

## **Holy Nativity Catholic Church**

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## + 6th Sunday of Easter + 25 May AD 2025 +

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Director of Music: Jarrett Grace Altar Guild: Kathy Belman / Cathy Branson **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.

#### JMJ

"Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you, not as the world gives do I give to you."

One of the most common problems faced by people today is anxiety. This leads to high levels of prescription and nonprescription drug use, large numbers of physical health problems, broken marriages, and a host of other issues. Society tells us that if we personally cannot control our destiny, we are deficient and must worry about it. Peace is lost. The peace that our Lord gives is in some regards found in losing control, or rather yielding control, to God. When God is in charge, the challenges we face are placed in His hands, we do not worry about the past or the future. Instead, we peacefully abide in His present, abandoned to His care, knowing He holds us in the palm of His hand.

Our Lord clarified the nature of the gift. "... Not as the world gives..." Our Lord shows His peace to be a peace that exists despite what is happening around us. Our Lord knew well how much His disciples would need to understand true peace in the trials and tribulations that were soon to come. Their peace would flow not from their circumstances, but from a heart obedient to God, a heart that loves God and trusts in His love for us. Sometimes we don't have peace because we are afraid, He might send uncomfortable circumstances into our path. Many are the times I have heard folks regretting asking God for patience because He sent trials into their lives to strengthen them. Peace is found when they trustingly learn the lesson our Lord is teaching.

How can we have this peace that our Lord promised? We have peace by trusting in the love of God for us, that if we are in His will, we have the security of knowing that even in the face of death itself we need not fear. Our immortal soul is secure in the hand of God if we have committed ourselves to Him. St. Paul triumphantly exclaimed, "...and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him." (II Tim. 2:12 NRSV-CE). St. Paul knew that in the midst of his sufferings for the cause of Christ his soul was securely held in the hand of God. St. Paul had the true peace that only our Lord gives. May the peace of Christ surround us and keep us in His loving hand.

#### May 25, 6th Sunday of Easter

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

**Hymn 585** – Praise to the Lord

**Hymn 575** – Joyful Joyful We Adore You

**Chanted Responses from the Hymnal:** 

170 – Sanctus 174 – Agnus Dei

#### Readings:

First Reading – Acts 15:1-2, 22-29

**Psalm** -- Ps 67:1-2, 4-5, 7

O God, let all the nations praise you.

**Second Reading** – Rv 21:10-14, 22-23

**Gospel** – Jn 14:23-29

#### 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:

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☐ 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 & Electrical – 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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"Knowledge, love and service to God."

### **Weekly Schedule**

Monday: No Mass

Tuesday: Holy Communion - No Mass - Rosary at 11:30 am

Wednesday: Mass at 10:00 am, Book study following

Evening prayer 4:30pm

**Thursday Day of Obligation (Ascension):** Mass Noon & 6pm—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 and 9:20 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
Ventia Stanley – Healing
Walter Obrecht – Healing
Sally Glemba – Healing
Cheryl S – Healing
Merle Farrier – Repose
Judy Hansen – Healing

Brenda – Healing
Mike Mascatell – Healing
Mary Smith – Healing
Jarrett Grace – Healing
George Gambrall – Healing
Linda Parsons – Healing
Deacon Tom – Healing
The Almeida family – Repose

## **Upcoming Events**

Women's Gospel Encounter group: 10 am on 1st and 3rd Saturdays

Contact Cynthia at 512-865-7707

Choir Practice: Wednesdays 6:00pm.

Men's Group: 6 to 8 pm third Thursday of the month.

Next meeting: June 19.

**The Bell Fundraiser Dinner** raised \$2825.09 in gross receipts and donations. After expenses (food, wine, supplies) of 893.26, we have a net profit of \$1931.83

While we have a donated bell, there is still some structural work that needs to be done to mount the bell securely in the spire. At this time we don't know what that will cost.

Items for the Bulletin should be submitted by Wednesday noon. email: jh.grace@gmail.com

**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.