



# Saint Agnes

CATHOLIC CHURCH



November 17, 2024

**Rev. Rayappa Konka**  
Pastor

**Susan Flohr**  
Pastoral Minister

**Mass Schedule:**

**Saturday: 5:00 pm**  
**Sunday: 8:00 & 10:00 am**

**Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri**  
**7:00 am**

**Wed 8:15am**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturdays one hour prior to Mass  
or by appointment (632-2541)

**Sacrament of Baptism**

Please call the Parish Office

**Parish Office Hours:**

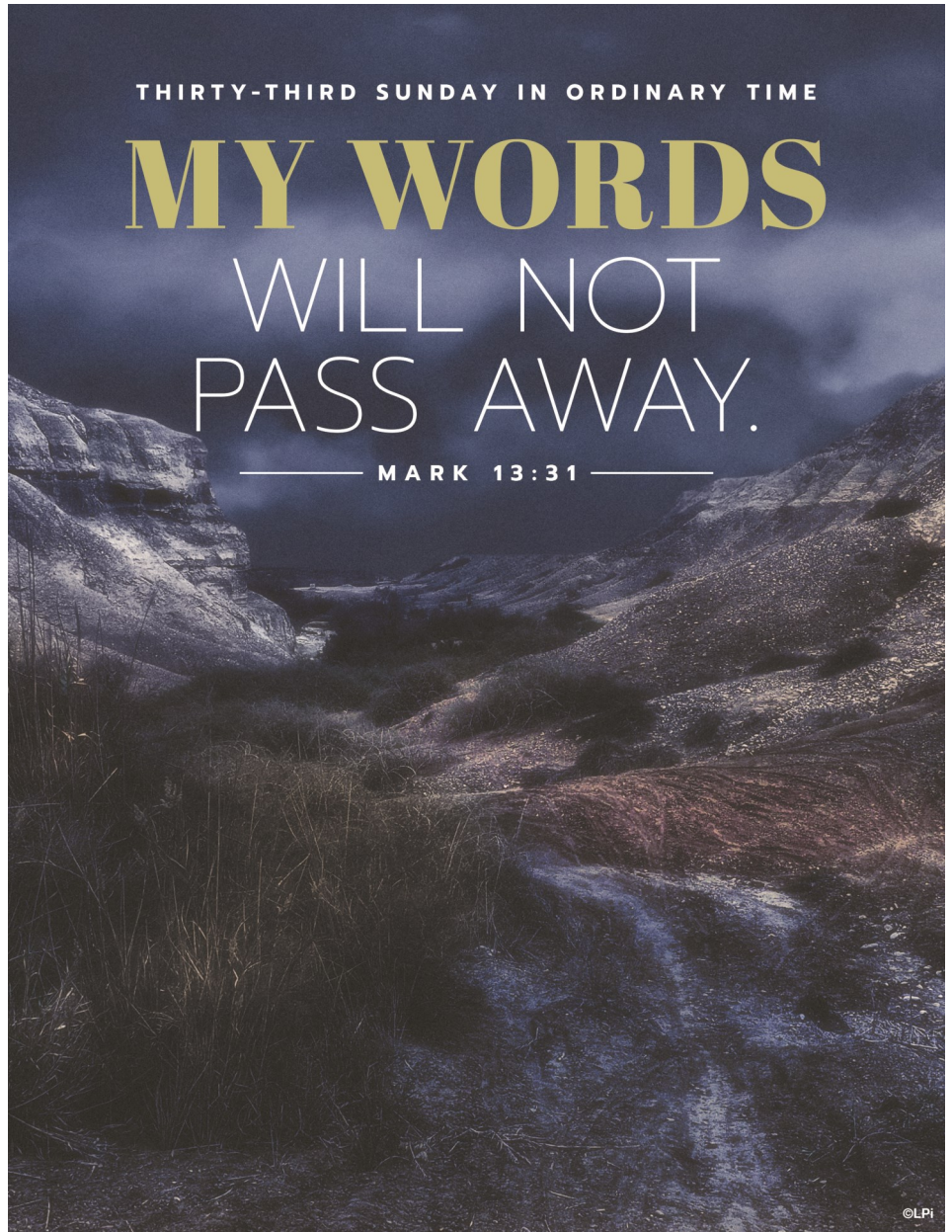
Tuesday-Friday, 9am - Noon  
& 1pm - 4pm

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# MY WORDS

# WILL NOT PASS AWAY.

— MARK 13:31 —



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## Today's Readings

Daniel 12:1-3

Psalms:16

Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

Mark 13:24-32



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## The Thirty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

### The End of the World

“It’s not the end of the world.”

If I had a brick for every time my mother said this to me growing up, I could have built a castle. One that comes complete with a moat whose bridge I could dramatically pull up so I could sulk, in the window of the highest turret, sighing loudly so every passerby would know how I suffered.

Because sometimes we act like it’s the end of the world — whether we are a little kid angered by a playground snub, a teenage girl flipping out over an assignment for English class or a college student distraught that she got scheduled for four opening shifts in a row at the coffee house where she works (yes, these are all examples taken straight from my life, why do you ask?).

And sometimes, it really *does* seem like the end of the world. We lose someone we love to cancer. We miscarry a child before we even get to see his tiny face. The rent is due, and the bank account is overdrawn (also all examples taken straight from my life).

In today’s Gospel, Jesus tells us that when the sun is darkened and the moon no longer gives light, we must look for him, because his time is near.

He’s talking about *The End of the World*. The big one, the apocalypse. But why do I think he’s also talking about the end of the world — those sufferings large and small, real and imagined, that make us feel like the sky is caving in?

In both instances, he draws near to us. So let us look for him.

*Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments - By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman*

## This Week's Schedule

### Monday, November 18, 2024

Daily Mass (8:15am)  
Intention: †Lucien Kicken by Margaret Kicken  
Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm)

### Tuesday, November 19, 2024

Daily Mass (8:15am)  
Intention: †John Kissack II by Marjorie Kissack  
Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm)

### Wednesday, November 20, 2024

Daily Mass (8:15am)  
Intention: In Thanksgiving by Becky Murdock  
Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm)  
Contemplative Prayer (6:00pm)

### Thursday, November 21, 2024

Daily Mass (8:15am)  
Intention: †Buford & Benny Williams by Lucille Koenig  
Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm)

### Friday, November 22, 2024

Mass (8:15am)  
Intention: Paul Pieper by Margie Rood  
Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm)

### Saturday, November 23, 2024

Weekend Mass (5:00pm)  
Intention: Ron Swank by Margie Rood

### Sunday, November 24, 2024

Weekend Mass (8:00am)  
Intention: †Gilbert Trevino by The Songco Family  
Weekend Mass (10:00am)  
Intention: For Our Parish



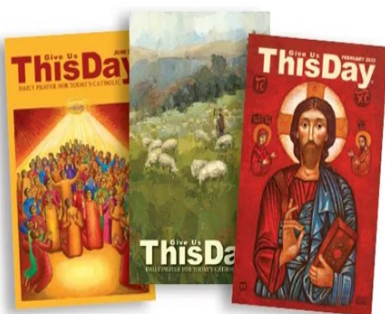
## This Week's Readings



Monday	Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday:	Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday:	Rv 4:1-11/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 19:11-28
Thursday:	Rv 5:1-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 19:41-44
Friday:	Rv 10:8-11/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Lk 19:45-48
Saturday:	Rv 11:4-12/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Lk 20:27-40
Sunday:	Dn 7:13-14/Ps 91:1, 1-2, 5 (1a)/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37

### Daily Prayer for Today's Catholic

*Give Us This Day* is a monthly publication for today's Catholic that helps you pray each and every day. Drawing inspiration from a multitude of voices, it provides a relevant, trustworthy understanding of Scripture. *Give Us This Day* is a prayer resource from Liturgical Press, the publishing house of Saint John's Abbey, a Benedictine community in Collegeville, Minnesota. Liturgical Press has graciously sent November copies to our parish for parishioners to use. Pick up your copy today!



### Server Schedule

Nov 23	5pm	Asher Wilson Kensington Suhr
Nov 24	8am	Carson Windhorst Andrew Peck
	10:00am	William Seymour Lillian Seymour

### Lector Schedule

Nov 23	5pm	Jean Ahrens
Nov 24	8am	Dan Marshall
	10:00am	Shelley Corr

### Rosary Leader Schedule

Nov 23	5pm	Carmen Trevin
Nov 24	8am	Knights of Columbus
	10:00am	Angie Hilbert

### Finance Corner

#### Sunday Collections & ATW Giving

##### November 10, 2024

Actual	\$3633.16
ATW	\$3695.00
Online Giving	\$859.50
Gen. Church Support	\$2000.00
Budget	\$10000.00
Surplus (Deficit)	\$187.66

##### November 2024 Totals

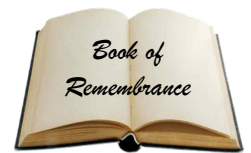
Actual	\$8831.75
ATW	\$3695.00
Online Giving	\$2530.50
Gen. Church Support	\$2000.00
Budget	\$20000.00
Surplus (Deficit)	\$2942.75

Next Sunday's 2nd collection is for Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Thank you for your continued giving!

During the month of November, the Catholic Church honors those who have passed on to eternal life. Here at St. Agnes, you are invited to add the names of your loved ones who have died to The

Book of Remembrance located at the front of the church. Your loved ones are being prayed for in a special way this month.



## In Remembrance of this year's deceased parishioners

November 2023 - October 2024

- William Downey
- Paul David Edelbrock
- Falicia Caroline Gomez
- Doris Marie Flohr
- Benjamin Castinado Jr.
- Carl Ray Murdock
- Selena Esparanza Moreno
- Augustina Ybarra Moreno
- John (Jack) Kearns
- Benita Mary Williams
- Buford Louis Williams
- Jack B. Miller
- Caroline Guzman
- Cathy Publow

### Important Notice

Please remember that there will be a meeting for all Lectors on Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm in the church.

# Thank you

Thank you for helping when our parish has funeral dinners. We appreciate when we call the ladies of the parish to donate salads and cake while the funeral committee prepares the rest of the meal. After the funeral, we leave the empty dishes from the donated food in the church kitchen to be picked up by the donors the next time they come to church. We are blessed to have a long list of parishioners to call for this food. Thanks again for all the wonderful donations and don't forget to pick up your containers!



## Knights of Columbus

Knights of Columbus in Action! The cold rain and cold weather did not stop these Catholic gentlemen from doing their "Food Drive" initiative. They were able to collect a total of **1660 pounds** worth of canned goods. These will be added to the St. Agnes Catholic Church - Valley Catholic Neighbors In Need (VCNIN) project in December.



Please join us for our  
**November Cookie and Donut Social**  
 FOLLOWING ALL MASSES  
 THIS WEEKEND  
 In the Gathering Space



## Catholic Daughters of the Americas®

We need you, because God needs you!  
And you need CDA!!

Mark your calendars for these CDA upcoming events!

### Sock it to us!

Socks of all sizes and colors are welcome! Please place new packages of socks or monetary donations in the box in the Gathering Space, now thru December 8th.



Let us do your Holiday Baking!

## **CHRISTMAS** **COOKIES & CANDY Bake Sale**

Gathering Space  
Saturday & Sunday Dec.7th & 8th  
after each mass





# ADVENT ENCOUNTER Event

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1



5:30 MT Social | 6:00 MT Speaker  
7:00 MT Adoration & Confession  
St Agnes Garden Room



Virtual Guest Speaker

SISTER TERESA HARRELL

## STAR CARDS

### Do you need gift cards?

Gift cards will be on sale December 14th, 15th, 21st and 22nd after mass. You buy the gift card for the amount you need, the company you buy from gives a percentage of that purchase to St Agnes School.

You may also buy digital cards online at <https://www.raiseright.com/>.

There are over 500 stores! Questions? email us at [starcards@st-agnes-school.com](mailto:starcards@st-agnes-school.com).



## St. Agnes Catholic Church

### CHRISTMAS PARISH CHOIR

Practice begins  
Sunday, November 17th  
@ 5:00pm  
In the St. Agnes Church

Rehearsals are for the 8pm Mass  
on December 24th

Please contact Jessica Mikoloyck at  
308-631-6290 for more information



### Prayer of Seasons

As the seasons change,  
be with me.

As my life shifts and  
shapes, be with me.

As I face what the future  
holds, be with me.

As I seek the beauty to be  
found today, help me to  
find you there.

Amen.



# Religious Education Program

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Religious Education Office—308-635-1362

Celebrating Sunday

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Gospel:** Mark 13:24-32

### On the Way to Mass:

Today at Mass, we'll hear an amazing description of when Jesus returns. What is the most beautiful thing you've ever seen? How did it make you feel?

### On the Way Home From Mass:

How did the Gospel describe what it would be like when Jesus returns? How did that make you feel?

### Living the Word:

Each night at dinner, share something beautiful you saw that day, or a time that made you think of Jesus' power and glory.

*Celebrating Sunday for Catholic Families  
2024-2025*

### Find Us On



### Parish Website

[www.st-agnes-church.com](http://www.st-agnes-church.com)

### myParish App

In the App Store on your phone or tablet

### Facebook

St. Agnes Catholic Church

### Thoughtful Moments:

#### St. Josaphat of Volhynia

Born in Lithuania in 1580, to Orthodox parents, St. Josaphat became a monk, then a priest. When he was consecrated Archbishop of Plotsk, he worked to bring his diocese into union with the Catholic Church. While his personal holiness inspired many of the Eastern Orthodox in his diocese to return to communion with Rome, it was still a widely unpopular decision. He suffered persecution by a schismatic party and was eventually martyred by an angry mob.



#### Making room for God

Building Christ-centered homes and families starts with making our hearts home for Christ. Is there room in your heart for Jesus? Do you make time for Him? Do you ask for His advice? When we let Jesus be King of our hearts, we'll experience deep peace, lasting joy, and true freedom.



*"Let the children come to me, do not hinder them; for to such belongs the kingdom of God" (Mark 10:14).*

Partners in Faith - November 2024



**The Hallow App** - Just in time to celebrate the month of the Rosary, October, Hallow will be available to all RE and School families. Now you can pray the Rosary this month using the Hallow App in your car or at home! And this is just the beginning of what is offered on the Hallow App.



Our Religious Education Program and School has partnered with

Hallow this year as a way to intentionally bring God into the lives of our students and teachers - not only in the classroom, but all the time! Please look for an email inviting your family to sign-up for the App, free!

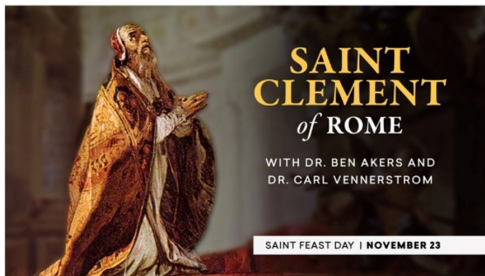
Hallow is a Catholic prayer and meditation app with over 5,000 sessions to choose from. The content inside the app ranges from daily meditations, traditional prayers, Bible stories for sleep, kids and family prayers, mental health meditations, music, and so much more.





# THIS WEEK ON FORMED

## Week of November 17, 2024



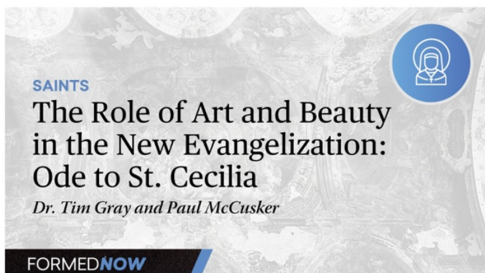
### St. Clement of Rome | Catholic Saints

Sit down with Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Carl Vannerstrom as they discuss Pope St. Clement of Rome, who was an early Church Father and the third successor to St. Peter.



### Confirmation | Brother Francis

Join Brother Francis as he shows us what the Sacrament of Confirmation is, what it does, and why Jesus promised it to us!



### The Role of Art and Beauty in the New Evangelization

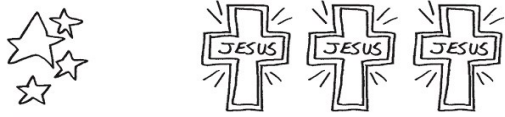
Join Dr. Tim Gray and Paul McCusker as they discuss St. Cecilia and the role of Art and Beauty in the New Evangelization.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription.  
Visit [signup.formed.org](https://signup.formed.org) and select our parish name.

# Kids' Corner

## PUZZLE

Circle the group in each row that has **more**.  
Then color in all the pictures.



## MISSION

I will share my time with God by reading the Bible.

## PUZZLE

Unscramble words from today's Gospel:

shaken	glory	chosen
clouds	angels	leaves
power	gather	heaven

shknae	<u>s</u> <u>h</u> <u>a</u> <u>k</u> <u>e</u> <u>n</u>
gthrae	— — — — —
chsnoe	— — — — —
cldsou	— — — — —
glryo	— — — — —
hvneea	— — — — —
pwroe	— — — — —
angsl	— — — — —
lvseea	— — — — —

## MISSION

Invite a friend to come to church with you. Share a meal together, and talk about the promise Jesus made about heaven.





Connecting Students and Families through Faith  
November 17, 2024



## Upcoming Events

**Wednesday, Nov 20th**

Mass @ 8:15 - 4th Grade leads  
Hot Dog Feed

**Friday, Nov 22nd**

Discipleship Friday - wear shirts  
Premiere Event - Civic Center



## Celebrating Saints

St. Agnes 2<sup>nd</sup> graders hosted their families for a Saint celebration on Wednesday, November 6<sup>th</sup>. Each student chose their favorite saint and researched their life. Dressed as their saint, they then shared a short report of interesting facts about their saint. This is an annual activity in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and helps these students who are preparing to receive their 1<sup>st</sup> holy Eucharist grow in their understanding of how they are called to live saintly lives.



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## Learning About Our Civic Duty

Kindergarten students took time on Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> to learn about the civic responsibility of voting. Personal ID in hand, they headed to the ballot box to vote on the best cookie- Chips A'hoj or Oreos. This was a fun way to learn the process of voting, but these little ones also learned the actual voting age, what adults were voting on and about the importance of exercising their right to vote in order to impact their community and world. Little leaders in the making!!



## Veteran's Parade

St. Agnes Singspirations showed their appreciation to our Veterans by participating in the recent Veteran's Day parade held on Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup>. Donning American flags, the students sang patriotic songs as they walked the parade route in thanks to all who have protected our freedoms through their service to our country.



## Student Led Mass

Thirty-five kindergarten -fifth grade students took part in the second quarter student led Mass held on Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup>. The kids led all ministries: lector, cantor, ushers, greeters, altar servers and choir. We value the opportunity to have our students take on these roles during Mass as they are the future of our Church.



## Hot Lunch Menu for November 18th, 2024 - November 22nd, 2024

<u>Monday, Nov 18</u>	<u>Tuesday, Nov 19</u>	<u>Wednesday, Nov 20</u>	<u>Thursday, Nov 21</u>	<u>Friday, Nov 22</u>
Kraut-burger Green Beans Oranges Jello	Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Celery w/peanut butter Apples	<b>HOT DOG FEED</b>	Egg Salad Sandwich Fries Sun Chip Peaches	Beef Calzone Spinach Salad Grapes Rice Krispie Treat
<b>Helpers:</b> Katy Marshall Megan Covalt	<b>Helpers:</b> Baron Kimble HELP NEEDED	<b>Helpers:</b>	<b>Helpers:</b> Meghan Roper Juyoung Adams	<b>Helpers:</b> Teresa Swank Dave Feltgen



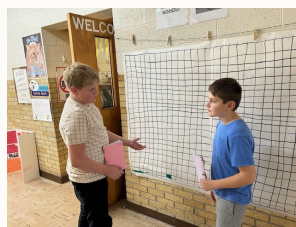
# What's Happening at St. Agnes School.....

## Fifth Grade Class By Lynsey Ayres

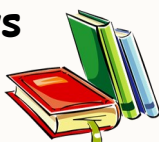
Hello everyone! Here we are in November and the second quarter of the school year. Everything is flying by so fast. The fifth grade has been flying by as well. We have just finished the 4th Unit in math for both 4th and 5th grade. 4th grade has been working on different multiplication skills and 5th grade has been learning about adding and subtracting decimals. In social studies, we have been getting ready to set sail on our sailing exploration activity as we have begun learning about early European Explorers.

In science, we have been learning all about physical and chemical changes, and the differences between mixtures and substances. We continue our work as leaders within our school, helping in the cafeteria, serving on student council, leading Mass and helping wherever and whenever else we are needed.

One big bit of exciting news, huge congratulations go out to the 4th and 5th grade students who participated in Singspirations during the Choir Fest! They received Gold for their performance. We are extremely proud of all their hard work!



## Library Room News By Lana Payne



It's November and so far, we've had a beautiful fall! Now it's time to start thinking about turkeys, pilgrims, the Mayflower, and Thanksgiving celebrations with family and friends.

The library is featuring books on military veterans, Thanksgiving, Native Americans, fall harvest, autumn, scarecrows, owls, and new books from the Book Fair. **We'll have a Feast of Delicious Books!**

The students have been working hard on their Reading Incentive goals. They have finished the months of September and October and have been making their reading choices for November. As each student completes their monthly reading goal they will see their flower power blossom on the "Cool Kids Read" wall outside the library.

**Book Fair Update:** Thanks to all who participated in this year's Book Fair! Our gross sales (excluding sales tax) were \$3225.34! The winners from the Book Fair drawing were Ada Jenkins (Pre-K), Reid Colwell (Kindergarten), Duke Suhr (1<sup>st</sup> grade), Sillivan Gauthier (2<sup>nd</sup> grade), William Adamson (3<sup>rd</sup> grade), Rose Schiff (4<sup>th</sup> grade), and Isaac Ramirez (5<sup>th</sup> grade). They each picked a book of their choice from Book Fair selections. Thank you for supporting the Book Fair! The profit earned goes toward buying books and other library items for our school library.



## Music Room News By Cori Taedter



What a busy, exciting time we have been having in our music room! I am SO proud to share that our St. Agnes show choir group, Singspirations, earned a top "Gold" award during their participation in the Old West Choir Fest at Scottsbluff High School on Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>! This group was the only group from the Elementary/Jr. High division to win a gold award, and earned one of only 4 gold medals that were awarded that day. Since they earned the second highest rating of the 19 show choirs in the competition, they were also invited to perform at the Best of the Fest concert that evening! I don't think I've ever seen such excited faces, nor have I witnessed an elementary performance with such heart and passion – the Lord was truly working through us during the entire experience. These kids were blessed due to their hard work and message that they were there to share – I am so very proud of them. They touched many hearts that day.

We are now beginning work on our all-school Christmas musical, "Know Christ, Know Christmas!" which will be presented on Thursday evening, December 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the school gym. Our children will be working diligently to do their best in sharing a wonderful Christmas message, and will be putting their musical expertise to good use with bells, drums and a collection of dancing and singing that will be sure to create a perfect celebration of the birth of our King!

