**Nativity of Our Lord Catholic Church**
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***WORSHIP SCHEDULE:***

*Sunday 9:30 AM*

*Thursday 9:00 AM*

# NATIVITY NEWS

**November 1, 2026**

**Solemnity of All Saints**

## *Solemnity of All Saints*

All Saints Day is a special day for Catholics. It is celebrated on November 1st each year. On this day, we honor all the saints. These include well-known saints and those not officially recognized.

All Saints Day has a long history. It started in the early Church. Christians wanted to honor all martyrs. These were people who died for their faith.

In the 4th century, the Church in the East began a special feast. It was held on the Sunday after Pentecost. Later, the Church in the West also wanted a special day. In the 8th century, Pope Gregory III set November 1st as All Saints Day.

This day was chosen for a reason. It was the time of year when many people celebrated harvest festivals. The Church wanted to give a Christian meaning to these celebrations. So, All Saints Day became a time to honor holy people.

This day also reminds us that we are all called to be saints. The Church teaches that we are united with the saints in heaven. They pray for us and walk with us. All Saints Day encourages us to live with faith, kindness, and trust in God each day.

**Summary**: God gathers a great multitude of faithful people from every nation. Jesus shows the way to holiness through the Beatitudes.

**Challenge**: We are called to become saints by following Jesus each day. Choose mercy, peace, faithfulness, and love even when it is difficult.

**Action Step**: Choose one Beatitude to practice today. Look for one simple way to live it.

**Verse to Remember**: “Blessed are the peacemakers.” (Matthew 5:9)

**DETROIT LOWER EASTSIDE FAMILY OF PARISHES MASS SCHEDULE**

**Nativity of Our Lord:** Sunday, 9:30AM, live-streamed.

**Sacred Heart:** Saturday**,** 5:00PM, Sunday, 8:00AM & 10:00AM

**St. Augustine and St. Monica:** Sunday, 10:00AM

**St. Charles Borromeo:** Sunday, 11:30AM
**St. Elizabeth:** Sunday, 12:00PM
**St. Jude:** Sunday,10:30AM
**St. Raymond:** Saturday, 4:00PM, Sunday, 10:30AM

**THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**All Saints**

**First Reading:**
Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14

**Responsorial Psalm**
*Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.*

**Second Reading:**
1 John 3:1-3

**Gospel Reading:**
Matthew 5:1-12

**NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**32nd Sunday**

**First Reading:**
Wisdom 6:12-16

**Responsorial Psalm**
*My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.*

**Second Reading:**
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

**Gospel Reading:**
Matthew 25:1-13

NATIVITY CHURCH SUPER RAFFLE

**Cost: $30.00 for one year of drawings**
**52 Weeks for 156 chances to win**
DRAWINGS EVERY WEDNESDAY NIGHT
**January 6th through December 29th, 2027**

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 you win $100: If you have 122 or 124, you win $25.00)

***Straight, No Boxing--Bonus Numbers Excluded--Numbers randomly assigned.***

*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.

EVANGELIZATION COMMITTEE
BIBLE QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints and recall the example, witness and prayers of those who are identified by the Church as Saints. While they are role models, they are also family members with whom we continue to share a bond of prayer, called the Communion of Saints. In our Gospel reading, Jesus teaches the disciples what it means to be "blessed." It sounds much different from what our society may consider as being blessed. Here the use of the word "blessed" comes from the Greek word "M*akarios"* that describes an inner state of joy, contentment, and divine approval that does not depend on external comfort. Jesus declared people "blessed" who are poor in spirit, mourning, meek, hungry for righteousness, peace makers, merciful, and persecuted, or insulted for His sake. These conditions do not look fortunate to the world, yet they are blessed because they belong to the Kingdom of God and possess an unshakable relationship with Him. What has become known as "the beatitudes" are qualities of Christian living and holiness. The rewards are immeasurable! Go back and read them! Are you challenged in some area? How will you respond? What Gift have you received to help you?
Reference: **Matthew 5:1-12**

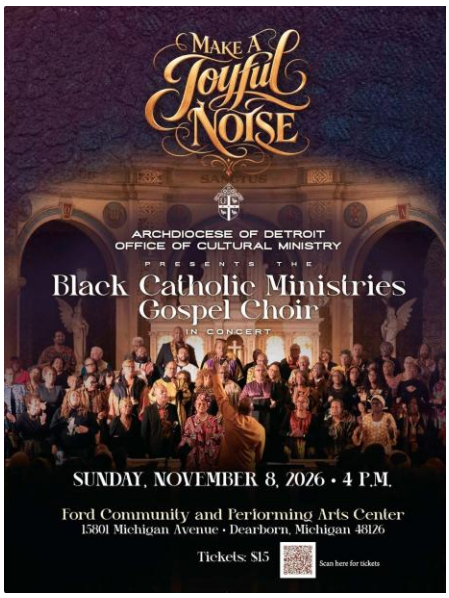
## *WHAT'S HAPPENING*

### PANTRY NEEDS

Your support for the pantry makes a huge difference each week. We are grateful for your continued support of the pantry. Your weekly donations make a difference. This week we are asking for Tuna, Spaghetti Sauce and Side Dishes. Once again, we thank you for all that you do to help us.

Grow in your understanding of Scripture, deepen your faith, and enjoy fellowship in a welcoming environment with Fr. Charles' Bible Study. It is Monday at St. Augustine/St Monica, Wednesday at St. Charles, and Friday at St. Raymond's. All at 6:00 PM. Just pick the night you want to go. Also, Deacon John hosts a Prayer Group on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month. They meet at Nativity's parish house at 8:30 AM.

November is Black Catholic History Month In honor of Black Catholic History month, Catholic TV is airing "Black Catholics: Footsteps to Sainthood" will begin with a feature on Fr. Tolton, the first Black Catholic priest in the United States, and will continue with episodes on five additional Black Catholics whose canonization causes are advancing: Pierre Toussaint, Henriette Delile, Mother Mary Lange, Julia Greeley, and Sister Thea Bowman. The six-part documentary series will premiere on Monday, November 2 at 9 PM with one episode released each month. You can access Catholic TV using YouTube or using the CatholicTV.org website.



### WE PRAY FOR GOD'S HEALING FOR

Mary Jane Accavitti, Brandon Adams, Judy Bartnik, Jim Benigni, Judy Brooks, Frank Candela, Frank Candela's brother-in-law, Ed, Fran Carnaghi, Brian Cavanaugh, Erin Cronin, Kingsley Croul, Terri DeHem, Diane Ferschneider, Douglas Frattini, Mia Halthon, Jackie Hoskins-Evans, Bart Houston, Art Hill, Journee Jones, Alex Kelly, Rosy Krembel, Clarence Lewis, Olga Ludwick, Deborah Marshall, Kathy McDonald's Granddaughter, Ryan, Melvin & Theresa McCoy, Jennifer Mondalek, Richard Morecki, Allan Patterson, Helen & Keith Randall, Yvonne Rottach, Phil Scamihorn, Josephine Schime, Joyce Shahady, Larry Shelton, Jim Singer, Sheila Starke, John Stuart, Marianne Szymanski, Jim Turnbull, Sr. Jolene, Rosanne Schwartz's grandson, Gavin, the Benigni and Chida Families, Mia Halthon-Jones' mother-in-law, Victoria, Jerry & Wilma Wilmer, 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. Amen*

### On the Rise Bakery Cafe

At the Solanus Casey Center
1780 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207
Hours: Tuesday-Saturday 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM
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 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 the 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 the giving site at: https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/nativity

## MASS Intentions

**All Saints**
**November 1, 2026**

Justin Carnaghi (Family)

Donald Bezel III (Family)

Ernestine Carnaghi (Family)

**Thirty-second Sunday**
**November 8, 2026**

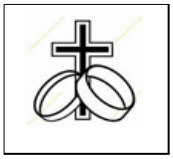
Our Deceased Loved Ones

Mert Kroetsch (Family)

The Shevela & Stager Families (Family)

## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

**11-01:** Jordan Adams, Sol May & Danny Wois
**11-03:** Tish Colett
**11-06:** Rashid Buford, Jr.
**11-07:** Diane Impastato



## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

**11-7:** Gary & Tish Collett

**ARE WE MISSING YOU? PLEASE LET US KNOW IN THE OFFICE IF YOUR BIRTHDAY OR ANNIVERSARY WAS MISSED.**

## PARISH DIRECTORY

Fr. Frances Asomkase, SSJ, Pastor/Administrator
Fr. Charles Nwamadi, SSJ, Parochial Vicar
Fr. Justus Ihemawulotu, SSJ, Parochial Vicar
Fr. David Preuss, Priest Support
Deacon John Wright
Joseph Taylor, Pastoral Minister Coordinator
Anne Crowe, Parish Secretary

## *PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS*

Hermenia Adams
Mashauna Adams
Sr. Ellen Burkhardt
Jerry Burns
Tish Colett
Maura Corrigan
Linda Cunningham
Norma Danzie
Willie Lewis
Chris McLaughlin
Kim Milligan
Mark Miller
Sharon Mudloff
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.*