

NATIVITY NEWS

5900 McClellan *February 15th & 16th, 2020* Detroit,

PASTOR'S PEN

In keeping with our celebration of Black History month, we would like to highlight two heroic persons of color:

Mother Mary Lange

Mother Mary Lange founded the Oblate Sisters of Providence, the first religious congregation for African American women. Born Elizabeth Lange in Cuba, around 1794, she received an excellent education as a child—a privilege that would allow her to teach many children and orphans of color after moving to Baltimore. Elizabeth joyfully accepted a priest's invitation to establish a religious congregation devoted to the education of African American girls. She took the name, Mary, in a time when many Catholics thought that black religious women were a disgrace. Through many oppositions, Mother Mary kept her faith in Providence, giving of herself and all her material possessions for the well-being of all those whom she served.

"She overcame many obstacles...She founded the order before the Emancipation Proclamation. She had to deal with racism...Yet she cared so much and was so strong."
Sister Mary Alice Fisher, O.S.P. Superior General

Daniel Rudd

Daniel Rudd was a Catholic layman, civil activist and son of former slaves. Born in Kentucky in 1854, Rudd proclaimed that the Catholic Church welcomed African Americans, in a time of declared segregation among Christians. He founded the first newspaper by an African-American, the American Catholic Tribune, in 1886. The paper would become a stepping stone for Rudd's real vision: In 1889, he held the first National Black Catholic Congress in Washington, D.C. A talented journalist, speaker and teacher, Rudd would become one of the most influential African-American Catholics in U.S. history.

"The Catholic Church is the only place on this continent where rich and poor, white and black, must drop prejudice at the threshold and go hand in hand to the altar." Daniel Rudd (Courtesy of Denver Catholic)

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: 2-17: Carmen Patton, 2-19: Leila Lynch,
2-21: Sharon Estes & Adrian Gabriel
HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: 2-17: John & Sharon Estes

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

February 22nd & 23rd, 2020
Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Next week's Readings:
Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18
1 Corinthians 3:16-23
Matthew 5:38-48

Lectors:

4:00 M. Miller
9:45 1. E. Burkhardt 2. M. Peeples

Ushers:

4:00 S. May
9:45 R. Gatson, P. Adams, N. Danzie,
A. Milligan, M. Peeples

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 M. Miller
9:45 1. T. Roberts 2. D. Scott
3. G. Scamihorn 4. J. Brooks

Ministers of Service:

4:00 C. Estes
9:45 1. M. Adams 2. L. Bartnik

MASS INTENTIONS

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SATURDAY, February 15, 2020

4:00 Jean Meathe
(Nancy Silveri & Tony Novara)
Michael Burns
(The Kulchy Family)

SUNDAY, February 16, 2020

9:45 Frank & Leon Accavitti
(Family)

THURSDAY, February 20, 2020

11:00 Richard Jungwirth
(Therese McGratty)

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

SATURDAY, February 22, 2020

4:00 Tom Mudloff (Family)
Doris Pelham (Fran Carnaghi)

SUNDAY, February 23, 2020

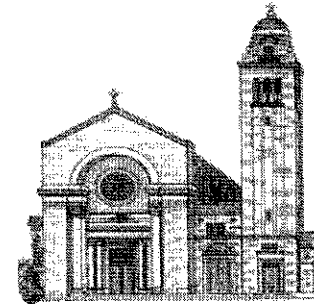
9:45 Michael Burns (Therese McGratty)
Frank DeMaire (Fran Kaucie)

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OPENING HYMN

OPENING PRAYER

O God, who teaches us that you abide in hearts that are just and true, grant that we may be so fashioned by your grace as to become a dwelling pleasing to you. 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.

1st READING: Sirach 15:15-20

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!

2nd READING:

1 Corinthians 2:6-10

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia ...

3rd READING: Matthew 5:5:17-37

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, Edna Boyd, Frank Candela, Brian Cavanaugh, Frank Candela's brother-in-law, Ed, Randy Clarke, Gabriel Crowe, Tom Davis, John Deisinger, Katie Estes, Diane Ferschneider, Douglas Frattini, Patty Godin, Rosa Gracey, Neidra Halthon, Bart Houston, Art Hill, 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, Allan Patterson, Sharon Povlitz, Helen Randall, Yvonne Rottach, Phil Scamihorn, Margaret Sebastian, Geoff & Joyce Shahady, Larry Shelton, Jim & Marie Singer, Sheila Starke, Marianne Szymanski, Phyllis Treece, Sr. Jolene, Pat Wimple, 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, Shivaun Wois' mom and student Jacqueline, Kathy Walsh's sister, Mary Ann, Joyce Shahady's granddaughter, Edith, Joanne Pierick's sister, Suzanne, The Benigni and Chida Families

YOU MAY BE INTERESTED IN.....

Super Raffle Tickets

We still have Super Raffle Tickets left. You have only missed six drawings, so you still have about 131 chances to win. So far 4 parishioners have won, pretty good for only seven drawings.

"Strangers No Longer"

Several weeks ago, Charlie Tazzia from St. Charles talked at the weekend Masses about an organization called "Strangers No Longer" which focuses on the issues immigrants face in our country and how we can be helpful. Last Saturday 20+ people from Nativity and St. Charles met here and learned more about the organization and the issues. Everyone is invited to a 2nd meeting which will be held here on Saturday, March 7th at 2:30. Please consider attending.

TRUST
in the
Lord
with
ALL
your
Heart
Proverbs 3:5

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Mardi Gras 2020

Mark your calendar for February 22nd for our Annual Mardi Party. This is an evening you don't want to miss. It begins at 5:30pm and goes until 8:00pm. There is a sign up if you're coming so we can get a count for food.

Ash Wednesday: February 26th: Mass at 10:30AM at St. Charles and 7:00PM at Nativity.

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY

Friday, February 21, 2020

(12:00 PM - 1:00 PM)

Location: Solanus Casey Center, 1780 Mount Elliott Street, Detroit, MI 48207
The Solanus Casey Center invites you to our Weekly Bible Study. It will take place every Friday from Noon to 1 PM. The selected passages will come from the upcoming Sunday Scripture readings. Everyone is welcome! Coffee, tea, and water will be provided. You are welcome to bring a lunch. Participants are encouraged to bring their own Bibles. New American Bible (NAB) is preferred.

Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, and Ushers can't remember if you're scheduled? Last weeks bulletin is normally available on the website by Tuesday evening each week...check it out.