

NATIVITY NEWS

5900 McClellan *April 21, 2019* Detroit, MI 48213

PASTOR'S PEN



He is Risen!! Alleluia!!

Today we celebrate the feast of Easter and all of the new life that surrounds us. We are especially excited to welcome our newest member into Nativity: Anthony Griggs. Anthony has been with us for this last year and is ready to make the "plunge" into the waters of baptism. Anthony has worked very hard to prepare for this special day and it has been great to witness his excitement as he prepares for his sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist).

Anthony, we thank you for choosing this parish as your community of faith. Although we are not perfect, we continue to try to live out the call of our own baptism. We hope that you will see in us strength when you need it, love when you're feeling disappointed by life, hope when you're feeling discouraged and faith when life gets overwhelming. We are here for you, Anthony, to support you in your journey of faith. May your life with Christ be filled with surprises and joy and much peace throughout your life.

In our celebration of Easter, we are reminded that there is always reason for hope in the midst of the struggles of our lives. Let's hear the Easter message anew this year and live our lives with greater passion, more expectations for moments of joy, laughter that makes us cry and love as if it's our last day on earth. We have been given good news today. Death and suffering and violence and poverty are not the final outcome. No, it's Life and Freedom and the extravagance of God's love for us in giving us Christ! That's reason to dance and celebrate today and all our days!!

We are sorry to have to pass on the news of the death of one of our beloved members, Dolores Ferschneider. Dolores lived Easter Joy so very well throughout her life. She will be sorely missed. Her funeral will be at Nativity on Wednesday at 10am followed by a luncheon. Please try to make it to celebrate a very good life! Also, our staff has worked very hard to get the Holy Week Services together. We will all try to work lighter next week and there will be no 11am Mass on Thursday.

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: 4-21: Chris Scott & Ken Stamper, 4-22: Denise Staumbaugh
4-24: Hermenia Adams & Barron Scott, 4-26: Aurie Mitchell, 4-27: Alauna Hardaway
& Genevieve Krembel **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY:** 4-21: Louis & Helen Randall

MASS INTENTIONS EASTER SUNDAY

SATURDAY, April 20, 2019

SUNDAY, April 21, 2019

9:45 The Nativity Family

THURSDAY, April 25, 2019

11:00 NO MASS

**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

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

April 28st

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Next week's Readings:

Acts 5:12-16

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

John 20:19-31

Lectors:

4:00 Mary Miller

9:45 1. R. Cunningham 2. C. Sutton

Ushers:

4:00 Sol May & Ray Miller

9:45 P. Adams, N. Danzie, R. Gatson,
A. Milligan, M. Peeples

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 Mark Miller

9:45 1. L. Cunningham 2. C. Gillespie
3. M. Traub 4. J. Shovlin

Ministers of Service:

4:00 J. Dupre

9:45 1. D. Wois 2. C. Estes

**OPENING HYMN
#315**

GLORY TO GOD

LET US PRAY

God our Creator, by raising your Son you conquered the power of death and opened for us the way to eternal life. Let our celebration today raise us up and renew our lives by the Spirit that is within us. Grant 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: Acts 10:34a, 37-43

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

2nd READING: 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia ...

GOSPEL: John 20:1-9

OFFERTORY HYMN

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

LAMB OF GOD

**COMMUNION HYMN
#755**

BIBLE EXCHANGE

**CLOSING HYMN
#303**

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, Debby Kinsel, Dolores Killewald, Genevieve and Rosy Krembel, Mickala Lewis, Clarence Lewis, Vicky McCuish, Kathy McDonald's Granddaughter, Ryan, Beth McLaughlin, Traver Meathe, Andrea Milligan, Jennifer Mondalek, Joe Oldani, Allan Patterson, Sharon Povlitz, Anne 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, The Benigni and Chida Families

YOU MAY BE INTERESTED IN.....

NEXT SATURDAY

**A TOAST TO LITERACY
Saturday, April 27th 6:00PM
Epiphany Education Centers
11th Annual Fundraiser
Sacred Heart Activities Center
3451 Rivard, Detroit 48207
Tickets: \$30.00
Call 313-451-0301**

A couple weeks ago we sent out an invitation to the Dedication of the Father Singer Memorial Garden/Dinner at Penna's on June 8th to the Parish Family and Alumni. If you didn't receive one, please let the office know. We try to keep our records updated, but sometimes people forget to give us their current address or it gets lost in the mail.

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)

As you probably heard by now, Dolores Ferschneider went home to our Lord on Tuesday, April 16th. Her Funeral Mass is this Wednesday, April 24th at 10:00 AM. She will lie in state from 9:30 until the Mass begins. There will be a luncheon afterwards. If you can bring a dish, please let Anne know by dropping her an email or calling and leaving a message. The family is expecting 150 people.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Thank you to all who donated items for the Easter baskets. Once again, your generosity was overwhelming. And a huge thank you to those that came and filled the baskets. We are Nativity strong!

**Next Sunday is
FIRST COMMUNION SUNDAY.**
Please come and celebrate with R. J. Buford, son of Rashid & Airika Buford as he makes this sacrament. All are invited downstairs afterwards for refreshments.

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..

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 2nd. If you have questions, please contact Harry Wimble at: 586-872-7425.