

## Advent By Candlelight

Advent by Candlelight is a social opportunity for women to disconnect from the busy world and connect with others as they embrace the warmth of the true meaning of Christmas.



“There is an awe that comes over every woman as she walks in from the cold, dark harried world and encounters the beauty of twinkling lights, soft music and fragrant scents,” according to Karen Bozovich of Regnum Christi. “Right there she is transformed.”

Now in its sixth year, the event is sponsored by women in Regnum Christi, an Ecclesiastical Movement in the Catholic Church revealing Christ’s love, strengthening families and forming apostles to awaken an individual’s mission in life and the Church. “We are women committed to living out the call of the Gospel with our responses in Christ-like charity,” said Karen.

“Wrapped in Mary’s Mantle” was the theme for this year’s event which was held on December 1. Thirty women provided decorated tables for eight with their choice of china and Christmas décor including the traditional Advent wreath. Guests were welcomed with fruit, cheese, desserts and beverages.



The warm atmosphere, the hospitality of other women, live music and inspirational speakers focus on the true meaning of the season, our hope in Jesus’ birth. “This is an opportunity for busy women to experience a personal encounter with Christ through a candlelit evening of quiet reflection, peace and friendship” said Karen.



“We’ve experienced laughter, glee and tears each year,” she continued. “Some women who attend later joined the Catholic Church, others who had not been to confession in years opened their hearts to His forgiveness and grace.”

Advent by Candlelight is an evening where hearts are opened and Christ comes to meet them, just as we await His coming at Christmas.