercessor As we prepare for the fullness of Christ's presence,
let us pray for a world that yearns for new hope. *Silence*

11 am: Julia Somers

God of all, your children everywhere cry out for mercy. Awaken the Church to the urgent needs of our time. Break down barriers of culture and custom and unite people of all faiths in your redemptive and healing work. God, in your mercy,

Assembly **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor God of wonder, the earth's beauty and abundance is your gift. Teach us your ways of sharing resources and caring for life. Guard fragile habitats, preserve the wild places, and protect endangered plants and animals. God, in your mercy,

Assembly **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor God of peace, you judge the nations. Beat our weapons into tools for serving the neighbor. Strengthen the resolve of all who work for an end to war. We pray for lasting

Assembly peace in the land of Jesus' birth, and in Sudan and Ukraine. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Intercessor God of loving-kindness, you desire fullness of life for everyone. Fill those who hunger.
 Comfort the grieving and attend to those near death. Bring help and hope to any who
 are sick or needing your care, including those on our Prayer List (*read names*).
 God, in your mercy,

Assembly **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor God of community, you are present when we gather in your name. Give wisdom to
 our Wardens, Vestry, and lay leaders. Keep us alert to unexpected opportunities for
 mission. God, in your mercy,

Assembly **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor God of promise, your goodness is everlasting. We give thanks for the lives of the
 faithful who now rest in you. We trust that in time you will bring us into the company
 of all the saints with rejoicing. God, in your mercy.

Assembly **hear our prayer.**

Presider/Deacon God of our longing, you know our deepest needs. By your Spirit, gather our
 prayers and join them with the prayers of all your children. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

ADVENT CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION Prayer by Rev. Sarah A. Speed | A Sanctified Art

Presider/Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**Gracious God, you paint a picture of a better world –
 a world of peace and joy, of equality and grace.**

**But we turn our heads and close our eyes,
 afraid that you might want us to help.**

You ask us to be brave, and we are complacent.

You ask us to speak out, but instead we stay quiet.

You ask us to listen, and we assume we are the experts.

You lead with love, and we wait on the sidelines.

Forgive us for always being ten steps behind you.

Forgive us for all the ways we are works in progress.

Fill our hearts with a hope that won't let go.

Gratefully we pray, Amen.

Presider May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and
 strengthen you by the Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

Assembly **And also with you.**

WORDS OF WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

During the Offertory Anthem an offering is collected for God's mission and ministry. Thank you for your generosity.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Creator of the Stars of Night

arr. Malcolm Archer

The assembly stands and sings

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS Doxology for a Weary World Cranham (In the bleak midwinter)

Text: Anna Strickland (2023) Music: Gustav Holst (1906)

Praise the one Cre - a - tor, praise the Liv-ing Christ

Praise the Ho-ly Spi - rit, praise both day and night

Praise when you are wea - ry, praise in times of joy

Praise, my soul, with all your strength and your heart and voice

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer B, BCP p. 361

Presider The Lord be with you.

Assembly **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

Assembly **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Assembly **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. (*The Proper Preface for Advent is said.*) Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Sanctus for Advent

Text adapted by Donna DiBella
Freely, as in plainsong

Tune: Divinum Mysterium

Ho - ly, ho - ly, God al - mighty, _____ Heav'n and earth Your prais - es sing!

Shout Ho - san - nas to the Sav - iour, Bless - ing, hon - or to _____ the King.

In the name of the Lord, the bear - er of light tri - umphs o'er the dark of night

ev - er - more and ev - er - more. _____

Presider We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation.... Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Presider and Assembly

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all.... By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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Presider As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.**

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD *The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. Silence is kept.*

FRACTION ANTHEM S 164

Agnus Dei

Franz Schubert, arr. Richard Proulx

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world: give us your peace, give us your peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION The Gifts of God for the People of God.

You are welcome to say A Prayer for Spiritual Communion found below during Communion.

A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

(Diocese of Oxford, England)

Lord, you stand at the door of my heart and knock.

You wait for me and only I can let you in.

I believe and trust in you and ask you now to fill me with your presence.

Feed me with your Body and unite me in your Blood,

that I may be your blessing to a world in need. **Amen.**

COMMUNION ANTHEM 81

Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming

Es ist ein Ros

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

A New Zealand Prayer Book p. 428

Presider Let us stand and pray.

Father of all, we give you thanks and praise,

that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home.

Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace and opened the gate of glory.

May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;

we who drink his cup bring life to others;

we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Amen.

ADVENT BLESSING

Presider May Christ be our new beginning, the hope and salvation of the world;
and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN 76

On Jordan's bank

Winchester New

- 1 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
announces that the Lord is nigh;
awake and hearken, for he brings
glad tidings of the King of kings.
- 2 Then cleansed be every breast from sin;
make straight the way for God within,
and let each heart prepare a home
where such a mighty guest may come.
- 3 For thou art our salvation, Lord,
our refuge, and our great reward;
without thy grace we waste away
like flowers that wither and decay.
- 4 To heal the sick stretch out thine hand,
and bid the fallen sinner stand;
shine forth, and let thy light restore
earth's own true loveliness once more.
- 5 All praise, eternal Son, to thee, whose advent doth thy people free;
whom with the Father we adore and Holy Spirit evermore.

THE DISMISSAL

Presider/Deacon As we await our coming Savior, go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.
Assembly **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

POSTLUDE

Assisting today at ST. JOHN ON THE MOUNTAIN		Assisting today at ST. BERNARD'S	
<i>Presider & Preacher</i>	The Rev. Beth Rauén Sciaíno	<i>Presider & Preacher</i>	The Rev. Beth Rauén Sciaíno
<i>Lector</i>	(7:45), Lynda Stadtmueller (9)	<i>Deacon</i>	The Rev. Karen B. Lewis, Deacon
<i>Eucharistic Minister</i>	Peter Clarke (7:45), Bob Courtemance (9)	<i>Lectors</i>	John Smith, Jane Rauén, Julia Somers
<i>Director of Music</i>	Grant Mech	<i>Chalichist</i>	Mary Jane Canose
<i>St. John's Choir</i>		<i>Interim Director of Music</i>	Tyler Weakland
<i>Usher</i>	Peter Mercer (7:45), Joy Baird (9)	<i>St. Bernard's Choir</i>	
<i>Altar Guild</i>	<i>Captain:</i> Jane Mercer;	<i>Usher</i>	John Cauley, Pamela Farley
	Kathy Christie, Barbara Scilla	<i>Altar Guild</i>	Mary Kempen, Cathy Ferrara
<i>Coffee Hour</i>		<i>Coffee Hour</i>	Chris & Denise Thomas

ANNOUNCEMENTS - December 7, 2025

WORSHIP & COMMUNITY

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS & MUSIC

As always, we will celebrate Christmas with beautiful music, wreaths, and flowers, and include dedications to your loved ones in our Christmas Eve Bulletin. To give a donation for music and flowers and to have a dedication, please complete the form ([click here](#)), indicating the names of your loved ones you would like included in our Christmas Eve bulletin and return it by putting it in the offering plate (you can use the *Christmas Offering envelopes available in the pews*), by mail, or you can email our Parish Administrator: admin@stbernardsnj.org **Deadline is Thur. Dec. 18.**

CHURCH GREENING, SAT., DECEMBER 13, 9:30 am

All are welcome to help with our church greening (decorating church with Christmas wreaths & poinsettias) on Sat. Dec. 13, at 9:30 am.

UPCOMING JOINT SERVICES AT ST. BERNARD'S & ST. JOHN ON THE MOUNTAIN

- Sunday, Dec. 14, 10 am, at St. John's, Christmas Pageant & German Christmas Advent Coffee Hour
- Friday, Dec. 19, 7-7:30 pm, at St. Bernard's, Blue Christmas Service for those struggling at the holidays
- Sunday, Dec. 28, 10 am, at St. John's, Lessons and Carols in the chapel
- Sunday, Feb. 8, 10 am, at St. Bernard's, Souper Bowl Sunday: soups for sale to benefit the Food Bank

IN CELEBRATION OF PASTOR BETH'S 10TH ANNIVERSARY!

Join us for coffee hour today, Dec. 7, for celebratory refreshments, in celebration of Pastor Beth's 10th Anniversary of serving at St. Bernard's!

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT – Sunday, Dec. 14, 10 am joint service at St. John on the Mountain

We look forward to experiencing this year's Christmas Pageant during the 10 am service on Sunday, Dec. 14. Rehearsal is Dec. 13 at 9 am. This joint service will be followed by the German Christmas Advent Coffee Hour. *There is no service at St. Bernard's on December 14.*

BLUE CHRISTMAS Service, Friday, Dec. 19, 7-7:30 pm, held at St. Bernard's choir

Please join us for this meaningful joint service held every Advent and sponsored by St. Bernard's, St. John on the Mountain, and St. Mark's, Basking Ridge. We bring to the service the stresses of life and the holiday season, our grief, our worries and fears. We trust God will bolster us in community with peace. All are welcome – please invite friends and neighbors.

TELL OUT MY SOUL – Stewardship 2026

We would like to thank those who have already pledged to St. Bernard's Episcopal Church for 2026. We are still accepting pledges. We hope you will prayerfully consider how your participation in the life of St. Bernard's parish helps you to grow in your faith and compassion for the God's world. Giving estimates (pledges) can be returned by mail or place in the offering plate. Thank you for being generous with all you have been given.

EVENING PRAYER continues Wednesday, Dec. 10, 5:30 pm. via Zoom

Join us for Advent Evening Prayer every week during Advent, and learn about a saint in this 20-minute service held on Zoom. *Upcoming dates:* 12/10, and 17. Resumes every other week on Jan. 7.

GAME NIGHT! Thurs., December 11, 6:30 – 8:30 pm at St. Bernard's

Join us for games, fun, and pizza on Thursday, Dec. 11, from 6:30-8:30 pm in St. Bernard's Parish Hall. We are starting a half an hour later this month. Fun for all ages. Thanks to Jason Robbinette!

LADIES' HOLIDAY LUNCHEON, Thursday, Dec. 18, 12 pm

Ladies of St. John's and St. Bernard's, you are invited to our annual holiday luncheon at 12 pm on Dec. 18 at the Grain House at Olde Mill Inn, Basking Ridge. 3-course plated lunch is \$50.00, includes coffee, tea, and soft drinks. Join us for a lively and festive gathering! It's a great way to begin your holiday celebrations.

RSVP by Dec. 11 to Kathy Christie at kathy.christie@att.net or 908-672-7497, and mail checks payable to Kathleen Christie, 5 Pippins Way, Morristown, NJ 07960 to join in the meal.

ADVENT BRUNCH – Sunday, Dec. 21, 12 pm at St. Bernard's

Join us for the annual Advent Brunch following the 11 am service, complete with Christmas carols. All welcome.

OUTREACH

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

St. Bernard's Cemetery participates in this moving and meaningful wreath-laying ceremony on the graves of veterans on Sat., Dec. 13 at 2 pm. Please join us for the ceremony and to lay wreaths.

TOY DRIVE for CASA SHaW – donations welcome by Tuesday, Dec. 9

Share the magic of the holidays with children and youth in foster care who need some love and support! We're collecting gifts and gift cards for CASA SHaW for the kids they serve, ages birth-21. *Suggestions:* craft kits, Lego sets, sports equipment (basketballs and soccer balls), gift cards for teenagers. Please bring by Dec. 9.

Upcoming Christmas Services

Christmas Eve, Wednesday, Dec. 24 4:00 pm at St. Bernard's with choir 6:00 pm at St. John on the Mountain with choir 8:00 pm at St. Bernard's with choir	Sun., Dec. 14, Joint 10:00 am Christmas Pageant followed by German Christmas Advent Coffee Hour at St. John's Fri., Dec. 19, 7:00-7:30 pm Blue Christmas at St. Bernard's Thurs., Dec. 25, 10:00 am at St. Bernard's with soloist Sun., Dec. 28, Joint 10:00 am Lessons & Carols at St. John's
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ST. BERNARD'S AND ST. JOHN'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

December 7, The Second Sunday of Advent

7:45 am Holy Eucharist, Rite I, St. John's Chapel
 8:30 am St. John's Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
 8:45 am Childcare, Lower Level
 9:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite II & Baptism, Church
 9:00 am Sunday School, St. John's Parish Hall
 10:00 am Coffee Hour, St. John's
 9:30 am St. Bernard's Choir Rehearsal
 10:15 am St. John's Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
 11:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite II, St. Bernard's
 12:00 pm Coffee Hour, St. Bernard's

December 10, Wednesday

8:00 am The Open Table, Zoom
 5:30 pm Advent Evening Prayer, Zoom
 7:00 pm St. Bernard's Vestry Meeting

December 11, Thursday

6:30 pm Game Night, St. Bernard's Parish Hall

December 13, Saturday

9:00 am Christmas Pageant Rehearsal, St. John's
 9:30 am Greening of St. Bernard's Church

December 14, The Third Sunday of Advent

8:45 am Combined Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
 9:45 am Childcare, Lower Level
 10:00 am Joint Service: Christmas Pageant & Holy Eucharist, St. John's in the Church
 11:00 am German Christmas Coffee Hour, St. John's

December 17, Wednesday

8:00 am The Open Table, Zoom
 11:00 am St. John's Nursery School: Christmas Sing
 5:30 pm Advent Evening Prayer, Zoom

December 18, Thursday

12:00 pm Ladies Christmas Luncheon, Grain House

December 19, Friday

7 - 7:30 pm Blue Christmas Service, St. Bernard's

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