



Church of the Nativity August 9, 2020
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MISSION STATEMENT

We are a praying, learning and caring community fulfilling the mission God gives us in baptism by our worship in faith, by our witness in hope and by our service in love.

Praying through the Sacraments,
Learning through Religious Education,
Caring through Pastoral Care.

*Rembrandt van Rijn:
The Storm on
the Sea of Galilee (1633)*

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Mass Intentions

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| SATURDAY | 8:00 am Tony Terlato, RIP 5:00 pm Bob Armitage, RIP |
| SUNDAY | 7:30 am For all Souls 9:00 am For all Parishioners 10:30 Elizabeth Bitar, RIP |
| MONDAY | Susie DePrez, RIP, RIP |
| TUESDAY | Jeffrey, Norma and Julianne Manuel, RIP |
| WEDNESDAY | Justyna and Philip Ponulak, Special Intention |
| THURSDAY | Charlotte Vogel, RIP |
| FRIDAY | Elizabeth Barton, Special Intention |

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The LORD said to Elijah: “Stand on the mountain; the LORD will be passing by”

(1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a).

Psalm — Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation (Psalm 85).

Second Reading — To the Israelites belong the covenants, the law, and the patriarchs; and from them comes the Christ (Romans 9:1-5).

Gospel — As Jesus walked on the sea, the disciples were terrified (Matthew 14:22-33).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26

Tuesday: Ez 2:8 — 3:4; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22; Ps 113:1-6; Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: Ez 12:1-12; Ps 78:56-59, 61-62; Mt 18:21 — 19:1

Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 [59-63]; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Mt 19:3-12

MASS SCHEDULE:

Daily Mass:

Monday—Saturday

8am

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil:

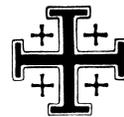
5 pm

Sundays:

7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am

ALL MASSES

Outdoors in the Courtyard



Time, Talent and Treasure
Registered Households: 1251
Contributing Parishioners
YTD: 521

Our Parishioners contributed \$13,260
in the collection the last week.
to further the Mission & Ministry
provided by the Church of the Nativity.

Thank you for giving what is
meaningful to you to serve
our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Some of our parishioners have requested
information regarding purchasing the hand
sanitizer we have provided for our community.
Please stop by the office for information or call
619-770-4456 Jericho Toilolo (Parishioner)

JOIN OUR NEW GROUP “EUCHARISTIC ADORATION LOVERS”!

We are starting a new group at Nativity Church called “Eucharistic Adoration Lovers”. The group is open to everyone who wants to deepen their understanding and love for Jesus present in the Blessed Sacrament and for everyone who wants to experience Jesus' love in the Eucharist. The group's goal is to grow in faith together and encourage each other in our love for God.
Contact: justyna.ponulak@gmail.com

Eucharistic Adoration:

Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 9:30 am in the Church Please join us at
daily Mass & Adoration in thanksgiving for the gift of the
Eucharist and to continue to grow in faith and spend
more time with Jesus in prayer.





***“Take courage, it is I;
do not be afraid.”***

Mt 14:27

We are probably remarkably familiar with the scene on the left because it depicts the struggles of life. The squalls that come suddenly into our lives bringing sufferings we do not expect can be very disconcerting, causing many of us to feel abandoned by God. To the contrary, Jesus calls to Peter, in the same way he calls us, “Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid” (Mt 14,27). His hands outstretch, never wavering, the very

hands that were forcefully pulled and nailed to the Cross, those same hands now bring us safety and comfort in our daily challenges. It is true that the feeling of abandonment breeds loneliness, fear, anxiety, and even sometimes, contempt. With that our faith wavers and we easily look elsewhere for security, i.e., worldly things and sometimes, ungodly things. Jesus’ outstretched hands to Peter are now and have always been there and will forever be for us. He walks with us every step of the way. We read that when Peter began to look around, he began to feel fear from the size of the waves, for us, it would be oppositions and challenges, and like him, we begin to sink. At this moment, remember the gentle words of Jesus, “Take courage”, saying, I am here for you and will stand with you to give you my Peace. This Peace, my brothers and sisters in Christ is the Eucharist.

Jesus gives us Himself at the altar. We have through the world and ages the miracle of the Eucharist turning into flesh, regardless of whether we believe it or not. God has consoled and continues to affirm those who believe in Him with signs and miracles so that we can be confident in our journey. This relationship with God is a gift to humanity so that we know our purpose and mission on this earthly pilgrimage. We have listened to various parables and miracles in the last few weeks reminding us of God’s providence and abiding presence in the world to help us, so that we may help others come to know, love and serve God.

God will always make available the necessary grace to give us guidance and strength to endure as we make our way through the storms of life and not avoid them. God can be found in great and spectacular events, but he is also found in the quiet whisper of a gentle summer breeze. Elijah found that out in this weekend’s reading from the first Book of Kings. Not everyone listens to God when He speaks to us. Some do not want to accept Jesus. We have to accept Jesus and we, like the disciples, are in the boat watching Peter coming towards Christ to meet him across the turbulent sea. We get excited to see others assent in their faith journey by doing good works for the glory of God. However, sometimes, we are like the disciples, seeing Peter beginning to sink as he looks left and right, might think, “if that was me I would not be of little faith like Peter by looking around and sinking.” Easier said than done! There are others, who may think, “I am glad it was Peter and not me.” Folks with this line of thought are the ones who go along with the faith as spectators, never wanting to get involve or participate in helping the church. Still others may think, “Jesus shouldn’t have made Peter come out to the water.” What we should do as we, like the disciples in the boat, pray that Peter can stay focused and trust in Jesus. We need to avoid judging Peter’s lack of Faith because we are not God. Only He alone can Judge. We can, however, judge the actions, but always pray for the person. If we receive the Eucharist in grace, God’s love will always at work in us every moment of our lives. Stay with the boat, do not jump ship. Jesus will call you and me from time to time to walk on water in faith. May God continue to bless you on your journey.

Fr. Minh Do



**Eucharistic Adoration Lovers Group
Invites everyone to an evening of Spiritual Journey, Prayer and Fellowship
August 18, 2020, 6:00pm
Speaker: Fr. Minh Do**

**Talk: How to pray to be listened by God
and how to listen to hear God's voice?
Introduction to a deeper prayer life.**

Would you like to learn how to pray to grow in your relationship with God and to experience His presence and love? Fr. Minh will share with us some practical tips on how to pray to be listened by God and how to listen in prayer to hear God's voice within us. We'll explore different ways of praying before the Blessed Sacrament and we'll discover what God wants us to know when we completely open up to Him in prayer.

Where: Church of the Nativity - outside in the courtyard

When: August 18th, 2020 6:00 pm -7:30 pm

Prayer Meeting Agenda:

6:00 pm Welcome & Talk by Fr. Minh

6:30 pm Spiritual Exercises with the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (materials will be provided)

7:30 pm Fellowship (drinks & snacks will be provided)

Contact: Justyna Ponulak - justyna.ponulak@gmail.com



Rejoice always, pray without ceasing,
give thanks in all circumstances;
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Prayer is needed now more than ever! Please join us!

What? Rosary and Diving Mercy Chaplet

When? 6:30 AM Every Morning

How? Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7704958780>

We will pray with the Queen of peace *for our families,
our community, our country, and our world.*

*Please note: Join with or without video and please stay muted
unless you are leading a decade.

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If you would like more information or have any questions,
please contact Cathy Towner at ctowner@nativitymail.org.
To schedule a tour, please contact Maggie Zures at mzures@nativitymail.org
or call her at 858-756-6763

*Take, Lord, and
receive all my liberty,
my memory, my understanding,
and my entire will,
all that I have and possess.
You have given it all to me;
to you, Lord, I return it.
Everything is yours;
dispose of it according to your will.
Give me only your love
and your grace.
That is enough for me.
Amen.
-Prayer of St. Ignatius*

The Church of the Nativity website has a wealth of information
including Mass schedules, weekly bulletins, a list of ministries
As well as contact information

Why not visit us soon and bookmark the site for future use?

<https://nativitycatholic.weconnect.com/>

**For weekly bulletin
please e-mail:
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and truth shall meet;
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and justice shall look down from heaven.

Psalms 85:11-12





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Call the Parish Office - 858-756-1911**PASTORAL CARE****Nativity Samaritans:** stephaniekourie@cox.net**Childcare:** Attended care is provided in the play room off the Commons during 9 am and 10:30 am Sunday Masses.**Holy Communion for the sick:** For the homebound upon request, **858-756-1911****Hospitality Ministry:** Lory Fisher - loryfisher@gmail.com or
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Please contact the Parish Office 858-756-1911 or
lbarton@nativitycatholic.org.**Marriage:** Saturdays, 11:00 am or 2:00 pm
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:** Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.– 9:30 a.m. in the Main Church**Perpetual Help Novena:** Tuesdays, after 8 am Mass**Rosary:** Weekdays, after 8 am Mass in the Church***FAMILY FAITH FORMATION*****Family Faith Formation Coordinator: Amanda Telles**
faithformation@nativitymail.org

K-8 Faith Formation is off for the summer holiday.

We will resume a hybrid model of online and
in-person lessons in September.Please be on the lookout for
registration information at the
beginning August.

Have a fun and safe summer!

High School Youth MinistryThanks to all the teens and parents for a transformative
year of ministry! We are now on our summer break.Please keep an eye on our website at
<https://nativitycatholic.weconnect.com/youth-ministry>
for the latest information.All recently graduated 8th graders from the Faith
Formation Program and Nativity School will
automatically be added to our High School Youth
Ministry class lists and families will get Registration
information in August for the 2020-2021 High School
Youth Ministry year.Please know that we are monitoring all the rapidly
changing state and Diocesan guidelines and our learning
models for the 2020-2021 Youth Ministry year will
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Have a safe and restful summer.

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questions about the Catholic faith, reviewing the
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chapter in our book. The most important thing is getting
your questions answered. The R.C.I.A. meets from
September through Easter every year. If you are
interested in joining, please contact Mike James, R.C.I.A.
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