

Season of Hope and Joy

Calendar of Advent and Christmas at St Francis

See Sunday bulletins and our weekly enews and or Bellringer for full details of all events.

Advent Wreaths & Devotionals

Pick up one of our candle-lighting Advent Devotionals - for individuals and families - with a separate version for those with younger children. Or watch out in our weekly enews for download links.

Christmas Toys and Food for Harbor Interfaith - Share the Holiday Spirit - now to Dec 17

Bring unwrapped toys, food or gift cards for Harbor Interfaith. Collection box in the office (or Narthex on Sundays). All Ages - 1 month to 18yrs, especially toys for 8 - 12 yr olds.

see p. 10 for details.

Sages (Senior Adult Group of Episcopalians)

Banning House Christmas Tour

Tuesday • December 19, 11:00am

Ninety-minute guided tour of the historic Banning House, Barn, Museum, and Grounds, complete with 19th century Christmas decorations. \$5 pp. One flight of steps, but the rest of the buildings are handicap accessible. Lunch at the Gatlins' home.

Please sign-up in the office or contact

***hank.gatlin@stfrancispalosverdes.org** asap.*

see p. 4 for details.

Gospel of Mark

Sunday • December 10 after both services

Board Room

Led by Rev. Peter and Judith Lyons. The characteristics and history of Mark's Gospel to help you in your own reading and studying.

see p. 2 for details.

Christmas Cookie Sunday

Sunday • December 17, 10Am Coffee Hour

Bring a plate of your family's favorite Christmas cookies to share with your St. Francis friends!

Christmas Caroling & Ornaments!

Sunday • December 10, 6:00 pm

An evening of Christmas caroling around a fire pit... as well as hot chocolate, and a kid-friendly dinner.

All ages. Sign up in church office for food.

Advent Taizé - one week early

Tuesday • December 19, 7:00 pm

A moment of peace, candles and gentle musical chants.

Calling Children Ages 4 & up

Christmas Eve Pageant

Sunday • December 24 - 4:00 pm

Grab a costume, come to a rehearsal, get ready to sing and worship on a journey to Bethlehem!

Costumes for children (angels, shepherds, some animals) available now in the Parish Hall.

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Christmas Worship

Sunday • December 24 - Christmas Eve

10:00am - Rite II, Fourth Sunday in Advent

(no 8am service)

4:00pm - Family Christmas Service & Pageant

8:30pm - Choral Prelude and Carol Sing

9:00pm - Christmas Eucharist with full choir

Monday • December 25 - Christmas Day

10:00am - Rite II *(no 8am service)*