

NATIVITY NEWS



5900 McClellan *August 24th & 25th, 2019* Detroit, MI

PASTOR'S PEN ON VACATION

While Brother Ray is on vacation this weekend, here are a few thoughts about the Gospel of Luke for the 21st Sunday after Pentecost. In this Gospel, Luke reminds us that there is a narrow door that leads to eternal happiness in the Kingdom of Heaven. The key to opening the narrow door is how we have heard and lived the message of love that Jesus lived and died to teach us.

The Jesuit priest, Donal Leary, writes about love as it really looks in our lives rather than as it is portrayed so often in movies and on television. He reminds us that in a family so much love is lavished on the new-born first child and you hear the new parents saying that's the end of freedom now for a few years. Or the grandchildren come and that means babysitting is on the agenda. Leary reminds us that life deepens love and narrows our freedom. Jesus says that love is the door to eternal life. In laying down life for a friend, his cross was a narrow door.

Real love means little things a lot of the time, and with God it means time now and then dedicated to prayer and to worship, as well as loving our neighbor.

Love demands a lot as well as giving a lot. With the people we most love, we are most vulnerable and they can bring out the worst and the best in us.

The sick child, the elderly in the family, those in prison or in a difficult marriage call on our love, as does a husband or wife needing a lot of care in illness or old age. There is a special love shown by volunteers in our country and the developing world. The grandchild who is isolated and lonely calls too on our love as does the family member or friend who struggles with addiction. This is the world of love, the only world worth sacrificing anything for.

Finally, Fr. Leary emphasizes that the condition for entering this world of love that we call Heaven is not where you come from, whether you are first or last, whether you wear the right clothes or even turn up on time – the condition is that, in the way of the living God, you hear the word of God daily and live by it faithfully.

Frances Pelham-Carnaghi

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: 8-26: Bill Dietz, 8-27: Mary Crawford, 8-29: Benjamin Schmitt, 8-30: Tyrone Kelly, Denise Reddick & Maya Thompson
HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: 8-31: Bob & Louise McKenzie

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

August 31st & September 1, 2019
TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY

Next week's Readings:
(Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29,
Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24, Luke 14:1, 7-14)

Lectors:

4:00 Mark Miller
9:45 1. M. Peoples 2. R. Cunningham

Ushers:

4:00 Sol May
9:45 P. Adams, K. Alderman,
J. Deisinger, T. Roberts

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 T. McGovern
9:45 1. L. Canty 2. M. E. White
3. N. Zarro 4. B. Brooks

Ministers of Service:

4:00 H. Adams
9:45 1. D. Wois 2. S. Wois

MASS INTENTIONS

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
SATURDAY, August 24, 2019

4:00 Judee Danielak (Friends)
Rose Thomas (Family)

SUNDAY, August 25, 2019

9:45 Lynn Maitland
(Terese McGratty)

THURSDAY, August 27, 2019

11:00 Roxanne M. (Terese McGratty)

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
SATURDAY, August 31, 2019

4:00 Doris Pelham (Frances Carnaghi)

SUNDAY, September 1, 2019

9:45 James Faulk
(Nancy Silveri & Tony Novara)

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OPENING HYMN

GLORY TO GOD

LET US PRAY

God our Creator, help us to seek the values, that will bring us enduring joy in this changing world. In our desire for what you promise make us one in mind and heart. 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: Isaiah 66:18-21

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

2nd READING: Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia ...

GOSPEL: Luke 13:22-30

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, Sandie Bezel, 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, Cookie Kulchy, 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

YOU MAY BE INTERESTED IN.....

DCPA Fundraiser

Silent Auction

Shed 5 - Eastern Market

Wednesday, September 18th at 6:00 PM

Tickets: \$50 each

If you want to sit at a Nativity table, let Fran Carnaghi, know or email the parish office by September 8.

DID YOU KNOW?

Weekly bulletins are on our website!

nativitydetroit.org

And you can

Follow us on Facebook at:

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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.

Thank you to my Nativity family for all your cards, texts, get well wishes, thoughts and especially your prayers during my recent surgery and recovery. I'm sure it all contributed to the healing process. I greatly appreciate your kindness and ask God's blessings on all of you. Cookie

YOU MAY BE INTERESTED IN.....

BRICK PAVERS

The deadline for ordering your brick pavers to have them installed this fall is Sunday September 1st. If you've been thinking about purchasing one, now is the time to do it. If you don't attend mass @ Nativity regularly this will give you time to make your purchase & see it in place when you come to the Homecoming Mass in October. If you're here each week you've probably experienced the peace & joy of the garden. It's a pleasure to walk through or sit a while surrounded by the love of those so close to many of us. We all have our own special unique connection to this parish. Purchase your brick & become a permanent part of Nativity's history.

Thank you.

The Fund Raising Committee

As you may have noticed, Edna Boyd hasn't been in Mass lately due to health issues. She is living in an assisted living now. Her new address is:

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