

Thank you for serving and celebrating Christmas Eve with us!

## **ARRIVAL**

On Christmas Eve, please report to the staging area 60 minutes before your Mass time. (Arrive no later than 2pm for the 3pm Mass and 4:15pm for the 5:15pm Mass.)

When you arrive, please go to your section table. Your section assignments are on the reverse side. Please locate your section code and color.

# **PICKUP**

At your table please gather the following things:

- Your nametag
- · Pouch with the glow bracelets, markers, flashlight, tissues, walkie talkie (one per section)
- · Your giant glowstick
- Your Section Sign (one per section)

Once you pick up your supplies, write your section on the back of your hand with your marker and go to your section (see map on reversed side).

# **YOUR SECTION**

Be as friendly and welcoming as possible. Your demeanor could be one of the things that makes a family feel welcome and open to Christ and the Church. You make a big difference! Approach families as they enter your section to sit. Ask if their children would like to attend Jingle Jam. If they don't know what that is, explain it is like Time Travelers, where the kids leave at the first reading and are brought back here to their seats in time for the Eucharist. It is for Elementary aged kids

If the children want to attend Jingle Jam, they need two things:

- 1. A glow bracelet and
- 2. A mark on their hand with the section.

Provide the glow bracelet and ask the parent to put it on their child's wrist. Write the section code on the back of their hand.

Tell them to listen for the Jingle Jam Announcement during Mass right before the first reading. That's when the kids will get up and follow their section leaders (that's you!) to the Jingle Jam area.

#### IN CASE THEY ASK...

**Moving Sections:** Be sure to let the parents know that once the kids have a glow bracelet and hand marker, they may not move sections!

**Preschool Kids:** If a parent asks about a younger sibling, advise them that once kids are in the Jingle Jam area they cannot leave. The performance is loud and energetic; if a parent thinks the younger child can handle it, they can go. Parents are also welcome to come with their child, but they will miss the adult message.

**Restrooms:** We are unable to escort kids to the restroom during Jingle Jam.

## **LEADING YOUR SECTION**

- When the live announcement plays, wave your giant glow stick for the kids to see.
- When your line is assembled, lead the kids to the Jingle Jam area, keeping one guide in front and one in back if possible.
- Follow your designated path to and from the Jingle Jam (located on the map).
- Sit with kids during Jingle Jam. There are designated areas for each group.
- · Actively participate by modeling worship for the kids.
- Kids must remain in the Jingle Jam area for the entire program; they are not allowed to leave for the restroom.
- Dismissal from Jingle Jam: Listen for your section to be called and head back to your area, watching carefully that you have all your kids.

- If a kid can't find their family, first check their hand for the correct color and section. If they are in the wrong section escort the kid to the correct section once all other kids in your section are seated.
  - If there is no marker or if the family has not been located, radio "Jingle Jam Alert" and provide name of child and current location. We will follow up with instructions.
- Once all of your kids are seated, please bring your supplies back to the staging area and place on the table where you picked it up.

# **IMPORTANT TIDBITS**

- Wear your green Kids Ministry shirt. We can give you one at the Minister Open House (Thursday, December 21, 5 - 7pm) if you don't have one.
- Fire Exit: In the event of an emergency, Go straight out of the main doors with your group/sign. YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE for your group. Gather together on the other side of the Stables between York Road and the Fairgrounds area.
- If you have a situation where you need help (i.e. lost child, injury, unforeseen circumstance), call Joseph Hale at (208) 874 - 7409.
- Have fun and help these kids feel the love of Jesus!

# FAIRGROUNDS "COW PALACE" - JINGLE JAM SECTIONS, by color

