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**Baptism:** Baptismal preparation is required of all parents prior to the celebration of baptism. Please call parish office for an appointment.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Any time by appointment.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Please inform the parish office when someone needs a visit from a priest.

**Marriage Preparation:** Make arrangements with the parish office at least six months before the intended wedding.

**Visitation of Sick and Homebound:** If you or a member of your family is in the hospital, privacy acts prohibit ministers from obtaining names through the hospital; therefore, you must contact the parish if you would like a visit. Also, please contact the parish to request homebound visits if you become ill.

**December 13, 2020: Third Sunday of Advent**

**\* \* \* COLLECTIONS & SECOND COLLECTIONS \* \* \***

The second collection this weekend is for the Retirement Fund for Religious (RFR). In good times and bad, nearly 30,000 elderly sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have educated the young, tended the sick, and ministered to the needy. Today, they pray for a hurting world. Yet many US religious communities do not have enough retirement savings, and struggle to provide for aging members. Covid-19 has only increased these challenges. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps furnish medications, nursing care, and more.



Yes, St. Clare is coordinating the Christmas Basket Program again this year! Ways you can help:

1. **Donate money.** You can pay online with a credit card (go to [www.cdlex.org](http://www.cdlex.org) ; click on DONATE; click on “Donate Here”; click on “Give to your local parish”; choose St. Clare; choose the “Christmas Basket” option. You may also mail a check to St. Clare Catholic Church, 622 Chestnut St., Berea, KY 40403 BEFORE DEC. 16.
2. **Donate toys or volunteer** to help sort, prepare, or distribute toys to needy children (volunteers must be at least 16 years old). Please contact Teri Thesing at 859-248-1637 or [jththesing6@gmail.com](mailto:jththesing6@gmail.com) if you can help with this.
3. **Collect and label baskets** on Dec. 21 and/or **distribute baskets** on Dec. 22. Please contact Dennis Jacobs at 606-386-1921 or [dnjacobs@gmail.com](mailto:dnjacobs@gmail.com) if you can help with this.

**ADVENT RESOURCES**



<https://www.catholic.com/>

<https://www.ewtn.com/>

<https://www.catholicscomehome.org/>

<https://www.brantpitre.com/>

<https://mph.dio.org/resources/trusted-catholic-websites.html>

<https://castingnetsministries.com/tools/resources/online-resources>

[https://www.holyfam.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC\\_ID=771192&type=d&pREC\\_ID=1172324](https://www.holyfam.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=771192&type=d&pREC_ID=1172324)

<http://www.catholicdigest.com/faith/prayer/free-online-catholic-resources-to-use-at-home-during-covid-19-outbreak/>



