

## **Holy Nativity Catholic Church**

The Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter
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# + Eighth Sunday After Trinity + 21 July AD 2024 +

## Holy Nativity Catholic Church 1414 North Easy Street + Payson, Arizona 85541

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+ become a Registered Member of Holy Nativity Catholic Church + explore the possibility of becoming Roman Catholic + schedule a Wedding or a Baptism + talk about the Annulment process + schedule a Confession by appointment

#### Welcome to Our Visitors

Thank you for sharing in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass with us today. Please introduce yourself after Mass.

<u>If you are a Catholic</u>, we at Holy Nativity receive Holy Communion kneeling and by intinction (both species on the tongue).

<u>If you are not a Catholic</u>, during Communion we invite you either to come forward with your arms crossed over your chest, or fingers across your lips, and receive a blessing from the Priest or Deacon, or remain in your pew and reflect on the presence of Christ.

### Come to the Good Shepherd

Our first reading, from the prophet Jeremiah, speaks of shepherds who were not being shepherds thus scattering the sheep. These are condemned. Good shepherds intentionally seek the greatest good of their sheep. There was a news story in recent years about a sheep in New Zealand that had gotten away from his shepherd and lived on his own for a few years. He had so much wool he could barely see where he was going by the time they caught up to him. The children of Israel were in a similar state, not just because they had wandered off spiritually, but also as a result of ungodly spiritual shepherds they were uncared for. Instead of excess wool the Israelites bore an incredible burden of sin. We sometimes fail to realize that we carry the burden of our own sins as well as the burden of what others have done or failed to do. Life in general has its burdens and we can find ourselves wondering what to do with this burden. When the Disciples returned from their first missionary journey, they were elated to tell our Lord what all they had accomplished. On the one hand He rejoiced with them, but rather than encourage them to go out again and capitalize on their success He called them off to a quiet place alone. We also are called to quiet moments with our Lord. Caring for others, while exciting and fulfilling, can also be spiritually draining. This means we need personal time with our Lord to refill our spiritual reserves.

The psalm appointed for today is Psalm 23, the Shepherd Psalm. Here the image of the Good Shepherd caring for His sheep reminds us that we are not always on the Spiritual front lines. There are times our Lord will lead us beside the still waters that restore our souls. Here He ensures we are brought healing, "...He anoints my head with oil." He provides for our needs, preparing a "...table before us in the presence of our enemies." Let us therefore place all our faith and trust in the provision of our Shepherd. His compassion is beyond measure, even to the giving of Himself to the point of death. "The shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."

### July 21st, Eighth Sunday After Trinity

7:20 am Rosary 8:00 am Mass 9:00 am Confessions 10:00 am Mass

Hymn 585 - Praise to the Lord

Hymn 672 - Oh God, Our Help in Ages Past

### **Chanted Responses from the Hymnal:**

170 – Sanctus

174 - Agnus Dei

**Readings:** 

Old Testament - Jer 23:1 - 6

Epistle - Eph 2:13 - 18

Gospel - Mk 6:30 - 34

### Who We Are

Holy Nativity Catholic Church is a member of the Ordinariate of the Chair of St. Peter, a diocese in the Roman Catholic Church, offering one of three forms of the Mass in the Latin Rite. With the guidance and encouragement of Pope Benedict XVI, we were formed to accommodate the traditions of Anglican communities as they entered the Catholic Church in full communion with Rome. All Catholics are welcome.

# **Contributions.** You may donate to the church by:

 $\square$  Using the plate at the back of church

☐ Clicking the *Donate Now* button at www.HolyNativityPayson.org

 $\square$  Mailing your check to the church at this address:

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### **Business Listing:**

Total Fireplace Concepts LLC - 928-301-7353

Diversified Services - Home

Improvement/Hauling - 928-970-1873

Home and Business Cleaning – very good references – Lupe (928-951-1107)

Rim Country Guns – Catholic owned and operated, 928-474-8000

Looking for good listening? Try Rim Country Catholic Radio 98.9 FM

### Check out our website:

https://holynativitypayson.org/ It's now being regularly updated.

# Holy Nativity Catholic Church

"Knowledge, love and service to God."

## Weekly Schedule

Monday: No Mass:

Tuesday: Mass Noon - Rosary at 11:30 am

Wednesday: Mass 10 am, Book study following

Evening prayer at 4:30 PM

Thursday: Mass Noon - Rosary at 11:30 am

Adoration following Mass until Noon on Friday.

*Please see sign-up sheet in the narthex* 

Friday: Mass Noon
Saturday: No Mass

**Sunday:** Rosary 7:20 am, Mass: 8 am and 10 am. *Please join us for fellowship after each Mass* 

Confession: one hour before every mass except the 8 am Sunday

Mass and as requested.

Holy Hour: The Holy Eucharist will be unveiled for adoration one

hour before each of the weekday masses.

## **Announcements**

### **Prayer List:**

Dan Heath - Healing Gary Bedsworth - Healing

Bev Furst - Healing Kevin - Healing

Brenda - Healing

Robert Hendershot – Healing Deacon Tom – Healing

Mike Mascatell – Healing

Ventia Stanley - Healing

**Church Library:** Stop by the bookshelves in the narthex and browse the church's new library of Catholic texts, which you may use during Adoration or borrow to read at home. We welcome donations of faithful Catholic books and pamphlets. Donations can be left in the box to the right of the bookshelves.

The library catalog is available on the church website: www.HolyNativityPayson.org

## **Upcoming Events**

**Women's Gospel Encounter group:** 10 am on 1st and 3rd Saturdays Contact Cynthia at 512-865-7707

Martha's Vineyard Ladies Group: 10 – 11:30 every second Saturday

**Sisters in Christ** meets from 5 to 7 pm on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays

**Second Collection is for Missionary and Charitable Activities** (Holy Land Collection and Peter's Pence)

**CPR and AED training** please check the list & consider signing up

**St. Michael the Archangel**, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil, may God rebuke him we humbly pray, and do thou O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into Hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world, seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.