



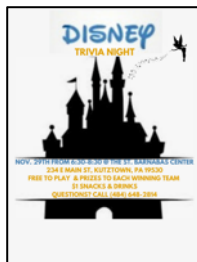
# THE SAINT BARNABAS CENTER

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December 2023

**Welcome one and all to the Holiday Season** as celebrated at the St. Barnabas Center in Kutztown, Pennsylvania. We, at the Center, wish you a happy and festive season. We hope you will join us at some of our activities at the Center this month. In addition, please take a few minutes to look at our Holiday decorations for sale. You will find them in this newsletter. Remember, every time you participate in one of our fundraisers you strike a blow for the growth in activities provided at the Center.

Please Note: The Center will be closed Christmas week December 24th through December 31st. Also the Koffee meeting scheduled for Monday November 27th is cancelled. Without further ado, let's get down to talking about our impressive array of activities.

## Events This Month:



**Trivia Night.** Looking for a fun, family activity guaranteed to provide an evening of fast paced fun and shenanigans? Test your expertise on all things Disney against your friends and neighbors! Join us this Wednesday, Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. It's FREE to play and prizes will be awarded to the winning team! Drinks & snacks will be available to purchase. No pre-registration is necessary.



**Community Threads.** Mary Edwards of this needlework group is having a special craft event—Moravian Star Making Workshop **this Thursday, November, 30th**. Mary has been making these Stars every Holiday Season for years. She will teach attendees how to and will walk everyone through the process. These make great package ornaments for gifts. All materials will be provided. The group, which often has guest presenters, will be meeting on Thursdays at 2:00 pm-4:00pm on Dec 7th, 14th, and 21st.

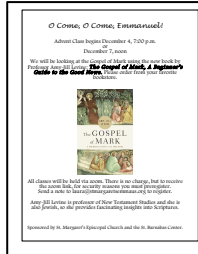


**Nutcracker "Sweet" Senior Luncheon** in collaboration with Friend, Inc. **Friday December 1st at 11:00 am-1:00pm**. Have you been to any of our luncheons yet? If not, you are missing the work of our talented cooks. This months menu includes: Beef Wellington in Puff Pastry, Green Beans Almondine, Winter Salad, rolls and a take home box of home-made Christmas cookies! Did I mention that this is free?



### **The Chosen – 2001 Christmas Special Watch Party and Discussion.**

Join us on **Sunday, Dec. 3 at 6:30 pm** for our final watch and discussion group of THE CHOSEN for 2023. We will show the 2001 Christmas Special of The Chosen - *The Messengers*. *The Messengers* shows the birth of Christ through the eyes of Mary and Joseph. Even if you have never seen the The Chosen before, its Ok - join us for this special kick off to the Christmas/Advent Season. The episode is only 39 minutes long and we will have snacks and drink! 6:30 pm at the St. Barnabus Center!



**O Come, O Come Emmanuel!** Our Advent Class will be led by The Reverend Laura Thomas Howell via Zoom. The class will center on *The Gospel of Mark, A Beginners Guide to The Good News* by Professor Amy -Jill Levine (order from your favorite bookstore). Levine is Jewish, so she provides fascinating insights into the Scriptures. All classes will be held via zoom. There is no charge. The first class will be held Monday December 4th at 7:00 pm and repeated

December 7th at noon. Send a note to preregister at either time to: [laura@stmargaretsemmaus.org](mailto:laura@stmargaretsemmaus.org).

**Winter Plant & Décor Fundraiser:** Check out our amazing Poinsettia, Wreaths and Holiday Decorations for sale! These items came from the same source as those wonderful mums we sold in the early fall, so you know they are quality.



#### **Item Details:**

Fraser Fir 22" Wreath w/pinecones, berries & bow choice of red or plaid—\$29

Poinsettias 6.5 " (1 plant, decorative pot cover) choice of red, white, pink or marble—\$13

Poinsettias 8.5 " (3 plants, decorative pot cover) choice of red, white, pink or marble—\$26

Centerpieces /Cemetery Logs—\$20

#### **To place an order:**

**call** our office at 484-648-2814

**email** [stbarnabascenter@hometownnu.com](mailto:stbarnabascenter@hometownnu.com)

**mail** w/order form and check to The St. Barnabas Center, PO Box 236, Kutztown, PA 19530

**contact** any of our board members

**Payment by check, Venmo, PayPal, or cash accepted**



**Chair Yoga.** This class taught by the talented Chris Amey will not meet on Wednesday December 6th as she is on vacation. She will be on hand for the classes on Wednesdays December 13th and December 20th. If you have any kind of pain or issue that prevents you from doing a regular yoga workout, then this is the class for you. I can tell you from personal experience that women is a miracle worker. She teaches you to work around your issue. The first class is always free. Additional classes are a nominal charge of \$10.00 whenever you choose to attend.



**Gaudete!** The Kutztown Choir has its annual Christmas Concert at Trinity Lutheran Church December 10th at 3:00 pm. Come out and enjoy. Sure to put you in the Christmas spirit, you'll be delighted by this musical holiday gift to our community. There is no charge, there will be a free-will offering during the concert.



**Chess.** The Chess Club will be on hiatus in December while I find a way to increase attendance. Look for an announcement in the January Newsletter.



**Talisman Players.** This acting group led by Tom Nardone will be staging *The Importance of Being Earnest* by Oscar Wilde in the Sanctuary at the Center in the Spring. We are all excited about this. Look for more details in the January newsletter.

Till next month,

*Chuck*

My name is Chuck Brown. I am the facilities manager of the Center. You can speak to me about any activity or issue concerning the Center or to offer suggestions for programs you think would work for the Center. I am in the office Monday through Thursday from 10:00am -12:00 noon. If you call at other times, leave a message and I will answer you during our office hours. The Center phone number is 484-648-2814 or email [stbarnabascenter@hometownnu.com](mailto:stbarnabascenter@hometownnu.com).

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