

NATIVITY NEWS

**Nativity of Our Lord
Catholic Church**
5900 McClellan,
Detroit, MI 48213

July 28, 2024
*17th Sunday
In Ordinary Time*

WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Nativity:
Sunday 9:30 AM

St. Charles:
Sunday 11:30 AM



A REFLECTION FROM FRAN

I think we would all agree that the last several weeks have been filled with national news that has been dramatic and largely unexpected. We have seen weather disasters including tornadoes, heat emergencies and flooding, gun violence that even included a potential assassination, a software glitch that crippled airports and banks, and a shake up in a slate for the presidential race. It is no surprise that living in this environment of change that is often beyond our control can bring a variety of emotions and concerns to the surface and cause many of us to feel stressed as we look for direction and reassurance in our lives.

As if on cue, the second reading this week is from St. Paul's letter to the Ephesians (4:1-6) and in it, he gives us that encouragement and direction we are looking for. He writes:

“I, then, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to live in a manner worthy of the call you have received, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love, striving to preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace; one body and one Spirit, as you were also called to the one hope of your call: one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.”

The notion of living in a manner worthy of the call we have received gives us a roadmap for how to live our lives with confidence knowing that this is precisely what the Lord is asking us to do. We have no reason to doubt that “God has us.” As St. Paul writes, “He is over all and through all and in all.”

Sometimes we sing a song at Mass about walking worthy and now it will have a new reassuring meaning for me and perhaps for you.

“I want to walk worthy

My calling to fulfill

Please order my steps Lord

And I will do Your blessed will

The world is ever changing

But You are still the same

If You order my steps Lord, I will praise Your name.”

FAMILY OF PARISHES WEEKDAY MASSES

Seventeenth Sunday of the Year, July 28th: 9:30 AM live streamed, Presider: Brother Jose Pannakkalody

Monday, July 29th: 7 PM Detroit Lower Eastside Family Zoom prayer and discussion of next Sunday's reading. Please email Joni Scott @ jlscott820@gmail.com or Hermenia Adams @Hermenia32@yahoo.com to receive the Zoom link]

Tuesday, July 30th: [Sacred Heart, Mass at 5 PM]

Wednesday, July 31st: SS. AM 8 AM Holy Hour and 9 AM Mass. Presider: Fr. Chris Talbot
[Rosary: 7 PM on Zoom. Email Joni Scott @ jlscott820@gmail.com to receive the Zoom link]

Thursday, August 1st: 8:00 AM Holy Hour, 9:00AM Mass
Presider: Fr. Chris Talbot

Friday, August 2nd: [St. Charles, 11 AM Mass in the rectory]

Saturday, August 3rd: [Sacred Heart 5 PM Mass.]

Eighteenth Sunday of the Year, August 4th: 9:30 AM live streamed, Presider: Fr. David Preuss

WELCOME NEW PARISH MEMBERS!

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

Contact Joseph Taylor 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.

Evangelization Committee Bible Question of the Week

Today we hear how Jesus multiplied five barley loaves and two fish to feed a crowd of about five thousand after a young boy courageously gives up his meager lunch. When all had eaten as much as desired, Jesus told His disciples "Gather the fragments left over, so that nothing will be wasted." John tells us this takes place near the Jewish feast of the Passover, possibly for us to relate this event to their last Passover supper with Jesus. Later in this chapter, Jesus tells the crowd who desired more food, "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." The crowd sought Jesus for natural food and did not receive His spiritually transformative message. During Mass, God transforms our gifts of bread and wine into the very Body and Blood of Jesus. We also offer ourselves in this exchange, and we, too, are transformed. How has God's transformative power worked in you and through you? What has He used for a purpose so that nothing was wasted?

Reference: [Jn 6:1-15](#)

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

17th Sunday

First Reading:
2Kings 4:42-44

Responsorial Psalm
The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

Second Reading:
Ephesians 4:1-6

Gospel Reading:
John 6:1-15

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

18th Sunday

First Reading:
Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15

Responsorial Psalm
The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

Second Reading:
Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

Gospel Reading:
John 6:24-35

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

7-28: Wilma Wilmer

7-30: Louise McKenzie

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 Spaghetti Sauce and Noodles, Side Dishes, and Soup.

If you are not a shopper, but would like to help the pantry, a check made out to Gleaners Food Bank with Nativity Pantry 1116 in the memo line can be dropped in the collection baskets or mailed to the office. Your donation would help with our monthly bill.

OUR GOAL: \$18,347.00

WOW! YOU ARE AMAZING!

Thank you to those who have made a donation or a pledge to the CSA. 48 families have donated or pledged 17,009.00. We are \$1,338.00 away from our goal.

Please help us reach our goal and go beyond and bring some money into the parish tax free!!

Did you know any money collected after our goal has been met comes back to the parish tax free.

Be sure you are clicking on 2024 CSA when donating online. Thank you.

Save The Date. You are Invited

Father Singer Memorial Scholarship

We will announce and recognize the recipients of the Nativity Father Singer Memorial Scholarship on Sunday, **August 4, 2024.**



WE PRAY FOR GOD'S HEALING FOR

Mary Jane Accavitti, Frank Accavitti, Jr., Brandon Adams, Brenda Banks, Judy Bartnik, Michele Bezel, Hedwig Buczek, Frank Candela, Brian Cavanaugh, Frank Candela's brother-in-law, Ed, Aaron Cole, Erin Cronin, Teri DeHem, John Deisinger, Diane Ferschneider, Douglas Frattini, Rosa Gracey, Neidra Halthon, Bart Houston, Art Hill, Jansen Family, Journee Jones, Mia Halthon-Jones, 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 & Keith Randall, Yvonne Rottach, Phil Scamihorn, Joyce Shahady, Larry Shelton, Jim Singer, Sheila Starke, John Stuart, Marianne Szymanski, Jim Turnbull, Sr. Jolene, Barron Scott's mom, Vicky, Rosanne Schwartz's grandson, Gavin, the Benigni and Chida Families, the Gracey Family, 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 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

GLUTEN FREE TREATS ALSO AVAILABLE

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 <https://www.youtube.com/@NativityofOurLord-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.

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

Parish Instagram Page: https://www.instagram.com/nativitycatholicchurch_detroit/



Online Giving

[DONATE HERE](#) or Go to giving site at: <https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/nativity>

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Rosa Gracey	08/02			Diane Wingo	08/24
Wiley Adams III	08/03	Andrea Liss	08/16	Nina Zarro	08/24
Neidra Halthon	08/03	Charvala Adams	08/18	Bill Dietz	08/26
Wendy Kent	08/04	Marty Gulewicz	08/20	Mary Crawford	08/27
Pat Dombrowski	08/08	Terri Wilson	08/21	Benjamin Schmitt	08/29
Anita Reddick	08/09	Melissa Elmore	08/22	Tyrone Kelly	08/30
Vanden Dombrowski	08/13			Denise Reddick	08/30
Lisa Brancato	08/14				

AUGUST WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Joe & Aimee Sergent	08/01	Bill & Judy Brooks	08/12
Jerry & Wilma Wilmer	08/01	Keith & Anne Crowe	08/18

MASS Intentions

Seventeenth Sunday of the Year July 28, 2024

Br. Ray Stadmeyer (The Nativity Family)

Fr. Dan Trapp
(Carol Frattini & Lenore Mondalek)

Kevin Dupre (Family)

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Marty Carnaghi
(Frances & Laura Carnaghi)

Sid Johnston (Family)

Toni Ayers
(Nancy Silveri & Tony Novara)

Tom Scamihorn (Family)

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Fr. Christopher Talbot, Moderator- Priest in Solidum

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PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Hermenia Adams

Norma Danzie

Mashauna Adams

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Chris McLaughlin

Jerry Burns

Kim Milligan

Tish Colett

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 commitment to social justice, service to the neighborhood, the community, and each other.