



# Holy Nativity Catholic Church

The Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter

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+ Fourteenth Sunday After Trinity + 1 September AD 2024 +

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**Director of Music:** Rebecca Highstreet

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**RCIA:** Deacon Tom Fox (928) 277-9851

**Call the Parish Office if you wish to. . .**

+ 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.**

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

**If you are not a Catholic, 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.**

Be doers of the Word, and not hearers only

In today's Gospel lesson the Scribes and Pharisees decided to call our Lord to task for not forcing His disciples to obey the rules of the elders by washing their hands. We recently had an intense interest in hand washing with the now passed pandemic. While it is important to be sanitary an undue fascination with washing can become a detraction. The law of Moses insisted that the people cleanse themselves to separate themselves from the society of the Gentiles. This did not mean that people of other nations were physically dirty. It was a physical reminder to the people of Israel that they were to set themselves apart, to not participate in the religious practices of the other nations. So, every time faithful Israelites washed it was to remind them, they were called to serve God with all their heart, soul, mind, and body. The intent was that the people of God would be drawn ever deeper into the sacred mysteries and an ever-deeper relationship with God. However, this is very hard for most people and virtually impossible to measure, so over time they gravitated to the simpler to accomplish physical actions rather than the more difficult spiritual life.

We are called by the Apostle James to "...be doers of the Word, and not hearers only." Pope St. John Paul II spoke about practical atheism. Practical atheism acknowledges God exists but lives as though He didn't. In a sense, we become hearers of the word only. To be doers of the word is to live as though we truly believed Jesus died for us, loves us, and wants a relationship and communion with us. It is to accomplish what God desires of us—to be who He desires us to be. The only way to accomplish what God desires of us is to have our lives focused on doing His will with hearts that are filled with love for God, and for those around us. May our Lord grant us the grace to love Him with all our hearts, souls, minds, and bodies and to allow the Love of God to guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## September 1<sup>st</sup>, 14th Sunday After Trinity

**7:20 am Rosary**

**8:00 am Mass**

**9:00 am Confessions**

**10:00 am Mass**

**Hymn 669** – We Walk by Faith

**Hymn 667** – Faith of Our Fathers

**Chanted Responses from the Hymnal:**

170 – Sanctus      174 – Agnus Dei

**Readings:**

**Old Testament** – Dt 4:1-2, 6-8

**Epistle** – Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27

**Gospel** – Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

## **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:

- ☐ Using the plate at the back of church
- ☐ Clicking the *Donate Now* button at [www.HolyNativityPayson.org](http://www.HolyNativityPayson.org)
- ☐ Mailing your check to the church at this address:

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## **Business Listings:**

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

Payson Produce – Now at Noley's (103 East AZ  
260) Thursdays thru Mondays  
Contact Reuben 928-418-8114

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Catholic Radio 98.9 FM

# ***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

**First Saturday:** Noon Mass Rosary at 11:30 am

**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	Brenda – Healing
Gary Bedsworth – Healing	Bev Furst – Repose of Soul
Robert Hendershot – Healing	Kevin – Healing
Deacon Tom – Healing	Mike Mascatell – Healing
Ventia Stanley – Healing	

## **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

**Choir Practice:** Wednesdays 6:00pm

**Men's Group:** 6 to 8 pm on 3rd Thursdays

**CPR & AED training** Sept 10. 6:00pm at Payson Library

**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.

**Check out our website:** <https://holynativitypayson.org/>  
It's now being regularly updated.

**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.