



NATIVITY *of* MARY

CATHOLIC CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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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 & SACRAMENTAL PREP

Anointing of the Sick, Baptisms, Confirmations,
First Holy Communion, Weddings, Funerals

Please call the office for details 816.353.2184

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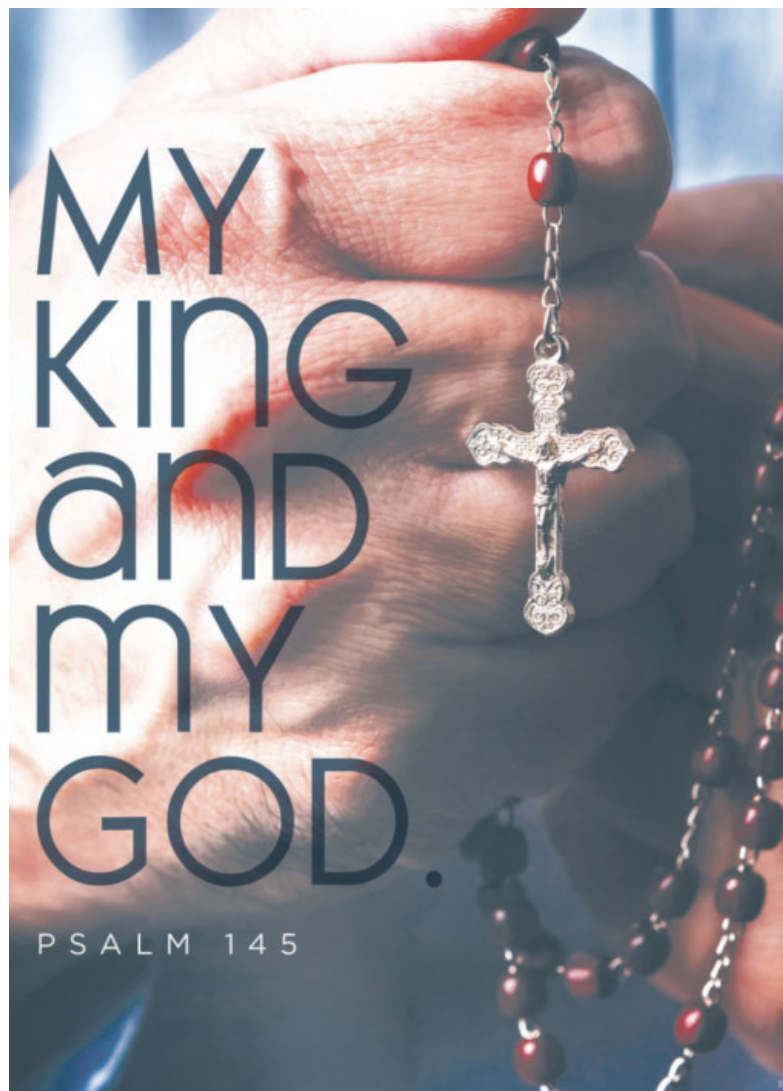
Mon-Thur 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Fri 9:00 a.m. – 12:00pm

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY: 8:30 A.M. COMMUNION SERVICE
WEEKDAY: 8:30 A.M. TUESDAY & THURSDAY
SATURDAY: 3:00 P.M.
SUNDAY: 10:30 A.M.
HOLY DAY: 8:30 A.M.

CONFESSIONS

SATURDAY: 2:30 p.m.
or contact Fr. Bryan Tuesday or Thursday for an appt.



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Thank you!



Dear Parishioners of Nativity of Mary,

I am so excited to be with you and begin to get to know you all! First of all I want to thank Fr. Bob for shepherding you all for the last 14 years. I am sure you all will miss him very much as I will be missing the people of St. George and St. Jude. Change can be difficult but also exciting as new adventures are on the horizon. You are probably wondering what this new pastor is all about. It is my desire to light your hearts on fire with love for Jesus and help you truly understand His love for you. You are the beautiful bride of Christ and it is my privilege to serve you on your journey towards Heaven. I will officially be your first millennial pastor and that I'm sure that will bring its adjustments. Get ready for 90's pop culture, text messaging, video game references, and a renewed effort to bring my peers back to the pews.

Also as we begin this year of Eucharistic revival you will quickly see that the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist is central to my priestly vocation and ministry. I am very excited about our school and its potential for growth especially with MO Scholars. At St. Peter's as an Associate Pastor, I dedicated much of my time to visiting the classrooms and I hope to continue that practice at Nativity. How amazing is it that we have the ability to send our students into the world knowing that they are loved by God, and equipped to become great saints! May God bless you. Please pray for me as I take on this very important assignment.

Peace,

Fr. Bryan

Fr. Bryan Amthor

NATIVITY OF MARY ALTAR SOCIETY

RUMMAGE

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2nd Sale of
the Summer is
at the Ronan
Residence



9am - 2pm

Thur-Fri-Sat July 13 - 14 - 15

4225 S Delaware, Independence MO



NATIVITY OF MARY ALTAR SOCIETY

RUMMAGE

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If bringing items for the sale please have them pre-priced so they are ready to sell.

After each of our sales, we do not have any place to store things for the next sales, so if your items don't sell you will be responsible to come back to pick them up at the close of the sale you brought them to.

IF you bring items to a Sale, ALL proceeds from all items sold goes to the Nativity of Mary Altar Society Treasury.

We encourage any and ALL helpers, men, woman, sales people who would like to HELP at a Home Sale!

UPCOMING SALE DATES:

3rd Sale

Mosbauer Residence - 18813 Hanthorne Drive, Independence
Date TBD (July or August)

4th Sale

Vitt Residence - 9729 E 26th Terrace S, Independence
September 14 - 16 9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

5th Sale

@ Nativity of Mary "MINI RUMMAGE SALE" *2 Days ONLY*
Tables Only / No Clothes on Ladder Racks
Friday & Saturday - October 20- 21
9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

**2 Sales down
3 Sales to Go!**

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 8 3:00pm

† Mary & Joseph Pallo

† John Kramer

† Pat Baker

Sunday, July 9 10:30am

† Patricia & Keith Clark

Monday, July 10 8:30am

Communion Service

Tuesday, July 11 8:30am

No Mass

Thursday, July 13 8:30am

No Mass

Saturday, July 15 3:00pm

† Mary & Joseph Pallo

† Pat Baker

† Mikey Eaton & Family

Sunday, July 16 10:30am

† Anthony Tusa

† denotes deceased

READINGS
JULY 2 - JULY 9**Sunday — 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14 (see 1)/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

Monday — St. Amelia

Gn 28:10-22a/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15ab/Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday — St. Benedict, Abbot

Gn 32:23-33/ Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, and 15/Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday — St. Veronica

Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19/Mt 10:1-7

Thursday — St. Henry

Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 10:7-15

Friday — St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mt 10:16-23

Saturday — St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7/Mt 10:24-33

Next Sunday — 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:1, 11, 12-13, 14 (Luke 8:8)/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

DONATIONS

For accurate application of donations, please designate in the "memo" section of your check that it is for Offertory, Windows Capital Campaign, Parish Debt, or other purpose. Thank you!

CONTRIBUTION REPORT

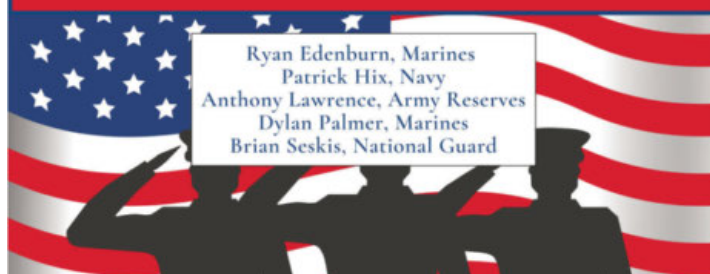
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Thank You

Regular Collection . . .	\$2,351
Online Donations . . .	\$1,608
Loose Plate . . .	\$444
Capital Campaign -Window	\$1,615
Capital Campaign -Debt . .	\$210
School/Pisces Scholarship .	\$50
Misc./Pastoral Care . . .	\$350
Total Income . . .	\$6,628

*Your Giving Matters Thank you!***2023**
Upcoming 2nd Collections

Assumption Thursday (Holyday)	Aug 15
Diocesan Life & Justice	Aug 20
Church in Latin America	Sept 17
Mission Sunday	Oct 22
All Saints (Holyday)	Nov 1

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Join us to pray the Rosary
before Daily Mass
Tuesdays & Thursdays
at 8:00am.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Saturday, July 8

12:30pm Quinceanera
 4:00pm Cookie & Donut Weekend
 6:30pm NeoCatechumenal Way

Sunday, July 9

10:30am Cookie & Donut Weekend

Monday, July 10

12:00pm Over 55 Luncheon
 6:00pm Knights of Columbus Installation
 7:00pm Book Club

Tuesday, July 11

6:00pm Parish Ministry Council

Wednesday, July 12

8:30am Weeding Wednesday
 7:00pm NeoCatechumenal Way

Thursday, July 13

6:00pm Adoration

Thurs-Sat July 13, 14 & 15

Altar Society Rummage Sale
 (Ronan Residence)

Saturday July 15

3:00pm Sisters of St. Francis Appeal
 4:00pm Benchwarmer Ticket Sales

Sunday July 16

10:30am Sisters of St. Francis Appeal
 11:30am Benchwarmer Ticket Sales

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10:30am Sisters of St. Francis Appeal
 11:30am Benchwarmer Ticket Sales

Wednesday July 19

8:30am Weeding Wednesday
 4:30am Parish Finance Council Meeting

Thursday July 20

10:00am Parish Staff Meeting

Saturday July 22

10:30am Quinceanera

Please Pray For

God is at work,
 even when things
 don't make sense.
 Please pray for those
 on our prayer list.

Judy Allen	Ed Krawczyk
Margaret Ault	John Maddux
Maria Bellman	Judy McCandless
Jim Blau	Pat McElligott
Rich Carroll	Dcn. Justin McMenamy
Wilma Christensen	Marilyn Mineart
Christopher Clark	Shelby Monaco
Esther Cunningham	Julian Palmer
Matt Currian	Ruth Perez
Mary DeStefano	Lorrene Peterson
Steve Drexel	Terry Phillips
Mikey Eaton	Frank Pinon
Lucy Franco	Bill & Helen Ruby
Karen Frazier	Jim Severt
Barbara Garrett	Rex Sibert
Mary Goebel	Norm Steffen
Jean Harrer	Ann Taylor
Vicky Hohlbaugh	Mary Ann Touzinsky
Lea Kanies	Patricia Whitley
Bernie Kanies	

Send additional requests to:
lwatson@nativityofmary.org



QUESTION: IS GOSSIP A MORTAL SIN?

ANSWER:

To really ask this question, we must consider the Eighth Commandment: "You shall not bear false witness." In its reflections on this commandment, The Catechism of the Catholic Church invites us to not only think about what bearing "false witness" means, but to also consider how we understand the truth and how we communicate more broadly. This is why so much of this section of the Catechism has to do with the gift of language. With this in mind, we will notice that the word "gossip" isn't used by the Catechism. Instead, we find the words "detraction" and "calumny," which are actually two forms that gossip can take, and both can be quite serious.

First, detraction is the of revealing "another's faults and failings to persons who did not know them," without morally valid reasons. Calumny, by extension, is saying something about another person that is untrue, and it is sinful because it "harms the reputation of others and gives occasion for false judgements" (see no. 2477). In all of our communication, we have to always recognize that we have a moral obligation to the truth and to always work to protect the reputation and honor of our neighbors (see no. 2479).

Gossip can, in fact, prove to be a very serious sin. After all, the Catechism reminds us: "No one is bound to reveal the truth to someone who does not have the right to know it" (no. 2489). When we have gossiped, especially if we are aware we have damaged another person's good name or reputation, we want to make every effort to undo the damage we have done, including seeking the grace and forgiveness offered in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

"MY ATTITUDE MUST BE CHRIST'S." – PHIL 2:5



Did You Know?

When someone feeling alone & isolated experiences a caring connection;

When someone with an aging parent suffering from dementia can share their story with a listening presence;

When a patient with a life-threatening illness can talk about their fears to a caring ear.

When an abused person finds comfort in safely telling their story to a non-judgmental listener; -that is the power of BeFriender Ministry.

BeFriender Ministers provide a confidential, non-judgmental, listening presence to anyone experiencing grief, loss, crisis, or other life difficulties.

If you think this may be a ministry where God is calling you to participate, please contact David at 816-356-3700 x232.



CONGRATULATIONS
Ray and Mary Singer are celebrating their 55th Wedding Anniversary on Tuesday, July 6, 2023

GOOD NEWS

If you have joyous news you would like to share with the Parish, please send an email with "Good News" in the subject line to

Grace Arnone

gracearnone@att.net

Our sympathy and prayers for strength, comfort extend to the family of **Michael Childs** who recently passed away while in Colorado.



May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



THURSDAY,
JULY 13
6:00pm - 8:00pm

PLEASE SIGN
UP IN
THE NARTHEX

**EUCCHARISTIC
ADORATION**



Save the Date

After Both Masses On

**SATURDAY
JULY 22 AT 3:00 PM**

**SUNDAY
JULY 23 AT 10:30 AM**

Come celebrate in the Narthex with us as we thank Maria for all her years of ministry to our parish! There will be desserts and drinks.

Maria has served as Pastoral Associate, Director of Music & Liturgy, and Music Teacher in various capacities these past 7 1/2 years.

BENCHWARMERS

AVAILABLE for pickup and purchase
after Mass July 15/16

Contact the school or church office if you would like to purchase tickets (\$20 donation per Ticket)
Cash or check made out to Nativity School
\$1000 in prizes awarded weekly!

See website for more information
www.nativityofmary.org/benchwarmers

Email saddison@nativityofmary.org

WEEKDAY MASSES CANCELED DURING FR. BRYAN'S TRAINING

Fr. Bryan will be gone from
Nativity of Mary & St.
Bernadette July 10 - July 13
at the *School Pastors
Institute* at Notre Dame.
Weekday Masses on
Tuesday, Wednesday
and Thursday are
canceled this week.



TEENS Need Service Hours?

Volunteer with us by helping
with Weeding Wednesdays.

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



This year's Golden Wedding Anniversary
Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, August 27,
2023 at the 11:00am Cathedral Mass. All
jubilee couples whose 50th Wedding
Anniversary is

January 1 -- December 31, 2023 are
encouraged to participate in this event.

Bishop James Johnston will preside at the
Mass honoring the Golden Wedding Couples.

Please call the office or email your
information (names, mailing address, and
wedding date)

no later than August 1st.

Congratulations to all our Jubilarian couples!

We are honored as you are a vital and
treasured part of Nativity of Mary Parish.

8-27-2023
11:00am

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
416 W 12th Street KCMO 64105

RSVP (816) 353-2184



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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



We are seeking volunteers to
help fix things around church
and school in need of minor
repair or maintenance.

All volunteers will be added to
an email list and notifications
will be sent out regarding issues
needing attention.

ALL are welcome to join
the group!

If interested, please call the Ministry Center Office
or email LeAnn Lakin: llakin@nativityofmary.org



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD COORDINATOR

We can minister to our children in unique ways and one way is through the breaking open of the Word specifically for the children of our parish during weekend Masses.

If interested in providing this ministry for our children, please call the Parish Office.

National Eucharistic Revival

The National Eucharistic Revival is a momentous, 3-year initiative that will bear fruit for years to come. During the previous year, clergy and diocesan leaders built the foundation for this movement to thrive at the parish level.

This year, beginning on the feast of Corpus Christi on June 11, 2023, began the year of the parish renewal as a grassroots initiative. To begin at Nativity, we have two hours of Eucharistic adoration the second Thursday of each month from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., opening with the first part of Benediction followed by a long period for personal prayer, and closing with the second half of Benediction. Plan to come spend time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

Quote from Saint Teresa of Calcutta: "What will convert America and save the world?" Her answer is prayer. "What we need is for every parish to come before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in Holy Hours of prayer."

Dcn. Justin is the point person for our parish. He encourages you to participate in the many local Eucharistic events planned through the summer.

Visit kcsj catholic.org/comehome/

DEACON JUSTIN MCMENAMY
816-254-1528

God never tires of forgiving us;
we are the ones who tire of seeking his mercy.

—Pope Francis

New Parishioner Information

Please print your name and address below to receive registration information.
Please drop in collection basket or mail to the office.

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone # _____

Email _____



Safe Environment at Nativity of Mary School and Church



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

- Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
- Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
- After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org 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.



For more info, contact Whitney True-Francis, Victim Assistance Coord.
true.francis@diocesekcsj.org / 816.392.0011



MISSION APPEAL

SR. ANDREA KANTNER

WWW.OSFHOLYECHARIST.ORG

JULY 15/16

Sr. Andrea Kantner, will be giving a Mission Appeal in the parish at the Masses on July 15-16, 2023. The donations will be used in the Diocese of Cruzeiro do Sul and the Parish in Rodrigues Alves, located in the Amazon rain forest in the state of Acre, Brazil for the medical and nutritional needs of expectant mothers and pre-school children, a program for children and youth with special needs and a project helping mothers to develop a marketable skill by offering sewing courses as well as after school instruction and care for school age children and a day care program.

2100 North Noland Rd, Independence, MO 64050

srstfrancisholyeucharist@gmail.com

816-252-1673

HOLY HOUR FOR PRIESTS

Thursday
July 20
7:00-8:00pm

A perfect time to pray for our priests and for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life!

Sisters of
St. Francis Chapel
2100 N Noland Rd

Parish Ministry Council

The Parish Ministry Council is a community of disciples, gathered to discern the needs of our parish and challenged to lead our people in responding faithfully to God's calling.

The Parish Ministry Council is looking for input from parishioners about their experiences at the parish. If you have something you would like to share, please reach out to one of the council members.

Peace be with you!



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PARISH MINISTRY COUNCIL 2023-2024

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT US IF YOU HAVE SUGGESTIONS, COMMENTS, OR CONCERNS.
WE WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU. WE ARE HERE TO LISTEN AND SERVE

Mission Statement:

In all aspects of daily life the members of our parish work together to promote our Catholic faith in our good example, in our school, in our community, and in our local outreach.



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Eastland McDonald's 18910 East US Highway 40 Independence, MO	40 Highway McDonald's 920 SW US Highway 40 Blue Springs, MO	South 7 McDonald's 3116 South 7 Highway Blue Springs, MO	Red Bridge McDonald's 11001 Hickman Mills Drive Kansas City, MO
Susquehanna McDonald's 16235 East US Highway 24 Independence, MO	North 7 McDonald's 814 NW State Route 7 Blue Springs, MO	Chouteau McDonald's 4400 N Chouteau Traffic Way Kansas City, MO	Blue Ridge McDonald's 5260 Blue Ridge Boulevard Raytown, MO

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