

Nativity B.V.M. MAY 14, 2023

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



THE HOLY SPIRIT IS GOD'S GIFT TO THOSE WHO FOLLOW HIM

All three readings today mention the reception and action of the Holy Spirit. Confirmation in the Spirit completes Christian initiation in Samaria. Jesus, the model of Christian behavior, was brought to risen life in the Spirit. He bestows the Spirit of Truth on those who keep his commandments. As we approach the Eucharist, let us thank God for his gracious gift.



PLEASE KEEP OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS

Marie Portas, Rosalind D'Antoni, Sonja Jackson, Marianne Sherman, Aimee & Dr. David Dugger, Slade Lochner, Robert Cade, Anthony Porpiglia, Tom Peresich, Colton Vollmuth, Eileen Donovan, Joy Tucei, Josh Sniffen, Trent Hartzog, Dan Scott, Mary Parker, Sr. Jackie Tarrant, Amy Elizabeth Wheeler, Keaton Morano, Charlie Arguelles, Robert Moniot, Lee Slater, Paul Vitale, Steve Lyons, Charles Wesley Ryan, Jr., Sondra Fox, Tommy Ardoline, Ansley Gilich, Adonna Creel Currie, Jackie Clark, Ivan Kovacevich, Peter Skrmetta, Kay Semske, Kevin Kavanagh, Carolyn Urbanoto, 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 Bellias Dominick, Mickey Bradley, Greg Hotaling, Jack Joachim, Jr. and all of our Homebound Parishioners.

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.

NATIVITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWS

Nativity BVM Catholic School is now enrolling for the 23-24 school year. Applications for ACE Scholarships, which pay up to half of the tuition, are now open. To schedule a tour or to receive additional information, please contact Principal Traci Kessler at tkessler@nativitybvm.org or at 228-432-2269.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon	May 15	Acts 16:11-15, Jn 15:26—16:4a
Tue	May 16	Acts 16:22-34, Jn 16:5-11
Wed	May 17	Acts 17:15, 22—18:1, Jn 16:12-15
Thu	May 18	Acts 18:1-8, Jn 16:16-20
Fri	May 19	Acts 18:9-18, Jn 16:20-23
Sat	May 20	Acts 18:23-28, Jn 16:23b-28
Sun	May 21	Acts 1:1-11, Eph 1:17-23, Mt 28:16-20

YOUR SUNDAY TITHING AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Regular Collections	\$	9,246.00
Maintenance	\$	1,070.00
Capital Improvement	\$	376.00
Miscellaneous	\$	1,186.00

TOTAL COLLECTION \$ 11,878.00

Thank you for your generous contributions!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Mon.	May 15	Women of Mary, 5:30 p.m. Adoration, Chapel at 7:00 -7:55 a.m.
Tues.	May 16	Men of St. Joseph, 7:00 a.m. Bingo Mania, 5:30 p.m. RCIA, 6:00 p.m., SHC
Wed.	May 17	Cleaning TEAM D CCD 5:30 p.m. Liturgy Meeting, 5:30 p.m., SHC
Thur.	May 18	Adoration, 6:00 p.m.



We want to extend a Happy Mother's Day wish to all of the mothers and mothers-to-be in our Nativity Parish!

THE ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar Flowers this weekend are for Betty Hilton in honor of her birthday, from her husband and children.

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

This Sanctuary Lamp is lit this week in honor of Betty Hilton on Mother's Day.

Save the Date!!! Nativity B.V.M. Cathedral will hold our Vacation Bible School June 26 - 30, 2023, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon daily. The participant ages: Rising 1st graders - Rising 6th graders (just completed Kindergarten - 5th grade). Cost \$30 per child. Volunteers needed!!!! Rising 7th graders through Adults are welcome to join us and volunteer for 1 day, or all 5 days! Please contact Kristy Arguelles (228-324-9934) or Lauren Ellis (228-324-0447).

Teen A.C.T.S. Retreat (Adoration-Community-Theology-Service) will be held June 22-25, 2023, at Paul B. Johnson State Park. This is a GREAT retreat for high school students (rising 9th graders - graduating high school seniors). Please reach out to retreat team members from our parish if you have questions: Kristy Arguelles (228-324-9934), Jacob Arguelles, Terrence McDonald, Brett Mitchell, Michele Mitchell.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS
May 20 <u>4:00 pm</u> Deacon	May 20 <u>4:00 pm</u> Michael Bruffey	May 20 <u>4:00 pm</u> Iris Ellis Dalton Bounds
May 21 <u>7:00 am</u> Deacon	May 21 <u>7:00 am</u> David Gentile	May 21 <u>7:00 am</u> Tristan Davis Kingston Davis
<u>9:00 am</u> Deacon	Maggie Landry <u>9:00 am</u>	<u>9:00 am</u> Julia Landry Banks Ellis
<u>11:00 am</u> Deacon	Nativity Elem. <u>11:00 am</u>	<u>11:00 am</u> Sofia Carreon Tarrant Family
<u>5:30 pm</u> Deacon	Jordan Lancon <u>5:30 pm</u>	<u>5:30 pm</u> Nicholas Arguelles Patrick Arguelles
	CANTORS	
	May 20 <u>4:00 pm</u> KC Arnold	
	May 21 <u>9:00 am</u> Dennis Burke	
	CATHEDRAL CHOIR <u>11:00 am</u>	
	Nativity Children's Choir <u>5:30 pm</u>	
	Sabree Puz	

6:30 AM	8:00 AM
Mon May 15 Chester Balias Family	Victor Mavar
Tue May 16 Earl Hammond	Tucei Family
Wed May 17 Victor Mavar	Collins-Sims Family
Thu May 18 Gerald Songe	Walter and Audrey Wilkes
Fri May 19 Robert Moniot (S.I.)	Glenn & Joyce Pisarich
Sat May 20 Robert Moniot (S.I.) <u>4 PM</u>	Gabe & Doris Kasovich
Sun May 21 <u>7</u> Trudy Obert <u>9</u>	FTP
11:00 Brothers Jordan & Gary (S.I.) <u>5:30</u>	Victor Mavar

Hymns/Sacred Songs for Saturday, May 13th - 4 p.m. and Sunday, May 14th - 9, 11 am & 5:30 pm Masses for the Sixth Sunday of Easter:

Opening Hymn:	"Sing With All The Saints In Glory"	# 595
5:30 pm	"10,000 Reasons"	# 562
Offertory Hymn:	"Song of Mary"	# 698
Communion Song:	"Eat This Bread"	# 325
5:30 pm	"Peace Is Flowing Like A River"	# 541
Recessional Song:	"Let There Be Peace On Earth"	# 533

Cantors:	Saturday 4 pm	KC Arnold
	Sunday 9 am	Michel Kessler
	11 am	Elizabeth Cobb + Cathedral Choir
	5:30 pm	Jordan Lancon

RITE OF CANDIDACY/INSTITUTION OF LECTORS:

Sunday, May 14th at 11 am: We welcome to the Cathedral the families and friends that are joining us today in the celebration of the "Rite of Candidacy" & "Institution of Lectors" Mass Celebration at our 11 am Mass. This Mass will be celebrated by our Bishop Louis F. Kihneman, III and Fr. Adam Urbaniak.

REMEMBER:

Please pray for our Rector – Fr. Godfrey Andoh as he is away on a pilgrimage to follow the Apostle Paul's footsteps in Greece for the next two weeks.

NATIVITY BVM CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Sunday, May 21st at 9 am: We will welcome our Nativity Elementary School in the 9 am Mass celebration at the Cathedral of the day. Our Children's Choir will join the Fifth Grade to offer the School's last Cathedral Mass celebration of the academic School Year. Our Children's Cantors will be Harper Lamey and Shiellynna Tenoria.

Sunday, May 21st at 2 pm: Our Children's Choir will join the Cathedral's "Gloria In Excelsis" Choral Society to present a Concert for the Armed Forces Retirement Home in Gulfport, Mississippi today.

MUSIC MINISTRY – CHORAL PROGRAM:

"Gloria In Excelsis" – We continue our rehearsals on Tuesday evenings beginning at 6:45 p.m. in the Youth Ministry Hall. We are currently preparing music for a "Pops/Easy Listening & Patriotic" combined series of concerts.

"The Cathedral Choir" – We continue our rehearsals on Wednesday evenings on the stage of the SHC at 6:30 p.m. We will sing through the month of May and then begin our summer hiatus.

"YOUTH CHOIR": Our Youth Choir welcomes new members at any time throughout the year. We rehearse on the stage in the SHC at 4:30 pm and sing for the 5:30 pm Mass every Sunday evening.

All choirs/ensembles listed here are in need of new members and welcome any interested singers to join us at any time throughout the year! All that's needed is a desire to try and a willingness to share and give! God will do the rest!

NEXT "LITURGY/MUSIC~FINE ARTS" COMMITTEE MEETING: Wednesday, May 17th at 5:30 p.m. in the Great Hall Meeting area in the SHC.

Eucharistic Revival Small Group Contemplation

The Eucharistic Revival Team invites you to join with other parishioners to discuss and reflect on the true meaning of the Eucharist. Meetings are meant to be casual, no-pressure talks about the core of our faith. The revival team can help you find a group and will supply materials created by the USCCB. Sign-up sheets are located in the back of the church. Fill-out and return and you will be contacted by a team member.

NEW TO THE PARISH?

If you are a recently registered new parishioner or if you are interested in joining our community – we extend a very warm word of "Welcome!" to you. We would love the opportunity to speak with you! Please contact the Rectory Office at 228-374-1717 and leave your name and contact information and Deacon Keith Gibson and/or a member of our "Welcome to the Parish" Team will contact you to aid you in learning more about us and we about you. We are delighted that you are with us! Also, do not hesitate to speak with a clergy or staff member of the Cathedral for further information as well!

BINGO MANIA

Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday May 16, 2023. Following families are scheduled for May 16, 2023: Rasmussen (Richard & Kimberly), Rensch (Terri), Richards (Sally), Rider (Jason & Rose), Saunders (Nicole), Sims (Misha), Smith (Scot & Alexandra) & Snyder (Tommy & Alexandra). **If you are unable to attend, it is your responsibility to secure a replacement.**



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.