

# NATIVITY NEWS

## Nativity of Our Lord Catholic Church

5900 McClellan,  
Detroit, MI 48213

### WORSHIP

### SCHEDULE:

#### Nativity:

Sunday 9:30 AM



*Praised Be JESUS CHRIST!*

October 22, 2023

29th Sunday of the Year

Then went the Pharisees,  
and took counsel how  
they might entangle him  
in his talk.

—Matthew 22:15

**Praised be Jesus Christ!** Today, the Lord once more is put to the test. Our spiritual tradition tells us that a thousand questions don't make up a single doubt. It's always good to check our attitude with the Lord: are we open enough with Jesus to ask questions (if not, we'll probably keep Him at an arm's length)? Are we trusting and loving as we ask questions (or, putting Him to the test)?

**Here I am, send me!** These weeks, we are praying about serving in ministries in the parish. We'll sign up on November 5<sup>th</sup>. A reminder that sometimes the Lord gives us clear spiritual signs; most of the time, the Lord wants us to use our reason: to look around and see what needs to be done.

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

**Next weekend** I will be with the seminary spiritual directors in Baltimore. Please keep us and all the seminarians in our country in your prayers.

**Praying for Peace.** Please keep praying for peace in the Holy Land. The Vatican diplomatic corps has been working on a just and peaceful solution to the crisis and the ongoing tensions in the region. Pope Francis' counsel has been wise and you might spend some time looking up his words and prayers on the Internet.

**The Synod.** Pope Francis has called a gathering of Bishops and members of the Church to Rome to pray and think about directions for the Church's care of people. As you may have read, for the first time, lay people will be voting in the synod. The synods have been held every five years or so. Pope Francis has decided that the members of the gathering would not speak to reporters during the time the synod is meeting. As you may know, there are Catholic news services which represent every opinion in the Church. For a reasonable source of information of what goes on in Rome, you might try Crux:Now. A recent article was [Synod Files: Of Open Windows and Closed Doors, plus the Hard Math of Priest Shortages | Crux \(cruxnow.com\)](https://www.cruxnow.com/synod-files-of-open-windows-and-closed-doors-plus-the-hard-math-of-priest-shortages/)

*With a prayer,  
Father Dan*

## FAMILY OF PARISHES WEEKDAY MASSES

**Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time** October 22<sup>nd</sup>

9:30 AM Mass livestreamed/ Presider and Preacher:

Father David/[3 PM Home Visitors of Mary Dinner honoring Ms. Marjorie Gabriel Burrow]

**Monday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>** 7 PM Detroit Lower Eastside Family Zoom prayer and discussion of next Sunday's reading. Pls email Joni Scott @ [jlsco820@gmail.com](mailto:jlsco820@gmail.com) to receive the Zoom link]

**Tuesday, October 24<sup>th</sup>** [Mass at Sacred Heart, 5 PM]/ 6 PM Men's Faith Sharing

**Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>** [SSAM 8 AM Holy Hour, 9 AM Mass [Rosary: 7 PM on Zoom. Email Joni Scott @ [jlsco820@gmail.com](mailto:jlsco820@gmail.com) to receive the Zoom link]

**Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup> Nativity**, 8 AM Holy Hour; 9 AM Mass; Emergency Food Pantry: Open 1:00-4:00 [SSAM 11 AM Bible Study on the Sunday Gospel series on Thursdays, /

6:30 Women's Bible Study on Luke; 8:15 PM Holy Hour for vocations]

**Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup>** [St. Charles: 11 AM Mass]

**Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> [No Mass]**

**Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time/October 29<sup>th</sup>** 9:30 AM Mass Priest: Fr. David, Preacher: Deacon John

## 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.

## THE BLACK CATHOLIC GOSPEL CHOIR PRESENTS:

CREATED TO WORSHIP YOU

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2023

5:00PM

Mercy High School Auditorium

(Corner of 11 Mile and Middlebelt)

Kim Milligan is selling tickets.

## NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

29th Sunday of the Year

### First Reading:

*Isaiah 45:1, 4-6*

### Responsorial Psalm

*Give the Lord glory and honor.*

### Second Reading:

*1 Thessalonians 1:1-5*

### Gospel Reading:

*Matthew 22:15-21*

## NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

29th Sunday of the Year

### First Reading:

*Exodus 22:20-26*

### Responsorial Psalm

*I love you, Lord, my strength.*

### Second Reading:

*1 Thessalonians 1:5-10*

### Gospel Reading:

*Matthew 22:34-40*

## Evangelization Committee Bible Question of the Week

In the Gospel the past few weeks, Jesus spoke parables to the chief priests and elders about the Kingdom of Heaven. He exposed what made them unworthy to enter His Kingdom. In today's Gospel we hear how the Jewish leaders enlisted Herod to participate in a plot to entrap Jesus in speech. They sent their disciples with the Herodians to Jesus, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are a truthful man and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. And you are not concerned with anyone's opinion, for you do not regard a person's status." Notice they start off with flattering speech. "Tell us, then, what is your opinion: Is it lawful to pay the census tax to Caesar or not?" Jesus perceived their wickedness, and said, "Why do you test Me, you hypocrites?" (If He said that taxes *should* be paid, He could be accused of denying the sovereignty of God over Israel (making Himself unpopular with the Jewish people). If He said that taxes *should not* be paid, He made Himself an enemy of Rome.) So how did Jesus answer and how did they respond? Have you been questioned by someone with the intent to entrap you and challenge your faith as a Christian? For today, what does the saying: "Pay Caesar what belongs to Caesar and God what belongs to God" mean?

Reference: [Mt 22:15-21](#)

## 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 Peanut Butter, Cereal and Pork & Beans. Also, bags of Halloween Candy as we would like to make up bags of candy for the kids.

### REMEMBER OUR LOVED ONES

On November 5<sup>th</sup> we will remember our loved ones who have died since November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022. If you have an immediate family member (parent, spouse, child, grandchild, brother, sister) you would like remembered, please fill out the form that is on the altar and return it to Judy Dupre or Sr. Ellen. All forms must be in by October 29<sup>th</sup>.

### SAVE THE DATES UPCOMING EVENTS

#### TRUNK OR TREAT

October 29<sup>th</sup> after Mass until 12:30ish

Sign up today to pass out treats and/or if you are bringing kids who trick or treat.

### Strangers No Longer Assembly for Human Dignity December 1<sup>st</sup> at 10 AM

Union Carpenters and Millwrights Skilled Training Center in Detroit. More details coming soon.

### HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE AT NATIVITY

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22<sup>nd</sup>, 9:00 AM  
THANKSGIVING MASS

DECEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup>: Advent Revival 3:00PM

DECEMBER 4<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>: CHRISTMAS ASSISTANCE  
PROGRAM-Sign ups with shifts for volunteering will be posted in November.

DECEMBER 24<sup>th</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent normal Sunday  
Mass time: 9:30AM

CHRISTMAS EVE MASS: 5:00PM  
CHRISTMAS DAY MASS: 9:30AM

SATURDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY  
October 21<sup>st</sup>

9:30AM IN THE PARISH HOUSE

Bible Study



TOPIC IS THE SUNDAY READINGS



## 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.)**



*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

#### NEW LOCATION

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**

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



Online Giving

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

## MASS Intentions

### 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 22, 2023

Justin Carnaghi (Frances & Laura Carnaghi)

Bob McKenzie (Family)

Bette Smythe (Nancy Silveri & Tony Novara)

The Frank J. Kraft Family

### 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time October 29, 2023

Al Mudloff (Family)

Chico Mondalek (The Merlo Family)

Kevin Dupre (The Kulchy Family)

## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK 10/08

**10-21:** Alesia Adams

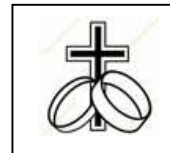
**10-25:** Airika Buford

**10-27:** Rosy Krembel & Tony Novara

**10-28:** Lisa Canty

**10-29:** Amia Davis

**10-31:** Joe Sergeant Sr.



## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Please let the Parish Office know if we missed someone.

## PARISH DIRECTORY

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Monsignor Daniel Trapp, Pastor

Deacon John Wright

Joseph Taylor, Pastoral Minister Coordinator

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## PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Hermenia Adams

Norma Danzie

Mashauna Adams

Willie Lewis

Sr. Ellen Burkhardt

Chris McLaughlin

Jerry Burns

Kim Milligan

Tish Collett

Mark Miller

Maura Corrigan

Sharon Mudloff

Linda Cunningham

Charvala Wheeler

## 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.*