

## *Advent begins December 1*

*Bring your Advent Wreath to Sacred Heart for an  
Advent Wreath Blessing at all Masses  
Saturday, November 30<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>*



*During the Advent season, families spend time together preparing for the approaching celebration of the birth of Christ. An Advent wreath is a great focal point for family prayers and holiday celebrations.*

*An Advent wreath is a wreath of laurel, spruce or similar foliage with four candles that are lighted successively in the weeks of Advent to symbolize the light that the birth of Christ brought into the world. Traditionally three of the candles are purple, the color of kings and of penance. A rose-colored candle is used to mark the Third Sunday of Advent as a time to rejoice over the closeness of Christmas and the coming of Christ.*

*Children love the beauty of the simple traditional ceremony. Lighting candles in an Advent Wreath is a simple way to start a tradition of family worship in the home. Those who participate will cherish the experience all their lives.*

*Each day your family should gather around the Advent wreath, generally before the evening meal. The proper number of candles are then lighted and a prayer is said.*



Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish  
210 E. Northampton Street, Bath, PA 18014

### CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

**ADVENT WREATH BLESSING**  
Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> November 2024  
Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> December 2024  
At all Masses

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**  
Observed on Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> December 2024  
8:00 am and 4:30 pm

**BAMBINELLI SUNDAY BLESSING**  
Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> December 2024  
Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> December 2024  
At all Masses

**ADVENT CONFESSIONS**  
(multiple Priests present)  
Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> December 2024  
6:30 pm

**CHRISTMAS EVE VIGIL**  
Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> December 2024  
4:00 pm – Parish Auditorium  
4:00 pm, 7:00 pm and 12 Midnight – Church

**CHRISTMAS DAY**  
Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> December 2024  
9:00 am and 11:00 am

**SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD**  
Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> January 2025  
4:30 pm, Tuesday, 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024  
9:00 am and 11:00 am, Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> January 2025

**BLESSING OF EPIPHANY WATER**  
Saturday, 4th January 2025, 4:40 pm, prior to Vigil Mass