

NATIVITY NEWS

Nativity of Our Lord Catholic Church

5900 McClellan,
Detroit, MI 48213

WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Nativity:
Sunday 9:30 AM



March 6, 2022

First Sunday of Lent



Praised Be JESUS CHRIST!

Good Morning, Parish Family! We began our forty days with Jesus in the desert this past Wednesday. Because we are His followers, Jesus allows us to accompany Him. At times, we are protected from all sorts of temptations, at other times, like gold tested in fire, we carry our cross and walk with Him. Let's have confidence in Jesus' love and power as He orders our steps in His word this Lent.

It was good seeing so many people come out for Ash Wednesday. Thank God for the AOD Mass website; a young man who works on Jefferson saw that our Mass fit his work schedule and so he joined us; he also said he'd be back. We were able to get the livestream working and as I'm writing this, 97 people have clicked on the post. I hope we can have the livestream up for Thursdays. If you are able to come to the Thursday Masses and would be willing to help out with the livestreaming – or singing – I have a job for you.

The Parish Councils. I thank God for the good councils – pastoral and finance – that the parish has been blessed with. A recent proposal from the pastoral council was reviewed at the finance council, a "task force" was created and we are moving ahead. Really nice to see dedication and follow through.

Rosary. Last week, we prayed the Rosary as a parish and we'll pray again on March 19th as a parish. Let's keep the poor people of Ukraine in our prayers, in whatever way we can pray these days. Grateful for the Wednesday Rosary that Joni Scott is leading for us.

Sacrament of Reconciliation. How long since your last confession? Give Jesus another try. Confessions March 20th from 8:45 until 9:15. If you would prefer to try another place, please call the Monastery or check their website.

Weekday Masses. Mass on Thursday at 11. Hope you can come. Other weekday Masses in our family of parishes: Tuesday at Sacred Heart at 5 PM; Wednesday at St. Augustine/St. Monica at 9 AM; Fridays at St. Charles at 11 AM.

Grateful to Father George Kooran for being with us today

With a prayer,

Father Dan

**TODAY'S SCRIPTURE
READINGS**

First Sunday of Lent

First Reading:

Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Responsorial Psalm

*Be with me, Lord, when I
am in trouble.*

Second Reading:

Romans 10:8-13

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel Reading:

Luke 4:1-13

**NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE
READINGS**

Second Sunday of Lent

First Reading:

Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

Responsorial Psalm

*The Lord is my light and my
salvation.*

Second Reading:

Philippians 3:17-4:1

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel Reading:

Luke 9:28-36

WELCOME NEW PARISH MEMBERS!



How Do I Join Nativity Parish?

If you are interested in becoming a member, please call the Parish Office at 313-922-0033 or complete a registration form available in the back of church and drop in the collection basket.

Want to learn more about the Catholic Faith or religious education programs?

Contact Joni Scott, Director of Formation at the Parish House at 313-922-0033.

**Evangelization Committee
Bible Question of the Week**

Who led Jesus into the desert and why?
How did He respond to who He encountered?
What message does that have for you?

**DO YOU WANT TO
FAST THIS LENT?**

In the words of Pope Francis

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and have trust in God.
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

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A Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion
to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,
that you would hold and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.
Amen.

Archbishop Justin Welby
Archbishop Stephen Cottrell



WHAT'S HAPPENING

FINANCE COUNCIL UPDATES

In 2021 the Archdiocese of Detroit Annual Catholic Service Appeal (CSA) set our fundraising goal here at Nativity at \$18,236. That meant that all of us as a parish needed to raise through our pledges and donations \$18,236 during the CSA drive.

As the 2021 year-end approached we had not met our goal, but GOOD NEWS, in January 2022 through all of our efforts, Nativity reached and surpassed our 2021 CSA goal and if everyone pays their outstanding pledges, we will get a refund from the Archdiocese of \$1,319. Good job Nativity!

In May of this year the 2022 Catholic Service Appeal will begin again. The Finance Council here at Nativity will provide you with monthly updates as to how we are doing.

Sincerely,

John R. Urso

Weekly Family Rosary: Wednesdays at 7 PM on Zoom. Email Joni Scott @ jlscott820@gmail.com to receive the Zoom link.

Food Pantry Items Needed This Week: The pantry continues to be busy. In February we served 105 families, which was 322 people. We were closed the first week of February due to weather and closed early one week due to weather. As you can see by our numbers we are busy. With the help of your donations, we are keeping up with the demands. This week we need: Family Size Peanut Butter, Assorted Pasta, Spaghetti Sauce. Many thanks for your generosity!

Prayers Needed: The Immigration Hearing for Luz Ramos & her family is on March 14. Please keep them in your prayers.

SOLANUS CASEY CENTER LENTEN SERIES

Beginning, Wednesday, March 9, 2022, from 12:00-2:00PM. During Lent each year we set aside six Wednesdays to offer a noon Mass followed by a light lunch of soup, bread, and a beverage along with a talk. Our talk is held in the dining room while the people enjoy their lunch. The talk lasts about 20 minutes and develops one aspect of the theme.

<https://www.solanuscenter.org/events/>

Reminder

[Each Friday in Lent, Stations of the Cross will be said after the Friday morning 11:00 Mass at St. Charles. All are welcome.](#)



WE PRAY FOR GOD'S HEALING FOR

Mary Jane Accavitti, Brenda Banks, Judy Bartnik, Michele Bezel, Hedwig Buczek, Frank Candela, Brian Cavanaugh, Frank Candela's brother-in-law, Ed, Gabriel Crowe, John Deisinger, Diane Ferschneider, Ben Flores, Douglas Frattini, Barbara Gabriel, Rosa Gracey, Neidra Halthon, Bart Houston, Art Hill, Linda, Joe and Patrick Jansen, Journee Jones, Mia Halthon-Jones, Alex Kelly, Genevieve and Rosy Krembel, Clarence Lewis, Deborah Marshall, Kathy McDonald's Granddaughter, Ryan, Jennifer Mondalek, Gail Northcutt, Allan Patterson, Helen Randall, Yvonne Rottach, Lily Saith, Phil Scamihorn, Geoff & Joyce Shahady, Larry Shelton, Rose & Tom Sheehy, Jim Singer, Sheila Starke, John Stuart, Marianne Szymanski, Phyllis Treece, Jim Turnbull, Sr. Jolene, Pat Wimble, Carolyn Sutton's friend, Molly, Barbara Gabriel's sister, Pearl, Barron Scott's mom, Vicky, Rosanne Schwartz's grandson, Gavin, Joanne Pierick's sister, Suzanne, The Benigni and Chida Families, Mia Halthon-Jones' mother-in-law, Victoria and Carol Frattini's niece, Natalie.

(Please notify Anne Crowe at the Parish Office when a name should be removed from this list.)



A PRAYER FOR HEALING

Lord, you are the source of health and healing. In you there is calm and true peace. In pain, anxiety or fear, teach us to yield ourselves to your care, knowing that your love and power surround us to give us health and strength through Jesus Christ,



REMINDERS:

The Livestream 9:30 Sunday Mass is on the Parish Facebook site: <https://www.facebook.com/NativityDetroit>
Church Library: Feel free to take and use books and other resources available in the back of church.

Coins for Haiti Jug: Donations are welcome. Jug is located in front of the church near the collection basket

Parish Website: <https://www.nativitydetroit.org>

Parish Instagram Page: https://www.instagram.com/nativitycatholicchurch_detroit/



Online Giving

[DONATE HERE](#) or Go to giving site at: <https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/nativity>

MASS Intentions

First Sunday of Lent March 6, 2022

Tom Mudloff (Family)

Bobby Dandridge (Nancy Silveri & Tony Novara)

Butch Liss & The Deceased Members of the Carnaghi Family
(Andrea Liss)

Second Sunday of Lent March 13, 2022

Jack Avery (Nancy Silveri & Tony Novara)

Edna Boyd (Gail Osborne)

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

3-06: Eric Dombrowski

3-07: Willie Clay

3-10: Mark Miller

3-11: Sierra Jones



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

If you are a registered member of the parish and your birthday or anniversary isn't listed, please let us know.

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Nativity's 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.