

NATIVITY NEWS

Nativity of Our Lord Catholic Church

5900 McClellan,
Detroit, MI 48213

WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Nativity:

Sunday 9:30 AM



July 16, 2023

15th Sunday of the Year



Praised Be JESUS CHRIST!

Praised be Jesus Christ! Jesus tells us about the abundant Word of God that is being broadcast around us. We have to cover the Word of God with good soil, our faith, so that it doesn't get trampled on, stolen or neglected. Let's listen to the Word today with faith so that it will produce thirty, sixty and a hundredfold in us.

Thanks to all the parishioners who came out to support the Wimbles, the Lewises and the Millers. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.

Father David is now helping the five parishes in our family with his service as Mission Support Director. We met last week and looked at a number of projects in our parish that Father will help coordinate.

This Saturday, St. Charles is hosting a neighborhood party and we are all invited. A food truck will be in front of the church at 5. Music by Joshua (Tommy's son) Vance and Friends begins at 6. Bring your lawn chairs and come and enjoy the music and good fellowship. A donation of \$15.00 per chair is appreciated.

Please join in praying for the repose of the soul of Fr. Clarence Williams, CPPS. For decades, Father Williams was a leader, both nationally and in Detroit's Catholic churches, as pastor of St. Anthony's, Director of the Black Catholic Ministries Office, a founder of the racial sobriety movement and main force behind the annual celebrations of Black Catholic History Month in November. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at St. Charles Center, Carthagen, Ohio, on Monday, July 17, at 2 p.m. with Fr. Jeffrey Kirch, C.P.P.S., provincial director, presiding. Fr. William O'Donnell, C.P.P.S., will be the homilist. We are working on having a local memorial Mass and will let everyone know this weekend. Eternal Rest Grant Unto Him, O Lord.

The Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) has begun. My own salary is funded by the CSA; much of what is raised in the appeal is given to city ministries. Please be generous.

*With a prayer,
Father Dan*

SAVE THE DATE

PARISH COMMUNITY PICNIC

AUGUST 13th AT THE 4-H CENTER YARD (ON MCCLELLAN two blocks from church)

MASS IN THE YARD AT 1:00PM (9:30 AM Mass in church too)

THE SIGN UPS ARE BY MARY'S ALTAR TO DONATE SOMETHING

FAMILY WEEKDAY MASSES

Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time /July 16th 9:30 Mass in church livestreamed/ Presider and Preacher: Father David [SSAM 12 outdoor Mass and annual picnic]

Tuesday, July 17th [Mass at Sacred Heart, 5 PM]

Wednesday, July 18th [SSAM 8 AM Holy Hour, 9 AM Mass /Rosary: 7 PM on Zoom. Email Joni Scott @ jlscott820@gmail.com to receive the Zoom link]

Thursday, July 19th Nativity, in the church 8 AM Holy Hour; 9 AM Mass; Emergency Food Pantry: Open 1:00-4:00 [SSAM 8:15 Holy Hour for priests and vocations]

Friday, July 20th [St. Charles 8 AM Holy Hour/11 AM Mass]

Saturday, July 22nd [SSAM 8 AM Holy Hour and 9 AM Mass] [St. Charles Music on the Steps 5 PM Food and Music 6-8, Joshua Vance and Friends]

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time/ July 23rd 8:45

confessions/ 9:30 Mass /Priest: Fr. Dan and Preacher: Deacon John [SSAM: 2PM Bowl-a-thon/ St. Charles annual picnic]

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 the church and drop it in the collection basket.

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

Contact Joseph Taylor at the Parish House at 313-922-0033.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN UPDATE

All priests, deacons, employees, and volunteers who completed a Protecting God's Children workshop prior to January 1, 2020, are required to update their certification by completing the Protecting God's Children Online Awareness Session 4.0 with Vulnerable Adults Training 2.0 combined module. The module is self-paced and takes approximately two hours to complete. Individuals may pause, save, and resume their position in the training if they cannot complete it in one sitting.

Please see Joseph Taylor with any questions:

Evangelization Committee Bible Question of the Week

In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks a parable to the crowd about a Sower who sows seed. The fruitfulness of the seed depends on the condition of where the seed lands and the condition of the soil. Jesus ends with, "Whoever has ears ought to hear." After Jesus answers the disciples' question of why He spoke to the people in parables, He retells the parable for them to understand. "The seed sown on the path is the one who hears the word of the kingdom without understanding it, and the evil one comes and steals away what was sown in his heart. The seed sown on rocky ground is the one who hears the word and receives it at once with joy, but he has no root and lasts only for a time. When some tribulation or persecution comes because of the word, he immediately falls away. The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word, but then worldly anxiety and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit. But the seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold." Are the dangers Jesus pointed out concerning the welcoming of the Word relevant for us too? On a personal level, what interior availability and understanding do you manifest in listening to the Word and its fruitfulness?

Reference: [Mt 13:1-23](#)

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

15th Sunday of the Year

First Reading:

Isaiah 55:10-11

Responsorial Psalm

The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

Second Reading:

Romans 8:18-23

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 13:1-23

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

15th Sunday of the Year

First Reading:

Wisdom 12:13, 16-19

Responsorial Psalm

Lord, you are good and forgiving.

Second Reading:

Romans 8:26-27

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 13:24-43

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Food Pantry

We are grateful for your continued support of the pantry. Your weekly donations make a difference. This week we are asking for Soup, Peanut Butter, and Macaroni & Cheese.

Will You Commit to Pray For One Hour?

Two additional members are needed for the Nativity Friday Night Prayer Team. We are in the 23rd year of this greatly needed ministry. Members commit to pray at home for one hour during the hours of Friday 9 PM and Saturday morning 9 AM. There are two open hours - Saturday at 5 AM and 9 AM. If you can pray at one of these or a different time, please contact Hermenia Adams (313-410-0871.)

CSA 2023

Thank you to those who have made a donation or a pledge to the CSA. Our target for 2023 is \$18,343. As of this week we are at about 48% of our goal with 34 families donating. Sometimes people have a good year and sometimes not. We are grateful for all gifts. Anything you can do will be greatly appreciated. If you have not received the mailing from the Archdiocese, there are extra forms by all three entrances. The forms have Nativity of Our Lord Detroit 612 on the top. Please use the form so we get the credit if you are paying by check. **Checks should be made out to the Archdiocese of Detroit-CSA.** Directions for giving online are at: www.givecsa.org if you prefer to give that way, and if you do, make sure you choose Nativity of Our Lord Detroit 612.

If you put your donation in the collection basket, please put it in a separate envelope and make the check out to the Archdiocese of Detroit - CSA. Thanks for whatever you can do!



WE PRAY FOR GOD'S HEALING FOR

Mary Jane Accavitti, Brandon Adams, Brenda Banks, Judy Bartnik, Michele Bezel, Christine Bookmyer, Hedwig Buczek, Frank Candela, Brian Cavanaugh, Frank Candela's brother-in-law, Ed, Erin Cronin, John Deisinger, Diane Ferschneider, Douglas Frattini, Rosa Gracey, Neidra Halthon, Bart Houston, Art Hill, Jansen Family, Journee Jones, Mia Halthon-Jones, Fran Kaucic, Alex Kelly, George Kent, Genevieve and Rosy Krembel, Clarence Lewis, Olga Ludwick, Deborah Marshall, Kathy McDonald's Granddaughter, Ryan, Melvin & Theresa McCoy, Jennifer Mondalek, Richard Morecki, Gail Northcutt, JoAnne Novara, Allan Patterson, Helen Randall, Yvonne Rottach, Phil Scamihorn, Joyce Shahady, Larry Shelton, Trudy Shiemke, Jim Singer, Sheila Starke, John Stuart, Marianne Szymanski, Jim Turnbull, Sr. Jolene, Carolyn Sutton's friend, Molly, 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

GLUTEN FREE TREATS AVAILABLE ALSO

REMINDERS:

The Live-stream 9:30 Sunday Mass is on the Parish Facebook site: <https://www.facebook.com/NativityDetroit>

Sunday Mass can also be viewed on YouTube at [NativityofOurLordDetroit-cm8we](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NativityofOurLordDetroit-cm8we)

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

Coins for Haiti Jug: Donations are welcome. The 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/



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

MASS Intentions

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 16, 2023

Bob McKenzie (Cookie & Jim Kulchy)

Dr. Devon Hoover (Nancy Silveri & Tony Novara)

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 23, 2023

Thurman Bailey (Patty Adams)

Kevin Dupre (Nina Zarro)

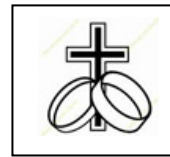
BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

7-16: Ed Brenner

7-17: Gala Slms

7-19: Kathy Alderman, Gloria Austin
Pieta Faulkner

7-22: Ben Flores



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Please let the Parish Office know if we missed someone.

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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.