



BIRTHDAYS



Patty Adams	10-04	Dorcas Scott	10-14	Rosy Krembel	10-27
Gerry Burns	10-04	Sr. Barbara Brownell	10-15	Mary Jo Brooks	10-27
Joseph Sergent Jr.	10-04	Barbara Grouse	10-18	Tony Novara	10-27
Sr. Jolene	10-04	Justin Scott	10-18	Lisa Canty	10-28
Fred Rottach	10-08	Bob McKenzie	10-21	Amia Davis	10-29
Lorelei Krembel	10-10			Joe Sergent	10-31
Kathleen Walsh	10-11				

AND ANNIVERSARIES

Theresa & Major Ragland 10-12

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: 9-28: Tom McGovern, 9-29: Peter Iwu, Roz King, Andrea Milligan, and Lenore Mondalek, 9-30: Cookie Kulchy
HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: 9-30 Barbara and Adrian Gabriel



NATIVITY NEWS

5900 McClellan * September 28th & 29th * Detroit, MI

PASTOR'S PEN

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Woe to the complacent in Zion!”

It is so hard when preaching to see someone you can tell is not listening. Either their eyes are glazed over just before they nod to sleep or they are distracting themselves with phones or bulletin reading, etc. This is especially hard if I am speaking about something that is close to my heart. I want to say, “don’t you even care about trying to do better?” I suspect that is the way we are with God. We are pretty apathetic to all that’s been given to us. Have you noticed the sunrises and sunsets lately. They are especially beautiful during this season. I find myself saying, “isn’t that nice?” and moving on. How many times have we gotten out of bed and not been grateful that we were able to get out of the bed when so many are disabled? How many times have we scoffed at a meal or left half of it uneaten to be thrown away when so many are starving? How often have we complained that our work when so many work in horrendous conditions throughout the world or others long to have a job?

I believe I and others have become complacent with a sense of entitlement. We somehow believe it is our right as human beings to have extravagance while the rest of the world struggles to survive. This complacency causes us to take for granted all the many ways we are blessed through the day. We have running water, electricity for lights and appliances, warmth in the winter and coolness in the summer, money for some extra fun things (movies, restaurants, vacations, etc.) The more we take all of this for granted, the more we become complacent to the needs of our brothers and sisters who just want to get through the day. I think it was Gandhi who said, “it takes a lifetime to get used to poverty but only a moment to get used to wealth.” Wealth and comfort can leave us apathetic and uncaring. It can also make us very selfish in protecting our lifestyle. How much would we be willing to give up if we knew it would benefit someone else? Would we skip a meal and give it to someone hungry? Would we give up our long awaited vacation to help a family with rent for a few months so they weren’t evicted? Would we give up our AC next summer if it meant someone with breathing problems would be able to be comfortable on those hot muggy nights? Would we keep our heat at 62 degrees if another family with children could have a warmer winter? Please know these are questions for all of us, especially the “holy friar” who claims to be a follower of St. Francis but lives way too comfortably. There are many people like Lazarus all around us and maybe it’s our call to go to the gates and greet them, see to their wounds, feed them, clothe them, keep them warm, sacrifice for them and allow love to break through any apathy or complacency we may have. We will only start living when we risk something. Jesus is calling us through Lazarus and so many like him throughout our world. May we not close our ears to the cry of those who are poor.

October 6

27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Next week’s Readings: Habakkuk 1:2-3, 2:2-4, 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14, Luke 17:5-10)

Lectors:

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

Ushers:

4:00 R. Miller & S. May
9:45 M.J. Accavitti, C. Gillespie,
J. Deisinger, R. Duddy

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 T. McGratty
9:45 1. T. Roberts 2. C. Scott
3. G. Scamihorn 4. J. Brooks

Ministers of Service:

4:00 H. Adams
9:45 1. A. Clark 2. C. Estes

MASS INTENTIONS

Twenty-Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time SATURDAY, September 28, 2019

4:00 Rev. Jerome Singer
(The Kulchy Family)

SUNDAY, September 29, 2019

9:45 Elizabeth Maher
(Matthew Brenner)

THURSDAY, October 3, 2019- Weekday

11:00 Sister Jolene
(Friends)

Twenty-Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time SATURDAY, October 5, 2019-Weekday

4:00 Sr. Jolene (The Nativity family)

SUNDAY, October 6, 2019

9:45 Ezra Jude Adams
(Nancy Silveri & Tony Novara)
Michael Gillespie
(The Nativity Family)

OPENING HYMN

676 Gather Us In

GLORY TO GOD

OPENING PRAYER

God, you show your almighty power in your mercy and forgiveness. Continue to fill us with your gifts of love. Help us to hurry toward the eternal life you promise and come to share in the joys of your kingdom. 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: Amos 6:1, 4-7

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Praise the Lord, my soul.

2nd READING: 1 Timothy 6:11-16

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia ...

3rd READING: Mark 9:30-37

LAMB OF GOD

OFFERTORY HYMN

626 I've Decided to Make Jesus My Choice

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

COMMUNION HYMN

#760 One Bread, One Body

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

#282 Down at the Cross

We pray for God's healing for:

Brenda Banks, Judy Bartnik, Sandie Bezel, Edna Boyd, 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, Neidra Halthon, Bart Houston, Art Hill, Billie Jean Jackson, Patrick Jansen, Liz Janutol, Journee Jones, Mia Halthon-Jones, Alex Kelly, 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, Helen Randall, Phil Scamihorn, Margaret Sebastian, Geoff & Joyce Shahady, Larry Shelton, Jim & Marie Singer, Sheila Starke, Marianne Szymanski, 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.....

SAVE THE DATE

October 27th: Halloween Party with the Haunted Tunnel. We will have an inside Trunk or Treat. Table space is available for you to decorate and pass out candy. It will be immediately following Mass. Lunch will be served.

Afternoon of Reflection

Saturday, November 9th; 1:30 - 3:45. We will finish before 4:00 Mass. See signs posted at doors or take home a small flyer for your reference"

Just a reminder that you can donate directly to our Emergency Food Pantry by calling Gleaners Food Bank at 866-453-2637 ext. 660. You can also mail a check payable to "Gleaners Community Food Bank" to the main headquarters, Attention: Development, 2131 Beaufait, Detroit, MI 48207. **You need to let them know that you want your donation to go to Nativity Pantry Agency 1116.** On "Double Days" we get your donation and Gleaners gets the "Double." So it is a win-win situation. Please let Anne know if you make a donation so she can watch for it to show up on our statements.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

The signup sheets for the Anniversary/ Alumni Mass Reception on October 13th are posted by Mary's altar. This is an important day as we celebrate our parish anniversary and we welcome back past parishioners. Did you know Nativity is 108 years old this year? Let's all strive to make this a great celebration.

The Living Faith books for October through December are available by the doors.

If your birthday or anniversary is not listed on the back of the bulletin, please let Anne know in the parish office.

SHE WAS CALLED HOME

The Funeral Mass for Billie Jean Jackson will be Saturday, October 5th. The Family Hour will be from 10:00-11:00AM, with the Mass at 11:00AM. There is a luncheon afterwards. If you can bring a dish, please sign up today on the music stand.

WELCOME

Welcome to our new parishioners Mike & Loretta Peralta. Though they have been around Nativity most of their lives as Alumni, they are now officially members. YEAH!