Church of the Nativity

OUR MISSION STATEMENT: We, the people of Nativity Parish, commit to proclaiming Jesus' Kingdom by learning and teaching His Word, adoring His presence, and serving the needs of all people.

October 10, 2021

Sacramental Life

WEEKDAY MASSES

M-F	6:30am
Saturday	8:00am

SUNDAY MASSES

Sat. Evening	4:15pm
Sun. Morning	6:30 & 9:30am

CONFESSIONS

M-F	7:00am
Wednesday	6:00pm
1st Sat.	7:15am
Saturday	3:00 - 3:45pm

Baptisms

By arrangement. Pre-Baptism Program Required. The next class is at 6:30 on November 1. Please notify the office if you plan to attend.

Weddings

Please notify parish office at least six months in advance to schedule wedding. Catholic party must give evidence of faith.

1225 Alta Vista
Dubuque, IA 52001

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Monday, October 11
6:30am † Elizabeth Schmidt, † Michael Weber
Tuesday, October 12
6:30am † JoAnn Yates
Wednesday, October 13
6:30am † Emmett & Ray Whalen
Thursday, October 14
6:30am † Gunnar Ant
Friday, October 15: St Teresa of Jesus
6:30am † Patricia Mason Conzett (Anv),
† Joe & Julia Leisen
Saturday, October 16
8:00am † Diana Morton (Anv),† Judy Calcari
4:15pm † Paul Brashaw
Sunday, October 17: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
6:30am Vern & Mary Demmer Family
9:30am Nativity Parish

Parish Staff & Office Info

Pastor.....Fr. Andy Upah
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Music/Choir.....Mary Ann McCauley (Ex. 207)
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Parish Visitor.....Karen Leisen (588-1163)
Parish Nurse.....Becky Krapfl (582-1839)
Phone.....(563) 582-1839
Hours.....8:30am-3:00 pm (M-Th) 8:30am-Noon (F)
Parish Website ....**http://www.NativityDBQ.org**

Stewardship Report

Received Oct 3, 2021 .....$10,229
Envelopes Rec'd 147
Weekly Need $13,850
Amount Budgeted Year to Date $193,900
Received YTD (July 1 - Oct 3) $178,362
Retire the Debt (RED Fund) $976
Amount Needed for Loan #1781 .....$38,509
Social Justice: $419; **India:** $526; **Tanzania:** $278
Mass Attend.(10/3): 4:15 - 213; 6:30 - 160; 9:30 - 283

From the Pastor

As Archbishop Jackels likes to say, "*seminarians are like incense at Mass and garlic in cooking, more is better!*" The picture on the front is Deacon Steve at a recent Holy Hour, surrounded by a cloud of incense over the altar. If you go to the 9:30am Mass, you will notice that we are regularly having incense now that we have servers again. The use of incense symbolizes our prayers rising up to the throne of God, the Psalmist prays, "*Let my prayer come like incense before you; the lifting up of my hands, like the evening sacrifice*" (Psalm 141). Incense also creates the ambiance of heaven: The Book of Revelation describes the heavenly worship as follows: "*Another angel came and stood at the altar, holding a gold censer. He was given a great quantity of incense to offer, along with the prayers of all the holy ones, on the gold altar that was before the throne. The smoke of the incense along with the prayers of the holy ones went up before God from the hand of the angel*" (Rev 8:3-4). This seems especially appropriate as I stand in front of the Nine Choirs of Angels in brick. The usage of incense adds a sense of solemnity and mystery to the Mass. The visual imagery of the smoke and the smell remind us of the transcendence of the Mass which links heaven with earth, and allow us to enter into the presence of God. This is really the point or my goal, is to help people understand what we are participating in is really important and special, it cannot be found on a beach or in a forest, but here in God's Holy Church, deserving of our attention and faithfulness every week. - *Fr. Andy*

A **Rosary Rally** will be held on Saturday, October 16th at 2pm in our Rosary Garden and adjacent lawn. Please bring your own lawn chair. If you have any questions, please contact Sue Lukasik at (563)870-4665 or at **sandjlukasik@msn.com**

Greeters scheduled for the 9:30 am Mass on October 17
Jon & Joyce Brachman

Parish Calendar

Monday, October 11
7:00pm "A Biblical Walk through the Mass" - O'Brien Room
Tuesday, October 12
9:30am Bible Study on Genesis - Parish Office
Wednesday, October 13
5:00pm Children's Choir Rehearsal - Church
5:30pm Bring Your Own Picnic - Green space (weather allowing)
6:00pm Family Holy Hour - Church
7:00pm Encounter Series - Church
Thursday, October 14
12:30pm 60+ Group - O'Brien Room
6:30pm Adult Choir Rehearsal - Church
Saturday, October 16
2:00pm Rosary Rally - Rosary Garden and Green space

Save the dates for our 2nd annual *Encounter* series! This year the theme for *Encounter* is "Learning from St. Joseph." Make plans to join us every Wednesday evening in October at 7pm!

Seven Sisters Needed : One Holy Hour, One Day Each Week, One Heart of Prayer. If your are interested in prayerful support of our Pastor, Fr. Andy. Please contact Becky @ **krapflr@aol.com** for more information on this Apostolate.

Reminder to send in the envelope for the Bread and Wine offering which includes the dues membership to the Rosary Society. Thank you to those parishioners who have already donated!

Hills & Dales Religious Education

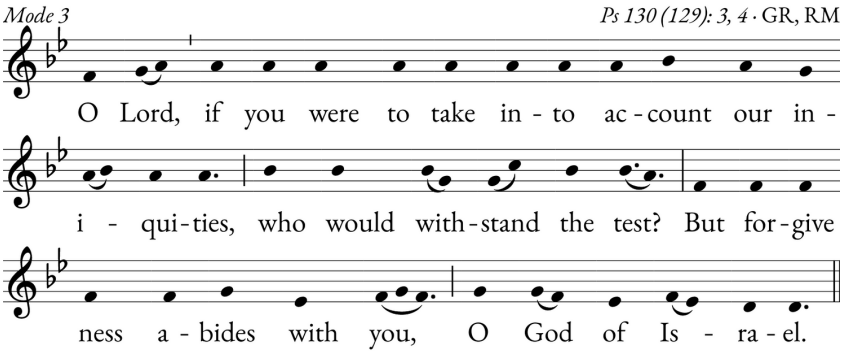
Only a couple of hours a month can bring joy to one of God's special children. Deacon Steve MacDonald directs the Spiritual Enrichment program at Hills & Dales Development Center. Each student is in need of a volunteer companion in order to attend. Professionals will be on duty the entire time to take care of personal care issues and health concerns of the children. Volunteers are needed to be a child's friend in reading stories, assisting with art activities and the like. Training will be provided. All volunteers must be vaccinated and wear a mask. If interested or for more information please email Deacon Steve at: **stevekathymac@gmail.com**

After the last year plus of pandemic life many of us are looking for a fresh start. Consider attending a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** experience. Upcoming dates and locations are October 22nd - 24th in Coralville, IA and November 19th-21st in Holstein, IA. Register at **Iowa-wwme.org** or call 563-608-3305 with any questions.

At the Sunday Mass

Entrance Antiphon

Mode 3 — *Ps 130 (129): 3, 4* · GR, RM



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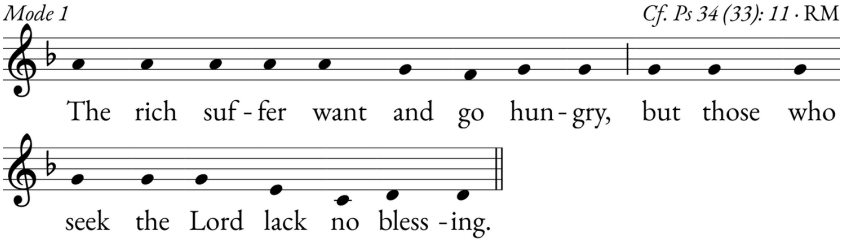
Communion Antiphon

Mode 1 — *Cf. Ps 34 (33): 11* · RM



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Basket Raffle Time: We are currently making plans for **Parish Festival Equivalency Dinner** (tentatively on **Sunday, November 7**) but we need to begin collecting baskets for the raffle. Any parish group, family or individual that would like to donate a basket for the raffle should bring the basket to the parish office by October 22nd at 11:30am. Please include a list of items in the basket. Ticket sales will begin Oct. 30th and the winners will be drawn at the dinner.

Survivor of 1994 Rwanda Genocide and best selling author of "Left to Tell" **Immaculee Ilibagiza** will host a retreat at Resurrection Church on Friday, Nov 5th from 5-9pm, and Saturday, Nov 6th from 9a-1230. To register for this retreat, go to **Immaculee.com/Collections/Retreats** (Click on Dubuque, IA retreat)

For more information, contact Diane Link @ 563.590.5686 **dmlinkrn@gmail.com** or Laurie Ready @ 563-451-9565 **LaurieReady@gmail.com**.

October is " Respect for Life Month"

Pray a rosary for life, Give a rose to Mary! For each rosary you pray for life, place a rose on the rosary bead as a gift to our Blessed Mother. Let's see how many we can give her: 59, 118, 177, 236, 295...