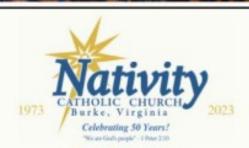
In the Name of the Father and of the Son & of the Holy Spirit Matthew 28:19



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SUNDAY MASSES: 5:00 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass 7:00 p.m. Vigil Mass in Spanish 7:00 a.m./9:00 a.m./11:00 a.m./ 1:00 p.m./5:30 p.m. Monthly Sensory Mass on the second Sunday of every month at the 1:00pm Mass

WEEKDAY MASSES: 7:30 a.m. Monday through Friday

12:00 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 a.m. on Saturday

HOLY DAY MASSES: As Announced

RECONCILIATION: 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. on Saturday or, if necessary, by appointment

BAPTISM: For more information and how to schedule a baptism, please visit our website: https://nativityburke.org/baptism/

MARRIAGE POLICY: Please contact the Church as soon as you are engaged, and at least six months prior to your wedding date.

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A Message from our Pastor Msgr. Bob Cilinski



"The love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us"
- Romans 5:5

My dear parishioners,

Today we celebrate the feast day of God..... Trinity Sunday. The mystery of the Holy Trinity is the most central mystery of our faith.

We are told that the great St. Augustine was once walking along the seashore trying to figure out the mystery of the Trinity. He came upon a child filling a hole with bucket after bucket of water from the ocean. "You can't empty the whole ocean into that hole," the saint laughed. Looking at the learned Augustine, the child replied, "And neither can you ever, completely understand the mystery of the Trinity."

Today's feast is an invitation to reflect on the most central mystery of our faith—that God is THREE—and One. Three equal persons, one God. Even if St. Augustine couldn't exhaust the mystery in thousands of words, God has revealed Himself to us as Father, Son and the Holy Spirit. God is a community of persons united in love. That also is what a marriage is, and a family is, and a parish is. Because we are made in God's image and likeness, we reflect the triune nature of God in our self giving relationships of love united in Christ.

Perhaps we can allow our Sunday Gospel to instruct us. Jesus tells us that the Holy Spirit will teach us what we need to know. Jesus and the Father will remain present to us through the working of the Holy Spirit. This is a great consolation and joy. Let us live in God's love. "We are God's people, Rejoice and be glad."

Happy Fathers Day to all who share this beautiful vocation of love!

Love and Blessings,

Boh Cillingh

Msgr. Bob Cilinski, Pastor



ACCOLADE OF THE WEEK:



All who supported the Nativity Golf Tournament as players and sponsors. It was a beautiful fun day that raised funds for Nativity School, Religious Education, CYO sports, Youth Ministry and Vacation Bible School. Special thanks to the golf committee who worked so hard to plan and advertise this successful event: THANK YOU!

FATHER'S DAY MASSES

A Novena of nine Masses will be said during the month of June for fathers, living and deceased. Spiritual Bouquet cards may be found at the back of the Church or Parish office. Father's names will be placed on the Altar during June.

NOVENA MASSES



Sunday, June 15th 7:00AM Monday, June 16th 7:30AM Tuesday, June 17th 7:30AM Wednesday, June 18th 7:30AM Thursday, June 19th (private)

Friday, June 20th 7:30AM Saturday, June 21st 7:00AM

Sunday, June 22nd (private)

Monday, June 23rd 7:30AM



MASS SCHEDULE CHANGES: THURSDAY, JUNE 19 - NO NOON MASS

MORNING MASS AT 9:00 AM SUNDAY, JUNE 22 – NO 1:00 PM MASS



6th Annual Corpus Christi Procession
When: Sunday, June 22, 2025 | 3:00 pm | Nativity Catholic Church
The Corpus Christi Procession starts at 3:00 pm with Exposition
inside the Church, followed by a procession route around the
parish property, and concludes with the Benediction and
Reposition inside the Church.

Altar 1: Pilipino Community, Altar 2: Haitian Community, Altar 3: Vietnamese Community, Altar 4: Hispanic Community, Altar 5: Chinese Community.

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ALL DAY ON THURSDAY, JUNE 19

FR. CHRISTIAN - FIRST MASS

Fr. Christian Nojdzela will celebrate a First Mass at Nativity on Sunday, June 15 at 11:00am. A reception will follow in the Fr. Martin Center where Father will give his first priestly blessing. A basket will be placed at the reception for cards and monetary gifts in support of Fr. Christian as he begins his priestly ministry. All are invited!

FR. BRESNAHAN - FAREWELL MASS

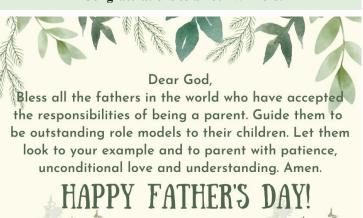
Fr. Bresnahan will celebrate the 11:00 am Mass on Sunday, June 22 at Nativity followed by a reception in his honor as he prepares to become the pastor at St Leo's in Fairfax. A basket will be available for cards and monetary gifts as is customary as a way of thanking and supporting him in his priesthood. All are welcome!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FRENCHY CYR SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDEES

The following students were awarded the 2025/2026 \$1000 Frenchy Cyr Memorial scholarships for Catholic secondary school tuition for their exemplary academic performance, sustained school and community involvement, and outstanding Church and religious activity participation.

- * Hannah Ly and Anthony Licud (Nativity School) attending Saint John Paul the Great High School
- * Elizabeth Marzluff, Abigail Hoenle, and Ian Marzluff attending Bishop Ireton High School
- * Mackenzie Boland attending Bishop O'Connell High School
- * William Moorhouse attending Gonzaga College High School

Congratulations to all our winners!



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY:

The next Prayer Shawl meeting will be held on Monday morning, June 16th at 9:30 am in the Fr. Ready

room. This ministry is open to all members of our community!

It provides a tangible sign of our prayers and concern to the critically ill. Members lovingly craft shawls, which are subsequently blessed by a priest, and shared with those in need.



Happy Father's Day from Nativity Creation Care Ministry and special thanks to Father Bresnahan

Creation Care wishes to congratulate Father B. on his promotion to Pastor! And to thank you for your support for Creation Care over the years. We really enjoyed collaborating on a Creation Care podcast with you and Mary C. You embraced planting with the teens at Workcamp Service Day, interacted with the raptors at the Parish Festival and posed with your new reusable water bottle! Even though it says Nativity on it, we hope you will take it with you and hint that it is time for St. Leo's to start a Creation Care Ministry! You were wonderful about promoting the Fair Trade Markets and due to your enthusiasm, the llamas always sold out!

We wish you the absolute best in your new post but will miss you dearly. Thanks for being an advocate for God's Creation!

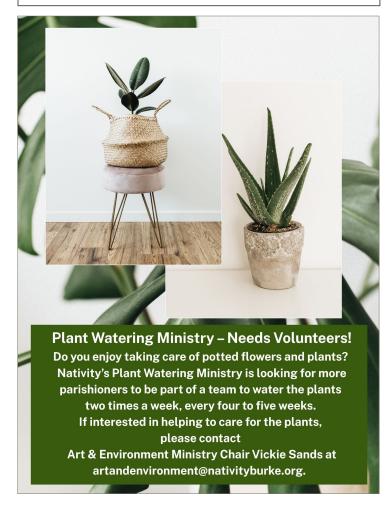
The Seven Sisters Apostolate

The Seven Sisters Apostolate is a call for women to strengthen the Church by ensuring that a Holy Hour is prayed each day of the week for the sole intention of our parish priests. It is a "holy wasting" or "lavishing of prayer" for their deeper conformity to Christ.

This apostolate is relatively new, having started in 2010 in Minnesota by Janette Howe. During a walk one day, it occurred to Janette that the very least she might do in gratitude for her priests' ever-generous pastoral care would be to offer a Holy Hour once a week for him. The rest is history! Learn more at sevensistersapostolate.org.

Three years ago, this Apostolate came to Nativity, and now we have Seven Sisters Apostolate prayer teams praying for our priests every day of the week! We also have a list of substitutes who are willing to offer a Holy Hour when called upon.

We will renew our commitment on Saturday morning, June 21st. We need a few more women willing to fill openings and be on the substitute list. It is simply just one hour a week, anytime during your day, an hour to spend with our Lord for your priest. The most ideal place to pray your Holy Hour is before the Blessed Sacrament exposed during Eucharistic Adoration, at any Catholic Church, or before the Tabernacle is also fine. Contact Linda at lindaloffredo@gmail.com for more information.



Share Your Heart-Teach a Child

Our Religious Education Program Needs Volunteers! Will You Answer the Call?

What does it mean to volunteer your time to teach a child?

- It means being the reason a child smiles with pride after learning something new.
- It means lighting a spark that could grow into a lifelong passion.
- It means showing a child that they matter—that someone believes

When you volunteer to teach, you're not just giving your time-You're giving love, faith, and the priceless gift of learning about God's love.

Our Religious Education Program is in need of caring, committed volunteers

to teach religious education and help guide children in their faith journey. You don't need to be a theologian—just someone with a kind heart, a little patience, and a love for sharing God's Word.

Your presence could be the turning point in a child's spiritual life. Are you ready to be that someone?

Sign up today to join our program and inspire young hearts in faith and love at: https://nativityburke.org/re/ For Questions, email us at: nativity.ccd@nativityschool.org

NOTE: All volunteers working with children

must complete Discosor Personal

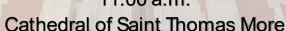
Assistant must complete Diocesan Paperwork and pass a background check.

We need:

- Catechists
- Office Volunteers
- SPRED Volunteers



Feast of Saint Thomas More Mass with Bishop Burbidge and Reception for Legal Community Sunday, June 22 11:00 a.m.





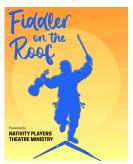


SAINT THOMAS MORE GUILD FOR CATHOLIC LEGAL PROFESSIONALS



Tickets for Nativity Players Theatre Ministry's Summer Musical, Fiddler on the Roof are now on sale!

Join Tevye the dairy man as he navigates love, faith, and upheaval in a small Russian village – with humor and heart. This timeless musical about tradition, family, and change includes unforgettable songs like "If I Were a Rich Man" and "Sunrise, Sunset."



Performances are: July 17-19 and 25, 26 For ticket prices and times visit tickets.nativitytheatre.org



Pro-Life Corner:

"I'm 15. Can I get the abortion pill without my parents finding out?"

In a June 7 email from Kristan Hawkins, President of Students For Life, she indicated, "That's the title of an "Ask the Experts" article proudly published on Planned Parenthood's website, coaching young girls how to go behind their parents' backs to obtain Chemical Abortion Pills. Then, Planned Parenthood directs these teens to a website where they can search for an abortionist near them — or even "virtual providers" that will ship them the Chemical Abortion Pills, regardless if it's illegal...

Planned Parenthood is coming for America's children. And they're not asking you, me, OR EVEN THEIR PARENTS for "permission." As you may know, Planned Parenthood is the nation's largest abortionist. They committed 402,230 abortions last year, according to their most recent annual report. That's 1,102 precious little boys and girls snuffed out at the hands of Planned Parenthood abortionists every single day.

Increasingly, Planned Parenthood has trained its focus on grooming children as young as preschool... They know they need to constantly grow their list of "future customers" to stay in business. [C]onsider these examples:

>> Paid participation in "Sex Ed" camps. In Minnesota, Planned Parenthood offered teens aged 13-15 a \$150 gift card to attend a... "Sex Ed Summer Camp" last summer.

>> Coaching teens 15 years old and younger on how to obtain Chemical Abortion Pills behind their parents' backs. And... connects young women with funding for travel and logistics so they can commit an abortion without telling their parents.

>> Graphic Sex Education in schools. A Planned Parenthood affiliate partnered with the Reading, Pennsylvania school district to provide gender ideology-infused sexual education and run an after-school LGBTQ+ program where students and young adults participated in activities such as painting naked "transgender" bodies, Condom Olympics, and queer jeopardy.

>> Promoting radical gender ideology to children. Planned Parenthood's website suggests that children as young as preschool age can identify as "transgender."... And the drugs they are then giving to these gender-confused young people (that they make a profit off) are sterilizing them for life.

Planned Parenthood's goal is clear. They want to confuse young children about the purpose of sex and urge them to experiment sexually so the Abortion Goliath can fill their pipeline with future customers.

The good news is, Students for Life is already fighting back... by:

>> Kicking Planned Parenthood off Christian Campuses. We found 80 Christian schools ... have ties to the Abortion Industry... [and] forced over 70 schools to sever ties.

>> Exposing Planned Parenthood's LIES through bold billboard and online ad campaigns... upsetting the media's narrative that Planned Parenthood provides "health-care" and telling the truth that they prey on vulnerable young women and destroy lives.

>> Reaching students where they are – having conversations with thousands of self-proclaimed "pro-choice" and "on-thefence" students on a daily basis. Our team of highly-trained pro-life leaders is changing hearts and minds one conversation

Ultimately, if you and I ever expect to end abortion in America, we must end Planned Parenthood's influence with young people." Help save lives at https://studentsforlife.org/



TWO WORDS: "EGADS! THE NATIVITY YARD SALE IS ALMOST HERE!"

The Nativity Annual Yard Sale for Charity, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Father Vincent S. Sikora Council 7992, is Saturday, June 28, 2025. Collections of treasures will begin Saturday, June 21, 2025 and continue through Wednesday, June 25, 2025. Check our flyer on the Parish web site under "Upcoming Events" for treasures that are acceptable and non-acceptable. Your donations are tax-deductible and sincerely appreciated.

FOR FURNITURE PICK-UPS CALL 703-598-0698 or EMAIL NATIVITYYARDSALE@GMAIL.COM. ALL DONATIONS MUST BE IN GOOD CONDITION AND ACCEPTABLE (CHECK THE NON-ACCEPTABLE LIST ON THE PARISH WEBSITE)

Interested in helping with the yard sale. Volunteers are always welcome. No experience required. Sign-up to help with collections June 21st through June 27st at:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/
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Other volunteer opportunity questions?
Contact nativityyardsale@gmail.com.

Marriage Enrichment Ministry

PETERSON'S ICE CREAM & YARD GAMES & PLAYGROUND



Join for a relaxed summer gathering for couples and families. Enjoy Peterson's famous ice cream and the park for a picnic, yard games, basketball, and a playground for the kids. Bring your own picnic lunch, and come ready for fun and fellowship!

PETERSONS: 7148 MAIN ST, CLIFTON CLIFTON TOWN PARK: 7154 MAIN ST. CLIFTON



MASS INTENTIONS & MASS SCHEDULE

"We are God's People"
1 Peter 2:10

Monday, June 16th

7:30 am Father's Day Novena

Tuesday, June 17th

7:30 am Father's Day Novena 12:00 pm † Minnie Thornton

Wednesday, June 18h

7:30 am Father's Day Novena

3:00 pm † Monica Cardinale (Burke Healthcare)

Thursday, June 19th

9:00 am † Diane Reich 12:00 pm NO NOON MASS

Friday, June 20th

7:30 am Father's Day Novena

Saturday, June 21st

9:00 am Special Intention - 50th Wedding Anniversary

Robert Pflueger & Kathleen McArdle

5:00 pm Parishioners

7:00 pm Father's Day Novena

Sunday, June 22nd

7:00 am † Gustavo Balcazar Campos

In prayer, let us remember the sick and deceased of the parish visit nativityburke.org for the Priest Mass Schedule

THANK YOU FROM THE CCDA ST. LUCY PROJECT

Thanks again for another fantastic food drive! The early rain did not stop the volunteers from collecting over 10,000 pounds. We were able to collect 500 more pounds than this time last year, amazing!

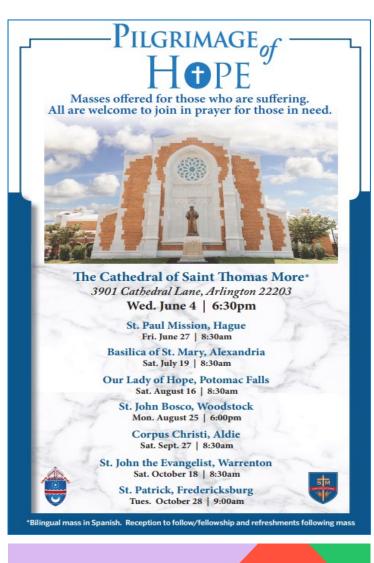
Totals collected: 11,358 in food pounds, \$90 in gift cards, \$3,485 in checks/cash

A big thank you to everyone at Nativity who helped make this another huge collection, the food is coming at a perfect time for us as we get ready for summer.











ATTENTION ALL COLLEGE STUDENTS



GMU CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY PRESENTS:

THURSDAY NIGHT GATHERINGS

THURSDAYS 7-9PM IN JUNE AND JULY

St. Robert Bellarmine Chapel 4515 Roberts Rd Fairfax, VA 22032



come for food, fun, and fellowship!
gmuccm.org @catholic.patriot

Pray the Pro-Life Rosary with Us!



When: Usually Fridays after Nativity's 7:30am Mass. Where: 900 S. Washington Street, Falls Church. Join Nativity in peacefully praying the Pro-Life Rosary on the sidewalk in front of the Falls Church abortion

facility for mothers in need and for the protection of human life. Contact rickloffredo@outlook.com to join us!

ART, DRAMA, MUSICAL THEATRE CAMPS for K-12 are nearing capacity

Nativity Parish is hosting Spotlight on the Arts
Summer Camps this July. At this time, both Art Camps are
FULL. However, there are still spots remaining in both Drama
Bootcamp and Broadway Spotlight accommodating ages
K - 12 as each camp creates classes by age divisions.
The camps are taught by professional Catholic educators very
accomplished in their area of expertise. Each week concludes
with either an Art Showcase or a Theatrical Performance by the
campers. There are discounts for families that enroll
3 or more kids! Learn more and register
at www.SpotlightSummerCamps.com.

ALTAR FLOWERS - Donated by

Sue Erskine In Loving Memory of Robert Sageley Erskine



Church Of the Nativity Parish Yard Sale for Charity Saturday, June 28 - 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM

6398 Nativity Lane, Burke, VA No strollers during sale -- All sales final



Donations collected at the Nativity cafeteria/Fr. Martin Center (gym)

SEE WEBSITE FOR ACCEPTABLE/NON-ACCEPTABLE ITEMS
PLEASE—ALL DONATED ITEMS MUST BE IN GOOD CONDITION!

Donation Drop-off Hours

Saturday, June 21	9:00 AM-2:00 PM
Sunday, June 22	2:00 PM-5:00 PM
Monday, June 23	10:00 AM-4:00 PM
Monday June 23-Wed. June 25	6:00 PM-9:00 PM
Thursday/Friday, June 26-27	NO DROP OFFS!

Furniture Pick-Up Requests

Call: 703-598-0698 or Email: nativityyardsale@gmail.com
(First floor or walk-out level only!!)

For more information please call: Dave Zivich 703-598-0698

CONNECT WITH NATIVITY BY DOWNLOADING THE FREE myParish APP





Nativity Parishioners can keep up to date with church events and notifications but you can also have access to prayers, readings, and reflections on your phone at all times.

This first-of-its-kind app for iOS and Android devices, myParish helps build stronger Catholic communities and better engage the New Evangelization. You can download it for free and just add Nativity Catholic Church, Burke VA in the search field for our parish. If you have any questions please call the parish office.

NO HANDS BUT YOURS MINISTRY



No Hands But Yours is an original Nativity Ministry doing God's work by serving those less fortunate members of His flock. We work distributing food, clothing, and personal items to the poor and homeless in DC and northern VA every Sunday morning, rain or shine.

We also have weekly trips into designated areas bringing Panera bread donations along with help from local food banks. Through the blessings of God, we have grown through our Nativity community and continue to do so. For more details visit the Nativity Parish website at https://nativityburke.org/service/ no-hands-but-yours/. Families are also welcomed! If you have interest in learning more and would like to participate in daily/ Sunday runs, please contact John Rubino at: john.albert.rubino@gmail.com.

ECHO Scholarships to NVCC

ECHO sponsors some financial aid scholarships for students who attend Northern Virginia Community College and who live in ECHO's service area. The scholarships of \$1,000 each can be used toward tuition, books and supplies Preference is given to students whose families are clients of ECHO, but the scholarships are not limited only to client families. The process for students to apply can be found at nvcc.edu/admissions/ financialaid/index.html. Even if a person is not yet enrolled at NVCC, there is no cost to get a student ID login to find out more about scholarship opportunities.

WOMEN OF NATIVITY - THANK YOU!!

The Women of Nativity would like to thank the parishioners of Nativity for another successful baby shower! In addition to a room full of diapers, wipes, baby clothes, carseats, pack & plays etc., we received \$3,000 in cash and gift cards all of which will be distributed to organizations supporting new mothers. Know that your generosity makes a difference.

A special shout out to several Nativity crafters who donated dozens of beautiful hand made items. May God Bless you all!







in Thanksgiving for the Gift of Human Life

Saturday, July 12 8:30 am

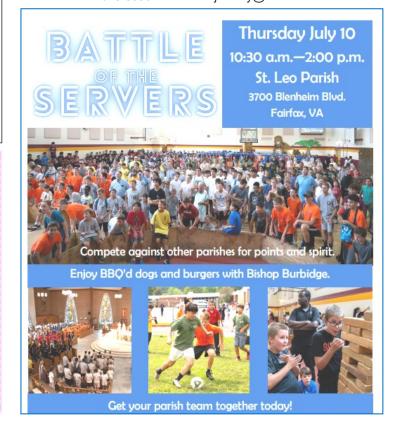
> St. John the Beloved Catholic Church

Most Rev. Michael F. Burbidge Rosary to follow on the sidewalk after Mass at Celebrant & Homilist

1949 Old Meadow Rd., McLean, VA

Office of Marriage, Family and Respect Life 703.841.2550 | familylife@arlingtondiocese.org | @arlingtonfamily

Interested in advertising in the bulletin? Call Mike Jurosky at 717-648-5996 or email: mjurosky@diocesan.com





WORKCAMP CONTRACTORS NEEDED

We are still in need of 3 adult contractors for WorkCamp this June - adults 21+ with basic home repair and maintenance skills. You do not need to be a licensed contractor in the professional sense. You would need to be available from Monday, June 23 -Thursday, June 26. Contact wc@nativityburke.org for more info.

See website for full schedule

Before attending, please register for the 2024-2025 year of ministry using our free, online forms.





& Friday 7:00-8:30 p.m.

See website for full schedule

Come join the Nativity Dames!

We are the wives, sisters, daughters, mothers of the men in the Knights of Columbus. Our purpose is to support and assist our Fr. Vincent Sikora council. Our fellowship and information meetings are held the 1st Tuesday of the month, at 7:30 pm, in the Fr. Ready room. The next meeting is August 3. For more info, please contact RoseAnne Zivich at brzivich@aim.com.

OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE AS VOLUNTEER DOCENT AT THE BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Are you looking for an opportunity to grow in your own faith and extend that gift to others through your personal witness and service to the Church? We invite you to become a Docent (Tour Guide)/Receptionist at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Hours and days are flexible, with an expectation of just a minimum of two 3-hour shifts per month. Our greatest need is for weekday mornings or afternoons. Training will be provided. Anyone interested should please contact Dee Steel, Director of Visitor Services, via phone at the Basilica at (202) 281-0611 or email dsteel@bnsic.org.

Nativity Catholic Church



EMAIL & TEXT SCAM ALERT

Nativity parishioners, please be aware of email scammers posing as Nativity priests. If you receive an email from any Nativity clergy urgently asking you for favors, money, gift cards or if you have a "moment", this is a scam. Please ignore and block the sender. If you have any questions, please contact the Nativity Parish office: (703) 455-2400

"But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth..." (JOHN 16:13)

It has been said that the best gift we can give someone is to teach them how to pray. If you don't talk and more importantly, listen, to God every day, how else will you know what He is calling you to do? Just as you talk to family and friends every day, get in the habit of talking with God every day. Develop a daily prayer routine. Keep your prayers simple and sincere. This is best done in silence, when you can hear God's response.



ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Must be at least one year out of high school

VACATION BIBLE CAMP | JUNE 17-20

Help our children in grades K-4 dive into the incredible journey of Moses – filled with faith, courage, and the hope of God's promises. Choose from volunteering with music, Bible stories, outdoors, art, science, and more. Must be available on Monday, June 16 for a planning day from 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Volunteer shift is 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. during camp.

CAMP ON THE EDGE | JUNE 17-20

Accompany our middle schoolers as they engage in service projects in the community. Focused on Catholic Social Teaching, this camp helps teens put their faith into action. Must be available on Sunday, June 15 for a planning meeting from 3:00 - 5:30 p.m. Volunteer shift is 1:00-5:00 p.m. during camp.

Register on the parish website

Contact Rebecca Judge, Director of Youth Ministry vbc@nativityburke.org



NATIVITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Nativity A Blue Ribbon School of Excellence nativityschool.org



Onward to Their Next Adventure

After a morning filled with Graduation Festivities, including the Pass-It-On Ceremony, the Walk of Fame, and the Parade of Honor, our graduating Eighth Graders and their families spent the day in fun and fellowship -- up until 7:00 p.m. that very evening, when they were due back to Nativity to graduate!

We began the evening celebration with a beautiful Mass, the 2025 Graduation Ceremony opened, where our Eighth Graders took their seats together at the front of the Church. Our Class Valedictorian, Anthony Licud, delivered his speech, recalling the class' special moments experienced – and very special people encountered – over their years spent at Nativity.

The Star Award is presented each year to an eighth-grade student, who best exemplifies the ideals of good citizenship, and lives Nativity's commitment to God's message: Christian fellowship and service to the community.

The recipient has a strong academic work ethic, as well as strong morals and values. The 2025 recipient of The Star Award: Anthony Licud. Congratulations!!







********** Love working with children? Consider serving as First Grade

Assistant for the 2025-2026 school year at Nativity... Candidates must satisfy the following minimum qualifications:

• 2-plus years of college

- Ability to follow a lesson plan and give effective instructions in the absence of the teacher
- Proficiency in maintaining effective classroom management
- Successful completion of Virtus training
- Successful background check
- Adherence to Safety Protocols

To apply, email Rich Godwin at rgodwin@nativityschool.org.

Yes, Catholic education is worth the investment! **Nativity Catholic School is committed to making Catholic** education accessible to those who desire it, and offers financial assistance to make their dream come true.





Linktree Universal Sign-up Link - Volunteer for an event! Scroll down to view all event. https://linktr.ee/fr_sikora_council_7992.

Council Meetings: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays. First meeting is a business meeting, the second meeting of the month is devoted to faith formation. Rosary 7:15PM; meeting at 7:30PM. Fellowship follows. Meet in the Nativity school cafeteria.

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Corpus Christi Procession: Sunday, June 22. We need volunteers to carry the canopy. See SUG on LinkTree. Vacation Bible School BBQ: Friday, June 20. Looking for volunteers to grill hamburgers and hot dogs, 4:30 PM - 7:00

PM. See SUG on LinkTree.

Yard Sale: Our biggest event of the year! Calling all brother
Knights to volunteer. The sale is on Saturday, June 28, but there are supporting events starting June 19. Collections will be June 21-25. See SUGs on LinkTree.

Food for Others: Volunteer for food distribution to the poor, delivered on designated Thursday or Friday evenings. For Thursdays, contact Br. Mark Sawyer at sawyerkoc7992@verizon.net. Fridays, contact Br. Matt

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Sunday Mass Coffee and Cookies: We are providing coffee Handy Mass Contee and Cookies: We are providing contee and cookies following Sunday morning Masses. See Linktree. Handy Knights Ministry: Parishioners unable to perform basic maintenance tasks or small home repairs due to health or other factors, contact the "Handy Knights." Email handyknightsofnativity@gmail.com.

The Fraternal Committee: Brothers helping brothers in need

of assistance. Brothers and their families (living and deceased) in need of a helping hand, contact Br. John Landy at

navyy8@yahoo.com. 3rd Degree Knights: Grow with 4th Degree - participate in patriotic activities that promote Catholic citizenship. 4th Degree Assembly meets the second Tuesday of the month in the Nativity school cafeteria: 7:30 PM rosary, 7:45 pm business meeting followed by fellowship. If you are interested, please contact our Faithful Navigator Mark Corzine at fn2996@vakofc.org. **Join the Knights!** The Knights of Columbus is an international Order of Catholic men who are called to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others, and defend values in a busy changing world. Join today at https://www.kofc.org/joinus. Your dues will be free for one year: Be sure to enter our council #7992 and the code BLESSEDMCGIVNEY when you register.

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¿La fe es amor o normas? La Fe

Ser cristiano es un modo de pensar y de vivir que comprende al hombre en su totalidad.

Por: P. Fernando Pascual LC | Fuente: Catholic.net

Muchos católicos piensan su fe cristiana en clave dicotómica. Por un lado, encuentran en ella una espiritualidad bellísima, un mensaje maravilloso, una esperanza y un proyecto para vivir sólo en el amor. Por otro, ven una serie de mandamientos y de "normas" que sienten como una camisa de fuerza o como tijeras que cortan las alas de sus sueños y que impiden vivir según el progreso de la sociedad.

En realidad, los mandamientos que Dios nos ha dado y las normas que la Iglesia nos ofrece no son obstáculos, sino parte misma de la respuesta de amor que nace de la fe en el Evangelio.

Porque ser cristiano no es sólo creer que Dios nos ama, que Cristo nos ofrece la salvación con su entrega en la cruz. Ni es sólo rezar en los momentos de dificultad para pedir ayuda, o en los momentos de alegría para reconocer que los dones vienen de Dios. Ni es sólo entrar en una iglesia para las "grandes ocasiones": un bautizo, un matrimonio, un funeral...

Ser cristiano es un modo de pensar y de vivir que comprende al hombre en su totalidad. Desde que suena el despertador o alguien nos grita que nos levantemos, hasta el momento de acostarnos, cuando apenas tenemos fuerzas para colocar la camisa en el armario.

Es, por lo tanto, falsa la dicotomía que lleva a muchos a aceptar algunos aspectos espirituales de su fe cristiana y a dejar de lado las exigencias concretas de esa misma fe. Porque la fe en Dios llega a todos los ámbitos de la vida: lo que uno piensa ante el espejo, lo que uno dice en el teléfono, lo que uno hace con el poco o mucho dinero de su cuenta bancaria, lo que uno comenta ante un amigo, lo que uno hace o no hace en el trabajo, lo que uno ve y piensa ante la televisión, lo que uno come o deja de comer.

Sería triste caminar en la vida con la falsa idea de que podemos declararnos católicos sólo porque así lo creemos y lo decimos ante una encuesta pública. Porque un católico lo es de verdad cuando, desde su fe, esperanza y caridad, lucha día a día para poner en práctica el Evangelio y para acoger las enseñanzas que nos vienen del Papa y de los obispos, es decir, de los sucesores de los Apóstoles y defensores del gran tesoro de nuestra fe.

Por eso mismo también es incoherencia y falsificación de la fe cristiana el cumplir escrupulosamente normas y reglas, mandamientos y Derecho canónico, con un corazón frío, con un espíritu fariseo, con faltas enormes al mandamiento del amor.

Las obras valen sólo cuando están sumergidas en una fe profunda y en una caridad auténtica. De lo contrario, caemos en formalismos que poco a poco marchitan el alma y nos llevan a caminar sin la alegría profunda de quien vive en un continuo trato de intimidad con un Dios que nos mira, de verdad, como hijos muy amados.

Hay que superar la esquizofrenia del espíritu que separa la fe y las obras, la piedad y el trabajo, la espiritualidad y el compromiso serio por el Evangelio. No basta decir "Señor, Señor" para ser sarmientos fecundos. Ni sirve para nada hacer mil acrobacias formalistas sin un corazón lleno de amor hacia nuestro Padre de los cielos y hacia cada compañero de camino.

Hoy podemos, con sencillez, con humildad, con la valentía del cristiano, decirle a Cristo: acojo tu Amor, Jesús. Quiero vivir según el Evangelio, quiero escuchar la voz de tus pastores, quiero que la caridad sea la luz que guíe cada uno de mis pasos, en lo grande y en lo pequeño...

The Importance of Sunday Mass

As the body will die without food, the soul will expire without nourishment. As Catholics, that spiritual nourishment comes at the Sunday Eucharist. The Lord's Day is essential for our faith. Make Sunday Mass the heart of your week.

15 de junio de 2025 La Santísima Trinidad "Pero cuando Él venga, el Espíritu de verdad, los guiará a toda la verdad..." (Juan 16:13)

Se ha dicho que el mejor regalo que podemos darte a alguien es enseñarle a rezar. Si usted no habla, y lo que es más importante, no escucha a Dios cada día, ¿de qué manera va a saber lo que Dios lo está llamando a hacer? Así como usted habla con su familia y amigos cada día, acostúmbrese a hablar con Dios diariamente. Desarrolle una rutina de oración diaria. Mantenga sus oraciones simples y sinceras. Es mejor hacerlo en silencio, de manera que pueda escuchar la respuesta de Dios.





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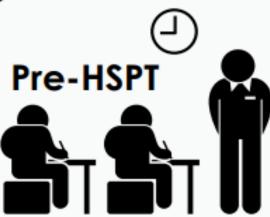
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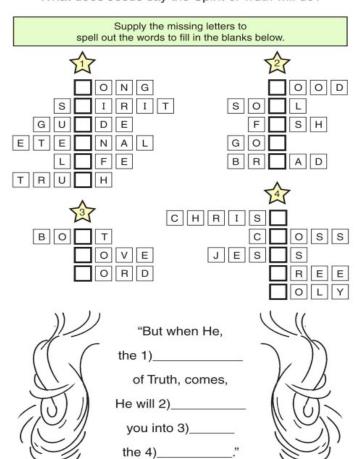


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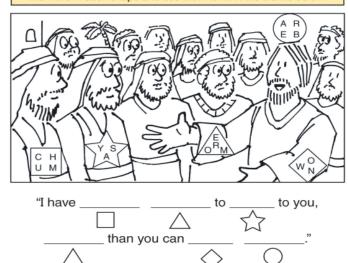
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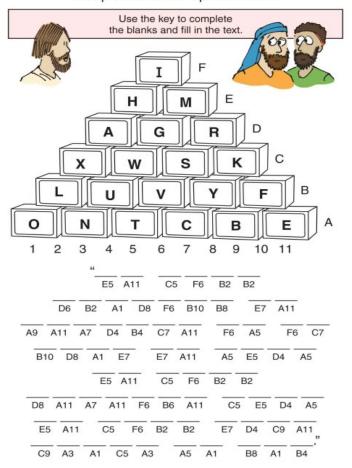
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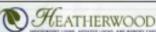


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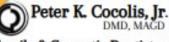




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