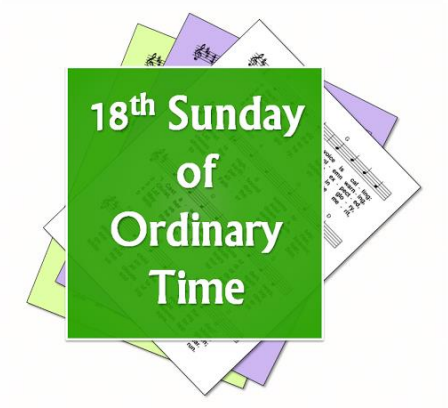
Nativity B.V.M. July 31, 2022
18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



WE ARE TO SEEK THE THINGS THAT ARE ETERNAL

Today's Scriptures draw our attention away from the passing things of this world and toward the things of heaven. We gather on this, the Lord's Day, to turn our hearts and minds toward Christ as we celebrate his loving presence in our midst and the hope of life eternal.

PLEASE KEEP OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS

Mary Parker, Allen Tye, Sr. Jackie Tarrant, Amy Elizabeth Wheeler, Keaton Morano, Lynn Frisby, Charlie Arguelles, Helen Languirand, Robert Moniot, Susan Gary Sigurnjak, Lee Slater, Bob Kridle, Paul Vitale, Steve Lyons, Michael J. Kessler, Charles Wesley Ryan, Jr., Ansley Jones, Sondra Fox, Tommy Ardoline, Robert McClellan, Dr. David and Aimee Dugger, Larry Kostmayer, Ansley Gilich, Adonna Creel Currie, Jackie Clark, Ivan Kovacevich, Peter Skrmetta, Kay Semski, Kevin Kavanagh, Carolyn Urbanoto, Mable Viator, Buck O'Gea, Nick Pass, Sue and Gene Daudelin, Lesa Walker-Kirkman, Lehwmon Skrmetti, Annette Luther, Macklyn Holloway, Mary Wimberly, Tiffany Whitehead, Holly Hill, Georgia Bellais Dominick, Mickey Bradley, Greg Hotaling, Jack Joachim, Jr. and all of our Homebound Parishioners.

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.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon	**Aug 01**	Jer 28:1-17, Mt 14:13-21, Rom 8:1-4, Mt 5:13-19
Tue	**Aug 02**	Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22, Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10--14
Wed	**Aug 03**	Jer 31:1-7, Jer 31:10-12b, 13, Mt 15:21-28
Thu	**Aug 04**	Jer 31:31-34, Mt 16:13-23, Ez 3:17-21, Mt 9:35—10:1
Fri	**Aug 05**	Na 2:1, 3;3:1-3, 6-7, Dt 32:35c-36b, 39abvd, 41, Mt 16:24-28
Sat	**Aug 06**	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14, 2 Pt 1:16-19, Lk 9:28b-36
Sun	**Aug 07**	Wis 18:6-9, Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12, Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

YOUR SUNDAY TITHING AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Regular Collections	$	15,869.89
Maintenance	$	924.00
Capital Improvement	$	1,065.00
Nativity Elem.	$	125.00
Miscellaneous	$	480.00
TOTAL COLLECTION	**$**	18,463.89

Thank you for your generous contributions!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Mon.	**Aug 01**	Adoration, Chapel at 7:00 -7:55 a.m. Women of Mary, 5:30 p.m.
Tues.	**Aug 02**	Men of St. Joseph, 7:00 a.m. RCIA, SHC, 6:00 p.m. Bingo Mania, 5:30 p.m.
Wed.	**Aug 03**	C**leaning TEAM A**
Thur.	**Aug 04**	Adoration, Chapel, 6-7 pm

Nativity BVM Catholic School

The start of school is right around the corner. We look forward to seeing our saints for Meet the Teacher on Thursday, August 4th from 3:30-5:30. The first day of school is Friday, August 5th. Please keep our school in your prayers as we embark on a new school year!

MASS INTENTIONS

As Catholics, we believe the Mass is the highest act of worship — the greatest form of prayer. Every Mass is a participation in the one, infinite sacrifice of Jesus Christ to save us from our sins.

Having a Mass said for our deceased loved ones, a loved one suffering from illness or possibly battling something in their life, is a beautiful gift to give to them; more so, any individual can ask for Mass to be celebrated for special intention.

A great doctor of the Church, St. Anselm, declares that a single Mass offered for oneself during life may be worth more than a thousand celebrated for the same intention after death.

If you would like to have a special Mass said for someone, please contact the Church Rectory to schedule a Mass. The stipend is $10 per Mass.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS
Aug 06 **4:00 pm** Sondra Ahern	**Aug 06** **4:00 pm** Bill Lawson	**Aug 06** **4:00 pm** McKinzy Lawson Iris Ellis
Aug 07 **7:00 am** Linda Stewart	**Aug 07** **7:00 am** Marcia Mayfield	**Aug 07** **7:00 am** Wyeth Stewart Alex Stewart
9:00 am Belinda Corley	**9:00 am** Peter Abide	**9:00 am** Sam Burke Harper Corley Ramsey Strayham
11:00 am Sandy Steckler	**11:00 am** Tarrants	**11:00 am** Tarrant Family Kaylin Smith Aleigh Gruich
5:30 pm Teresa Ballinger	**5:30 pm** Laura Johnson	**5:30 pm** Olivia Codella
	CANTORS	
	Aug 06 **4:00 pm** Michael Kessler	
	Aug 07 **9:00 am** Chantel Pilet	
	11:00 am Elizabeth Cobb	

BINGO MANIA

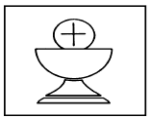
Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday August 2, 2022. The following families are scheduled for August 2, 2022: Strayham (Nicholas & Tracie), Sullivan (John & Valerie), Talley (Bart & NiCole), Tenoria (James & Shelia), Thames (Jermy & Andrea) and Viglianco (Matthew & Robin). **If you are unable to attend, it is your responsibility to secure a replacement.**

NATIVITY BVM CATHEDRAL & "MY PARISH": Our Cathedral now has an App called "My Parish" for communicating with our congregational family. This App provides a whole host of information & details pertaining to the life and activities of our Church. Schedules, events, concerts, messages from our Clergy, the weekly bulletin and more are all available on this new feature. To download this is quick and can be completed in seconds by texting APP to **55321**. This is free to all. If you need assistance or have further questions – contact Mrs. Tracie Strayham at tracie@lameyelectric.com or call – 228 424-3205.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The SVdP provides assistance each Tuesday from 8:30-10:30 a.m. For those wishing to make regular contributions, envelopes are located in the vestibule. We also value your one time gift! Your continued support helps to ensure SVdP is able to provide support for those in need.

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. Please contact the parish office at 228-374-1717. Together we can be "salt of the earth".

HEAR MASS WITH CLARITY

Do you have trouble hearing or distinctly understanding Mass? If so, we have a treat for you. Our Cathedral parish has the hearing loop system for use by all persons who wear hearing aids, have cochlear implants or are hard of hearing. Pick up a receiver in the back of the church from an usher and be surprised at how clearly you can hear.

		6:30 AM		8:00 AM
Mon	**Aug 01**	Gwen Gollotte		Linden Braisher
Tue	**Aug 02**	Cissie Cavanaugh		Tucei Family
Wed	**Aug 03**	George Cavanaugh (S.I.)		Collins-Sims Family
Thu	**Aug 04**	Talmadge Nebraska Burton (S.I.)		Jacinto/Norine Baltar
Fri	**Aug 05**	Linden Brashier		Joyce & Glenn Pisarich
Sat	**Aug 06**	Intention of Donor	**4**	Linden Brashier
Sun	**Aug 07**	**7** Sr. Jackie Tarrant (S.I.)	**9**	FTP
		11:00 Linden Brashier	**5:30**	Roy Ebberman

FROM THE MUSIC & FINE ARTS MINISTRY:

Hymns/Sacred Songs for Saturday, July 30th - 4 pm Mass & Sunday, July 31st - 9 & 11 am Masses – 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Opening Hymn:	"For the Beauty of the Earth"	# 611
Offertory Hymn:	"Be Thou My Vision"	# 398
Communion Song:	"Take and Eat"	# 358
Recessional Song:	"Lead Me, Lord"	# 739

Cantors:	Saturday	4 pm	KC Arnold
	Sunday	9 am	Dennis Burke
		11 am	Jordan Lancon

CATHEDRAL CHOIR: The Cathedral Choir will be on Summer Hiatus until mid-August.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS – CHORAL SOCIETY: The Choral Society will be on Summer Hiatus until mid-August.

OPENING OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS: The annual "Opening of Catholic Schools" Mass will be this coming Wednesday, August 3rd at 10 am. Nativity BVM Children's Choir will again join in sharing in this celebration. Our Diocese Schools begin their school year this coming Friday, August 5th. Please pray for our Principal – Traci Kessler, our teachers/staff and student body and their families as we begin again – another exciting and promising year.

"PRAY FOR OUR MUSIC AND FINE ARTS MINISTRIES":

As the academic year begins, we are in preparation for all of our programming for the Cathedral's Music and Fine Arts Ministry. Please prayerfully consider becoming an active member in one of our offerings. And please pray for the success, growth and offerings of our Ministry.

"CAN YOU HELP?": The warmth and friendly environment of any Church and Congregation is one of the many factors that causes a visitor to considering joining a new congregation. We are in need of folks to serve as Greeters and Ushers for many of our weekend Masses. Would you consider becoming a volunteer in these vital ministry offerings? Please consider joining our teams and let the Rectory Office and/or a member of our Pastoral Staff know of your interest.