

NATIVITY NEWS

5900 McClellan *February 3rd & 4th, 2018* Detroit,

Pastor's Pen



The following is an excerpt from the poem, "Let America be America again," by Langston Hughes. Written in 1935, it still speaks to our times as we celebrate Black History Month.

Let America be America again. Let it be the dream it used to be.

Let it be the pioneer on the plain,
Striking a home where he, himself, is free.
(America never was America to me).

Let America be the dream the dreamers dreamed-

Let it be that great strong land of love
Where never kings connive nor tyrants scheme
That any man be crushed by one above.

(It never was America to me).

The free? Who said free? Not me?

Surely not me? The millions on relief today?

The millions shot down when we strike?

The millions who have nothing for our pay?

For all the dreams we've dreamed and all the songs we've sung

And all the hope we've held. And all the flags we've hung.

The millions who have nothing for our pay

Except the dream that's almost died today.

O let America be America again

The land that never has been yet—And yet must be.

The land where every man is free. The land that's mine _

The poor man's, the Indian's, Negroes. ME _ Who made America

Whose sweat and blood, whose faith and pain,

Whose hand at the foundry, whose plow in the rain.

Must bring back our mighty dream again!

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: 2-03: Frank Candela, 2-05: Thurman Bailey,
2-06: Margaret Sebastian & Pam Ford, 2-07: Theresa McCoy, 2-09: Sr. Ellen Burkhardt

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

February 10th & 11th, 2018
4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Next week's Readings:

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46

1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1

Mark 1:40-45.

Lectors:

4:00 Mark Miller

9:45 1. Cunningham 2. Sr. Elaine

Ushers:

4:00 S. May & R. Miller

9:45 T. Bailey, W. Lewis, R. Patrick,
T. Roberts

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 C. Kulchy

9:45 1. M. Johnston 2. M. J. Accavitti
3. H. Wimble 4. T. Novara

Ministers of Service:

4:00 S. Wois

9:45 1. A. Buford 2. A. Clark

MASS INTENTIONS

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, February 3, 2018

4:00 Rose Jansen

(The Nativity Family)

Michael Gillespie

(The Kulchy-Family)

SUNDAY, February 4, 2018

9:45 Mary Guntner (Patty Adams)

THURSDAY, February 8, 2018

11:00 AM Those Who Are Grieving

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, February 10, 2018

4:00 Justin Carnaghi

(Rosa & Mike Gracey)

SUNDAY, February 11, 2018

9:45 Sandra Turnbull (William Rex)

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

*Praise the Lord who heals the
brokenhearted*

Please make sure you received a hymnal on your way in and leave it at the door as you leave church. We hope this will encourage everyone to participate more fully in the singing.

GATHERING HYMN

GLORY TO GOD

OPENING PRAYER

Father, watch over your family and keep us safe in your care, for all our hope is in you. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

1st READING: Job 7:1-4, 6-7

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Praise the Lord who heals the brokenhearted.

2nd READING:

1 Corinthians 9: 16-19, 22-23

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia ...

GOSPEL: Mark 1:29-39

OFFERTORY HYMN

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

LAMB OF GOD

COMMUNION HYMN

CLOSING HYMN

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, Barbara Hill, Theresa Hill, Billie Jean Jackson, Patrick Jansen, Journee Jones, Lee Keenan, Alex Kelly, Debby Kinsel, Dolores Killewald, Gary Krueger, 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

YOU MAY BE INTERESTED IN.....

As you may know, each year the First Sunday in February (Black History Month) is set aside as the National Day of Prayer for the African American and African Family. On the following Monday, in solidarity with this important celebration, there is a Rosary Conference Call. This year's theme is Share the Journey. To join this year's call and pray the rosary with your sisters and brothers all over the country on Monday, February 5, 2018 at noon (EST) dial 641-715-3580 and enter Access Code 951981.

World Day of the Sick Mass Sunday, Feb 11, 2018, at 11:00am. The Mass will include an anointing of the sick and a special blessing for caregivers and health care professionals. Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament (9844 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, 48202). All are welcome!

Friday night we will gather at the corner of McClellan and Gratiot at 9:00PM to pray for the end of violence in the city.

2018 Urban Parish Spirit Awards Thursday, March 15, 2018, Sacred Heart Church Activities Building 3451 Rivard Street, Detroit, MI 48207.

FAMILY FAITH FELLOWSHIP, Friday, February 16, 2018 From 6pm - 8pm at St. Charles Borromeo. A light meal is served at each gathering.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Nativity 400 Club

You may purchase raffle tickets after Mass. Only 400 tickets will be sold. Each ticket is \$100. We have sold 337 tickets. You can purchase with cash, check or credit card. The drawing is March 17, 2018. The prizes are: 1st \$5000.00 2nd Prize \$2500.00, and 5 Prizes of \$500.00.

Next Sunday the Confirmation Class will have a bake sale after Mass. The money earned will be used toward purchasing books they need. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

FRIDAY NIGHT LENTEN SERIES

Stations of the Cross

Light Meal of Soup

Jessie Cox : Weekly Speaker after Meal

February 16 & 23 St. Charles

March 2 & 9 Nativity

March 16 St. Charles

March 23 Nativity

We will begin with the Stations at 6:00.

Soup to follow

Jessie Cox at 7:00

During the series we will be praying on the corner immediately following so 8:00ish.

Mark Your Calendar:

Sunday, February 18th is our Blood Drive. Sign up anytime on-line at REDCROSSBLOOD.ORG or after Mass with Mary Miller or Chris McLaughlin. Appointments are from 8:00-2:00PM.

Ash Wednesday: February 14th: Mass at 10:30AM at St. Charles and 7:00PM at Nativity.

Shelter Weekend: February 23-25. More information in the coming weeks.