

How often do you wonder why we give gifts?

When might the custom have begun?

What is the greatest gift ever given?

As Catholics most of us would agree that the coming of Jesus that first Christmas is by far the greatest; perhaps, because it is a gift of pure *Love*.

At this time of year we think about *gifts* for family and friends. How often do we think of those who have rarely, maybe even never, received a gift? This is why each year we have our Giving Tree. The tags represent some organizations who reach out to the less fortunate as well as some individuals who come to us for help. We invite you to purchase just that one extra item to bring Jesus' love and joy to someone who really needs it. Simply take a tag, purchase the item and return it with the tag attached. All wrapped Giving Tree items must be returned by noon on December 15 when they will be distributed. This year if you don't like the wrapping part, Bishop McDevitt student elves will be inside the upper narthex to help (even the paper is provided).

December 7/8 and December 14/15

4:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m., 7:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Donations for this service benefit THON in support of Four Diamonds (another gift). If you want you may also bring your personal gifts to be wrapped—a task many don't like.

*Thank you so much for sharing your
Christmas Love.*

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JOY
NOEL
ANGEL
JESUS
PEACE HOPE
WISEMEN
CHRISTMAS
BELIEVE FAITH
PRINCE OF PEACE
THANK YOU