

ASCENSION

A Newsletter from the Church of the Ascension

Pray for us *Ruega por nosotros*

Por los enfermos
y los que están
sufriendo
de nuestra
comunidad.

For the sick and
suffering in our
community: **Mary
Cavanaugh.**

Por nuestros
amados difuntos,
que descansen
en los amorosos
brazos de Jesús.

For our beloved
dead, may they
rest in the loving
arms of Jesus.

Christmas Bazaar is Dec. 6-7

It's back: Ascension's Christmas Bazaar and Pancake Breakfast!

There will be free-will-offering bingo and pizza for sale by the slice on Saturday, Dec. 6, from 4 to 6 p.m. Bingo will begin at 4:30 p.m.

On Sunday, we will be serving pancakes and sausages along with tamales and pozole. There will be one or two vendors, and auction items available for bidding both online and in person.

Be a part of the excitement! Find a volunteer spot at volunteersignup.org/L97MH (Also find link on our website.)

Se acerca el desayuno de Navidad

¡Vuelve el mercadillo navideño y el desayuno de tortitas de Ascension!

El sábado 6 de diciembre, de 4 a 6 de la tarde, habrá bingo con donativos voluntarios y pizza a la venta por porciones. El bingo comenzará a las 4:30 p.m..

El domingo serviremos tortitas y salchichas, además de tamales y pozole. Habrá uno o dos vendedores y artículos de subasta disponibles para pujar tanto en línea como en persona.

Llame a la oficina 612.529.9684 para ofrecerse como voluntario.

We need items for the silent auction no later than Dec. 1. Gift cards, themed baskets, new items for the home or personal care items are all great ideas. Contact Judy (judy@ACAmn.org) with questions.

Necesitamos artículos para la subasta silenciosa antes del 1 de diciembre. Las tarjetas regalo, las cestas temáticas, los artículos nuevos para el hogar o los artículos de cuidado personal son todas buenas ideas.

60!

**That's how many
Ascension families need
sponsors this Christmas.**

- Families in need complete wish lists for each member. Sponsors choose which items to purchase, wrap the gifts and deliver them to Ascension. From there they are distributed.
- Families range from small to large, so you can decide what you can afford to spend.
- Please contact Gerardo if you can be a sponsor. He will provide you with more details.
- Wrapped packages need to be brought to the parish office on or before Sunday, Dec. 14.

TOYS!

We are once again gathering toys for children in our parish and school whose families are unable to purchase Christmas gifts. Here's how to help:

- Purchase items from our Amazon wish list, and they will be delivered directly to Ascension. Go to [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com) and search Church of the Ascension under registries.
- Purchase toys somewhere else, and bring them to the Parish Office or to Mass.
- Make a cash gift, and we will purchase toys. Please clearly designate the funds to be used for the toy drive.

Losing Sleep, Losing Homes: In-Person and Virtual Vigil

Please join the Basilica of St. Mary on Tuesday, Nov. 25, for a twelve-hour vigil from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. Participants will stand in solidarity with those who fear losing their homes and call on HUD to reverse its plan to cut supportive housing funds through changes to the Continuum of Care program. The vigil is a sponsored by Beacon Interfaith Housing Collaborative, Catholic Charities and the Basilica.

Join in person or virtually by committing to one or more one-hour shifts to stay awake, contact your member of Congress, and hold vigil.

Register at tinyurl.com/ye4mv27f

ISAIAH convention: Organizing for February caucuses

ISAIAH, a statewide multiracial group fighting for racial and economic justice in Minnesota, is holding a convention 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13, at the Minneapolis Convention Center.

The goal is to bring people together to ratify a shared agenda to organize around for caucuses on February 3. Priorities include

- **Childcare:** Affordability and higher wages/benefits for workers
- **Health Care:** Path to universal care and defense of existing programs, including mental health and addiction treatment
- **Youth Programming:** Public, local, accessible, affordable, and culturally relevant
- **Family Care / Elder Care**
- **Climate:** Resilience and

adaptation; polluter accountability; safe, affordable housing; and energy affordability

- **Housing:** MHRC Bill of Rights, no-interest loans, "Yes to Homes" abundance framework, and anti-discrimination protections
- **Family Affordability:** Food assistance, child tax credit expansion, energy assistance, free college, and related supports
- **Protecting Civil Rights:** Addressing ICE and military presence in cities; defending free speech; supporting the right to divest from corporations that fund or enable human rights abuses

Register at tinyurl.com/4zeb7jjn
Questions? Contact Julie Ackerman at jackerman@isaiahmn.org or 612-203-2775



Something for everybody at our Free Store!

Ascension and Christ the King (CTK) parishioners worked together to set up our free store. It was stocked with something for everyone, including clothes, toys, household items and shoes. Thanks to all who helped and shopped. Special thanks to CTK for generously giving items to us for distribution.

¡Hay algo para todos en nuestra tienda gratuita!

Los feligreses de Ascension y Christ the King (CTK) trabajaron juntos para montar nuestra tienda gratuita. Estaba llena de artículos para todos los gustos, incluyendo ropa, juguetes, artículos para el hogar y zapatos. Gracias a todos los que ayudaron y compraron. Un agradecimiento especial a CTK por donarnos generosamente artículos para su distribución

PLEASE NOTE: We appreciate the generosity of our parishioners and others who donate gently used items for pastoral outreach throughout the year. Due to limited space and logistical constraints, we are only able to accept grocery donations at this time. Thank you!

Join us for Holy Hour, a time of community prayer for the safety and well being of immigrants and refugees, Wednesday, 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the church. **This will be the last Holy Hour of this year. They will resume in January.**

Acompáñenos en la Hora Santa, un momento de oración comunitaria por la seguridad y el bienestar de los inmigrantes y refugiados, el miércoles, de 6:30 a 8 p. m. en la iglesia. **Esta será la última Hora Santa de este año. Se reanudarán en enero.**