

# NATIVITY NEWS

## Nativity of Our Lord Catholic Church

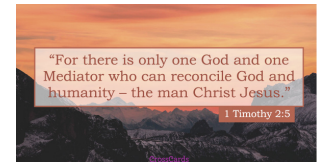
5900 McClellan,  
Detroit, MI 48213

### WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

**Nativity:**  
Sunday 9:30 AM



September 18, 2022  
25th Sunday in  
Ordinary Time



***Praised Be JESUS CHRIST!***

**Praised be Jesus Christ!** Last week Jesus taught that God is unlike any man, woman or father, that God the Father desires our love and rejoices in the smallest response on our part. This week, Jesus teaches us about our response to God's love and the gift of our lives, that we should use the gifts given to us and invest them for others and for God. (The services at St. Charles and at St. Augustine/St. Monica parishes are in parentheses)

**Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time/September 18th** 9:00 Confessions/9:30 Mass livestreamed with social distancing/Blessing of Catechists on Catechetical Sunday/Preacher and Presider: Father Dan

**Tuesday, September 20th** (SSAM 10:30-SVDP Food pantry/ 6 PM Men's Faith Sharing)

**Wednesday, September 21st** (SSAM 8 AM Adoration, 9 AM Mass Presider: Father Dan and Preacher: Deacon Chris /11 AM Funeral Mass for Lloyd Michael Todd/ 7 PM AA meeting in the social hall. [ Zoom Rosary: 7 PM on Zoom. Email Joni Scott @ [jlscott820@gmail.com](mailto:jlscott820@gmail.com) to receive the Zoom link.)

**Thursday, September 22nd** Nativity: 8 AM Adoration, 9 AM Mass, Presider: Fr. Dan, Preacher: Deacon John Wright  
Nativity: Emergency Food Pantry: Open 1:00-4:00)

**Friday, September 23rd** (St. Charles Borromeo: 8 AM Holy Hour, 11 AM Mass followed by social, Preacher and presider: Father Dan)

**Saturday, September 24th** (SSAM 8 AM holy hour and 9 AM Mass, Presider and preacher: Father Dan)

**Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time/ September 25th** 8:45 Confessions/10 Mass livestreamed with social distancing/Preacher and Presider: Father David Preuss, OFM Cap

**Harvest time.** This past weekend, we had the grape harvest at the *Vigne de Francoise et Joseph*, near St. Augustine/St. Monica. This year we had a good crop. Ten of us did the harvesting and I'm hoping next year to invite Nativity parishioners to take part. Not everyone enjoys outside work, but for those who do, it's a lot of fun. The grapes are now fermenting and the wine will be ready next summer. We also made eight quarts of grape juice; I'll be bringing a few quarts over after Mass today, please try some.

**Covid19 protocols.** The Center for Disease Control has lifted its warning about social distancing at six feet. Because a good number of our parishioners have underlying health concerns or are caring for those who have such concerns, we will continue to social distance on the Mary's altar side of the church. We will all continue to wear masks in church, based on a consultation with the parish pastoral council and the fact that Southeast Michigan still has a high level of the virus being transmitted.

**Holy Communion.** We again have the option of receiving the real presence of Jesus in the chalice. The Holy Spirit made clear a thousand years ago that when we receive Jesus in only one form (usually under the appearance of bread), we receive the whole Lord. So, we don't have to receive both forms in order to be fully united sacramentally with the Lord.

**Family Mass schedule during the week.** Daily hearing the Word preached and receiving Holy Communion are wonderful ways of staying in union with Christ. In our family, Mass is offered on Tuesdays at Sacred Heart at 5 PM, on Wednesdays at St. Augustine/St. Monica at 9 AM, here at Nativity on Thursdays at 9 AM, and each Friday at St. Charles at 11.

*With a prayer,  
Father Dan*

**TODAY'S SCRIPTURE  
READINGS**

**First Reading:**  
*Amos 8:4-7*

**Responsorial Psalm**  
*Praise the Lord who lifts up  
the poor.*

**Second Reading:**  
1 Timothy 2:1-8

**Gospel Reading:**  
*Luke 16:1-13*

**NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE  
READINGS**

**First Reading:**  
*Amos 6:1, 4-7*

**Responsorial Psalm**  
*Praise the Lord my soul!*

**Second Reading:**  
1 Timothy 6:11-16

**Gospel Reading:**  
*Luke 16:19-31*

**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 it 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.

**Nativity of Our Lord Prayer Group**

**When: 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays of the Month  
at 9:30 AM beginning October 1st**

**Where: Parish House Living Room**

**Led By: Deacon John Wright**

*Scriptures are from the readings we will hear at the Sunday liturgies for that weekend. Books or Copies that include those readings and commentary are available for you to have and take home. We read, share, and pray for one hour maximum about how the Scriptures touch our lives today. **Join us!***

***NATIVITY CHURCH SUPER RAFFLE***

**Cost: \$30.00 for one year of drawings  
156 chances to win**

**DRAWINGS EVERY WEDNESDAY NIGHT  
January 4<sup>th</sup> through December 27th, 2023**

Based on Michigan Wednesday Evening Daily 3 Drawing  
**Prizes:**

Number Straight: \$100.00 One Number Up or Down: \$25.00  
(Example: Winning Number is 123: If you have 122 or 124,  
you win \$25.00)

***Straight, No Boxing--Bonus Numbers Excluded--Numbers  
randomly assigned.***

***Only 1000 tickets available***

**Evangelization Committee**

**Bible Question of the Week**

Both readings and Gospel today speak of stewardship and those with authority in the world's wealth system. In the Gospel, Jesus tells a story of about a dishonest steward of a wealthy man and his shrewdness when he was at the point of losing his position. Jesus explains that the goods of this world are not to be demonized, but rather are to be understood for the value which they have. They are said to be "minimum", they are "the little" of our life, but we are called to administer them faithfully for good. If Jesus views money (worldly goods) as the "lesser valued" he entrusts us with, what are the "more valued" to Him? How wisely do you administer them? Take some time to ponder this and maybe study these passages for more understanding.

References: [Lk 16:1-13](#) / [Catholic.net](#)

**Religious Education**

**Dates to Save for September**

**Registration** after Mass: Please see Joni Scott

**September 25<sup>th</sup>:** Catechetical Sunday  
Blessing of our Catechists

Blessing of our children who will begin Religious Education classes the first weekend in October. Children and their families who grew marigolds, sunflowers, and tomatoes over the summer were told that we would celebrate their achievements on the last Sunday in September.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

*This past week, letters to the Alumni and Friends of Nativity were mailed out. In the letters we announced that our SUPER RAFFLE has returned. This is our major fundraiser for the year to help balance the budget. There are copies of the letter and Raffle order forms on the Communion rails for you to take.*



Thank you to the Evangelization Committee for hosting last Sunday's Coffee after Mass. If any Committee, Family, or Group would like to host one, please let Anne know.

## SAVE THE DATES

**October 1<sup>st</sup>:** 9:30AM Prayer group with Deacon John-sign up on the table by the elevator.

**9:00AM-12:00PM Church Clean up:** We are looking to clean up the church and basement. **If you are coming for the prayer group, just come over to church afterwards.** Sign up on the table by the elevator.

**October 9<sup>th</sup>:** Homecoming/Alumni Sunday: 9:30AM Mass with a light reception afterwards. There will be sign-ups next weekend to help or to bring an individually wrapped treat.



**October 30<sup>th</sup>:** Trunk or Treat-More information coming soon. Jerry Alderman and the Franciscan Ministries will be grilling and providing Hot Dogs.

**Food Pantry Items Needed This Week:** Again, thank you never seems to be enough. In August, 125 families came for food assistance. That was 434 people you helped feed. Your donations help us to keep feeding those in need. This week we need: Cereal, Pork & Beans/Baked Beans, Spaghetti Noodles/Pasta. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.



## WE PRAY FOR GOD'S HEALING FOR

Mary Jane Accavitti, Brandon Adams, 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, Douglas Frattini, 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, Olga Ludwick, Deborah Marshall, Kathy McDonald's Granddaughter, Ryan, Jennifer Mondalek, Richard Morecki, Gail Northcutt, Allan Patterson, Helen Randall, Yvonne Rottach, Lily Saith, Phil Scamihorn, Joyce Shahady, Larry Shelton, 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, and Mia Halthon-Jones' mother-in-law, Victoria, **(Please notify Anne Crowe at the Parish Office when a name should be removed from this list.)**



*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, Our Lord. Amen*

## On the Rise Bakery Cafe

### REOPENED!

At the Solanus Casey Center  
1780 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207  
Hours: Tuesday-Saturday 9:30AM to 4:00PM

## 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/](https://www.instagram.com/nativitycatholicchurch_detroit/)



DONATE HERE or go to giving site at: <https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/nativity>

## MASS Intentions

### 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time September 18, 2022

Dorothy Kroetsch (Family)

Barbara Gabriel (The Kulchy Family)

Chico Mondalek (Family)

### 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time September 25, 2022

Father Jerome Singer (The Kulchy Family)

Frank & Helen Silveri (Family)

## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

**09-19:** Mia Halthon

**09-21:** Sharon Bezel & Emile Wheeler

**09-24:** Jarel Adams, Jr., Jerry Alderman, &  
Owen Johnston



## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Please let the Parish office know if we missed someone.

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## PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

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Jerry Burns

Mark Miller

Maura Corrigan

Sharon Mudloff

Linda Cunningham

Charvala Wheeler

Jarel Adams-Alt.

## 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.*