

Nativity of Our Lord

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Parish Office Hours:

Monday ~ Friday 9:00am ~ 5:00pm

Office Staff:

Father James Grebe, Administrator

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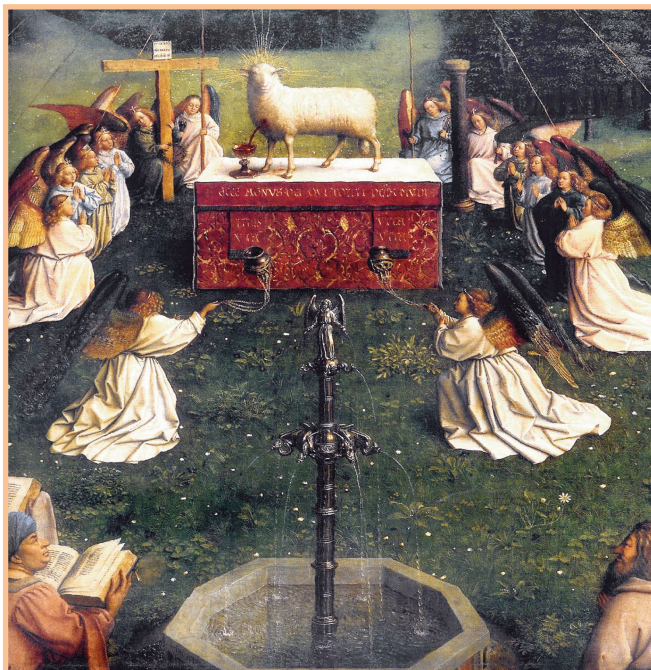
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Evelyn Flannigan, Office Assistant

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Victor Thompson, Maintenance

Marianna Arden, Rectory Housekeeper



**"Worthy is the Lamb that was slain
to receive power and riches, wisdom and strength,
honor and glory and blessing."**

— Revelation 5:12

Sacraments

Baptism: Please contact Pat Shea in the parish office before the birth of your child

Marriage: Please contact Fr. James Grebe upon your engagement

Anointing of the Sick: Call the parish office

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm

Sunday 8:30am and 10:30am

CCM Mass ~ on hiatus for the summer

Daily Mass Monday ~ Friday 8:30am

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Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:45pm ~ 4:30pm

During Sunday Morning Masses (tba)

or by appointment

Prayer Petitions: Dewayne Arnett, Ashley Bailey, Deacon Bartoszewicz, Marie Bush, Ann Castagna, Vince Coates, Art Cornish, James Cowan, Art Cranston, Dennison Family, Jordan DePascalis, Robert DePascalis, Lucille Falzone, Terry Flanders, Larry Fordham, Laura Geitz, Paul Grassinger, Grandma Grebe, Evangelos Gouvakis, Millie Gregg, Donald Hewes, Delores Kennedy, Dora and Roland Kerker, Peggy Kittler, John Knoth, Steve Kreinbrienk, Molly Lacasse, Al Lawler, Pat LeBlanc, Chuck Ledbetter, Britain Lewis, Joyce Lund, Bill Mann, Betty Melton, Mike Mensi, Roger and Louise Merritt, Mary and Roderick Mette, Charlie Meyerriecks, Msgr. Mooney, Charlotte Morgan, Fr. Bob Morris, Michael Moss, Cindy Murphy, Elizabeth Odee, George Pape, Kathy Parker, Louise Pecoraro, Janie Peterson, Joseph Phaneuf, Walter Tracy Quick, Dianne Quigley, John Reiter, Jenann and William Remeta, Bernice Ridgway, Amy Saba, Joseph Salm, Lee Salm, Brin Schuler, Allison Sebastian, Stephanie Sidote, Linda Sifuentes, Lori Simmons, Kimberly Simpson, Mary Ellen Streeter, Glen Taub, Sophie Taylor, Dan Testin, Fr. Henry Thorsen, George Wakeman, Debbie Stone Ward, Lambert Watters, Vicki Yazak, Dan Zepa



Please join us in congratulating Father Emmanuel on receiving his Masters Degree in Mathematics.

A reception will be held on May 5th in the parish hall following the 10:30 Mass.
Light refreshments will be served.



Music Ministry



If you are interested in joining the Music Ministry, please contact Isabelle Peterson at isabellepeterson4@gmail.com

**Knights of Columbus
Council 8450**

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

**MAY 19
SEE YOU THERE!**



Bible Study

"No Greater Love"



The fifth installment of the series, "No Greater Love" will be on May 6 at 11:00am in the Education Building.

Walk step by step with Jesus from the Garden of Gethsemane to the Mount of Calvary.

Come to a deeper understanding and appreciation of God's immeasurable and unconditional love—drawing closer to Jesus than ever before.

The final installation of the series will be May 20.

For details, call Phyllis Teschel, 476-3794.





Knights of Columbus
Nativity of Our Lord Council #8450

CALENDAR RAFFLE
Winner - Irene Thompson
Ticket # 388



Catholic Sharing
Appeal

CSA PRAYER

Lord, hear our prayer as we seek to be good stewards of the many gifts You have bestowed on us.

Give us wisdom to discern Your will for us, strength to meet the challenge, and the grace to be steadfast in our commitment to You. Let us use our time, talent, and treasure for Your greater honor and glory. In Your name we pray.

Amen

Catholic on the Mat class beginning

May 9 & May 16 - 9:00am & 10:30am

May 23 & 30 - 9:00am only



The Knights of Columbus
have Fund Rays Coupon Books for sale.
\$15 each

If interested, contact Pete Kaiser at 477-5882
to arrange purchase.



Last week Bishop Bill posted his homilies from Holy Week and Easter. Have you ever wondered how to receive notifications when Bishop publishes his homilies? The

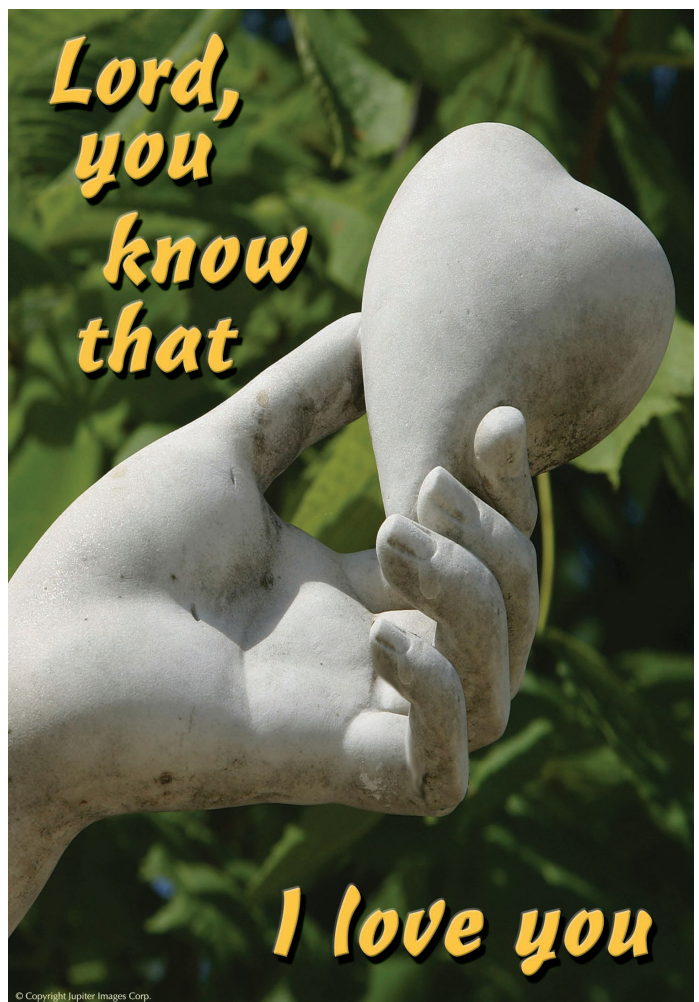
Communications Office at the

Pastoral Center filmed a short video tutorial to walk you through a few steps to subscribe to Bishop's homilies.

Please use the link below:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LvpC_dw15Yg

For best viewing results, please use the HD settings (Quality 1080p) on YouTube.





April showers herald in May flowers and our thoughts turn to this most holy month of May, honoring the Mother of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Mary. And our thoughts may turn to our own mothers. Remember when we were children and we were told to “GO OUTSIDE AND PLAY!” Each month, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) focuses on a topic related to health. May is National Physical Fitness and Sports Month. The challenge from HHS? That all adults get active every day! I think we all know the rhetoric – exercise helps lower the risk of heart disease, type 2 diabetes, the risk of falls, helps stave off depression, improves our mental health and improves cognitive functioning, just to name a few. It doesn’t matter what shape you’re in – there are all types of activities that you can adapt to make work for YOU! Watching TV? Pick up a couple cans of soup and do some bicep curls during commercials. When you’re doing house work -- add some extra movement and do a little dance. How about meeting friends at a park and tossing around a frisbee or kicking around ball. The key is to be creative and think outside the box – getting in movement may be easier than you think – and a LOT more fun! So for May – give Mary a special spot in your prayer corner – so whether you skip, jump rope, play hopscotch – find your FUN and GO OUTSIDE AND PLAY!!!

Questions, comments, suggestions? Contact us at:
nolhealthministry@gmail.com



Save the Date

Do you have your walking or running shoes ready?
 The Columbiette and Knight of Columbus Organizations of Saint Sylvester Catholic Church, Gulf Breeze FL is having their annual

Flag Day 5K Run Walk
 at the church on
 Saturday **June 8, 2019 at 7:30am.**

Our charities this year will be
 Hunting for Healing, Little Sisters of the Poor
 and The Youth Programs of Saint Sylvester

Please ask your family, friends and neighbors
 to save the date to walk or run for charity.

Registration is at
www.active.com

or

www.stsyly.org.

Please call Ellen Stanley, Race Coordinator at
 850-261-2971

or

Mary Ann Kurtz, Administrative Secretary, at
 the church office at 850-939-3020 if you have
 any questions.

Parish Ministries

Altar Care Committee

Marianne Paul, 542-0290

Altar Servers

Father James Grebe, 477-3221

Burse Club

Pat Shea, 477-3221

Charismatic Prayer Group

Jeff Comeau, 476-9139

Homebound Ministry

Deacon Richard Lurton, 850-291-0481

Greeters/Ushers

Liturgical Assistants

Dan Flahiff, 332-7178

Music Ministry

Isabelle Peterson, 477-3221

Health Ministry

Marcia Rihm, 317-607-9970

Gayle Roth, 471-0810

Parish Advisory Board

Frank Beeby, 484-9470

Brad Dale, 572-0037

Dan Flahiff, 332-7178

Frank Maguire, 361-9545

Carla Moulyet, 994-8250

Frances Simpson, 501-4386

Parish Finance Council

Steve Peranich, Secretary

Tom Moulyet

Readers

Father James Grebe, 477-3221

Parish Organizations

Knights of Columbus

Chris Reiter, Grand Knight

cjreiter52@gmail.com, 529-1563

Ladies' Society

Bette Hooton, President, 969-0001

St. Vincent De Paul

Helpline, 850-377-9829

Parish Reaching Out

Catholic Argos

www.catholicargos.com

Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday of the Month

9:00am ~ 4:00pm in the Church

Online Giving

go to: www.nativityofourlordcc.org

and click "contribute"

Rosary

Weekdays after Mass

Faith Formation

Religious Education

Sunday:

12:00pm ~ 1:15pm Kindergarten ~ 9th grade

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Sunday during the school year:

12:00 ~ 1:15

Catholic Campus Ministries (UWF)

Fr. James Grebe, 477-3221

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

(R.C.I.A.)

Contact the parish office, 477-3221



Sunday CCM Mass
On hiatus for the summer

Register online today at
www.catholicargos.com



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul
meets every 2nd and 4th Wednesday
of the month at 4:00pm in the
Msgr. Mullins Room in the Education
Building. Parishioners are welcomed
who are interested in advancing their spiritual
growth and meeting with men and women of good
will who believe in serving those in need and
bringing them closer to God.

"I was
sick and
you visited
me . . ."
—Matthew 25:36 NKJV

If you have a homebound family
member or know of a parishioner
who is homebound and wishes to
receive Eucharist, please call
Deacon Richard Lurton at
850-291-0481.



Mass Intentions

Monday, May 6

† **Anne Marion Davis** †
Requested by Robin Plombon

Tuesday, May 7

† **Gerald Lambdin** †
Requested by Vete and Liz Senkus

Wednesday, May 8

† **Bronlyn Peterson** †
Requested by Vete and Liz Senkus

Thursday, May 9

Special Intentions
Sharon Enfinger
Requested by Marguerite Caetano

Friday, May 10

† **Twyla Peterson** †
Requested by Greg and Jamie Peterson

Saturday, May 11, 5:00pm

Fourth Sunday of Easter
Special Intentions
Delora and Irving Vincent
Requested by Peggy and Leonard Temme

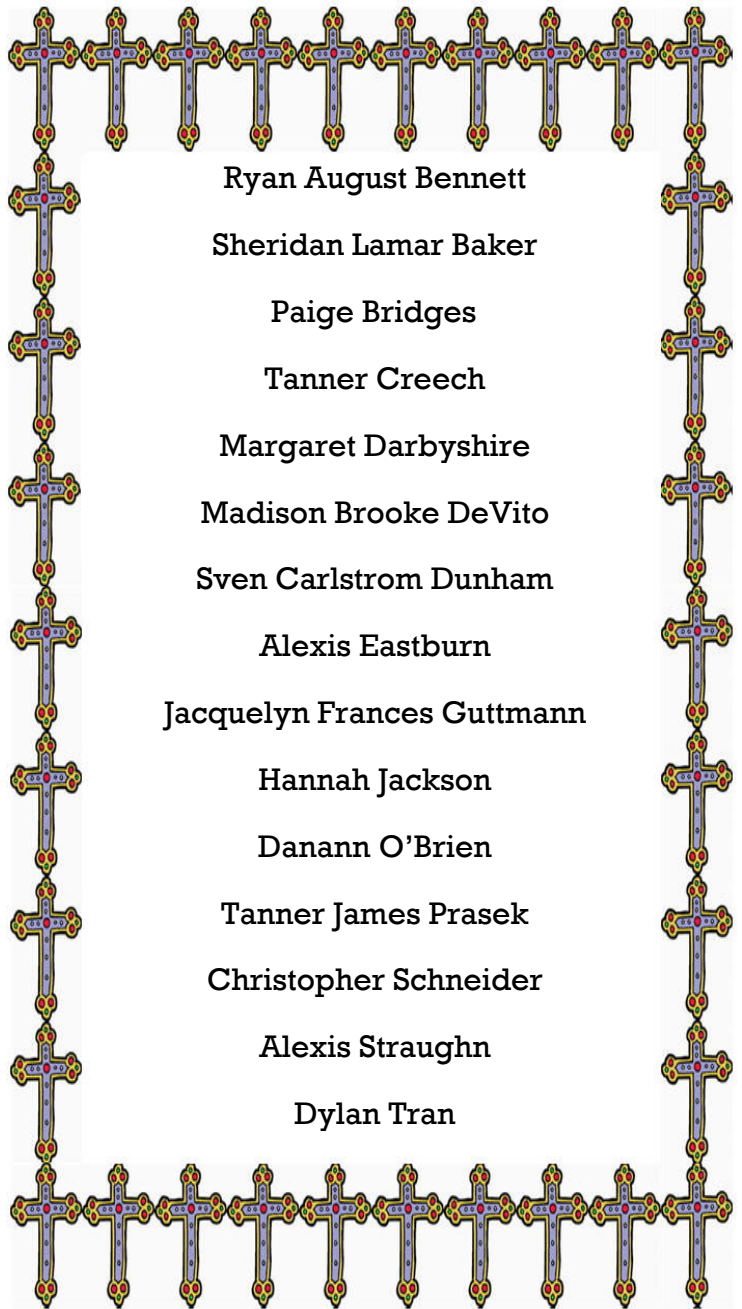
Sunday, May 12, 8:30am

Fourth Sunday of Easter
† **Karl Ehlers** †
Requested by Frank and Ginny Kelly

Sunday, May 12, 10:30am

Fourth Sunday of Easter
Parishioners of Nativity of Our Lord

Congratulations To Our Newly Confirmed



A relationship of faith and commitment exists between the Catholic Church and its members and the public, whether they are children, young people, adults or elderly. Sexual abuse in this context, or any other relationship, is a matter of grave concern. Knowledge of such abuse requires a special response in order to facilitate the healing process and assure the safety of the community. With this in mind, The Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee is committed to healing the hurting hearts of sexual abuse victims and has established Victims Assistance Coordinators, experienced and trained counselors. These coordinators are available to help persons who have been sexually abused by a priest, deacon or other church personnel. VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATORS: Pensacola/Ft. Walton Beach area: Dr. Lewis Makarowski, PhD, P.A. (850)477-7181. Tallahassee/Panama City area: James Gagnon, MSW, LCSW (850)877-0205. For Spanish speakers - en Espanol: Deacon Santiago Molina, (850)627-2350. Diocesan Victim Assistance Hotline: (850)435-3536

Why is May the Month of Mary?

It's here. May, the month in which the earth springs into bloom (at least in the Northern Hemisphere) and we start thinking about planting gardens, family picnics, and making vacation plans.

It's also the Month of Mary. Why is May Mary's month?

Here's a brief explanation: For centuries, the Catholic Church has set aside the entire month of May to honor Mary, Mother of God. Not just a day *in* May, mind you, but the entire month. The custom spans both centuries and cultures, with roots going back as far as the Ancient Greeks. In early Greece, May was dedicated to Artemis, the goddess of fecundity. In Ancient Rome, May was dedicated to Flora, the goddess of blooms, or blossoms. They celebrated *ludi florals*, or floral games, at the end of April and asked the intercession of Flora for all that blooms. In medieval times, similar customs abounded, all centering around the practice of expelling winter, as May 1 was considered the start of new growth. During this period, the tradition of *Tricesimum*, or "Thirty-Day Devotion to Mary," came into being. Also called, "Lady Month," the event was held from August 15-September 14 and is still observed in some areas. The idea of a month dedicated specifically to Mary can be traced back to baroque times. Although it wasn't always held during May, Mary Month included thirty daily spiritual exercises honoring Mary. It was in this era that Mary's Month and May were combined, making May the Month of Mary with special devotions organized on each day throughout the month. This custom became especially widespread during the nineteenth century and remains in practice until today. The ways Mary is honored in May is as varied as the people who honor her. It's common for parishes to have a daily recitation of the Rosary during May, and many erect a special May altar with a statue or picture of Mary as a reminder of Mary's month. Additionally, it's a long-standing tradition to crown the statue of Mary during May – a custom known as May Crowning. Often, the crown is made of beautiful blossoms representing Mary's beauty and virtue. It's also a reminder to the faithful to strive to imitate our Blessed Mother's virtue in our own lives. May Crowning, in some areas, is a huge celebration and is usually done outside of Mass, although Mass may be celebrated before or after the actual crowning. But May altars and crownings aren't just "church" things. We can and should be doing the same in our homes. When we echo the customs and traditions of the Church in our homes – our domestic churches – we participate more fully in the life of the Church.

If you haven't already, erect a prayer corner in your home. No matter how fancy or simple it is. The main point is that it's a place designated for God, and more specifically, for spending time with him. Just as you need proper atmosphere to sleep, you also need proper atmosphere to pray. For May, give Mary a special spot in your prayer corner. It can be a statue or picture, but place there some representation of our Blessed Mother. Make it appealing and a real tribute to her beauty and virtue. Then, crown Mary. You can give her an actual or spiritual crown and you can make it a subtle gesture or ornate ceremony of your own device. The meaning is far more important than the action. You can do it in the beginning, at the end of May or anywhere in between. Just do it. Why? Not because it's a long-standing tradition in the Church, although it is. Not because there is any special grace connected to it, although there is. No, do it because Mary is Mother – your mother, my mother, everyone's mother – and because she cares for all of us day-in-and-day-out without fail, interceding for us in even the tiniest matters. For that, she deserves an entire month in her honor.

