

# NATIVITY NEWS

5900 McClellan \*August 3rd & 4th, 2019\* Detroit, MI

## PASTOR'S PEN



### *Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Our readings today remind us that much of the things we go after or aspire to in our lives are “fluff.” They are vanities of all types and the call is to be wise with the time of our lives. We are here for a short moment. Even 100 years is but a speck in the universe. So what are we worried about this week? What plans are we making that we think are so important? Who have we overlooked this week because we were too busy with the “important” stuff of our lives?

As I've said so many times and continue to remind myself each time, we think we are really in control. We, like the man in the gospel, make great plans and store up all kinds of things thinking we are going to live forever. It's only when we are hit with a crisis or struck down by a tragedy that we realize there are very few things we can control and really only a few things that are truly important. It's the people in our lives and not the “stuff” that really matters. When we're long gone, they will not remember what kind of car we had or whether our house was always neat or whether we were a great cook or had a tremendous career or what degrees we received or whether we were too fat, too thin, too short or too tall, athletic or a couch potato, etc. They will remember the moments we gave them which touched their hearts. They will remember how we made them laugh or how kind we were to them or how we inspired them by the way we lived our life or how ordinary days became sacred moments when we felt the wonderful connection between us. That's the stuff that you can't control. It's the stuff of grace and all we can do is be open to those moments. It seems the times when we're not open to these moments of grace, we're worried about something or are busy doing the trivial things that seem so important at the time.

Maybe this week we can think about the moments that have been important in our lives. Maybe it was times with our parents or our spouse or our children or grandchildren. They were great moments because we took the time to make them great. Let's make sure we take the time to be with one another in the best ways this week. Maybe we could surprise someone in our life by going outside our routine and “goofing off” a bit with someone we love. We never know when all the moments will be over and I would rather spend my moments enjoying the people I love even if all the “important” chores don't get done!!

### 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:** 8-04: Wendy Kent, 8-07: Reyna Jackson, 8-08: Pat Dombrowski, 8-09: Anita Reddick, 8-10: Jean Meathe

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY:** 8-04: Marty & Peggy Gulewicz

### WORSHIP SCHEDULE August 10th & 11th, 2019 NINETEENTH SUNDAY

Next week's Readings: (Wisdom 18:6-9, Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19, Luke 12:32-48)

#### Lectors:

4:00 T. McGratty  
11:00 1. T. Roberts 2. E. Burkhardt

#### Ushers:

4:00 Sol May  
11:00 T. Bailey, R. Patrick, T. Roberts, W. Lewis

#### Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 T. McGovern  
11:00 1. T. Roberts 2. C. Scott  
3. G. Scamihorn 4. J. Brooks

#### Ministers of Service:

4:00 A. Clark  
11:00 1. C. McLaughlin 2. S. Wois

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### SATURDAY, August 3, 2019

4:00 Marty Carnaghi (Fran Carnaghi)

#### SUNDAY, August 4, 2019

9:45 Tom Scamihorn (Family)

#### THURSDAY, August 8, 2019

11:00 Therese & Michael Schrage  
(Therese McGratty)

#### Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### SATURDAY, August 10, 2019

4:00 Judee Danielak (Jack Miles)

#### SUNDAY, August 11, 2019

9:45 The Nativity Family &  
Our Community

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## OPENING HYMN

### GLORY TO GOD

#### LET US PRAY

Creator of everlasting goodness, our origin and guide, be close to us and hear the prayers of all who praise you. Forgive our sins and restore us to life. Keep us safe in your love. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### 1<sup>st</sup> READING:

Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts.

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> READING: Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia ...

#### GOSPEL: Luke 12:13-21

#### 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, Kevin Dietz, Katie Estes, Diane Ferschneider, Douglas Frattini, Patty Godin, Rosa Gracey, Bart Houston, Art 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, Kathy McDonald's Granddaughter, Ryan, Beth McLaughlin, Traver Meathe, Andrea Milligan, 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, Tom Zarro, 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, Diane Wingo's friends Krista and Pantulu, and brother in law, Armando, Sr. Ellen's niece Carole & brother Paul, Shivaun Wois' mom and student Jacqueline, Kathy Walsh's sister, Mary Ann, Joyce Shahady's granddaughter, Edith, The Benigni and Chida Families

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

### PARISH PICNIC

The Parish Picnic is **NEXT SUNDAY**. **Mass on that day is at 11:00AM on the front steps of church. Bring your chairs.** We will have regular Saturday, 4:00 Mass.

#### LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!

The picnic committee is still in need of volunteers to help assure our picnic runs smoothly. If you can help in any way, please sign up today.

#### ITEMS NEEDED

The food list has been updated as to what is still needed. If you can bring any item on the list, please sign up today. If you prefer, the committee is accepting monetary donations as well.



#### DID YOU KNOW?

**Weekly bulletins are on our website!**  
nativitydetroit.org

#### And you can

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Nativity Catholic Church - Detroit and  
on Instagram: NativityCatholicChurch-Detroit

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

If you are not receiving emails from the parish, or if you have a new phone, please let us know your accurate information. Also, a good way to be sure you are informed as to what is going on, is to register in the parish. If you are interested in registering, please see Fran Carnaghi, she will have the forms.

#### BRICK PAVERS

We wanted everyone to know we are planning a second installation of brick pavers in September. So if you're thinking about purchasing one consider doing it soon so your paver can be placed in the garden at that time. This will be the last time until Spring, 2020. By now you probably have all had the opportunity to visit the garden & experience it's beauty & peace. The brick pavers are a big part of it. It's nice to walk around, read the inscriptions & feel the love all around you. The brick paver is the perfect way to honor someone you love & cherish, whether it's a memorial or a gift to a living loved one. The forms are in church near St. Joseph's Altar & of course, if need be, you can contact the parish house to have a form sent to you. Thank you for your continued support. We'd love to hear from you. **Deadline is Sunday, September 1st to guarantee installation.**

The Fund Raising Committee