



Holy Nativity Catholic Church

The Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter

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+ Fifteenth Sunday After Trinity + 8 September AD 2024 +

Holy Nativity Catholic Church

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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.

Ephphatha – be opened

JMJ

The word of our Lord to the man who was deaf and mute was “Ephphatha” – “Be Opened”. In the case of the man in our Gospel lesson his ears and tongue were not working. He was effectively closed off from the auditory world around him. He could not hear the birds singing the glory of God, he could not speak to tell another person what God had done for him. We also can suffer from a similar spiritual problem. Do you ever pray and feel as though your prayers do not make it past the ceiling? Do you ever try to explain your faith and find yourself at an utter loss of words? Do you find yourself wanting desperately to do the will of God, but have absolutely no sense of what that will is? We need to be brought to the Lord for healing.

Healing this man was not something immediate. First Jesus took the man aside privately, then He touched him in his ears and on his tongue. Then, speaking a word of command, Ephphatha, healed him. Suddenly the man was able to hear and speak. A miracle had occurred, and no amount of admonition to silence from our Lord could keep him from telling everyone who would listen.

What can we learn from this? First being taken aside privately is essential to our healing. When Elijah the prophet heard the voice of God, it was in a still, small voice. The key to knowing the will of God, the key to hearing His voice is to be quiet. Silence is not always easy but is very rewarding. Time spent in prayer each morning, meditating on sacred Scripture, especially the Gospels, allows God to open our ears to His Word. Through the strength gained in this time of prayer and meditation we find the peace and grace to face all the challenges of our day.

Second, God wants to touch us physically. Through the Sacraments and sacramentals we feel the hand of God touching us, receiving the Eucharist, holding a rosary, holy water, sacred oil, all these are the touch of God in our lives. Now, empowered by time spent in prayer, enriched through the touch of the Sacraments, go forth into the world and tell others what God has done for you.

September 8th, 15th Sunday After Trinity

7:20 am Rosary

8:00 am Mass

9:00 am Confessions

10:00 am Mass

Hymn 680 – Amazing Grace

Hymn 712 – There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

Chanted Responses from the Hymnal:

170 – Sanctus 174 – Agnus Dei

Readings:

Old Testament – Is 35:4-7a **Psalm** 146

Epistle – Jas 2:1-5

Gospel – Mk 7:31-37

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
- ☐ 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

Rosaries—Handmade by Ann Doyle, plus Catholic bracelets and earrings, at Consign Your Design in the Swiss Village Shopping Center. Ann also offers rosary repair. Contact doyleann@comcast.net

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

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"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

Robert Hendershot – Healing

Deacon Tom – Healing

Ventia Stanley – Healing

Linda Parsons - Healing

Brenda – Healing

Bev Furst – Repose of Soul

Kevin – Healing

Mike Mascatell – Healing

Mary Smith – 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 2nd and 4th 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.