Nativity of Mary Church and School

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"My attitude must be Christ's." - Philippians 2:5

Parish Staff
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New Parishioners
If you are new to our parish and would like more information please contact the Parish Office.

Pastoral Care
Sacraments for the Sick.
Rev. Bob Stone, 353-2184, ext. 404

Pastoral visits to the Homebound and Hospitals.
Paula Cassity, 353-2184, ext. 401

Emergency Assistance
Contact St. Mary's Food Pantry and Clothes Closet - 252-8649

Youth Ministry
Becky Winbinger, 353-2184, ext. 408

Sacrament Preparation
Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, Confirmation, Adult Initiation (RCIA), and Matrimony
Contact the parish office for information

Parish Ministry Council
Danny Barnes, 816-507-5171, dfbarnes@gmail.com

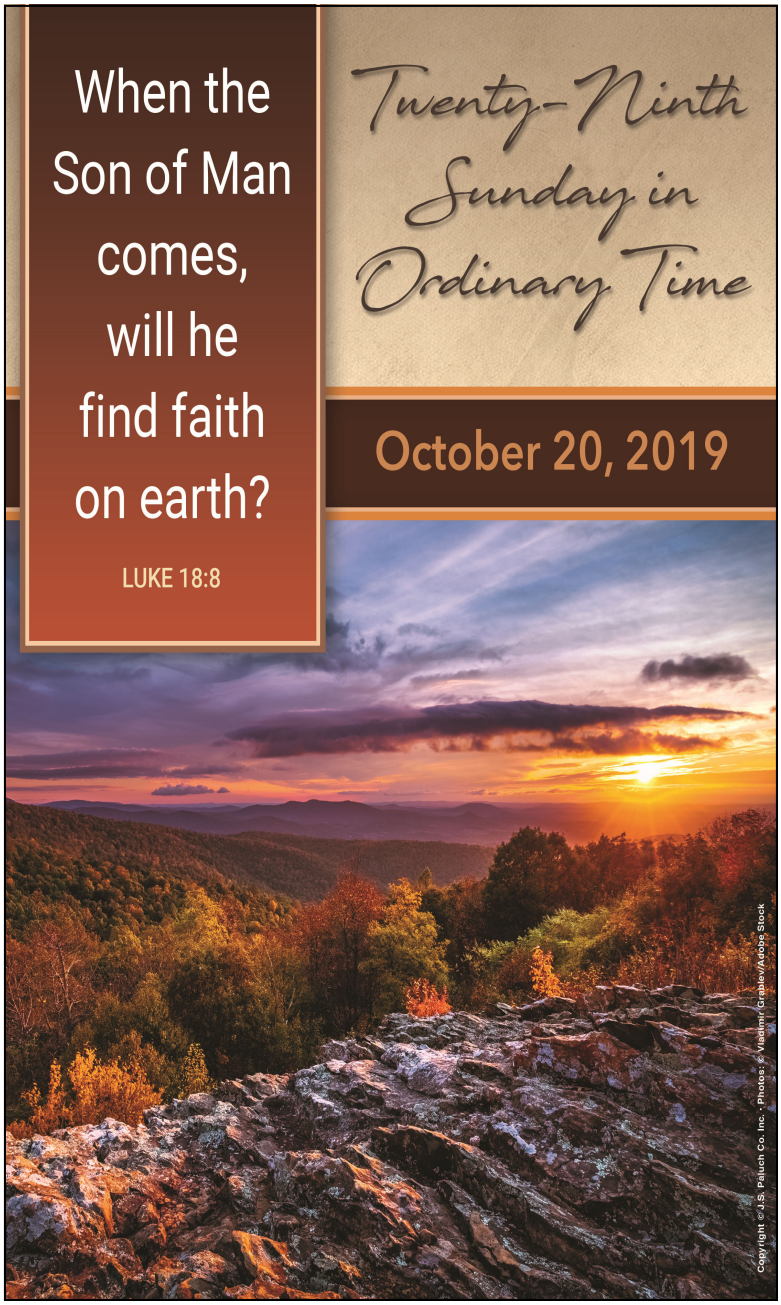
Diocesan Victim's Advocate
Kathleen Chastain
816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org

Ombudsman
Joe Crayon, 816-812-2500

Visit us at https://www.facebook.com/nativityofmaryparish/

Mass Schedule
Monday:	8:30 a.m. Communion Service
Weekday:	8:30 a.m. Tuesday - Friday
Saturday:	4:00 p.m.
Sunday:	8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
Holy Day:	8:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Confessions
Saturday: 3:00 p.m. or by Appointment



October 20, 2019 - The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Sat., Oct. 19 -Vigil of 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time	
4:00PM	For prayers answered
Sunday, Oct. 20 - The 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time	
8:00AM	+ Bob Shaughnessy
10:30AM	+ Frances Spitaleri
Monday, October 21	
8:30AM	**Communion Service**
Tuesday, October 22 - St. John Paul II, Pope	
8:30AM	+ Bob Shaughnessy
Wednesday, October 23 - St. John of Capistrano	
8:30AM	+ Katherine Gebo
Thursday, October 24 - St. Anthony Mary Claret	
8:30AM	+ Frances Spitaleri
Friday, October 25	
8:30AM	Nativity Parish and School
Sat., Oct. 26 - Vigil of 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time	
4:00PM	+ Virginia McMenamy & Sharon Ann Seigler
	+ Bob & Janet Grabau 50th Anniversary
Sunday, Oct. 27 - The 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time	
8:00AM	+ McKayla Voris
10:30AM	+Kenny Johnson, Caterina DiGaetano, James Edwards

Please Pray For:

Margaret Ault	**Mary Gulick**	**Mary Kay Seller**
John Edward Cianciolo	**Marla Herbst**	**Mike Shaw**
John Clarke	**Marlene Irwin**	**Susie Smith**
Shelly Clemons	**Cynthia Jones**	**Bernice/Norm Steffen**
Catherine Danna	**Dennis Jones**	**John Tuccillo**
Bob DeSchepper	**Deanna Kunzweiler**	**Ricardo Vasconcellos**
Kevin Eimer	**Don McClellan**	**Francisca Vasconcellos**
Cody Ellis	**Joe & Mary Pallo**	**Carol Byrd Weaver**
Mary Enyart	**Skye Pendelton**	**Katie/Lauren Winbinger**
Kristine Fahy	**Laura Mae Riley**	**Kathleen Winbinger**
Garry/Emily Gagnon	**Judy Rynish**	**Ayden Wright**
Marilyn Gatz	**Alyssa Schell**	**Dave/Alice Zapien**

Weekly Readings - October 21 - 27, 2019

Monday: Rom 4:20-25; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1b-8; Lk 12:39-48
Thursday: Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 12:49-53
Friday: Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119:66, 68, 76-77, 93-94;Lk 12:54-59
Saturday: Rom 8:1-11; Ps 24:1b-4ab, 5-6; Lk 13:1-9
Sunday: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; Ps 34:2-3, 17-19, 23; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14

29th Sun in Ordinary Time-Music Outline (10/19-20)

Readings may be found beginning on G #1178
***Please note WA is the Worship Aide in your pew**

Gathering: WA #8, All Are Welcome (All Belong)
Gloria: G #218, Mass for a New World
Psalm: G#83,Psalm 121:Our Help Comes from the Lord
Offertory: SS #226, Our God I Here
Mass Setting: G #222-228, *Mass for a New World*
Communion: G #653, There Is a Longing
Song of Praise: G #656, Lead Me Guide Me
WA #13, Alabare

Devotional candles are kept in the kiosk. If you would like to light one just ask an usher for assistance. There is a slot and envelopes available in the kiosk to place your $5 donation.

Gluten-free hosts are available. Talk to Fr. Bob before Mass.

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you *observe or suspect* sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected *sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult* to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

Did You Know…

Our parish calendar is published online!
Find events, ministries, and committee meetings on our online calendar at:
www.nativityofmary.org/churchcalendar.

Qualified Charitable Distribution Presentation
Sunday, October 27th
1:00 P.M. - St. Mark's Parish Center

Do you have questions about planned giving? Do you have questions about Qualified Retirement Accounts eligibility and requirements? Join us for an informative presentation that will provide you the basics to consider in making donations through a Qualified Charitable Distribution of your eligible IRA's, SEP and SIMPLE Tax Qualified plans and related requirements.

Joseph Arnone, CPA, President; Arnone & Co,. PA and member of Nativity of Mary Parish will present information on this important topic. Illustrations will be provided, and a review of real-world strategies and benefits will be presented. This will help to inform you about how you can help both yourself and your parish.

Don't miss this opportunity! Snacks and drinks will be available. Sponsored by the St Mark Administrative Services Commission.

NATIVITY OF MARY CONTRIBUTION REPORT
10/5/2019 - 10/6/2019

Envelopes	**$**	**9,472.00**
Plate	**$**	**659.00**
Church Debt	**$**	**660.50**
Pisces Fund	**$**	**212.50**
Utility Fund	**$**	**6.00**
EFT	**$**	**-**
Credit Card	**$**	**-**
Online Giving	**$**	**311.27**
Poor Box	**$**	**76.00**
Total	**$**	**11,397.27**

Tuition/Registration Fees 19-20	**$**	**13,552.51**

Thank you for supporting our Parish Community and Catholic Education!

Respect Life Month

How to Build a Culture of Life
Read the full version at respectlife.org/culture-of-life.

Advance Medical Directives: Planning for Your Future
Read the full version at respectlife.org/advance-directives.

Human life is good and to be protected. All medical decisions ought to reflect this core belief. Yet some medical and legal documents used to define a patient's future care can be harmful. No matter how well-crafted, they can't predict all the possible scenarios and best courses of action. In each set of circumstances, we need to judge whether a given treatment will provide real benefit to the patient, without causing harm or disproportionate burdens. The safest option is to designate a health care agent to make decisions if you become incapable of doing so. It's best to appoint a responsible, trustworthy person who understands and shares your Catholic values, and can apply them when the need arises.

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October 20 - November 9, 2019 Calendar

Sunday 20	Monday 21	Tuesday 22	Wednesday 23	Thursday 24	Friday 25	Saturday 26
8:00AM Mass 10:30AM Mass 9AM - Youth Choir 6PM - Confirmation Sponsor Night 	8:30AM Communion Serv. 3:30 - Flu Shot Clinic	8:30AM Mass 9AM - Quilters 6PM - Christian Mysticism 7PM - RCIA	8:30AM Mass	8:30AM Mass 6:30PM - Choir	8:30AM Mass	3:00PM Confession 4:00PM Mass 10AM - Halloween Parade 6PM
27 8:00AM Mass 10:30AM Mass 9AM - Choir Baptism Classes: 1pm - infant-7 2pm - ages 8 - 13	28 8:30AM Communion Serv.	29 8:30AM Mass 9AM - Quilters 6PM - Christian Mysticism 7PM - RCIA	30 8:30AM Mass	31 8:30AM Mass 1:30PM - Heifer Carnival	1 8:30AM Mass 6:30PM Mass All Saints 9:30AM Eucharistic Adoration 	2 3:00PM Confession 4:00PM Mass 10:00AM All Soul's Day Prayer Service
3 8:00AM Mass 10:30AM Mass 7PM - Host Home Confirmation Meetings	4 8:30AM Communion Serv.	5 8:30AM Mass 9AM - Quilters 6PM - Christian Mysticism 7PM - RCIA	6 8:30AM Mass 7:00 - 8:30PM Adoration Conference and Holy Hour 	7 8:30AM Mass 9AM - Veterans Program 6PM - Altar Society Meeting 6:30PM - Choir	8 8:30AM Mass	9 3:00PM Confession 4:00PM Mass

October 26th & 27th Ministry Schedule

Oct. 26 & 27	4:00pm Mass	8:00am Mass	10:30 AM Mass
Cantor	Kathy Bishop	Jim Fleming	Martha/Jean/Choir
Accompanist	JoAnn Ishmael	Chris Rupprecht	Susan Walker
Lectors	Volunteer Marilyn Fellows	Nancy Ronan Brian DeMarea	Volunteer Wilma Christensen
Eucharistic Ministers	Cindy Mosbauer Mike Mosbauer Theresa Walter Marilyn Mineart Donna Arnone Grace Arnone Sherri Eaton	Mary Ann McClure Ron Galvan Margaret Ruiz Sandy DeSchepper Mike Fetters Volunteer	Barbara Garrett Manny Martinez Helen Austin Rosa Milazzo Carol Deveney Becky Wlnbinger Aleah Brost
Ushers	Rich Carroll Mary Healzer Sue Reiser Volunteer	Bridgette Kahmann Jeff Rosenberg Volunteer Volunteer	Chris Samyn Ken Wood Ed Bruehl Bob Murphy
Servers	Lucas Smith Lydia Smith	Zack McClain Volunteer	Matt Lakin Grant Beck

Nativity is Hosting a Flu Vaccine Clinic Monday, October 21st

3:30 - 5:00p.m. in the Parish Hall

The clinic is opened to all students, school families and parishioners.

Insurance plans that are accepted: Blue Cross Blue Shield, Aetna/Aetna Meritain, Cigna, Humana/Humana Medicare, United Healthcare/ United Medicare, All Savers, Medicare Part B (must be primary), Medicare Advantage Plans. For those without accepted insurance, $30 for the Flu shot. No on-line registration this year.

To sign-up please contact Susie Addison by email, saddison@nativityofmary.org or call the school office, 353-0284.

Tour St. Teresa's Academy Open House
Sunday, October 27, 2019
5600 Main St., Kansas City, MO

10:00 a.m.: Mass (optional) in the Chapel of St. Joseph in the Windmoor Center (the lace-wrapped building)

11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.: Campus Tours leave every ½ hour from the Windmoor Center

You're invited to Open House at St. Teresa's Academy, the premier, all-female, Catholic high school in Kansas City. Your Open House visit includes: Student-led tours through the beautiful, historic campus, including the new enhancements to the Goppert Center, the result of an $11 million investment on campus. Visits with dedicated St. Teresa's Academy teachers, administrators, and students. Additional information on athletic programs, fine arts and communication programs, extracurricular activities, service programs, college counseling, and much more. For questions, please contact:
Becky Flores, Admissions Director,
bflores@stteresasacademy.org or 816-501-0035.

SPECIAL MUSICAL PERFORMANCE FOR PRESCHOOLERS & THEIR FAMILIES

The School Marketing Committee is hosting a marketing event for prospective PreSchool families. If you or someone you know has little ones at home that may be future Nighthawks, we would like to invite you or them to a special viewing of the Nativity Fall Musical! Please contact Susie Addison at saddison@nativityofmary.org for more information!

Hope to see all of you at Trunk or Treat . The event is a "safe" activity for all to enjoy. Cost is $5.00 and bags of candy to hand out to the "trick-or-treaters". The parking lot gates will open at 5:30 for people to enter and park and then shut promptly at 6:00 so that our "trick-or-treaters" can have the opportunity to move safely around the area. The gates will reopen at 7:00, at the conclusion of the event. If we run out of room in the parking lot, families are welcome to bring their lawn chairs and walk up to join the festivities – a $5 admission will be charged for this as well.

While you're at Trunk or Treat be sure to stop by the Student Senate haunted house. This kid-friendly haunted house will be just another way to celebrate Halloween and get more candy! Cost is $1.00 or a food item for the St. Mary's Food Pantry (*pasta, mac & cheese, canned meats, hamburger helper, soup, peanut butter, jelly, canned fruit, Ramen noodles, etc.*). All proceeds will go to the St. Mary's Food Pantry.

OCTOBER 20, 2019 - THE TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Exodus recounts the journey of the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt to the land promised to their ancestors. It was not an easy journey. In today's reading, they are attacked by Amalek and his soldiers, members of one of the peoples who live in the land through which the Israelites are traveling. Moses was on the hilltop with his arms raised to invoke the LORD s assistance in the battle below, a powerful illustration of the LORD s favor upon Israel. If the soldiers were to lift up their eyes to that hill (see Psalm 121:1), they would be reassured by Moses' presence and posture. Paul urges the Thessalonians to persist in proclaiming the gospel, and Jesus likewise commends the widow for her persistence in pursuit of the justice due her. Whether they preach or pray, the followers of Jesus need persistence through periods of difficulty.

PRAY ALWAYS? HOW?

Today we have two examples that can help us reflect on what it means to pray always. The first is Moses, holding his arms up so that the Israelites will have the better of the battle. This is a common posture for prayer in the ancient world, and the Bible is full of references to one's lifting up hands (and arms) in prayer. The second example is from the parable Jesus uses to demonstrate the principle of praying always: the widow who persistently pestered a judge from whom she demanded justice. Moses' prayer is a continuous movement extended over a period of time; the widow's petition is repeated at frequent intervals over time. The Church's rich tradition of prayer sets before us examples of both kinds of prayer.

IT IS POSSIBLE TO PRAY ALWAYS

Early monks who lived as hermits in the deserts of Egypt and Syria took the command to pray always so seriously that everything in their life was arranged to maximize the time for continuous prayer. The monks disciplines to that end were likened to that of athletes; the practice of all-night prayer was one that was especially admired.

The Church's primary model for persistent, repeated prayer is the Liturgy of the Hours, which flows from the principle that daily prayer at given times consecrates all of time as well as the work done the rest of the time. Each gathering time is known as an Hour. The most significant Hours are Morning and Evening Prayer (known also as Lauds and Vespers). The prominence of the Liturgy of the Hours in the Church's tradition is why so many other Catholic prayers and devotions are similarly anchored in time: the Angelus (morning, noon, evening), daily rosary, or prayers arranged for morning and evening found in almost all Catholic prayer books.

Regardless of how we pray, our call as disciples is to become persons of prayer with hearts more and more open to the voice of God in prayer. In the end, this is what it means to pray always.

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WHAT IF JESUS WERE ACTUALLY VISIBLE IN CHURCH?

If it were announced the Pope, a famous musician or a movie star were scheduled to appear at our church, what would you do? Call a friend to see if he/she wants to attend with you? Look for where or how to get the best seats? Be willing to stand in line for perhaps hours to get the best seats? Be sure to put it on your calendar so as not to miss the event? Tell others so they might be able to attend?

What if Jesus was scheduled to be at our church ***and*** He was actually visible? The desire to run and welcome Him would be overwhelming! That is what happens at **Eucharistic Adoration**!!!! You can have the best seat without waiting in line or even having to pay for tickets! Plus, the benefits you personally experience long outlast what is offered during the actual appearance.

WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU?

So, picture this: You've got the best seat in the house for time to sit and visit (just one-on-one) with the Lord! You can say anything you want in a judgment-free zone – cry, laugh, rest, pray, etc. Some of the many, many blessings that come to you as a result of being the chosen one to spend time in Adoration:

* You grow spiritually with each moment you spend with Jesus!
* Just as you can't be exposed to the sun without receiving its rays, neither can you come to Jesus exposed in the Blessed Sacrament without receiving the divine rays of His grace, His love, His peace!
*With transforming mercy, Jesus makes your heart one with His!
* You will experience peace and serenity!
*Spiritual listening becomes a part of who you are!

The list goes on and on……..

Do you want the Lord to give you many graces? Visit Him often. Do you want Him to give you few graces? Visit Him rarely. Do you want the devil to attack you? Visit Jesus rarely in the Blessed Sacrament. Do you want the devil to flee from you? Visit Jesus often!

Horton the Elephant, the Cat in the Hat and all of your favorite Dr. Seuss characters spring to life onstage in *Seussical Jr.* **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**: Nativity of Mary Theatre presents *Seussical, Jr.* November 14, 15, 16! Cast & crew members grades 3-8 have been working hard on the production since August and would love to see all their friends and family there!

Tickets may be reserved in advance online at the following website: http://our.show/nativityofmarytheatre.

Tickets will also be available at the door. *Please note* Tickets are $2 more expensive at the door than they are online, so reserve your seats today! Elementary & Middle School students get in FREE. Please add our musical to your family calendars - you will NOT want to miss this Seussical celebration! Share the attached poster with friends and family!

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