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Mass Intentions

Saturday	Georgiana Strate, RIP
Sunday	Brian Muha, RIP
Monday	Benedict Nguyen, RIP
Tuesday	Jim Harrington, Sp. Int.
Wednesday	Cynthia Harris, Sp. Int.
Thursday	Maria Cristina Dionissi, RIP
Friday	Paul Nguyen, RIP

Reconciliation:
Every Saturday from 10 am-12 pm
or by appointment

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Filled with the Holy Spirit, the apostles begin to speak in tongues (Acts 2:1-11).

Psalm — Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth (Psalm 104).

Second Reading — In one Spirit we are baptized into one body and given to drink of one Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13).

Gospel — Jesus Christ appears to the disciples and sends them on their mission with the power to forgive or retain sins through the Holy Spirit (John 20:19-23).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; Ps 87:1-3, 5-7; Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday: 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18; Ps 90:2-4, 10, 14, 16; Mk 12:13-17

Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Ps 123:1b-2; Mk 12:18-27

Thursday: 2 Tm 2:8-15; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Mk 12:28-34

Friday: 2 Tm 3:10-17; Ps 119:157, 160, 161, 165, 166, 168; 1-6; Mk 12:35-37

Saturday: 2 Tm 4:1-8; Ps 71:8-9, 14-15ab, 16-17, 22; Mk 12:38-44

Masses will resume as follows:

Daily Mass:
Monday June 8, 2020
8am

Sunday Masses:
Sunday June 14, 2020
Saturday Vigil:
5 pm
Sundays:
7:30 am
9:30 am
11:30 am
(new hours allow time for cleaning church)

"When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled,
… they were all filled with the Holy Spirit
and began to speak in different tongues,
as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim." *Acts 2,1,4*

My brothers and sisters in Christ, last Sunday, we celebrated the Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ returning to Heaven after he had completed the work that the Father has sent Him to accomplish on earth. Jesus promises that he will send us the Helper, the *Paraclete*. Today, we celebrate the magnificent feast of Pentecost in which God sends the gift of the Holy Spirit onto the disciples, as fire: "the Holy Spirit rests on the disciples …and fills them with Himself "(Acts 2:3-4). Filled with the Holy Spirit they all spoke the language of God's love and will for the world. And all who listen to the Gospel Truth will be endowed with the power of God to bear good fruits in the world.

Jesus reminds his disciples as well as all of us to keep his commandments, and to help us do so, he sent the Holy Spirit as our Advocate who will lead us in Truth. This truth exists in us if we allow the "Spirit of God" to dwell in us. Those who have the Spirit of God in them will live in the light and become the light of Christ to lead others to Christ in their charity, humility, service, love, and forgiveness. Jesus reminds us in the Gospel today, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." How incredible and blessed are we to receive this honor and dignity! We are able to call God, "Abba," Daddy. How then can we continue choosing to sin if we are God's children through Jesus Christ? With this knowledge alone, we are destined and called to be with God, now, here in union with the Holy Spirit and, face to face with Him, when our journey ends on earth. Until then the fire of the Holy Spirit will guide us and console us in times of difficulties.

To nourish and strengthen us on our journey, the Holy Spirit will transform the poverty of our gifts of bread and wine into the precious Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ to make us one with Him. United in Christ we continue the work of Christ's universal salvation to all who believes in Him and all his teachings. In receiving the Body and Blood of Christ, he nourishes and strengthens us to be a Eucharistic people, a people of thanksgiving and gratitude who are called to preach the Gospel to the world.

The Holy Spirit is given not only to the Apostles, kings, and prophets but to every Christian! We have been given this great interior gift that was planted in our soul by the Risen Lord. Wherever we are in our life, and whatever paths we may take on our journey here on earth, that same Holy Spirit, who came at Pentecost, is present to here today as conscience, desire for repentance, our inner moral compass, the urge to pray, the desire to forgive and be forgiven, a concern for those who are suffering from tragedy, the indignation against injustice, and especially, the direction for the future.

Pentecost is about the life of every Christian. We need to recognize that deep within us from Baptism to Confirmation, burns a flame, for some of us maybe just a pilot light, but still a flame. God is closer to us than we often admit. Our heart is where Jesus resides, and the flame of the Holy Spirit waits for us patiently and lovingly. Let us stoke the fire of God's love in us so that we can be the light to the world bringing the message of the Gospels to all by our life. Very soon, our church will reopen. Let us go forth and transform the world by being a bridge to Jesus Christ for everyone. May God who has begun his work in us, bring it to completion.

Fr. Minh Do

Church of the Nativity responses to the Diocese of San Diego guidelines for "Church Reopening Plan."

The following are protocol responses to diocesan requirements in *three principle foundations* (Hygiene, Social Distancing, and Planning)

I HYGIENE

Facemasks will be required for all, age two and above. Will people be asked to supply their own? If so, will the parish have a supply of facemasks to provide to those who arrive without one?

-facemasks will be required for all, ages two and above. Everyone is required to supply their own mask, however, if they do not, one will be provided for them.

- Provide hand sanitizer "stations" at every entrance door to the church, on the credence table for the priest and ministers use, in the restrooms, and in various sacristies.

-Sanitizer stations utilizing Nano-Tech protection good for 24 hours, will be available at all entrances of the church, in bathrooms, in the halls (Commons), sacristy, and near the sanctuary. Tabletop versions will be in placed temporarily until free-standing stations can be installed.

- Has the church been thoroughly cleaned before the first use? How will the church be cleaned and sanitized at least once every 24 hours? What level of cleaning can be attained between Masses?

-The church will be cleaned before first use with Nano-Tech protection for all surfaces. Electrostatic foggers will be used. Bathrooms and common surfaces will be wiped down between masses.

- Is the ventilation system of the church and any other facility that will be used for Mass working properly? Has it been professionally maintained and recently inspected? Weather permitting, can windows and/or doors to the church or other secondary facility be opened to provide fresh air during and between liturgies?
- *-Our HVAC is regularly maintained and in working order. All entrance doors to the Church and the Commons will be open throughout Mass for fresh airflow. In addition, there will be additional; signs for ushers and or hospitality ministers to remind visitors to use Nanotech hand sanitizer before entering the church and the Commons.*
- Have all fonts and holy water stoops been emptied?

-Holy water font has been emptied and will not be in used until further notice.

- Have pews been cleared of missalettes, hymnals, other worship aids, offertory envelopes, etc.?

-All materials have been removed from the pews.

II. SOCIAL DISTANCING

- Determine how many people your church can hold. Plan on using every other pew and allowing for six feet between people of different households in the same pew.
- *- Social distancing can be maintained using 191 seats in the church. Our Mass counts used for data average 974 each weekend. Additional Masses will be added as needed. Every other pew will be marked as closed. Families may sit together, and pews will be marked with 6' social distancing labels non-family member seating. Ushers will seat each party as appropriate throughout the worship space.*
- Will any other facilities on campus be used in place of or in addition to the church? If so, how many people can these places hold, providing for appropriate social distancing? Keep in mind that rows of chairs must be 6-feet apart and, within each row, a distance of 6-feet must be maintained between household units.
- *- We have additional seating for 67 in the Commons. If needed, we will provide canopy seating for an additional 30 more seats in the courtyard (weather permitting). Every section will be laid out with 6 ft social distancing. Ushers will seat each party as appropriate throughout the worship space.*

- Will any liturgies be held outside instead of in the church as a way to accommodate more people? If so, have you planned for an adequate sound system, portable restrooms and hand washing stations, hand sanitizer, and the remote possibility of inclement weather?

- No liturgy will be held outside the church. The church's courtyard is equipped with speakers. Those who are not comfortable going inside can listen to the Mass there under a covered canopy and enter to receive Communion outside.

- Will an actual liturgy take place in an overflow or secondary facility, or will the liturgy taking place in the church simply be live streamed there for the people to see? If applicable, how will people who experience the liturgy via live stream receive Holy Communion? Is your technology working to provide a live stream video feed into a secondary facility?
- *- The overflow hall will have a large television with Mass live streamed. Communion will be provided on a limited basis for those who cannot attend Mass, for family members to bring pyx for their family members at home only. If you do not have a pyx, one may be purchased at the Church office for $10; one will be provided for those who cannot afford one.*

- Have markings been placed on the floor to help people maintain a 6-foot distance from one another as they approach the priest or Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist for Holy Communion?

-Floors have been marked with 6 feet distancing and arrows to show flow of communion lines.

- Has the "cry room" or similar space been closed and locked?

-No cry room at church.

- Have all gatherings before and after Mass (e.g., formation sessions, Liturgy of the Word for Children, coffee and donuts, etc.) been cancelled?

-All have been cancelled until further notice.

III. PLANNING

- To promote healthy, prayerful and welcoming liturgical celebrations, it will be helpful for your parishioners to know what to expect well before they arrive on campus for Mass for the first time upon reopening. How will any special modifications to the liturgy be communicated to parishioners in advance? Email? Website? Social media? Parish bulletin? A bulk mailing via US Mail? Or?

*- All communication of changes will be as follows: Parish Website https://nativitycatholic.weconnect.com/ under **Pastor's Corner** in COVID-19 update, also available on WeConnect Parish Apps for IOS and Android platform, parish weekly email, bulletin (electronic PDF format), with short instruction videos as the need arises.*

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- What will be your schedule of Masses for the week? Will any Masses be added or deleted from your regular schedule?
  *-**Daily mass** schedule will remain the same **Monday to Saturday 8 am**.*
  *Temporary **Saturday Vigil and Sunday Mass** as follows:*
  Saturday 5 pm.
  Sunday 7:30 am; 9:30 am; 11:30 am (these new times allow for cleaning between masses)
- How do you plan to accommodate parishioners at your Masses? Will people be seated on a first come, first serve basis? Or will there be a reservation or ticket system in place that accommodates both registered and non-registered parishioners, as well as those who are technology savvy and those not so technologically savvy?
  -As of now seating will be on a first come, first serve basis. Since Sunday 9:30 and 11:30 Masses are usually the largest, please utilize other Mass times to help even out attendance for all masses. A reservation system may be implemented as the need arises.
- What types of special signage will be needed? Take the time now to design and produce these signs in advance.
  -Signage will be in front of the 4 entrances of the Church.
- Have secure boxes near the entrances of the Church been established to receive parishioners' contributions? Be sure parishioners are aware of online giving options.
  *-As parishioners depart from the church ushers wearing gloves holding baskets will collect offerings which will be placed in secure lock boxes afterwards. Parishioners can also simply drop their envelopes through the slot of secure box. No baskets will be passed during mass. All are encouraged to give online using **faith direct**.*
- Has adequate social distancing space been provided for lectors, servers, ushers, Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist, a cantor, and an accompanist?
  -Yes, there will be adequate social distancing observed by all liturgical ministers.
- Ushers (Ministers of Hospitality) will be needed at both weekday and weekend Masses? If so, how will they be recruited, trained and scheduled?
  - The Hospitality Ministry and Usher ministry will recruit, train and schedule ushers. Ushers will be 65 or younger and low risk (no preexisting medical condition).
- On weekends, will any parts of the Mass be shortened or eliminated to allow for a less lengthy liturgy?
  -Mass will be shortened by reciting the Gloria, no choir, and other appropriate mass parts.
- The procession of the gifts of bread and wine is suspended for all Masses.
  -No procession of bread and wine.
- Holding of hands for the Lord's Prayer prohibited and the exchange of the Sign of Peace is suspended at all Masses.
  *-There will be **No holding hands** during the Lord's Prayer and being that the sign of peace is optional according to GIRM 154, it will be suspended until further notice. That being said, **there will be no exchange of the Sign of Peace***
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- Holy Communion will be distributed under the form of consecrated bread alone and only in the hand. It should be distributed in a manner to avoid any skin-to-skin touching.
  -Only the Body of Christ will be distributed during communion. Please receive communion by hand.
- Develop a plan for the distribution of Holy Communion (either at the usual time or once Mass has ended) that allows for social distancing. How and when will you instruct people to receive communion and navigate the reality of a facemask?
  -Communion will given at usual time with social distancing in mind. Ushers will give instructions and directions.
- Will an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist or two be needed to distribute Holy Communion in place of the priest or with the priest in a different section of the church or secondary facility?
  - Extraordinary Minister (EM) of the Eucharist will distribute Holy Communion with the priest using the 6 ft minimum distancing.
- The practice of sending Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist to visit the sick remains suspended due to health risks associated with such visits. Consider allowing spouses and immediate family members to use a pyx to take Holy Communion to those staying in their home.
  -All EMs for the homebound are suspended until further notice. Only family members of the same household may bring communion to their family at home.
- Where will parish bulletins be placed for the people to take as they leave the church or other facility?
  -Bulletins may be handed out by ushers and/or hospitality ministers wearing gloves.

Fr Minh Do, pastor
Mr. Paul Batchelor, Facility Manager

To the Families, Alumni, and Supporters of The Nativity School,
Thank you for all you do for us! We pray you are all safe and well during this time of COVID-19.
Because of your generous gifts over the years, The Nativity School continues to flourish and our capabilities to provide an educational experience unlike anywhere else, remain strong. Our students are Nativity Stars - they are enthusiastic and inquisitive learners growing stronger in their Catholic faith! The faculty's commitment to excellence and outstanding achievements in our students is unparalleled. Along with the rigor of their core academic subjects, our students' learning is enhanced with specialized curriculum in Spanish, Music, Art, Digital Media/Technology, and PE. It is this programming along with the faith and energy of the community, that makes The Nativity School a one-of-a-kind educational experience and truly a place where our children's "Hearts and Minds Grow Great and True!"
Each spring, our school community comes together for the annual Gala. This year is no different and even though we are remaining safe staying physically separated, we will transition to our first ever Virtual Fundraiser the week of June 5-12! This will be a fun-filled opportunity to celebrate the school and to support our mission. Keeping our tuition costs within reach of our families and offering the excellent educational programs remains top priorities for The Nativity School. With the monies raised, you help us offset those costs not covered by tuition. This year as our fundraiser goes virtual, we hope you can find a little time to join and help us! There will be the traditional silent and live auction items available to bid on, plus there will be chances to win a 50/50 raffle, and opportunities to give monetary donations of any amount. Further details on how to join the Virtual Fundraiser, bid on items, and even donate items will be shared in a separate communication. Please stay tuned for that!
If you cannot join the Virtual Fundraiser, please continue to pray for our school, for those affected by this pandemic and for those on the frontlines keeping us all safe. We are thankful for you and all you do each and every day and we remain ever grateful to God for our safety and the continued well-being of The Nativity community.
~ The Nativity School Virtual Fundraiser Committee ~

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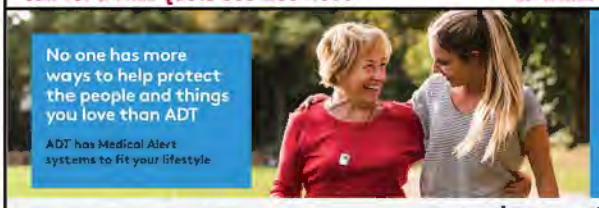

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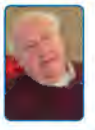

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Saturday Vigil: 5 pm; Sunday: 7:30 am, 9 am, 10:30 am

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Baptism: Celebrated on the 4th Sunday, after 10:30 am Mass
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Contact the parish office at 858-756-1911.

Anointing of the Sick: Encouraged for anyone critically ill, for the elderly, or prior to major surgery

Reconciliation: Saturday, 3:30– 4:15 pm

Eucharist:
Weekday Mass: Monday - Saturday at 8 am in the Main Church
Eucharistic Adoration: Every Friday after 8 am Mass
Perpetual Help Novena: Tuesdays, after 8 am Mass
Rosary: Weekdays, after 8 am Mass in the Church

FAM ILY FAITH FORMATION

Family Faith Formation Coordinator: Amanda Telles
faithformation@nativitymail.org

ALL ACTIVITIES CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

High School: 9th - 12th Grade

Contact: Mike James, 858-756-1911, ext. 5
Youth Group: Sundays, 5pm to 6:15pm

All Youth Ministry classes have moved online. Check the parish website each Sunday night at https://nativitycatholic.weconnect.com/youth-ministry for links to the latest videos on Reconciliation and Revelation plus videos on the weekly scripture readings via our YouTube channel.

We will have a Zoom Check In Meeting on Sunday May 31 from 5-6:15pm. The log in information will be emailed to everyone a few days before the meeting.

High School Confirmation

The Confirmation Immediate Preparation classes are now finished.

Check the parish website at https://nativitycatholic.weconnect.com/youth-ministry for links to videos on Confirmation Immediate Preparation Class #5 (the rehearsal) and How to Approach the Bishop. That website page will always have the most current information on Confirmation moving forward.

As announced, our Confirmation Mass will be rescheduled when the public health emergency is over.

If you would like to volunteer as a reader or gift bearer at the Confirmation Mass email mjames@nativitycatholic.org with your contact information.

Rite of Christian Initiation

Contact: Mike James, 858-756-1911, ext. 5

Our R.C.I.A. classes have moved online. Check the parish website at https://nativitycatholic.weconnect.com/rcia for links to the latest videos on "Social Justice", "Ecumenism", and "Mary" plus videos on the weekly scripture readings via our YouTube channel.