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# Memo

**Date:** October 18, 2024  
**To:** Priests  
**From:** Fr. Pedro Poloche, director, Ongoing Formation of Priests  
**Re:** Registration is open - Advent Day of Reflection – Thursday, December 5

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Dear Brothers,

I hope you will plan to join us for our annual Advent Day of Reflection, which is scheduled for Thursday, December 5, at St. Brendan the Navigator Catholic Church in Cumming. We are pleased to welcome Bishop Michael Martin, OFM Conv., of the Diocese of Charlotte back to Atlanta to be our facilitator for the day. In addition to the two reflections, the sacrament of reconciliation will be offered.

Attendees will also have time to tour the exhibit at the church entitled “The Shroud of Turin: A Story of Hope,” which illustrates how the cloth is connected to Jesus. The exhibit includes a chronological presentation of the ten appearances of Jesus on Earth after the resurrection and a replica of the Divine Mercy painting.

Registration is now open. Lunch will be served to all attendees. To register, please contact Amanda Hailey at [ahailey@archatl.com](mailto:ahailey@archatl.com) or 678-595-9181.

## **Advent Day of Reflection Schedule – Thursday, December 5**

- 10:30a.m.** Arrival and Welcome Reception (coffee and muffins)
- 11:00a.m.** Welcome and Opening Prayer – Pastor Fr. Matthew Van Smoorenburg, LC
- 11:10a.m.** Announcements and Introduction - COFP
- 11:15a.m.** Reflection – Most Rev. Michael Martin, OFM Conv.
- 12:00p.m.** Lunch and Exhibit
- 1:00 p.m.** Reflection – Most Rev. Michael Martin, OFM Conv.
- 2:00 p.m.** Sacrament of Reconciliation
- 2:30 p.m.** Departure

