



Dear Parishioners:

During the Advent Christmas Season, people are always looking for a unique way to remember their loved ones, honor someone special in their lives or be part of the Christmas celebration.

The Annual Christmas Tree Program in the Parish is where your loved ones living or deceased can be remembered at Christmas and at the same time it affords you the opportunity to partake in enhancing our Christmas decorations with a personal family message. Just think of it, your own personal Christmas tree to be a shining light of remembrance for someone you love, living or deceased. Think of how often in your life that special person has been a bright light for you! So, I would like to invite you participate in this year's Christmas Tree Program!

Your participation will provide you with a beautifully lit five-foot Christmas Tree which will be placed on the Church property and mounted with a plaque containing your own special commemoration—the name of your loved ones memorialized or your personal family Christmas greeting. Each little light will reflect your love for your dear ones. Each light will shine towards the heavens!

There will be a special **tree lighting** ceremony after the 4:30 PM Mass on Saturday evening **December 12th**. Please plan on being there for the lighting (whether or not you purchase a tree) and enjoy cookies and hot chocolate with your Parish Family. The trees will be lit every evening during the Christmas the Christmas Season until the Feast of the Epiphany on January 3, 2021. The cost of each Christmas tree is **\$120** which will cover the expense of the trees and the lighting. Any monies left over will be used to maintain our beautiful church.

In a world full of darkness, what a wonderful sign to have our whole property in the Christmas Season glistening with the lights of these trees, showing Jesus as the Light of the World.

If you wish to donate a tree, please fill out the form below and return it with your check or cash payment to the Parish office. Tree reservations will be on a first come first served basis since the number of trees available will be limited. The deadline for reserving a tree is **November 29, 2020**.

With every blessing on you and your loved ones, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Anthony J. Manuppella

Reverend Anthony J. Manuppella, KHS

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Christmas Tree Reservation Form

- Yes, I would like a tree dedicated or memorialized.
- Memorialized for Deceased Loved Ones
- Dedicated to Loved Ones Living
- Personal Family Christmas Greeting

Please have the plaque read as follows:
(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!)

Requested by: _____

Your Name: _____

Address: _____

City and Zip: _____

Phone #: _____

Check for \$120. payable to St. Gianna parish

Since the trees must be ordered in advance, no reservations will be accepted after
November 29!

Please drop the form in the collection basket/ mail or bring it to the Parish office.

**Come to the Tree Lighting (and enjoy cookies and hot chocolate) on
Saturday, December 12, 2020 after the 4:30 PM Mass!**