



BIRTHDAYS



John Deisinger	3-01	Airyana Robinson	3-13	James Turnbull	3-23
Sr. Barbara Bouchard	3-05	Daniel Goeddeke	3-15	Gail Urso	3-24
Jimmy Duddy	3-05	Dominique Archer	3-18	Sarah Awan	3-25
Eric Dombrowski	3-06	Jessica Awan	3-19	Judy Dupre	3-26
Willie Clay	3-07	Lisa Miller	3-19	Rosanne Schwartz	3-27
Mark Miller	3-10	Debra Marshall	3-19	Sr. Beverly Pettke	3-31
Sierra Jones	3-11	Brenda Banks	3-23	Nancy Silveri	3-31
Evelyn Bledsoe	3-13				

AND ANNIVERSARIES

Jim & Ruth Duddy	3-21	Danny & Shivaun Wois	3-25
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We pray for God's healing for:

Mary Jane Accavitti, Brenda Banks, Judy Bartnik, Hedwig Buczek, Frank Candela, Brian Cavanaugh, Frank Candela's brother-in-law, Ed, Randy Clarke, Gabriel Crowe, Tom Davis, John Deisinger, Bill Dietz, Diane Ferschneider, Karen Foy, Douglas Frattini, Rosa Gracey, Neidra Halthon, Bart Houston, Art Hill, Patrick Jansen, Journee Jones, Mia Halthon-Jones, Alex Kelly, Genevieve and Rosy Krembel, Mickala Lewis, Clarence Lewis, Deborah Marshall, Kathy McDonald's Granddaughter, Ryan, Traver Meathe, Andrea Milligan, Jennifer Mondalek, Allan Patterson, Helen Randall, Yvonne Rottach, Phil Scamihorn, Jason Sergent, Geoff & Joyce Shahady, Larry Shelton, Rose & Tom Sheehy, Jim & Marie Singer, Sheila Starke, John Stuart, Marianne Szymanski, Phyllis Treece, Sr. Jolene, Pat Wimble, Nikki Zapinski, Carolyn Sutton's friend, Molly, Barbara Gabriel's sister Pearl, Joni Scott's mom, Annie, Rosanne Schwartz's grandson, Gavin, Joanne Pierick's sister, Suzanne, The Benigni and Chida Families

MASS INTENTIONS

Second Sunday of Lent SUNDAY, February 28, 2021

9:30 Carol Frattini
(The Nativity Family)

Joanne Gunn
(Nancy Silveri & Tony Novara)

Doris Pelham & Benjamin Pelham
(Frances Carnaghi)

Third Sunday of Lent SUNDAY, March 7, 2021

9:30 Jackie Garrant
(Nancy Silveri & Tony Novara)

Tom Mudloff (Family)

Chris Johnson (Ken & Gloria Stamper)

Wiley Adams & Shirley Scott
(Families)

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.



NATIVITY NEWS

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PASTOR'S PEN

Second Sunday of Lent

First of all, I would like to welcome our two candidates who participated in the Rite of Election last Sunday. Although both men are baptized, they will be coming into full communion in the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. They are:

Orlando Richardson
Demetricke Wells

We are blessed to have two faith filled men coming into the parish this year. Orlando and Demetricke, you give us great hope as you make the choice to enter the Church. Please know that we are so grateful for your presence in our community and we will do our best to support you on this journey of faith. God bless both of you as you prepare for Easter.

The Gospel speaks of the moment when Christ goes up to the mountain with Peter, James and John and is transfigured before their eyes. Peter is overwhelmed by this moment and says, "It is good for us to be here! Let us make three tents: one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." Peter, like all of us, wanted to hold on to that powerful moment and stay there but he had to come down and leave the mountain and go back to his life. It's the same with us. We have all had transfiguration moments when we realized the power of the Divine. Maybe it was the birth of our child or grandchild, maybe it's falling in love, maybe it's the beauty of a spectacular sunrise or the vibrant colors of a sunset, maybe it's the quiet of the woods or the rushing waves of the ocean. Whatever that moment is, we can't stay there forever. Like all of life, it is passing. The wonderful part is that we hold on to it in our memory and it is there to be remembered when we find ourselves in the desert or going through the storms of life. Maybe take some time this week to think about those transfiguration moments in your life and allow them to bring you hope, courage and a deeper faith that God is always with us.

As we go through this season, I hope we can all check in to some of Jesse Cox's Lenten presentations. They are thought provoking and inspiring (and we also get to see each other on the zoom calls!) I would like to allow people the opportunity to have some private prayer in the church during the **Fridays of Lent (3/5, 3/12, 3/19, 3/26)**. **Nativity will be open from 11am to 1pm and St. Charles will be open from 1:15 to 3:15pm.** During that time, you can have some private prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, or make the Stations of the Cross on your own or I will be there for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. I hope this season will be fruitful for all of us. Let's pray for one another.