

ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT
A Women's Evening of Reflection

From Advent to the Nativity: An Iconic Experience

Date/Time: Tuesday, December 5, 2017 6:30—8:30pm in MMH

Cost: \$15.00 per person

Appetizers, desserts and beverages provided

Presenter: Sister Charlene Diorka, SSJ

*Each person is asked to bring one pink **or** purple votive candle and holder to decorate our tables for the Advent season.*



Every year Christmas seems to begin earlier and earlier. The countdown to December 25th unfolds through the continuous playing of Christmas Carols - *I'll be home for Christmas, Home for the Holidays*, and so on. How can you open your heart and your ears to come home to God and hear the story of the Incarnation with new ears? Like an Advent calendar opens the door each day to rich treasures that beckon you deeper into the sacred season, this evening will open an Advent Door of contemplation into the Christmas story and how the Word becomes flesh in your own life.

Sister Charlene Diorka, SSJ, is a sister of Saint Joseph of Philadelphia and currently serves as the Director of the Collaborative Leadership Development Program that serves religious sisters, 60 years old and younger, across the country as they prepare for the future in religious life. She holds a Master's Degree in Theology and a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education. She's been an educator for 17 years in both elementary and high school and enjoys being a life-long learner. She has served her community as Vocations Director and Director of Formation. She brings her previous experience on the national level where she served as the Associate Director of the National Religious Conference in Chicago. She values finding God in all things and enjoys journeying with others to deepen their spiritual life.

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