



# Holy Nativity Catholic Church

The Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter

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+ 7th Sunday of Easter + 1 June AD 2025 +

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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.**

## JMJ

Recently we were given the 267<sup>th</sup> Pope by the college of Cardinals. The Church founded by our Lord demonstrated its ability to continue that which was instituted by our Lord nearly 2000 years ago. Our Church is stabilized by her magisterium and led by those who have answered the call to holiness. Do we look to the future for our faith? In today's gospel our Lord looked to the future and considered each of us in relation to that future. Certain elements were needed. A belief in our Lord and in the teachings He left, passed through the teachings and traditions of the Apostles down to our day. There is a need for unity. Our Lord prayed that we all may be one even as He is one with the Father and the Holy Spirit. A unity that is complete.

At times that unity in our Church has been strained and even broken at painful points. Consider the East/West Schism in 1054 AD over the teaching concerning the relationship between the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Such tensions were hardly new. In the first reading, Stephen was stoned to death by fellow Jews who rejected our Lord. Stephen's desire for healing this wound was that God not "lay this sin to their charge." For his part, Stephen prayed for their forgiveness. Seeking forgiveness in the family and conversion for those who were rejecting him. How often do we hold onto anger instead of offering forgiveness to the detriment of relationships.

In a very narrow sense, I know that what we do at Holy Nativity needs to be focused not on ourselves but on the next three or four generations at minimum. If we focus only on the present and make no provision for the future our shortsightedness could doom those who follow. We need to provide a unified effort for the longevity of the Faith. The prayer of our Lord was one that looked at the church literally from beginning to end. His desire was for the church to essentially be "of one heart and mind" in Him, even as He and the Father are one.

The second reading today presents a vision of our ultimate end, eternity with our God in Heaven. While we each generally cross the "finish line" of death individually we are reminded that this is also a team effort. There are those who would like to make what we do in the church an individual effort. However, the vision of Heaven seen in the second reading includes the prayers of the saints before the throne of Heaven for each of us. If this is our future, shouldn't we seek to do our part to establish and maintain a vision for future generations to also find their way to eternal life with God through our teachings and actions here and now?

## June 1, 7th Sunday of Easter

**7:20 am Rosary**

**8:00 am Mass**

**9:00 am Confessions**

**10:00 am Mass**

**Hymn 462** – All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

**Hymn 458** – Allelulia! Sing to Jesus

**Chanted Responses from the Hymnal:**

170 – Sanctus      174 – Agnus Dei

**Readings:**

**First Reading** – Acts 7:55-60

**Psalm** -- Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9

**R:** *The Lord reigns, the most high over all the earth.*

**Second Reading** – Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20

**Gospel** – Jn 17:20-26

### **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 & 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

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Contact Reuben 928-418-8114

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## ***Holy Nativity Catholic Church***

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### **Weekly Schedule**

**Monday:** No Mass

**Tuesday:** Mass Noon – Rosary at 11:30 am

**Wednesday:** Mass at 10:00 am, Book study following,  
Evening prayer 4:30pm

**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 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	Brenda – Healing
Gary Bedsworth – Healing	Mike Mascatell – Healing
Ventia Stanley – Healing	Mary Smith – Healing
Walter Obrecht – Healing	Jarrett Grace – Healing
Sally Glemba – Healing	George Gambrall – Healing
Cheryl S – Healing	Linda Parsons – Healing
Deacon Tom – Healing	Judy Hansen – 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.

*Items for the Bulletin should be submitted by Wednesday noon.  
email: [jh.grace@gmail.com](mailto: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.