ADVENT RITUALS

The Church has long recognized ritual as a basic aspect of being human. Ritual allows us to experience the mystery that surrounds us and permeates all of creation. It helps us to maintain the ebb and flow of mind, body, soul and spirit, as they communicate with each other and enrich our knowledge and experience of God. As Catholics, we have many opportunities to enjoy the richness of our ritual life during Advent. The Advent wreath is the most common symbol of the season. Its circular shape symbolizes eternal life, the candles represent our waiting and their light reminds us that Jesus is the “Light of the World.”

A lesser-known symbol is the Jesse tree, named from Isaiah 11:1: “A shoot will spring forth from the stump of Jesse…” The tree connects the Old and New Testament stories of God’s faithfulness and love that span 4,000 years. A green tree or depiction of a tree on a wall is decorated throughout Advent with various symbols, including a dove, burning bush, lamb and stone altar from Hebrew Scriptures; and mother and child, carpenter’s hammer, star and manger from the New Testament.

The official color of the Advent season is violet. Although violet is used during the penitential season of Lent, the bluer shades of violet are used during Advent to distinguish between the two.

Seasonal prayers remind us to prepare for both the celebration of the anniversary of Jesus’ birth and His second coming at the end of time. These special prayers focus on waiting, watching and hoping as we celebrate our faith through the symbols and rituals of Advent.

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<td><strong>Saturday Vigil Mass</strong> 5:30 p.m.</td>
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THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD CHRIST THE KING  
– November 23  
  - Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17  
  - 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28  
  - Matthew 25:31-47  

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
– November 30  
  - Isaiah 63:16B-17,19B and 64:2-7  
  - 1 Corinthians 1:3-9  
  - Mark 13:33-37  

“Act justly, love tenderly and walk humbly with your God.” – Micah 6:8
Advent: Prayer of Creative Waiting

Christ, we await your coming,
And we respond to your invitation
To journey to the holy mountain,
Where there is “no harm or ruin,”
And where the lion can lie down with the lamb.
Help us to be like John the Baptist
So we may recognize and announce your love
to a world in darkness.
Spark our creativity
So we may create the way to your peace and justice,
Working with our sisters and brothers
to open new vistas,
To promote new ways of being in community
and in communion.
May the wings of the Holy Spirit open softly within us,
Gracing us with inspiration so our waiting itself
Becomes the place of a new creation.

Amen
— Jane Deren, Ph.D.

Advent-Alumni Retreat
Preparing the Way for Christmas
Saturday, Dec. 6, 2014

Spend a day on campus with Spiritan Campus Ministry
and reflect on the meaning of Advent traditions. This
retreat is for adults only and is $25 per person, including
lunch. For more information please call 412.396.6209 or
visit www.myduquesne.duq.edu/AdventAlumni.

Advent-Reconciliation Service
Monday, Dec. 8, 2014

Join us for an Advent
Reconciliation Service from 6-8 p.m.
in the Duquesne University Chapel of
the Holy Spirit. Following the Reconciliation
Service is the weekly Mass for Peace.
All are welcome!

Advent - Midnight Mass
Saturday, Dec. 13, 2014

Join us for the annual Advent Midnight Mass in the
Chapel of the Holy Spirit. Lessons and carols begin at
11:30 p.m. If you are interested in volunteering for any of
the ministries at this Mass, please contact Debbie Kostosky
at kostosky@duq.edu.

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Monday, Dec. 8, 2014

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception will be celebrated
on Monday, Dec. 8, with Masses at noon and 9 p.m. Because the
Holy Day falls on a Monday, all Sunday Masses still count
toward the typical Sunday obligation.
**FAIR TRADE WEEK IS HERE!**
Join us for the following events:

- **FAIR TRADE MARKETPLACE**
  **MONDAY, DEC. 1 - THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4**
  10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Duquesne Union, PNC Atrium

- **MOVIE SCREENING: FOOD CHAINS**
  **TUESDAY, DEC. 2**
  6 p.m., Power Center Ballroom

- **FAIR TRADE LUNCH AND LEARN**
  **WEDNESDAY, DEC. 3**
  Noon - 1 p.m., Duquesne Union, Africa Room

**WHY SHOULD WE CARE?**

“Solidarity is not just a feeling of vague compassion or shallow distress at the misfortunes of so many people, both near and far. On the contrary, it is a firm and preserving determination to commit oneself to the common good.”

– Economic Justice for All

**GET INVOLVED!**
For more information about Fair Trade awareness on campus, contact Kate Lecci at leccik@duq.edu.

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**SPIRITAN CAMPUS MINISTRY EVENTS: Weeks of November 23 – December 6, 2014**

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<td>Fair Trade Week Begins Off the Beaten Path Mass for Peace Spiritan Campus Ministry Center 2nd Floor Duquesne University Chapel of the Holy Spirit</td>
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<td>TUESDAY, DEC. 2</td>
<td>RCIA Movie Screening: Food Chains Spiritan Campus Ministry Center 1st Floor Power Center Ballroom</td>
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<td>WEDNESDAY, DEC. 3</td>
<td>Fair Trade Lunch and Learn Chapel Choir Vocation Discernment Group Africa Room Duquesne University Chapel of the Holy Spirit Laval House</td>
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<td>CEL Bible Study Spiritan Campus Ministry Center 2nd Floor</td>
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<td>SATURDAY, DEC. 6</td>
<td>Alumni Advent Day of Reflection Locations around Campus</td>
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**CELEBRATIONS:**

- **CELEBRATIONS**
  - **MONDAY, DEC. 1 – FRIDAY, DEC. 5**
  - **MONDAY, NOV. 24 – FRIDAY, NOV. 28**

**SPIRITAN CAMPUS MINISTRY CENTER HOURS:**
Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m. to Midnight  Saturday-Sunday: Noon to Midnight
What is Spiritan Campus Ministry?

Spiritan Campus Ministry is much more than a group of individuals or an agenda of programs or opportunities for service. It is the Spirit of Duquesne University...the Spirit that moves, that leads, that guides.

SCM serves all students, faculty and staff—whatever their faith—by helping them understand and engage the University mission and Spiritan tradition so they can share it with each other, their communities and the world beyond.

Pastoral Care- Spiritan campus ministers are trained professionals, lay and ordained, men and women, who are available to serve the needs of Duquesne students, faculty and staff, especially on issues of faith, relationships and life's struggles.

Feel free to contact Spiritan Campus Ministry anytime, but especially when...

- you are worried about grades
- you are in conflict over friends or roommate
- you have questions about your sexuality
- you have concerns about your family or friends
- your faith is challenged
- you or someone you know is ill
- you have questions on morality
- you are facing issues of death and dying
- you or someone you know is experiencing an unplanned pregnancy
- you need spiritual direction
- you are considering becoming Catholic, or need preparation to receive the sacraments of Eucharist, Confirmation and/or Reconciliation

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LESSONS WITH CAROLS AT DUQUESNE

FRIDAY, DEC. 5 | 7:30 P.M.
EPHPHANY CATHOLIC CHURCH

A contemporary version of the Service of Nine Lessons with Carols that was first presented in 1918 at King's College Chapel, Cambridge, England. All three Duquesne choral ensembles will sing in this service that features the reading of nine contemplative lessons, original writings by Pittsburgh poet David Belczyk and a retelling of the Advent story from Genesis through the four Gospels. Pittsburgh's favorite “Handyman” and Duquesne faculty member Joe Negri will appear as a guest artist. A $10 donation is suggested for admission. For more information, call 412.396.6083.

SCM ON: TWITTER, FACEBOOK & INSTAGRAM

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