

NATIVITY NEWS

Nativity of Our Lord Catholic Church

5900 McClellan,
Detroit, MI 48213

WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Nativity:

Sunday 9:30 AM

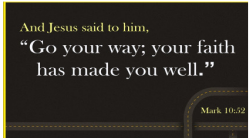
St. Charles:

Sunday 11:30 AM



October 27,
2024

**30th Sunday in
Ordinary Time**



A CUP OF JOE!

The Mass readings can be a blueprint for the shaping of a disciple of Christ. We see that in the Gospel when reading about Bartimaeus, a blind man who was healed because of his strong faith. As disciples, one should look to be a reflection of Jesus and often respond with love and compassion in chaotic situations. Of course, we should always repent and reject a sinful lifestyle. Sin can and will lead to spiritual blindness. Our first reading hints that if we repent, our faith can lead to full restoration. In the second reading, Jesus is recognized as the True High Priest in comparison to the priests of the Old Testament. The Gospel reading explores the actions of Bartimaeus and how he becomes healed when Jesus addresses his persistent merciful cries. In response to that healing, Bartimaeus immediately gets up and becomes a disciple of Christ.

To follow Christ means to be like Jesus and operate in love in our daily lives. It means funneling and filtering all our decisions through love. One can ask: do my actions and words reflect the love Christ has for me. Not only does choosing Christ mean we should love all, but it also means we need to have a disciplined prayer life. A prayer life is worthy to receive restoration and healing and allow God to use us to bring that same restoration and healing to others. A saint who was known for having a consistent prayer life once said, "*If I can't look in the mirror and see Jesus, I need to continue to pray.*" She desired to be blind to her own ambition and desires and for others to see only Jesus in her. We need to be prayer warriors and operate in blind love as the saints who would often reflect God's love and healing to others.

In the Gospel, Bartimaeus teaches that we should reach out and call out to Christ even if we feel rejected. We are not a distraction; Bartimaeus was blind physically, but spiritually he knew and saw Jesus. Though we might not have physical blindness, we can be spiritually blind and have blind spots. There are some areas in our lives that we have not surrendered to God and that need immediate healing. Our sins are sometimes rooted in our wounds. So, even the pain of our wounds can blind us to God if we focus on them too often. But, like Bartimaeus, we can call out for mercy to heal the things that lead us to pride and addiction. In a recent sermon, Bishop Robert Baron said when we say *Kyrie Eleison*, they are the words of Bartimaeus when he begged for Christ to bring healing to him. We too should be humble beggars and follow Christ and the scriptures as he did. We are sinners and because of the mercy of God, we are saved and can be healed. Those difficult areas in our lives can serve as a podium for God to preach the healing that will come from Him. Our choices and our words can build character or destroy it. Our prayer lives are character builders that can reflect the love and compassion of Christ and can ultimately shift momentum in having us receive the healing we desire and lead others to their healing as well. I offer a prayer and a song that I often find comfort in when struggling in moments of faith

Prayer

I humbly beg you to open my eyes to the things of my life I need to surrender to you. Help me help others see you and come to know you. Have mercy on me, Jesus. Amen

[Please Don't Pass Me By](#), Fred Hammond

**TODAY'S SCRIPTURE
READINGS**

30th Sunday

First Reading:

Jeremiah 31:7-9

Responsorial Psalm

*The Lord has done great
things for us; we are filled
with joy.*

Second Reading:

Hebrews 5:1-6

Gospel Reading:

Mark 10:46-52

**NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE
READINGS**

31st Sunday of the Year

First Reading:

Deuteronomy 6:2-6

Responsorial Psalm

*I love you Lord, my
strength.*

Second Reading:

Hebrews 7:23-28

Gospel Reading:

Mark 12:28-34

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 the church and drop it in the collection basket.

FAMILY OF PARISHES WEEKDAY MASSES

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 27th 9:30 AM
Mass livestreamed/ Trunk or Treat after Mass

Monday, October 28th 7 PM Detroit Lower Eastside Family
Zoom prayer and discussion of next Sunday's reading.
Pls email Joni Scott @ jlscott820@gmail.com to receive the
Zoom link]

Tuesday, October 29th: 5:00PM Mass at Sacred Heart

Wednesday, October 30th: SS. A/M 8 AM Holy Hour and 9
AM Mass, Presider: Fr. Chris Talbot
[Rosary: 7 PM on Zoom. Email Joni Scott
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Thursday, 31st: Nativity, 8 AM Holy Hour; 9 AM Mass;

**Friday, November 1st: All Saints Day, a holy day of
obligation: St. Charles: 11 AM** Mass

Saturday, November 2nd [Sacred Heart 5 PM Mass.]

Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time/November 3rd:
9:30 Mass Nativity

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd
WONDERFUL IS YOUR NAME**

A concert featuring The Black Catholic
Ministries Gospel Choir

5:00 PM at Mercy High School Tickets: \$10.00

See Kim Milligan for tickets

**Evangelization Committee
Bible Question of the Week**

In today's Gospel, a large crowd accompanies Jesus and his disciples as He journeys to Jerusalem for the Passover. Jesus' reputation as a healer has preceded Him. When a blind man, Bartimaeus, hears that Jesus of Nazareth is passing by, he calls out to Him from the side of the road, "Jesus, son of David, have pity on me." The crowd tries to silence him, but Bartimaeus persists, calling louder and with greater urgency. The crowd's reaction quickly changes when Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." So, they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take courage; get up, Jesus is calling you." He threw aside his cloak, sprang up, and came to Jesus. Jesus said to him in reply, "*What do you want me to do for you?*" Bartimaeus replied, "Master, I want to see." Jesus told him, "*Go your way; your faith has saved you.*" Immediately he received his sight and followed Him. Throughout Mark's Gospel, the response to Jesus' healing power has often been correlated with the faith of the person requesting Jesus' help. For example, it is because of her faith that the woman with the hemorrhage is healed by touching His garment. We also see this after His rejection in Nazareth where He could only perform a few healings. Many in Jesus' time believed that the anticipated Jewish Messiah would be a descendent of King David. Bartimaeus apparently recognized Jesus as the Messiah – Son of David. Jesus is asking you the same question today, "*What do you want me to do for you?*" How will you respond and how is your faith to receive the answer?

Reference: [Mk 10:46-52](#)

WHAT'S HAPPENING

REMEMBER OUR LOVED ONES

On November 3rd we will remember our loved ones who have died since November 1, 2023. If you have an immediate family member (parent, spouse, child, grandchild, brother, sister) you would like remembered, please fill out the form that you can get from Judy Dupre or Sr. Ellen. All forms must be in this Sunday.

Food Pantry

Your support of the pantry continues to be a blessing every week.

We pre-pack for 50 families each week of different family sizes. Some weeks, with your help, we are able to pre-pack an item we have asked for without using our purchased food. When that happens, I'm astonished at the generosity you continue to show for the pantry. To give you an example of our weekly needs of a few items that we continuously ask for: we need 75 cans of Tuna, 99 cans of vegetables and 75 pounds of noodles to pre-pack each week.

Your weekly donations make a difference. This week we are asking for: Tuna, Cereal, and Spaghetti Sauce.



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, 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.)**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

10-27: Rosy Krembel & Tony Novara
10-28: Lisa Canty
10-29: Amia Davis
10-31: Joe Sergent Sr.
11-01: Jordan Adams, Sol May & Danny Wois

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](https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/nativity) or go to the giving site at: <https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/nativity>

ALL SAINTS DAY FOP MASS SCHEDULE

St. Charles 11:00AM
St. Augustine/St. Monica 6:00PM
Sacred Heart/St. Elizabeth @ Sacred Heart 6:00PM

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Jordan Adams	11-01	Major Ragland	11-10	Tyra Thompson	11-20
Sol May	11-01	Chris McLaughlin	11-12	Loretta Peralta	11-22
Danny Wois	11-01	Jim Kulchy	11-16	Christine Snypes	11-24
Tish Colett	11-03	Maureen Campernel	11-19	Arias Clark	11-28
Rashid Buford, Jr.	11-06	Frances Carnaghi	11-19	Karen Scamihorn	11-29
Diane Impastato	11-07			Selena Houston	11-30

NOVEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: 11-7: Gary & Tish Collett 11-10: Jim & Cookie Kulchy,
11-19: Mike & Rosa Gracey

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Al Mudloff (Family)

Mert Kroetsch (Family)

Katie McLaren
(Nancy Silveri & Tony Novara)

Andrew King & Phil Gintner (Cousins)

Fr. Dan Trapp (Cookie & Jim Kulchy)

Ernestine Carnaghi & The Deceased of
the Carnaghi Family
(Frances Carnaghi)

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

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Once again, this year we will pack the gifts for the families in our Christmas Program. We know for sure volunteers will be needed for the weeks of November 27-December 15. We may need help picking up food and gifts from other churches that do food drives or have us on their Giving Trees. Dates aren't known at this time, but if that is something you are willing to help with, please let Anne know by calling or emailing the office. There will be day and evening shifts. As in the last few years, donations of cash, and gift cards to Amazon, Walmart, or Visa are also needed. These allow us to purchase gifts that have not been donated or give as a gift, especially for the teens as we know how difficult it is to shop for them. Tags for gift donations will be out in mid November since the gifts will be needed back to church by December 1st.