

# NATIVITY NEWS

5900 McClellan \*April 27th & 28th, 2019\* Detroit, MI

## Pastor's Pen



Here we are still experiencing the afterglow of Easter! Didn't we have wonderful celebrations last week? From Holy Thursday until Easter morning, we had powerful moments of reflection, prayer and celebration. I especially liked Easter morning. The Spirit was alive and well in Nativity that morning! I always like witnessing the moment when we bless each other. I have the best vantage point at the altar in being able to observe faces and expressions and much love. Some in the line have been through a tough year and you can almost feel the healing as another parishioner blesses them and reminds them of their love. This weekend, we have another grand celebration with the **First Communion of R.J. Buford**. RJ is the son of Rashid and Airika Buford and is a wonderful presence at Nativity. RJ, we are so happy to celebrate your First Communion today and know we are all praying for you.

In today's Gospel, Thomas doubts that the others have truly seen the Risen Christ. He wants proof. He wants to place his fingers in the nailmarks and his hand on Christ's side in order to believe. I don't feel I need proof like Thomas because I have seen the crucified Christ in so many I've encountered over the years. He was there in that young mother dying of cancer or that addicted person who relapsed once again or the single parent trying to make ends meet by taking on another job or the brokenhearted spouse trying to deal with the death of his best friend. Yes, the crucified Christ is out there in so many ways but the dying is only part of the story. I have also seen the power of love that has changed a terrible tragedy in to a moment of grace. I have seen the power of forgiveness heal and transform relationships. I have seen the power of joy move another from self pity to wonder. I have seen the power of faith change a coward into a hero. Yes, the crosses will come but this Easter season reminds us that we have no doubt that resurrection is never far behind for those who believe. Look for resurrection this week and stop doubting. Christ is Risen, Alleluia!

*I will be out of town this week attending my nephew's graduation. Have a great week and I will see you on the 12th of May!*

## Happy Birthday to those born in May!

Kiara Adams	5-01	Kentrell Gabriel	5-07	Brandon Wilmer	5-20
Willie Lewis II	5-01	Paul Schmitt	5-11	Alexandria Ragland	5-21
JoAnne Pierick	5-03	Olivia Thompson	5-12	Airik Buford	5-22
Adrian Gabriel	5-05	Barbara Kelly	5-13	Candyce Estes	5-22
Lori Vawter	5-05	Norma Danzie	5-16	Zoe Kent	5-23
Sara Johnston	5-06	Serenity Jones	5-16	Traver Meathe	5-23
John Urso	5-06	Gail Northcutt	5-17	Buzz Busacca	5-26
Harry Wimble	5-06	Mashauna Adams	5-18	Zachary Schmitt	5-29
Charlene Goeddeke	5-07	Shonte Carson	5-20	Deborah Fish	5-29
Melvin McCoy	5-07	Carole Clemons	5-20	Gloria Stamper	5-30
				Laurie Murphy	5-30

## And Happy Anniversaries!

Kathy & Jerry Alderman 5-05, Jerry & Delores Susko 5-19, Rashid & Airika Buford 5-28

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

May 4th & 5th

### THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Next week's Readings:

Acts 5:27-32, 40-41

Revelation 5:11-14

John 21:1-19

#### Lectors:

4:00 C. Kulchy

9:45 1. M. Corrigan 2. M. Johnston

#### Ushers:

4:00 R. Miller & S. May

M.J. Accavitti, J. Deisinger,

9:45 R. Duddy, C. Gillespie

#### Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 C. Kulchy

1. M. Johnston 2. M. J. Accavitti

9:45 3. H. Wimble 4. T. Novara

#### Ministers of Service:

4:00 A. Clark

9:45 1. W. Adams 2. C. McLaughlin

## MASS INTENTIONS

### SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

SATURDAY, April 27, 2019

4:00 Rose Thomas (Family)

Dorothy Mudloff (Family)

SUNDAY, April 28, 2019

9:45 R.J. Buford and Family

First Communion Sunday

THURSDAY, May 2, 2019

11:00 AM NO MASS

### THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

SATURDAY, May 4, 2019

4:00 Louis & Helen Randall

(The Nativity Family)

SUNDAY, May 5, 2019

9:45 John Sellors In Thanksgiving

(Nancy Silveri and Tony Novara)

Dorothy Treppa Krowicki (Family)

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## GATHERING HYMN

### GLORY TO GOD

### OPENING PRAYER

God of mercy, you wash away our sins in water, you give us new birth in the Spirit, and redeem us in the blood of Christ. As we celebrate Christ's resurrection increase our awareness of these blessings, and renew your gift of life with us. 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.

**1<sup>st</sup> READING:** Acts 5:12-16

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

**2<sup>nd</sup> READING:**

Revelation 1:9-11, 12-13, 17-19

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia ...

**GOSPEL:** John 20:19-31

### OFFERTORY HYMN

### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

### LAMB OF GOD

### COMMUNION HYMN

## 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, Kevin Dietz, Katie Estes, Diane Ferschneider, Patty Godin, Rosa Gracey, Bart Houston, Art Hill, Theresa Hill, Billie Jean Jackson, Patrick Jansen, Liz Janutol, Journee Jones, Mia Halthon-Jones, Alex Kelly, Genevieve and Rosy Krembel, Mickala Lewis, Clarence Lewis, Vicky McCuish, Kathy McDonald's Granddaughter, Ryan, Beth McLaughlin, Traver Meathe, Jennifer Mondalek, Joe Oldani, Allan Patterson, Sharon Povlitz, Anne, Daniel & Joshua Purrenhage, Phil Scamihorn, Margaret Sebastian, Geoff & Joyce Shahady, Larry Shelton, Jim & Marie Singer, Sheila Starke, Phyllis Treece, Sr. Jolene, Pat Wimble, Nikki Zapinski, Carolyn Sutton's friend, Molly, Barbara Gabriel's sister Pearl, Joni Scott's mom, Annie, Rosanne Schwartz's grandson, Gavin, Jan Shovlin's son Bradford, Sr. Ellen's niece Carole, Shivaun Wois' mom and student Jacqueline, Kathy Walsh's sister, Mary Ann, Joyce Shahady's granddaughter, Edith, Brian from D&B Landscaping and his family, The Benigni and Chida Families

## YOU MAY BE INTERESTED IN.....

On behalf of the Board of Directors for the Detroit Catholic Pastoral Alliance and its staff, we are pleased to announce the opening of **9100 on Gratiot**, our new \$10 Million mixed use housing development. We would like to take an opportunity to invite you and yours to see the great work *WE* have been doing over the past 18 years.

**Open House is slated for Thursday, May 2, 2019 from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m..**

### FUNDRAISER

We need your help to make our 6-8-19 fund raiser a success.

1. Can you bring 2-3 dozen non perishable individual ready to serve desserts. You can bake them, buy them or ask for a donation from a favorite bakery. We will display their business card along with their dessert. There will be sign up sheets in the next couple weeks so we'll know what you're bringing.

2. We will be having a silent gift card auction @ our event. We would appreciate one gift card from each parishioner/family. You may buy one or ask for a donated card from your favorite establishment. Any denomination is good. Don't forget we have the introduction forms on Mary's altar which have proved to be very helpful in securing a donated card. You can give the cards to Mary Ellen, Kim, Cookie or Nancy.

Thank You, The Fund Raising Committee

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

**FIRST COMMUNION SUNDAY.** All are invited downstairs afterwards for refreshments.

### MONDAY

Buddy's Pizza "Slice for Life" A Benefit for the Capuchin Soup Kitchens,

Monday, April 29, 2019

Any Buddy's Location!

Tickets available at Eventbrite.com

Adults: \$15.00 (Dine in or Carry Out)

Children: Ages 3- 9 \$7.00 (Dine in ONLY)

### Ladies Night Out

Friday, May 10, 2019 at St. Charles.

Sign up with Fran Carnaghi. There is a cost of \$5.00 per person.

### SAVE THESE DATES

**Vacation Bible School** will be a three week program, one week at Nativity and one at St. Charles beginning July 8th. The third week is when all the trips will be taken. More details to come.

The 2019 Father Singer Memorial Scholarship process has begun. There are applications with guidelines in the back of the church, and applications for Higher Education scholarships available on the website. The deadline for submission is June 2<sup>nd</sup>. If you have questions, please contact Harry Wimble at: 586-872-7425.