

NATIVITY'S ANNUAL BLUE MASS

As a community of faith, we do well to come together in prayer for protection and support of our First Responders. We welcome our Mayors, policemen, firefighters and government officials to our Cathedral this weekend for this special Mass. This Mass petitions protection from God for all who are engaged in the virtue of keeping peace, order and law in our communities.

STAINED GLASS WINDOW SERIES



As part of the 175th Anniversary Year, the next presentation of our stained-glass windows will take place on **Thursday, September 20, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the Cathedral Church**. We will examine the meaning of Window #9, Jesus and the Children. Fr. Dennis will give a

description of the symbolism and liturgical significance contained in the window; Edmond Boudreaux will provide a look at the window's donor, Albert B. Austin. **Please join us for this one-hour presentation.**

175th ANNIVERSARY PARISH DIRECTORY—DATE CHANGES

This weekend started our photo sessions for the 175th Anniversary Parish Directory. We still have two weekends of photos sessions to come. This is important to our Parish so if you have not scheduled your appointment yet, please do so. Reminder cards will be sent to each parishioner with your date and time for your photograph. For those NOT yet signed up, you still have time to go to the website nativitybvmcathedral.org, click on Lifetouch Family photo. You may call Jackie at 228-374-1717 for assistance in scheduling, or you are welcome to call Traci Kessler at 228-669-6171 to schedule. They will be able to let you know what dates and times are still available. Let's pull together and make this a success!

SAVE THE DATE!

On October 7, 2018, we will have a parish picnic at the Lighthouse Park. We will celebrate the 11:00 a.m. Mass at the park followed by a picnic. Please come and let us celebrate 175 years together.

SECOND THURSDAY ADORATION

Our regular Second Thursday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for vocations will take place on Thursday, September 13th, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the Marian Chapel. Come spend an hour with the Lord in quiet prayer.

FATHER COLTEN AWAY

Fr. Colten will be away from the parish attending the National Conference of Diocesan Vocation Directors being held this year in Phoenix, AZ. He will depart on Saturday, September 15th and return on Friday, September 21st. Please pray for an increase in vocations to the Diocesan Priesthood.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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| Mon | Sep 10 | 1 Cor 5:108, Lk 6:6-11 |
| Tues | Sep 11 | 1 Cor 6:1-11, Lk 6:12-19 |
| Wed | Sep 12 | 1 Cor 7:25-31, Lk 6:20-26 |
| Thu | Sep 13 | 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13, Lk 6:27-38, Eph 4:1-7, 11-13, Mk 4:1-10, 13-20 |
| Fri | Sep 14 | Nm 21:4b-9, Phil 2:6-11, Jn 3:13-17 |
| Sat | Sep 15 | 1 Cor 10:14-22, Jn 19:25-27, Heb 5:7-9 |
| Sun | Sep 16 | Is 50:5-9a, Jas 2:14-18, Mk 8:27-35 |



YOUR SUNDAY TITHING AND CONTRIBUTIONS

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| Regular Collections | \$ | 8,162.41 |
| Maintenance | \$ | 535.00 |
| Capital Improv. | \$ | 262.00 |
| Nativity Elem. | \$ | 27.00 |
| Misc. | \$ | 1,573.90 |
| TOTAL COLLECTION | \$ | 10,560.31 |

Thank you for your contributions!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sep 10** **Women of Mary, 5:30 p.m.**
- Sep 11** **Men of St. Joseph, 7:00 a.m. – SHC**
BINGO, 5:30 p.m.
RCIA, 6:00 p.m. in SHC
- Sep 12** **Cleaning Team "D"**
CCD, 5:30 p.m., SHC
Choir Practice, 7:00 p.m.
- Sep 13** **Greenbriar Mass at 10:00 a.m.**
Second Thursday Adoration, 6:00 p.m., Chapel
- Sep 14** **Mom's Bible Study, 10:30 a.m., SHC**

CCD

CCD classes begin on Wednesday, September 12, in the Sacred Heart Center, from 5:30-6:30 pm. We look forward to seeing all of the children!

LIFE TEEN LifeTeen is coming to Nativity Parish for our

Youth in grades 6-12! LifeTeen will be a combination of our CCD and Youth Ministry program. It will meet on Wednesdays, from 5:30-6:30, in the Sacred Heart Center. LifeTeen is a Eucharist-centered movement within the Catholic Church, which leads teenagers and their families into a deeper relationship with Jesus and His Church. With the Blessed Virgin Mary as our intercessor and guide, LifeTeen seeks to unleash the fullness of the Sacramental power present within the young Church. We hope that all Youth, in grades 6-12, in our parish will join this exciting movement! Registration will take place this weekend after Mass, or you can register on Wednesday, September 5, from 5:30-6:30, in the Sacred Heart Center.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation is an invitation for adults to explore their interests, or to enhance their knowledge, in the Roman Catholic Church. The R.C.I.A. lays out a process in which men and women are guided and cared for as they awaken in faith and are gradually introduced to the Catholic way of life. The Nativity Parish will begin R.C.I.A. classes again on September 11th. Participants will meet weekly for nine months in the Sacred Heart Center. If you are interested, please contact Greg or Penny Payne at 228-365-6348 to register.

| EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS | LECTORS | ALTAR SERVERS |
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| Sep 15 4:00 pm 1. Deacon Martin 2. Deacon 3. Helen Languirand 4. Kathleen Coskey 5. Jim Coskey | Sep 15 4:00 pm Jim Compton | Sep 15 4:00 pm Cayden Cannon Simon Randall |
| Sep 16 7:00 am 1. Marcia Mayfield 2. Linda Stewart 3. Nancy Powell | Sep 16 7:00 am Joe Powell | Sep 16 7:00 am Wyeth Stewart Alex Stewart |
| 9:00 am | Liz Wilkinson | 9:00 am |
| 1. Deacon Martin 2. Traci Kessler 3. Michael Kessler 4. John Brauchle 5. Maggie Landry | 11:00 am | Trent Fulton |
| 11:00 am | Daliance Kirkland-Ross | Annabelle Landry Veronika Landry Julia Landry |
| 1. Deacon Martin 2. Judy Steckler 3. Sandy Steckler 4. Marianne Sherman 5. John Sherman | 5:30 pm | 11:00 am |
| 5:30 pm | Kristy Arguelles | McRae Ross Sabree Puz Brennan Tarrant Aiden Tarrant |
| 1. Angela Cannon 2. Kristy Arguelles | CANTORS | 5:30 pm |
| | Sep 15 4:00 pm Lauren D. Clarke | Jacob Arguelles Nicholas Arguelles Dylan Mitchell |
| | Sep 16 9:00 am Elizabeth Cobb Cathedral Choir | |
| | 11:00 am | |
| | Rocky Greathouse | |

| | 6:30 AM | 8:00 AM |
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| Mon Sep 10 | Int. of Extension Society | Jacinto/Norine Baltar |
| Tue Sep 11 | Johnny Carver | Ann Tarrant |
| Wed Sep 12 | Josh Bozeman | Anthony Topazi |
| Thur Sep 13 | Fern Dubaz O'Neal | Althea Thibodeaux |
| Fri Sep 14 | Johnny Carver | Glenn/Joyce Pisarich |
| Sat Sep 15 | 8 Collins-Sims Fly. 4 | Andrew/Jackie Gilich |
| Sun Sep 16 | 7-F. Walker/Irene C. Tucei 9- | F. T. P. |
| | 11-Noel Obert 5:30 | Collins-Sims Fly. |

PLEASE KEEP OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS

Patrick Ryan, Nick Pass, Cooper Williams, Sue and Gene Daudelin, Lesa Walker-Kirkman, Rose Collins, Elie Hebert, Jerry Ellis, Hugh Kavanagh, Lehwmom Skrmetti, Buddy Pullen, Helen Gutierrez, Annette Luther, Macklin Holloway, Mary Wimberly, Candy Widener, Tiffany Whitehead, Lena Marchioni, Holly Hill, Georgia Bellais Dominick, Maxine Kiddinger, Marie Manning, Betty Hilton, Mickey Bradley, Cheryl Terry, Gwen Gollott, Greg Hotaling, Jack Joachim, Jr., Michael Zorich, Sr. Fatima Starks and Karen Skremetta.

NATIVITY BVM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

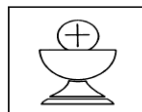
*Grandparents of Nativity School children and Wisdom People of the Parish...you are invited to a special Mass and celebration on Thursday, September 20th at 9:00 a.m. in the school gym.

*Tickets are still available for Nativity BVM School's \$30,000 give-away. Tickets are \$100 and provide the purchaser ten chances to win \$3,000. To purchase a ticket, please contact any Nativity School parent or contact the school office at 432-2269. The drawings will be held on the first Thursday of most months at 5:30 p.m. *Special after school activities are already in action including: Children's Choir, Cantor Academy, Violin and Instrumental Lessons, Arts Alive, Scouting programs, Robotics and more. We are so grateful to the many adults who are involved in leading these programs for our students.

CATHOLIC MOM'S BIBLE STUDY

Join fellow parish moms for a Bible Study/Play Group. We meet on Fridays at 10:30 a.m., in our Sacred Heart Center. Children are welcome! Please call Keelin Cromar at 240-401-8236 for more information.

COMMUNION VISITATION



Jesus says of you and me, "You are the salt of the earth". No one should be deprived of the Most Holy Eucharist because they are homebound, elderly, have no means of getting to Mass and/or sick in their home. Sister Jackie Tarrant, RSM will gladly bring the Eucharist to you in your home. Together we can be "salt of the earth". Sister can be reached at the rectory at 228-374-1717.

BINGO MANIA:

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday. The following families are scheduled for September 11th, 2018: Stanley (Robert & Remelyn), Stevenson (Mark & Chere), Stoddard (Bryan & Kerry), Stoddard (Clay & Jody), Strayham (Nicholas & Tracie), Sullivan (John & Valerie) and Tarrant (Gerald & Alicia). **REMEMBER! If you are unable to attend, it is your responsibility to secure a replacement.**

PRAYER FOR PROTECTION FROM HURRICANES

Father, may all the elements of nature obey Your command. Calm the storms that threaten us and turn our fear of Your power into praise of Your goodness. Grant this, through Our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

From the Music & Fine Arts Ministry:

SANCTUARY CHOIR SCHEDULE: Sunday, September 16th - 9 a.m. Sunday, September 23rd - 11:00 a.m.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR SCHEDULE: Sunday, September 23rd - 9 a.m. Student Cantors: Ava Stoddard & Emma Theobald.

WELCOME GUEST INSTRUMENTALISTS: Saturday, September 8th - 4:00 p.m. Mass - 175 Anniversary Celebration with Vespers with the Cathedral Choir and Instrumental Ensemble: Violin I - Dr. Sasha Ferreira, Violin II - Gosia Leska, Flute - Mary Ann Holt and Trumpet - Natalie Hughes.

Sunday, September 9th - Blue Mass - 11 a.m. with Guest Bagpiper - John Spivey. There is always a seat for you in our Cathedral Choir &/or Community Chorale Program. **"Gloria In Excelsis"**. If you are interested in sharing a talent or singing in one of our choral programs - or just have a thought or comment you'd like to share -please contact: Terry D. Maddox, M.M. - terrydalemaddox@gmail.com &/or 251 406-1454.



YOU MAY BE MISSING SOMETHING:

Many of our Parishioners are missing the opportunity to hear the Mass in an uninterrupted, clear, distinct voice by not taking advantage of the hearing loop which has been installed in our Cathedral

for your use. Ask anyone you see using these devices and they will give you a first hand assessment of the device. The receivers are available at every Mass. Ushers will assist you in locating them.

WELCOME ST. PATRICK HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS:

On Wednesday, September 19, 2018 students from St. Patrick High School will attend a retreat at Nativity's Sacred Heart Center. Let us join together in asking our Lord to guide and protect our students.