

AUGUST 27, 2023 | 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

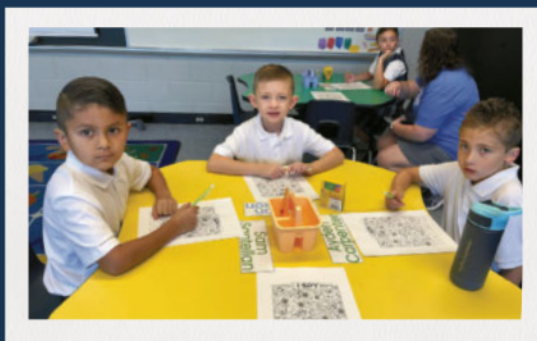
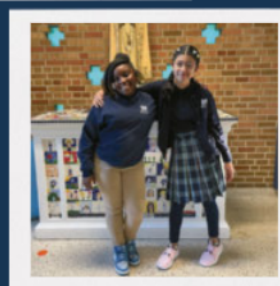
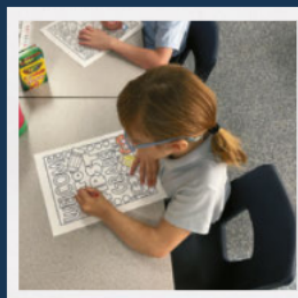
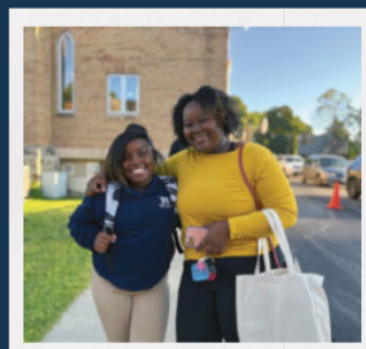
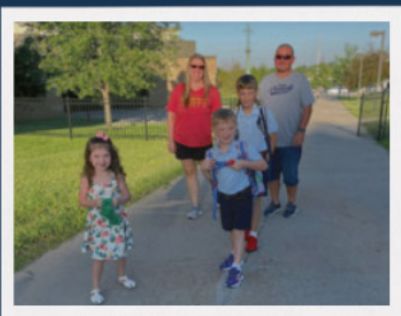
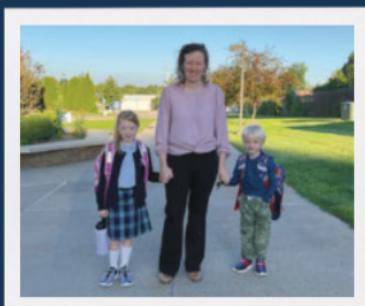
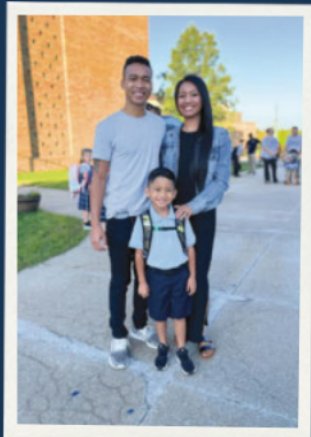


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First DAY  
OF  
School



**MASS INTENTIONS****PLEASE NOTE**

Saturdays & Tuesday are "multiple"  
Mass Intention Days. Thank you.

**Saturday, August 26 3:00pm**

† Virginia McMenamy

† Angelo DiGaetano

† Antonio Milazzo

**Sunday, August 27 10:30am**

† Linda Woods

**Monday, August 28 8:30am**

Communion Service

**Tuesday, August 29 8:30am**

† Charles Bellman

† Teresa Renaud

† Bernie Schmitz

**Thursday, August 31 8:30am**

† Jack & Jo Studer

† denotes deceased

**BULLETIN REQUEST  
DEADLINE**

Send all bulletin items by 12:00pm on Friday a week  
in advance to [lwatson@nativityofmary.org](mailto:lwatson@nativityofmary.org)

**CONTRIBUTION REPORT**

8/13/2023

Regular Collection . . .	\$6,052
Online Donations . . .	\$2,018
Loose Plate . . . . .	\$52
Capital Campaign -Window.	\$1,126
Capital Campaign -Debt . . .	\$40
School/Pisces Scholarship .	\$55
Misc./Pastoral Care . . . .	\$71
<b>Total Income . . . . .</b>	<b>\$9,914</b>

*Your Giving Matters ~ Thank you!*

**READINGS****AUGUST 27 - SEPTEMBER 3****Sunday — 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28

**Monday — St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Mt 23:13-22

**Tuesday — The Passion of St. John the Baptist**

1 Thes 2:1-8/Ps 139:1-3, 4-6/Mk 6:17-29

**Wednesday — St. Jeanne Jugan**

1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab/Mt 23:27-32

**Thursday — Sts. Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus**

1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17/Mt 24:42-51

**Friday — St. Egidio, Abbot**

1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12/Mt 25:1-13

**Saturday — St. Zenon, Martyr of Nicomedia**

1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Mt 25:14-30

**Next Sunday — 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 (2b)/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

## 2023

### Upcoming 2nd Collections

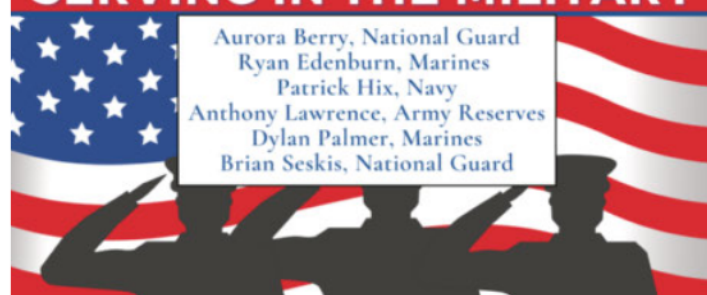
Church in Latin America	Sept 17
Mission Sunday	Oct 22
All Saints (Holyday)	Nov 1
Christmas Flowers	Dec 4

**August Prayer Intentions**

**Pope Francis:** We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

**Bishop Johnston:** For those whose professions place them in danger so that they may serve and protect others.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY**



Aurora Berry, National Guard  
Ryan Edenburn, Marines  
Patrick Hix, Navy  
Anthony Lawrence, Army Reserves  
Dylan Palmer, Marines  
Brian Seskis, National Guard



## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

**Blue: Nativity of Mary****Maroon: St. Bernadette****Monday, August 28**

8:00am Rosary

9:00am Cursillo

6:00pm Boy Scouts

**Tuesday, August 29**

8:00am Rosary

12:30pm Bernadette Buddies

6:00pm RCIA

**Wednesday, August 30**

8:00am 8th Grade Retreat at St. Mark's

8:30am Weeding Wednesday

10:00am Staff Meeting

**Thursday, August 31**

8:00am Rosary

6:00pm Baptism Preparation Class

**Friday, September 1**

9:00am Adoration

9:15am Altar Angels Church Cleaning

9:15am Bible Study

3:30pm One City Cafe

**Saturday, September 2**

12:30pm Quinceanera Mass

2:45pm Wine Walk Sales Before/After Mass

**Sunday, September 3**

10:00am Wine Walk Sales Before/After Mass

**Monday, September 4 Labor Day**

No School / Parish Offices Closed

8:00am Rosary

8:30am Communion Service

**Tuesday, September 5**

8:00am Rosary

6:00pm RCIA

**Wednesday, September 6**

8:30am Weeding Wednesday

10:00am Staff Meeting

**Thursday, September 7**

8:00am Rosary

6:00pm Altar Society

## Please Pray For

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

Judy Allen

Margaret Ault

Maria Bellman

Jim Blau

Rich Carroll

Wilma Christensen

Christopher Clark

Esther Cunningham

Matt Currivan

Mary DeStefano

Steve Drexel

Larry Dyer

Mikey Eaton

Lucy Franco

Karen Frazier

Barbara Garrett

Mary Goebel

Jean Harrer

Mary Herriott

Vicky Hohlbaugh

Lea Kanies

Bernie Kanies

Barbara Langley

John Maddux

Mary May

Judy McCandless

Pat McElligott

JoMarie Miller

Marilyn Mineart

Shelby Monaco

Susan Osborne

Julian Palmer

Eric Parvin

Ruth Perez

Lorrene Peterson

Frank Pinon

Bill &amp; Helen Ruby

Jim Severt

Rex Sibert

Norm Steffen

Ann Taylor

Mary Ann Touzinsky

Patricia Whitley

Send additional requests to:  
lwatson@nativityofmary.org

## Volunteers Needed

If you are interested in helping in the capacities listed below, please visit our website and click on "Ministries" and then on Educational Ministry to complete an application.

Religious Ed Teacher • Youth Minister • Cooks

Adult Education • Transportation to Events

Chaperoning at Youth Conferences

## TO KNEEL OR NOT TO KNEEL / SACRED SILENCE:

The new instruction says that only a priest, deacon or instituted acolyte is to clean the sacred vessels after Communion or after Mass. Other Eucharistic ministers or Mass servers are not permitted to do so. Under the 1975 instruction, it had become common practice in many US parishes for lay ministers of the Eucharist to cleanse the vessels.

...during the period of sacred silence...after the distribution of Holy Communion. 26 This period of sacred silence should begin as soon as the distribution of Holy Communion has been completed. 27 At this point the faithful may sit or kneel. The faithful are not required to kneel or stand during the purification of vessels, or until the reposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

"the singing [of the Communion song] is continued for as long as the Sacrament is being administered to the faithful." "The period of sacred silence would seem to begin, therefore, once all have received Holy Communion; hence the appropriate posture of the faithful during the distribution of Holy Communion is standing." BCL Newsletter, July 2003, c.f. GIRM, 43



# BENCHWARMERS

Contact the school or church office to pick up tickets -- \$20 donation per Ticket.  
\$1000 in prizes awarded weekly!

See website for more information  
[www.nativityofmary.org/benchwarmers](http://www.nativityofmary.org/benchwarmers)  
saddison@nativityofmary.org or lwatson@nativityofmary.org

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Join us to pray the Rosary  
**Mondays**  
**Tuesdays & Thursdays**  
at 8:00am.



## GIFT CARDS

Nativity of Mary School receives a percentage of each sale at no cost to you! Hundreds of brands are available, so be sure to check the RaiseRight website.

**Order online through RaiseRight.com or the RaiseRight mobile app. Pay online or send a check to the office. Make checks payable to Nativity of Mary. Orders are placed once per month.**

**Cards can be shipped to your home (at your expense) or shipped to school with our next monthly order (we pay!)**

**The School Office submits orders once each month**

**Order forms are available in the Narthex and School Office.**

Use Code: 526D255A7978 to enroll  
in this program and get started  
shopping with gift cards!



## Religious Education

Is your child needing to receive one of the sacraments?

Nativity of Mary Catholic Church is proud to announce that parishioners are now able to sign your child up for religious education classes online! Simply visit our parish website at [www.nativityofmary.org](http://www.nativityofmary.org), hover over "church", and select Sacramental Preparation. Then select which sacrament(s) you are wanting your child to receive. There you will find information about the program, its requirements, and the form to sign your child up.

Questions? Contact Cameron Engelbrecht at  
[engelbrecht@nativityofmary.org](mailto:engelbrecht@nativityofmary.org)

## Safe Environment at Nativity of Mary



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:

- 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](mailto: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 Coordinator  
[true.francis@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:true.francis@diocesekcsj.org)  
816.392.0011





**Pew Buddies**

We are creatures of habit and often sit in the same location at Mass. We hopefully recognize when our 'pew buddy' is absent. Thanks for helping us keep track of one another. Thanks, too, for welcoming those who may be new to your section, or for those who are adventurous. Thanks for moving around and meeting others. God created us for love and community; please don't hesitate to keep us informed.

**ADORATION****2nd Thursdays at Nativity****6:00-8:00pm****1st Fridays at St. Bernadette****9:00-10:00am**

Questions? Call Deacon Justin at 816-254-1528

**DON'T FALL FOR IT!**

Have you received text messages, emails or messages through Facebook Messenger from someone claiming to be Fr. Bryan asking for money or gift cards indicating it's an emergency? Don't give. It's not your pastor. It's a scam.

Over the years, several people all throughout the U.S. have been targeted by these fraudsters. They are probably using information found on our church website or in our online parish bulletins to trick parish members into parting with their cash. Sometimes they'll even go so far as to include a priest's profile picture, captured from Facebook or another online source, to make their correspondence appear more authentic.

Your pastor will never contact a parishioner directly with an emergency request for cash or gift cards. Messages asking parishioners to help fulfill a need would come through the parish's official communication channels or be accomplished through a collection approved by the diocese. If you are not sure about a text or email you've received, do not engage, click on links or respond to it. Call the parish office right away to notify a staff member.

⚡ **DON'T 4GET** ⚡ ⚡ **DON'T 4GET** ⚡ ⚡ **DON'T 4GET** ⚡

REGISTER FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



JOIN US FOR A

# BAPTISM

## PREPARATION CLASS

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 31****6:00PM**

Ministry Center - Lower Level

rsvp on our website or with the Parish

Office at (816) 353-2184

Questions?

cengelbrecht@nativityofmary.org

Baptism Preparation Classes are held on the last Thursday of the month at 6:00 pm in the Lower Level of the Ministry Center. Park in the fenced-in School Parking Lot next to the gym.

Please register on our website (<https://nativityofmary.org/baptism>) before attending class. Parents are required to attend a baptism preparation class before presenting their child for this sacrament to ensure parents understand the sacrament and their roles in raising the child in their Catholic faith. We encourage parents to baptize their child within the first few weeks after they are born.

**5th ANNUAL**

wine, spirits,  
brew walk

**Saturday,  
September 30  
6 - 9 pm**

Multiple Libation Stations  
with a variety of food and drinks.

We welcome and appreciate new hosts for  
Libation Stations for this year.

If interested, contact Cindy or Mary

Proceeds to benefit campus improvements.

**Contact**

Cindy Mosbauer  
816-520-3239

mtmhouse@sbcglobal.net

Mary Vitt  
816-520-1575

maryvitt0324@yahoo.com

**Protecting God's Children Workshop**

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph will sponsor a community education forum for interested adult members of our parish on Sunday, October 1 at 11:45am in the Nativity of Mary Minister Center – Lower Level Conference Room. The Protecting God's Children Workshop is intended to raise awareness of child sexual abuse. Adults who attend the 3-hour session will come away with practical information about the warning signs of child abuse, ways to prevent abuse, strategies for handling suspicions of abuse, and ways to respond. If you would like to attend our session, you may pre-register online at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org). Click on Registration at the left, select the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, MO and follow the prompts.

Please call Laurie Jo Watson at the Nativity parish office (816) 353-2184 or at (816) 820-0656 if you experience difficulty pre-registering and we will sign you up for the workshop. All volunteers working in children's programs of our parishes and schools are required by the diocese to attend this session; however, all persons interested in making our world safer for children are welcome and encouraged to attend.



## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS(RCIA)

Is God calling you to his Church? Do you have questions about the Catholic faith? Nativity of Mary Catholic Church invites all those interested in learning more about Catholicism and those who desire to become Catholic to sign up for RCIA. Please visit our parish website, click *Become Catholic*, and fill out an RCIA interest form.

Sessions began August 22

If you have any questions please feel free to email Cameron Engelbrecht at [cengelbrecht@nativityofmary.org](mailto:cengelbrecht@nativityofmary.org)

Our sympathy and prayers for strength,  
comfort extend to the family of

**Teresa Renaud**

who passed away April 18.

*Teresa is the sister of  
Deacon Justin McMenamy.*



**seek**<sup>24</sup>  
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**The Seek conference hosted by FOCUS is  
taking place this year in St. Louis January 1  
to January 5, 2024.**

**Designed with young adults in mind, Seek  
brings young Catholics together for  
fellowship, prayer, and educational sessions  
by some of the most important Catholic  
minds of our time.**

**Adults 18 to 30 interested in attending  
please contact Cameron Engelbrecht at  
[Cengelbrecht@nativityofmary.org](mailto:Cengelbrecht@nativityofmary.org)**

# September 2023



CHECK OUR [WEBSITE CALENDAR](http://WWW.NATIVITYOFMARY.ORG/CHURCH-CALENDAR) FOR THE MOST RECENT UPDATES

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>27</b> 21st Sunday in OT 10:30am Mass 11:00am Golden Wedding Anniv Mass at the Cathedral	<b>28</b> 8:00am Rosary Group 8:30am Communion Svc. 6:00pm Boy Scouts	<b>29</b> 8:00am Rosary Group 8:30am Daily Mass 6:00pm RCIA	<b>30</b> 8:30am Weeding Wed. 8TH GRADE RETREAT 6:30pm Parish SoR (St. B)	<b>31</b> 8:00am Rosary Group 8:30am School Mass 6:00pm Baptism Prep	<b>1</b> SCHOOL HALF DAY 9:00am Adoration at (at St. Bernadette)	<b>2</b> 12:30pm Quinceanera 2:30pm Confession 3:00pm Mass
<b>3</b> 22nd Sunday in OT 10:30am Mass	<b>4</b> Labor Day 8:00am Rosary Group 8:30am Communion Svc. No SCHOOL PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	<b>5</b> 8:00am Rosary Group 8:30am Daily Mass 6:00pm RCIA	<b>6</b> 8:30am Weeding Wed. 6:30pm Parish SoR (at St. Bernadette)	<b>7</b> 8:00am Rosary Group 8:30am School Mass 6:00pm Altar Society	<b>8</b> Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary 9:15am Bible Study at (at St. Bernadette) 6:00pm Young Adult: Look to the East	<b>9</b> 2:30pm Confession 3:00pm Mass
<b>10</b> 23rd Sunday in OT 10:30am Mass 11:30am Feast Day Celebration	<b>11</b> 8:00am Rosary Group 8:30am Communion Svc. 12:00pm Over 55 Luncheon 6:00pm Boy Scouts 7:00pm Book Club	<b>12</b> 8:00am Rosary Group 8:30am Daily Mass 6:00pm Ministry Council RCIA	<b>13</b> 8:30am Weeding Wed. 6:30pm Parish SoR (at St. Bernadette)	<b>14</b> 8:00am Rosary Group 8:30am School Mass 6:00pm Adoration	<b>15</b> 9:15am Bible Study at (at St. Bernadette)	<b>16</b> SALE! 2:30pm Confession 3:00pm Mass
<b>17</b> 24th Sunday in OT 10:30am Mass 1:00pm Quinceanera	<b>18</b> 8:00am Rosary Group 8:30am Communion Svc. 2:00pm Blood Drive 6:00pm Boy Scouts	<b>19</b> 8:00am Rosary Group 8:30am Daily Mass 6:00pm RCIA	<b>20</b> 8:30am Weeding Wed. 4:30pm Finance Council 6:30pm Parish SoR (at St. Bernadette)	<b>21</b> 8:00am Rosary Group 8:30am School Mass	<b>22</b> 9:15am Bible Study at (at St. Bernadette)	<b>23</b> 12:30pm Quinceanera 2:30pm Confession 3:00pm Mass
<b>24</b> 25th Sunday in OT 10:30am Mass 11:30am Confirmation	<b>25</b> 8:00am Rosary Group 8:30am Communion Svc. 6:00pm Boy Scouts	<b>26</b> 8:00am Rosary Group 8:30am Daily Mass 6:00pm RCIA	<b>27</b> 8:30am Weeding Wed. 6:30pm Parish SoR (at St. Bernadette) 7:00pm Taize Service	<b>28</b> 8:00am Rosary Group 8:30am School Mass 6:00pm Baptism Prep	<b>29</b> 9:15am Bible Study at (at St. Bernadette)	<b>30</b> 2:30pm Confession 3:00pm Mass 6:00-9:00pm Sip & Support Fundraiser





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