



BIRTHDAYS



Drew Gulewicz	2-02	Kassidy Hurt	2-10	Leila Lynch	2-19
Frank Candela	2-03	Kyle Hurt	2-10	Sharon Estes	2-21
Thurman Bailey	2-05	Helen Randall	2-14	Adrian Gabriel	2-21
Margaret Sebastian	2-06	Michael Mondalek	2-16	Giuseppina Darolfi	2-22
Pamela Ford	2-06	Jerry Susko	2-16	Sean Kohloff	2-23
Theresa McCoy	2-07	Ewan Dombrowski	2-17	Jacob Bezel	2-24
Sr. Ellen Burkhardt	2-09	Carmen Patton	2-17	Zachary Bezel	2-24
Hugh Cairns	2-10	Courtney Kohloff	2-19	Terell Halthon	2-24
				Carol Frattini	2-29

AND ANNIVERSARIES

Hugh Cairns & Lisa Bartnik	2-13	John & Sharon Estes	2-17
Ray & Mary Miller	2-14		

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: 1-29: Racine Adams,
1-30: Monica Bezel, Emily Crowe-Seaman, & Jasmine Adams
HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: 1-27: Bill & Mickey Dietz, Chico & Lenore Mondalek,
1-29 Dan & Charlene Goeddeke

February 2 & 3, 2019

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Next week's Readings:

Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19,
1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13, Luke 4:21-30

Lectors:

4:00 Mark Miller
9:45 1. C. Sutton 2. Sr. Ellen

Ushers:

4:00 R. Miller & S. May
9:45 M. J. Accavitti, J. Deisinger,
R. Duddy, C. Gillespie

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 Mary Miller
9:45 1. C. Gillespie 2. M. E. White
3. N. Zarro 4. G. Stamper

Ministers of Service:

4:00 1. C. McLaughlin
9:45 1. D. Wois 2. S. Wois

MASS INTENTIONS

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

SATURDAY, January 26, 2019

4:00 Rose Thomas (Family)

SUNDAY, January 27, 2019

9:45 Mary VanPoucker
(Carolyn Totten)

THURSDAY, January 31, 2019

11:00AM: Clara Allen
(The Nativity Family)

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SATURDAY, February 2, 2019

4:00 Rose Jansen
(The Nativity Family)

SUNDAY, February 3, 2019

9:45 Dorothy Scamihorn (Family)



NATIVITY NEWS

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PASTOR'S PEN

Did you ever have a toothache that completely disabled you or a splinter in your finger that nagged at you all day until you were able to remove it? It's hard to believe that a little toothache or a splinter could disable a grown person, but it does. It's certainly a reminder that we are a finely connected organism and if one part causes pain, the whole body suffers with it. Paul reminds us today that we are all connected. We are all part of the Body of Christ. In a world of gridlock and government shutdowns, divisive politics and divisions on all sides, Paul calls us to come together as one body. He reminds us that we are not the same and we don't have to be the same. We just have to work together to produce greatness.

Lately, some have decided that diversity is the cause of our disunity and that unity can only be achieved with people of the same class, ethnic background and all the superficial things that make us seem alike. From that premise come labels. We hear: "Well, he's a Democrat, what do you expect?" or "She's a conservative Republican. I thought she knew better!" or "they're progressives or liberals or right wingers," or "you know, she's a welfare mother," or "he's a privileged white boy," and our judgments and labels continue to separate us from one another. We may see our labeling as minor but remember the splinter that causes the whole body to suffer.

I am convinced that Paul continues to speak to us in 2019. As we honor and respect all the parts of the Body of Christ, we will begin to witness the Reign of God. It's OK for us to disagree with one another, but it's not OK for us to disrespect each other. Our call is to look for areas where we can agree because, like it or not, our basic humanity reminds us that we are all children of the same Creator. When we cause divisions and speak about "those people," we will never see the Body of Christ in its glory. In these days of "sides," may we all (including myself, especially) allow our words to unite rather than divide.

Let's put aside our differences and tend to the work that is ours: "bringing good news to the poor, proclaiming liberty to captives, recovery of sight to the blind, and letting the oppressed go free" We have our mission.

I feel we have the choice to either be a splinter in the Body of Christ or a healing balm for the broken in the body of Christ. Let's be the balm and stand up boldly for justice and the values of the Gospel but let's do it with as much love and compassion and tolerance we can muster!

OPENING HYMN

OPENING PRAYER

All-powerful and ever-living God, direct your love that is within us that our efforts in the name of your Son may bring the human family to unity and peace. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Savior, who is alive with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

1st READING:

Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life.

2nd READING: 1 Corinthians 12:12-30

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia ...

3rd READING: Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21

OFFERTORY HYMN

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

LAMB OF GOD

COMMUNION HYMN

BIBLE EXCHANGE

CLOSING HYMN

We pray for God's healing for:

Brenda Banks, Judy Bartnik, Bob Campernel, Frank Candela, Brian Cavanaugh, Frank Candela's brother-in-law, Ed, Randy Clarke, Gabriel Crowe, Tom Davis, David Denomme, Kevin Dietz, Katie Estes, Diane & Dolores Ferschneider, Douglas Frattini, Patty Godin, Rosa Gracey, Willie Harris, Bart Houston, Art Hill, Theresa Hill, Billie Jean Jackson, Patrick Jansen, Liz Janutol, Journee Jones, Alex Kelly, Debby Kinsel, Dolores Killewald, Mickala Lewis, Clarence Lewis, Vicki McCuish, Kathy McDonald's Granddaughter, Ryan, Beth McLaughlin, Traver Meathe, Jennifer Mondalek, Joe Oldani, Allan Patterson, Sharon Povlitz, Phil Scamihorn, Margaret Sebastian, Geoff & Joyce Shahady, Larry Shelton, Jim & Marie Singer, Sheila Starke, Phyllis Treece, Sr. Jolene, Nikki Zapinski, Maura Corrigan's sisters, Pat & Mary Therese, Carolyn Sutton's friend, Molly, Barbara Gabriel's sister Pearl, Joni Scott's mom, Annie, Rosanne Schwartz's grandson, Gavin, Jan Shovlin's sister, Joan & son Bradford, Shivaun Wois' mom and student Jacqueline, Kathy Walsh's sister, Mary Ann, Joyce Shahady granddaughter, Edith, The Benigni and Chida Families

YOU MAY BE INTERESTED IN.....

Dominican Literacy Center needs volunteer tutors. Help one person move toward employment, GED, high school completion, higher education, vocational training. Help one person read, do math or learn basic computer skills. Give two hours a week. Open M-Th, 8AM-8PM; F-Sat. 9AM-2PM. Call 313.267.1000 or thompson_dlc@yahoo.com.

www.dlcliteracy.org.

Location: Samaritan Center, 5555 Conner, Suite 1414, Detroit, MI 48213. Orientation monthly, Tutor Training Workshops on Saturdays. Call them for more information on next the workshop.

Saturday, February 2nd PRAYER BREAKFAST

A Prayer Heart for Witness at St. Augustine/St. Monica. 9:00AM Mass, 9:45 Prayer breakfast. Tickets \$8.00 Call their parish office at 313-921-4107 for more information or see flyer on the doors.

KROGER REWARDS PROGRAM:

Please note that enrolling in the Kroger Rewards program will not affect your Kroger fuel points. By registering your Kroger Rewards card and selecting Nativity as your rewards recipient, Nativity will earn cash rewards and you will continue to earn Kroger fuel points. It's a win-win proposition!

WHAT'S HAPPENING

If your February birthday or anniversary isn't listed in the bulletin. Please let the office know by calling or emailing. We try to keep current on those.

If you would like parish envelopes, please take a parish register form (located on the table by the envelopes) home and fill it out. Just drop in the collection basket and the following week you will have envelopes.

We are getting the 2018 Parish Contribution Statements ready. If you need a printed copy please sign up today, the sheet is on the music stand.

BRICK PAVERS

Valentine's Day is just two weeks away. This is a perfect occasion to remember your wedding day or a loved one by purchasing a brick paver in the Father Singer Memorial Garden.

We will be installing the first group of pavers in the spring when the trees and flowers are planted. We encourage you to think of your loved ones and special occasions you want to remember with the purchase of a paver. The cost is \$100.00.

We are planning a dedication ceremony and blessing once everything is done.