

Nativity B.V.M. DECEMBER 24, 2023

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



PLEASE KEEP OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS

Terry Fordemwalt, Josh Sniffen, Beth Rush, Gene Endris, Matthew Centifanto, Maureen Moniot, Patsy Merrill, Connie Galle, Robert Baucan, Skip and Marie Portas, Katherine Rester, Glynn Clark, Jennifer Fink, Anne Godlewski, Robert Barq, George Ziz, Rosalind D'Antoni, Aimee & Dr. David Dugger, Slade Lochner, Robert Cade, Anthony Porpiglia, Colton Vollmuth, Eileen Donovan, Joy Tucei, Josh Sniffen, Trent Hartzog, Mary Parker, Sr. Jackie Tarrant, Amy Elizabeth Wheeler, Keaton Morano, Robert Moniot, Lee Slater, Steve Lyons, Charles Wesley Ryan, Jr., Sondra Fox, Tommy Ardoline, Ansley Gilich, Adonna Creel Currie, Jackie Clark, Ivan Kovacevich, Peter Skrmetta, Kay Semski, 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.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULES

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2023, CHRISTMAS EVE

7:00 A.M. MASS IN THE CATHEDRAL
11:00 A.M. MASS IN THE CATHEDRAL
4:00 P.M. MASS IN THE CATHEDRAL
4:00 P.M. MASS IN THE SACRED HEART CENTER
11:00 P.M. CATHEDRAL

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2023, THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

CHRISTMAS DAY

10:00 A.M. MASS IN THE CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2023, NEW YEAR'S EVE

7:00 A.M. MASS IN THE CATHEDRAL
11:00 A.M. CATHEDRAL
4:00 P.M. MASS IN THE CATHEDRAL
11:00 P.M. MASS IN THE CATHEDRAL

MONDAY, JANUARY 1, 2024, SOLEMNITY OF MARY

NEW YEAR'S DAY

10:00 A.M. MASS IN THE CATHEDRAL

(WE WILL NOT HAVE 9:00 A.M. MASS ON CHRISTMAS EVE OR NEW YEAR'S EVE)

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!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon	Dec 25	Acts 6:8-10, 7:54-59, Sab, 16bc-17, Mt 10:17-22
Tue	Dec 26	Acts 6:8-10, 7:54-59, Mt 10:17-22
Wed	Dec 27	1 Jn 1:1-4, Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Thu	Dec 28	1 Jn 1:5—2:2, Mt 2:13-18
Fri	Dec 29	1 Jn 2:3-11, Lk 2:22-35
Sat	Dec 30	1 Jn 2:12-17, Lk 2:36-40
Sun	Dec 31	Sir 3:2-6, 12-14, Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17, Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40, Gn 15:1-6, 21:1-3, Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19, Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40
Mon	Jan 01	Nm 6:22-27, Gal 4:4-7< Lk 2:16-21

YOUR SUNDAY TITHING AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Regular Collections	\$	37,093.50
Maintenance	\$	1,446.00
Capital Improvement	\$	160.00
Nativity Elem.	\$	110.00
Christmas Flowers	\$	571.00
Miscellaneous	\$	700.00

TOTAL COLLECTION \$ 40,080.50

Thank you for your generous contributions!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Mon.	Dec 25	<u>NO</u> Women of Mary, 5:30 p.m. RECTORY CLOSED Adoration, Chapel at 7:00 -7:55 a.m.
Tues.	Dec 26	<u>NO</u> Men of St. Joseph, 7:00 a.m. RECTORY CLOSED
Wed.	Dec 27	<u>NO</u> Bingo Mania, 5:30 p.m. Cleaning TEAM D



We at Nativity Cathedral wish you a very Merry Christmas.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, JESUS.

RCIA

Please continue to pray for our Catechumens, Candidates and their Sponsors during this Christmas Season. If you would like further information, please contact Greg or Penny Payne 228-365-6348.

CCD

Our CCD program began their Christmas break this week. CCD classes will resume on Wednesday, January 10th from 5:30 pm-6:30 pm. We want to wish all of our CCD students and their families a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year. For more information joining and/or supporting this ministry, please contact Lauren Ellis 228-324-0447 lellis@nativitybvm.org.

EXTRAORDINARY	LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS
Dec 30 <u>4:00 pm</u> Sondra Ahern	Dec 30 <u>4:00 pm</u> Bill Lawson	Dec 30 <u>4:00 pm</u> McKinzy Lawson
Dec 31 <u>7:00 am</u> Danny Kavanagh	Dec 31 <u>7:00 am</u> George Emile	Dec 31 <u>7:00 am</u> B. C. Stoddard
<u>11:00 am</u> Sandy Steckler	<u>11:00 am</u> Don Marie	<u>11:00 am</u> Blake Walli Kendal Walli Harper Lamey
<u>4:00 pm</u> John Sherman	<u>4:00 pm</u> Kristi Arguelles	<u>4:00 pm</u> Nicholas Arguelles Patrick Arguelles
<u>11:00 pm</u> VOLUNTEER NEEDED	<u>11:00 pm</u> Harry Joachim	<u>11:00 pm</u> TBD
Jan 01 <u>10:00 am</u> NEW YEAR'S DAY VOLUNTEER NEEDED	Jan 01 <u>10:00 am</u> NEW YEAR'S DAY Steve Theobald	Jan 01 <u>10:00 am</u> NEW YEAR'S DAY TBD
	<u>CANTORS</u>	
	Dec 30 <u>4:00 pm</u> Dennis Burke	
	Dec 31 <u>11:00 am</u> Jordan Lancon	
	<u>4:00 pm</u> Elizabeth Cobb	
	<u>11:00 pm</u> Chantel Pilet	
	Jan 01 <u>10:00 am</u> NEW YEAR'S DAY Phil Frisby	

6:30 AM	10:00 AM	8:00 AM
Mon Dec 25	10:00 AM	Josh Bozeman
Tue Dec 26	Irene Schwan	Victor Mavar
Wed Dec 27	Collins-Sims Family	Harry & Ann Schmidt
Thu Dec 28	Dec'd Children of Nativity Parish	Irene Schwan
Fri Dec 29	Irene Genders & Audrey Wilkes	Gaspar & Mary Pisarich
Sat Dec 30	Barbara Lyons <u>4</u>	Roy Ebberman, Jr.
Sun Dec 31 <u>7</u>	Audrey Wilkes	Roy Ebberman, III
	<u>11:AM</u>	Barbara Lyons
4:00 PM	Irene Schwan	11:00 PM
Mon Jan 01	10:00 AM	Hank Rogers

Hymns/Sacred Songs for Saturday, December 23rd at 4 pm & Sunday, December 24th – 11 am Masses for the Fourth Sunday of Advent:

Opening Hymn:	"The Advent of Our King"	# 59
Offertory Hymn:	"Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"	# 94
Communion Song:	"Patience, People"	#49
Recessional Song:	"Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"	#42

Cantos:	Saturday	4 pm	Chantel Pilet
	Sunday 1	1 am	Jordan Lancon

THE SEASON OF ADVENT AND OUR JESSE TREE:

This weekend, members of our Youth Cantors will present the final symbols for our Advent Jesse Tree for the 2023 Season. This week we will celebrate Jonah and his journey to conversion for both himself, and the peoples of Ninevah. The whale will serve as our prominent image. Once again, God uses the "fish" is a Christian symbol of faith.

NATIVITY BVM ELEMENTARY: On Sunday, Christmas Eve, December 24th, Nativity School's Cherub & Children's Choir will offer their annual Pre-Service Program for the 4 pm Christmas Eve Mass. Harper Lamey & Elena Mitchell will serve as the Youth Cantors.

ANNUAL PRE-SERVICE 10:30 PM CHRISTMAS CONCERT: This Sunday, December 24th at 10:30 pm – Nativity BVM Cathedral's Choir will be joined by a string quartet to share Christmas Music & Carols in their annual Pre-Service Program prior to our 11 pm Christmas Eve Mass.

MUSIC MINISTRY – CHORAL PROGRAM:

"Gloria In Excelsis" – Our Cathedral Choral Society will be on holiday break until Tuesday, January 9th, 2024.

"The Cathedral Choir" – The Cathedral Choir will be on holiday break until Wednesday, January 10th.

"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.

BINGO MANIA.

Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 9, 2024. Following families are scheduled for January 9, 2024. Thomas (Nicholas & Amy), Viglianco (Matthew & Robin), Wahl (Emily) & Stagner, (Jeffrey), Watts (Allison & Mark), Whigham (Charles & Michelle), Williams (Amanda & Patrick) and Williams (Chad & Kacey). 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.

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.