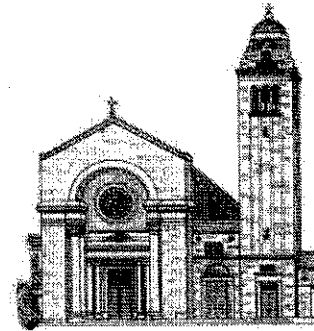


NATIVITY NEWS

5900 McClellan *June 16th & 17th, 2018* Detroit, MI

Pastor's Pen

Happy Father's Day



Today we celebrate Father's Day and celebrate all of those men (and women) who have been fathers to us in some way. We may have grown up with our fathers and lived with them until we left home. For some of us, there was no father in the house. In their place God sent teachers, coaches, uncles, neighbors, stepfathers, and mothers, etc. to guide us and to play the role of "father" to us.

The Gospel speaks of a man sowing seed and going to sleep and realizing (without understanding) that the seed has taken root and is producing much fruit. It is the same with our fathers and mentors. They may have shared wisdom or gave us an example of how to live with integrity and honesty. They may not have even realized the seeds they were planting but they were sown in the hearts of their children. As adults, I think we underestimate our importance to our children and the young people who are around us. I suspect that we don't think our words or our actions have taken root in their lives. It may seem like they're not even interested or listening. The truth is: they are listening and may not respond at the time but those seeds you placed in their hearts are growing and will come to fruition at a later date. Your words will come to them during one of life's trials and they will remember your wisdom.

The role of "father" is an important one and may we always know the power of our words and actions. Someone is always watching us and the seed is taking root even if we don't see it. So Fathers, we thank you and bless you for all the many sacrifices you have made for your children. And for those who have been like fathers to us, or mothers who have had to take on the role of fathers for their children, we salute you and thank for the many ways you have blessed your children and the world by your life and your love!

MISSION STATEMENT

Nativity is a diverse and inclusive Catholic Faith Community on Detroit's eastside dedicated to proclaiming the Gospel and sharing God's love through commitment to social justice, service to the neighborhood, the community and each other.

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: 6-17: Clarence Lewis & Evan Crowe, 6-19: Keith Crowe
6-20: Daivid McIntyre, & Robert 6-21: Airka Buford & Julianna Sergent,
6-22: Christine Adams, Kyle Hurt, Kim Milligan, & Jeffrey Woodfork,
HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: 6-16: Mark & Lisa Miller, 6-17: Ken & Gloria Stamper,
6-18: Russ & Denise Stambaugh

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

June 23rd & 24th,
Birth of St. John the Baptist

Next week's Readings: (Isaiah 49:1-6
Acts 13:22-26, Luke 1:57-66, 80)

Lectors:

4:00 T. McGratty
9:45 1. T. Novara 2. M. Corrigan

Ushers:

4:00 S. May & R. Miller
9:45 R. Gatson, P. Adams, N. Danzie,
A. Milligan, M. Peeples

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 Mark Miller
9:45 1. T. Roberts 2. D. Scott
3. L. Canty 4. M. J. Accavitti

Ministers of Service:

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

MASS INTENTIONS

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORD.TIME

SATURDAY, June 16, 2018

4:00 Vince Merlo (Family)
Joseph Carnaghi & Alfred Pelham
(Families)

SUNDAY, June 17, 2018

9:45 The Men of Nativity

THURSDAY, June 21, 2018

11:00AM Sr. Cordula (The Nativity Family)

BIRTH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

SATURDAY, June 23, 2018

4:00PM Patricia Cichowski (Family)

SUNDAY, June 24, 2018

9:45 Brittany Rivers
(Nancy Silveri & Tony Novara)

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HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

OPENING HYMN

OPENING PRAYER

O God, the strength of all who hope in you, accept our earnest prayer. And since without you we are weak and certain to fall, grant us always the help of your grace, that in following your commands we may please you in desire and in deed. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

1st READING: Ezekiel 17:22-24

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

2nd READING: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia

GOSPEL: Mark 4:26-34

OFFERTORY HYMN

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

LAMB OF GOD

COMMUNION HYMN

BIBLE EXCHANGE

We will hear Your Word one in love.
We will live Your Word one in love.
We will spread Your Word one in love.

CLOSING HYMN

Don't forget that on Friday nights we gather at the corner of McClellan and Gratiot at 9:00PM to pray for the end of violence in the city.

We pray for God's healing for:

Clara Allen, Brenda Banks, Judy Bartnik, Frank Candela, Brian Cavanaugh, Randy Clarke, Tom Davis, David Denomme, Kevin Dietz, Katie Estes, Juanita Farley, Dolores Ferschneider, Patty Godin, Rosa Gracey, Willie Harris, Art Hill, Theresa Hill, Billie Jean Jackson, Patrick Jansen, Journee Jones, Lee Keenan, Alex Kelly, Debby Kinsel, Dolores Killewald, Gary Krueger, Clarence Lewis, Vicki McCuish, Beth McLaughlin, Traver Meathe, Andrea Milligan, Jennifer Mondalek, Joe Oldani, Allan Patterson, Sharon Povlitz, Emmie Roth, Phil Scamihorn, Margaret Sebastian, Geoff & Joyce Shahady, Larry Shelton, Jim & Marie Singer, Sheila Starke, Chris Turnbull, Sr. Jolene, Mary VanPoucker, Willie Williamson, Maura Corrigan's sister, Pat, Barbara Gabriel's sister Pearl, Joni Scott's mom, Annie, Roseann Schwartz's grandson, Gavin, Jan Shovlin's sister, Joan & son Bradford, Shivaun Wois' student Jacqueline

CSA

We are close to reaching our CSA quota. If the quota isn't reached, it will have to be met by parish funds. About 39 people who contributed last year didn't stop in the back or contribute on line yet. The workers are done in the back of church. The cards will be mailed to those who didn't fill them out. You can still give online at give.aodcsa.org. Make sure you designate Nativity as your parish. You can create an account, make a one time payment by credit card or electronic funds transfer or pledge over a number of months. Any monies above our quota stay in the parish. Last year we used the extra money to help balance the budget. Thanks to all who have already given!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School 2018 Summer Camp 2018 theme is Building a Community of Love! "Jesus said, let the children come to me. Do not hinder them." Matthew 19:14
June 25-July 20 ** Time: 9 am-3 pm **
Place: Nativity June 25th- July 6th with a Mass celebration on Sunday July 8th 9:45 am. The following two weeks will be at St. Charles July 9th - July 20th, with a Mass celebration on Sunday June 15th. The program is for children in K-7th grades. Come and join us for a fun filled time: children will experience scripture stories, praise dance, drumming, arts & crafts, choir/praise and worship, exciting trips, healthy food, community building, and lasting memories. If you have any questions please contact Joni Scott by calling the parish rectory.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

The Father's Day breakfast is after Mass on Sunday. Please join us as we celebrate the Men of the parish and the Men in our lives.

Vacation Bible School begins a week from Monday. We will feed the children, breakfast, lunch, and a snack. There is a sign up if you are able to help by bringing fresh fruit next Sunday for the first week of VBS, that is held here at Nativity. Please sign up on the bulletin board by Mary's altar if you are able to help.

It is getting closer to our Thank You and Good Bye Pot Luck Dinner for Brother Robert after Mass on June 30th. The sign up is posted if you plan on attending and can bring something for the meal.

SAVE THESE DATES

June 22-24: Urban Parish Silent Retreat
See Flyer on bulletin board for more information.

June 23: META PEACE TEAM NON-VIOLENCE TRAINING. HERE AT NATIVITY.

June 30th: Thank You and Good Bye Pot-Luck for Brother Robert after Mass.

July 16-August 3: Summer Peace Camp
Capuchin Soup Kitchen, 4930 Connor
Call:313-822-8606 Ext. 221, 222, or 224.