

NATIVITY NEWS

Nativity of Our Lord Catholic Church

5900 McClellan,
Detroit, MI 48213

October 1, 2023

*26th Sunday in
Ordinary Time*

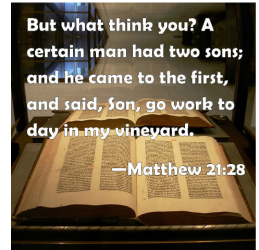
WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Nativity:

Sunday 9:30 AM

St. Charles:

Sunday 11:30 AM



Praised Be JESUS CHRIST!

Praised be Jesus Christ! After the Sermon on the Church over the past Sundays, we now encounter Jesus in opposition to false religious leaders. Today, Jesus calls us to walk the talk. Life in the Spirit frees us; where are we still bound at this point in our lives?

The priests of the Archdiocese met in Boyne a week ago for the Archdiocesan convocation. Our speaker, Dr. Jonathan Reyes, spoke about the changes in western countries regarding religious faith and the opportunities for evangelization. What we know in Christ is *grace*, is the power of conversion and not just destruction of our enemies, of just people not just adequate structures. A human life without Christ is missing a vital piece of what we need to be fully human and fully alive. If Jesus has been good news to you, invite other people to that relationship in the Church.

It was nice seeing people gather after Mass last week in the church basement. If you don't come down regularly, please come down and try it some Sunday. It's a great way to get to know people and make Nativity your parish home.

Next week is our parish alumni Sunday. Whether you joined the parish this year or many years ago, please help welcome back the alumni who will join us for Mass and fellowship after Mass.

The grape harvest continues ... and continues. The grapes were abundant this year and thanks to the parishioners and Father John, we have a lot of grape juice in the lots at Canfield and Van Dyke. The apples in Sanilac County also had a good year. Please feel free to pick up a small bag of apples and try some of the juice in the social hall after Mass next week.

A reminder that the blessing of pets is today in the new Garden of Creation at St. Bonaventure's Monastery from 11:30 AM until 1 PM.

Please call the parish office to register for religious education. Also, if you know someone who is interested in the Catholic faith, please call the office. If you are not a Catholic and are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, please call the parish office.

*With a prayer,
Father Dan*

**TODAY'S SCRIPTURE
READINGS**

26th Sunday of the Year

First Reading:

Ezekiel 18:25-28

Responsorial Psalm

*Remember your mercies, O
Lord.*

Second Reading:

Philippians 2:1-11

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 21:28-32

**NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE
READINGS**

27th Sunday of the Year

First Reading:

Isaiah 5:1-7

Responsorial Psalm

*The vineyard of the Lord is
the house of Israel.*

Second Reading:

Philippians 4:6-9

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 21:33-43

WELCOME NEW PARISH MEMBERS!

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

Contact Joseph Taylor, 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 it in the collection basket.

NATIVITY CHURCH SUPER RAFFLE

Cost: \$30.00 for one year of drawings

156 chances to win

DRAWINGS EVERY WEDNESDAY NIGHT

January 3rd through December 25th, 2024

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

SATURDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

October 21st

9:30AM IN THE PARISH HOUSE

Bible Study



TOPIC IS THE SUNDAY READINGS

**Evangelization Committee
Bible Question of the Week**

Today's gospel takes place after the elders and chief priests approached Jesus and said, "By what authority are you doing these things? And who gave you this authority?" Jesus replied, "I shall ask you one question, and if you answer it for me, then I shall tell you by what authority I do these things." He asked, "Where did John's baptism come from? Was it of heavenly or of human origin?" They replied, "We do not know." They thought if they said of heavenly origin, Jesus would ask why they didn't believe John. If they said of human origin, they feared the crowd since they regarded John as a prophet. Jesus replied, "Neither shall I tell you by what authority I do these things." Jesus tells them a parable of two sons. The father said to both "Son, go out and work in the vineyard today." One replied, "I will not," but changed his mind and went. The other replied, "Yes sir," but did not go. Jesus asked the chief priest and elders which of the two did his father's will? They answered, "The first." Jesus replied, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you. When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him." How does this message speak to you? As a disciple, do your actions line up with what you believe?

Reference: [References: Mt 21:28-32; Mt 21:23-27](#)

FAMILY OF PARISHES

Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time/ October 1st
9:30 AM Mass livestreamed/ Presider and Preacher:

Father David

Tuesday, October 3rd [Mass at Sacred Heart, 5 PM]

Wednesday, October 4th [SSAM 8 AM Holy Hour, 9

AM Mass [Rosary: 7 PM on Zoom. Email Joni Scott

@ jscott820@gmail.com to receive the Zoom link]

Thursday, October 5th Nativity, 8 AM Holy Hour; 9

AM Mass; Emergency Food Pantry: Open 1:00-4:00

[SSAM: 8:15 Holy Hour for vocations and priests]

Friday, October 6th [St. Charles: 8 AM Holy Hour/11

AM Mass]

Saturday, October 7th No holy hour or Mass this morning

Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time/Alumni

Sunday, October 8th /8:45 confessions/ 9:30 Mass:

/Priest and preacher: Fr. Dan

WHAT'S HAPPENING

There are copies of the letter and Raffle order forms that were mailed out to the alumni and friends of Nativity by Mary's Altar. In the letters we announced that our SUPER RAFFLE will be our fundraiser again this year. This is our major fundraiser for the year to help balance the budget. We are hoping everyone will help sell tickets.

SAVE THE DATES

October 8th: Homecoming/Alumni Sunday: 9:30AM Mass with a light reception afterwards. The sign-up lists to help or to bring something are by Mary's altar.

October 29^h: Trunk or Treat-After Mass, 11:00-12:30ish. Decorate your car and pass out candy to those that trick or treat to each car. The sign-up lists are by Mary's altar.

Food Pantry Items Needed This Week: Your donations help us to keep feeding those in need. This week we need: Cereal, Noodles and Pork & Beans/Baked Beans. Thank you, your continued support is greatly appreciated.



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, and all those who need our prayers. (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 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 or Youtube: Nativity - 9:30 AM & St. Charles – 11:30 AM

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/



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

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Patty Adams	10/04	Kathy Walsh	10/11	Rosy Krembel	10/27
Jerry Burns	10/04	Dorcas Scott	10-14	Tony Novara	10/27
Joseph Sergent Jr.	10/04	Justin Scott	10-18	Lisa Canty	10/28
Sister Jolene	10/04	Alesia Adams	10-23	Amia Davis	10/29
Fred Rottach	10/08	Akira Buford	10/25	Joe Sergent Sr.	10/31
Lorelei Krembel	10/10				

OCTOBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: Teresa & Major Ragland 10/12 and Anita & Ben Flores 10/13



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Fr. Jerome Singer (The Kulchy Family)

Sr. Jolene VanHandel (The Nativity Family)

**27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 8, 2023**

The Nativity Family, Alumni and Friends

The Deceased of the Nativity Alumni

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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.