

# NATIVITY NEWS

## Nativity of Our Lord Catholic Church

5900 McClellan,  
Detroit, MI 48213

### WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

**Nativity:**  
Sunday 9:30 AM



***Praised Be JESUS CHRIST!***

November 27,  
2022

**1st Sunday in  
Advent**



**Praised be Jesus Christ!** Today we celebrate the First Sunday of Advent. Jesus tells us that He is coming soon, that we do not know the day or hour but that salvation is on its way. Let us rejoice in the celebration of the Eucharist as He comes today until He comes in full glory.

**All Souls Month/Black Catholic History Month,** These days we pray for those from our parish who have died as well as our family members. As often happens as the weather gets colder, more people pass away and make their transition. Let's accompany them with our prayer. As we remember Black Catholic History Month, one of the people we remember is Father Norman DuKette, the first Black Catholic priest in Michigan. Father, like so many early Black Catholic leaders, came from the Maryland/District of Columbia parish communities which produced so many leaders. Father was ordained in Detroit in 1926 and was the founder of one of the several Black Catholic parishes which were opened in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. As the French, Irish, German and Polish communities founded national or ethnic parishes, on the east and west sides, the Black Catholic parishes were founded at Sacred Heart (east side), Holy Ghost (east side), St. Benedict the Moor (west side), Holy Family (Inkster), Our Lady of Victory (North Side) and Christ the King (Flint). Father DuKette founded St. Benedict the Moor (1927) and went on to found Christ the King in Flint in 1929, where he served for the rest of his priesthood. He was a kind and faithful priest and we are grateful for his priesthood and his memory.

Services at St. Augustine/St. Monica and St. Charles in brackets.

**First Sunday in Advent/November 27th** 9:30 Confessions/10 Mass livestreamed with social distancing/Presider and Preacher: Father David

**Tuesday, November 29th** [SSAM SVDP Food pantry]

**Wednesday, November 30th** [SSAM 8 AM Holy Hour, 9 AM Mass: Presider: Father Dan and Preacher: Deacon Christ

**Thursday, December 1st Nativity** in the church basement: 8 AM Adoration, 9 AM Mass Presider: Father Dan and Preacher: Deacon John, 1 PM Food pantry

**Friday, December 2nd** [St. Charles Borromeo in the rectory: 8 AM Holy Hour, 11 AM Mass followed by social, Preacher and presider: Fr. Dan]

**Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> NO MASS.** Blessing of new section of St. Bonaventure Monastery by the Archbishop

**Second Sunday of Advent, December 4th** 9:30 Mass livestreamed with social distancing/Priest and Preacher: Fr. Dan/ 3 PM Advent Revival Service at St. Charles/ Deacon Hubert Sanders preaching

**Thanks to everyone** who helped host last Friday's Dinner Dance/Karaoke. It was a lot of fun and we will look forward to hosting a similar event at St. Charles after the New Year. Thanks, also, to the parish members who came out for the St. Elizabeth Choir Concert. People from St. Elizabeth were happy to see members of our parish supporting them as we all build again our parish life after the pandemic.

I enjoyed being with you last week and look forward to being with you next Sunday. Please plan on coming back out for the Advent revival service next Sunday at St. Charles afternoon at 3 PM. Invite your friends and family. Members of other choirs will be joining our choir. Prayer teams will be available for prayer. Father David, Fr. Thomas and I will be hearing confessions and the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will be available.

**TODAY'S SCRIPTURE  
READINGS**

**First Reading:**  
*Isaiah 2:1-5*

**Responsorial Psalm**  
*Let us go rejoicing to the  
house of the Lord.*

**Second Reading:**  
Romans 13:11-14

**Gospel Reading:**  
*Matthew 24:37-44*

**NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE  
READINGS**

**First Reading:**  
*Isaiah 11:1-10*

**Responsorial Psalm**  
*Justice shall flourish in his  
time and fullness of peace  
forever.*

**Second Reading:**  
Romans 15:4-9

*Gospel Acclamation*

**Gospel Reading:**  
*Matthew 3:1-12*

**WELCOME NEW PARISH MEMBERS!**

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.



*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.

This season we begin reflecting on the time, talent and treasure that the Lord has given us. Use the good mind the Lord has given to you as you think about how you will serve Him and the good people of God. Open your mind to the Holy Spirit and commit to serving the Lord.

**Covid19 protocols:** The Center for Disease Control has lifted its warning about social distancing at six feet. But Southeast Michigan still has a high level of the virus being transmitted. 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 and wear masks on Mary's Altar side of the church. If you are symptom-free, please feel free to sit on the St. Joseph side of the church where social distancing is no longer required.

**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 to be fully united sacramentally with the Lord.

*With a prayer,  
Father Dan*

**Evangelization Committee  
Bible Question of the Week**

As we begin our new church year in Advent, we move from Luke's gospel to Matthew. We hear Jesus continue to speak with his disciples about end times. In Luke we heard Jesus talk about signs to come before his return. Today we hear Him compare the time of his return as in the days of Noah. *"In those days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day that Noah entered the ark. They did not know until the flood came and carried them all away. So will it be also at the coming of the Son of Man."* Jesus warns them to always be prepared. He is not saying don't marry or have a social life. He wants to be included in all aspects of our lives. How often do you take time to recognize his presence within you? Do you welcome him in your important and not so important times? Do you feel prepared for Jesus' sudden return? Advent is a wonderful time to be intentional with how we spend personal time with our Lord.

Reference: [Mt 24:37-44](#)

Thank you my Nativity family for all of your prayers during this difficult time. Blessings and love to all of you.

*Norma Danzie*

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

**Strangers No Longer: ASSEMBLY TO AFFIRM HUMAN DIGINTY:** Friday, December 9, 2022, 10:00AM-1:00PM.  
11687 American Ave, Detroit, MI 48204. Register to attend at: [strangersnolonger.org](http://strangersnolonger.org)  
See Judy Brooks or Nancy Silveri if you have any questions

**We are getting closer to reaching our CSA goal for 2022.** If you have not made your contribution yet, you can do it on our website ([www.nativitydetroit.org](http://www.nativitydetroit.org)), or pick up the pledge form in church on the table next to the elevator. We are hoping not to have to make up the shortfall out of parish funds. We will be grateful for any contribution you are able to make.

**Food Pantry Items Needed This Week:** The next couple weeks are items needed for Christmas Food boxes: Spaghetti Noodles, Packages of Cookies, Bags of Christmas Candy. Many thanks for your generosity!

**Offertory Envelopes 2022:** It's time for us to set up offertory envelopes. If you have not used your envelopes in the past year and would like to continue to receive envelopes you must notify the parish office. Likewise, if you do not have envelopes and would like to receive them or if you give electronically we can assign you an envelope number without a physical set. Please do not use envelopes if you have made your contribution online. If you have questions, please contact Anne, in the office, (313) 922-0033.

### SAVE THE DATES

**December 4<sup>th</sup>:** Advent Revival, 3:00PM St. Charles Borromeo

**Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup>:** Immaculate Conception, 9:00AM; Nativity 12NOON; St. Augustine/St. Monica and St. Charles Borromeo, 6:00PM.

### **CHRISTMAS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

Gifts tags for gifts still needed are on the table by Mary's Altar. Please return gifts unwrapped on December 4th.

The signup sheets for helping are up. Many hands make for lighter work. Please see if you can help a few hours. The families come to pick up on December 13th, 14th, 16th and if needed the 17th. Those days, we need people who can lift, carry and load cars, the stuff is heavy.



## 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, Jansen Family, 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.)**



### **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 surrounds 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:

Sunday Mass is streamed on the Parish's FB Page: Nativity - 9:30AM & St. Charles - 11:30AM

Church Library: Feel free to take and use books and other resources available in the back of church.

Coins for Haiti Jug: Donations are welcomed. Jug is located in front of the church altar.

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

Parish Face Book Page: <https://www.facebook.com/NativityDetroit>

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>

## December BIRTHDAYS

Teresa Ragland	12-01	Mary Ellen White	12-05	Phyllis Treece	12-23
Sr. Marcia Haggins	12-02	Billy Dombrowski	12-08	Nikki Woodfork	12-24
Hermenia Romaine	12-02	Lisa Benberry	12-08	Anthony Sierengowski	12-25
Paula Dombrowki	12-03	Mariah Elmore	12-16	Martell Stephens	12-26
Larry Shelton	12-03	Jeanne Purrenhage	12-20	Dolores Kein	12-30
Robert Campernel	12-04	Mark Crawford	12-21		
Terra Jones	12-04	John Pierick	12-22		

**DECEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:** 12-03: Melvin & Theresa McCoy, 12-27 John & Gail Urso, 12-29: Michael & Wendy Kent, Karl & Roseanne Schwartz: 12-31

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY:** 11-28: Arias Clark, 11-29: Karen Scamihorn, 11:30: Selena Houston

### First Sunday of Advent November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Deacon Jerome Campernel  
(Nancy Silveri & Tony Novara)



### Second Sunday of Advent December 4, 2022

Fr. Jerome Singer (The Nativity Family)  
Marty Carnaghi (Fran Carnaghi)  
Fran & Buzz Busacca & Butch Liss  
And the Deceased of the Carnaghi Family  
(Andrea Liss)

#### PARISH DIRECTORY

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Sr. Ellen Burkhardt	Kim Milligan
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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 a commitment to social justice, and service to the neighborhood, the community, and each other.*