

***BLESSING OF THE CHE FIRST FLOOR OFFICE AREA
& CELEBRATION OF THE SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT
Tuesday, December 10, 2002***

Call to Celebrate:

Loving God, You are the One who gathers us in this season of Advent – blessed are You. You are the beginning and the end of each of our days. As we light the second candle in our Advent wreath, may we be conscious that You bind us together in this place where we value reverence for each person, community, justice, commitment to those who are poor, stewardship, courage and integrity. *(The second candle is lit.)*

Blessing:

All 2nd and 3rd Floor Staff

During this season of lights, we give thanks for all who bring light and life to this place of work. Today, we especially recognize all those who extend the mission of Catholic healthcare through services provided in Global Health Ministry, Information Technology, Quality and Patient Safety, Internal Auditing, the Program Management Office, and Revenue Enhancement.

All 1st Floor Staff:

May all who enter these doors experience the welcoming light and warmth of the healing ministry of Catholic Health East.

All 2nd and 3rd Floor Staff:

And, as they leave this area, may they have experienced the blessedness of God's gracious presence.

All 1st Floor Staff:

We have been entrusted with the responsibility of stewardship of our many resources.

All 2nd and 3rd Floor Staff:

Bless all persons who work in this office. May their expertise model for all whom they serve the values that are at the heart of Catholic Health East.

Reader:

We are challenged to enter into this Advent season with the grace of joy and laughter. We challenge each other to continue to find time to experience that joy and laughter.

Likewise, in the midst of this hectic time of year, may we also be patient with ourselves and with those around us. Bless our times together. Our colleagues truly represent one of the communities we serve. May we continue to experience the richness of each other as we celebrate the community of Catholic Health East.

Closing Reflection: “The Servant Song” – Jeanne Cotter and David Haas

Will you let me be your servant,
Let me be as Christ to you;
Pray that I may have the grace to
Let you be my servant too.

We are pilgrims on a journey,
We are travelers on the road;
We are here to help each other
Walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ light for you,
In the nighttime of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you,
Speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping,
When you laugh, I'll laugh with you;
I will share your joy and sorrow,
'Til we've seen the journey through.

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Let me be as Christ to you;
Pray that I may have the grace to
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