



Merry Christmas

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God is with Us!

The true meaning of Christmas is not found in the twinkling lights, the beautifully adorned trees, or the exchanged gifts. It is revealed when we find God along the way of our lives, especially when we feel displaced, desperate, and alone. Fleeing from their home, Joseph and Mary cautiously made their way through the uncertain, complex, and dark paths to a longed-for place of safety and welcome. Not sure where to lay their heads, they created makeshift preparations for the birth of their child, the Son of God. God, who always was, is, and will be, without beginning or end is the one constant in life who sees us through difficult and scary times. Jesus is the light, which enlightens everyone, and comes into the world to show us the truth. It is joyful good news that calms our fears and allows us to go forth into the nighttime of our lives, courageously. This is the meaning of Christmas. We are never lost or alone. God is with us—loving us and leading us where we need to be. ©LPI

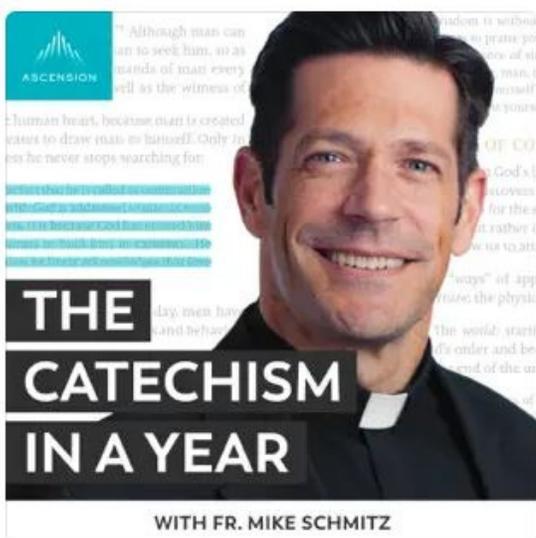
Bible Study



Have you been thinking that you would like to know Jesus better? Have you wished that you could learn more about what the Bible says about Him? Are you free to attend a weekly Bible class on Thursday Mornings?

If so, you are invited to join other parishioners who will gather with me to begin a yearlong study of the Gospel according to John. The first meeting will be on Thursday, January 5th, at 10:30 am in the Conference Room of the Parish Center.

If work or other commitments make that impossible for you, why not tell Father Jason and/or Helen Almeter that you are interested? If there are others like you, perhaps an alternative could be created. The New Year is a perfect time to plan on learning how to use the Bible to know Our Lord more deeply and prayerfully.
—Fr. Tom Nellis



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