

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.

January 29, 2023

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. 7:00am
Saturday 3:00 - 3:45pm

Baptisms

By arrangement.
Pre-Baptism Program
Required. The next class is at
6:30pm on February 6th.
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 show they are a
"Catholic in good standing."



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Fr. Greg Bramlage and the Missionaries of the New Evangelization will be here delivering the Parish Healing Mission on Sunday, January 29th, Monday, January 30th, and Tuesday, January 31st, beginning at 6:30pm each night. Please make plans to attend and experience the power of the Holy Spirit!

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 30

6:30am † Elizabeth Hesselman; † Janaan Redmond

Tuesday, January 31: St. John Bosco, Priest

6:30am † Ted Wolfe; † Timothy Hoffman (Anv)

Wednesday, February 1

6:30am † Br. Benedict Menezes, OSB;
Vern & Mary Demmer Family

Thursday, February 2: Presentation of the Lord

6:30am † Special Intention

Friday, February 3: St. Blaise & St. Ansgar, Bishops

6:30am † Justin & Kaye Johanningmeier
9:30am † Richard Meyer

Saturday, February 4

8:00am Banworth Family; † Fr. Thomas McAndrew
4:15pm O'Dowd & Geisler Families

Sunday, February 5: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:30am Nativity
9:30am † Danielle Jackson Connell

Parish Staff & Office Info

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Hours.....8:30am-3:00 pm (M-Th) 8:30am-Noon (F)

Parish Website<http://www.NativityDBQ.org>

Next week's Lector Schedule:

4:15pm: Gary Dellart

6:30am: Tom Oglesby

9:30am: Mike & Julie Dunn

Greeters @ 9:30am: Tom & Cindy Leifker Family

From the Pastor

Our Gospel this weekend is the beginning of the most famous sermon ever preached, the Sermon on the Mount, which is really the guide to how to live life as a Christian. The first thing Jesus talked about was these Beatitudes, we often think of them as "blessings," but the Greek word being translated as blessing here is actually *makarios*, which literally means "happy." So when you read the Beatitudes it's not just a list of blessings, it's actually a description of how to be happy, it's the secret of happiness. It is the heart of Jesus' preaching (CCC 1716). Everyone, every single human being created, desires happiness, seeks after happiness, and these Beatitudes gives us the blueprint.

Now these are strange statements about how to be happy, and I don't have time to go through them all, but I'd encourage every Christian to recognize the value of each of these and to work towards growth in every area. These are things to aspire to, with no upper limit. When God gave Moses the Ten Commandments, Moses gave them to the people at the bottom of Mt. Sinai, but when God gave the people the Beatitudes, He gave it to them from the top of the mountain, showing we can go up, we should seek something higher. And if they don't make sense, do some research, they are so much deeper and richer than we give them credit for. May God bless you as you seek to live these beatitudes in a deeper way, growing in true happiness. - Fr. Andy

Parish Calendar

Sunday, January 29

6:30pm Parish Healing Mission - Church

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Tuesday, January 31

9:30am *The Search* Bible Study (Morning) - O'Brien Room

6:30pm Parish Healing Mission - Church

Wednesday, February 1

9:30am Women's Bible Study - O'Brien Room

5:00pm Children's Choir - Church

6:00pm Family Holy Hour - Church

Thursday, February 2

6:30pm Adult Choir practice - Church

6:30pm Men's Group - Church offices

Stewardship Report

Received 1/22/23.....\$10,261

Envelopes Rec'd.....105

Weekly Need.....\$14,350

Amount Budgeted YTD.....\$430,500

Received YTD (Jul 1- Jan 22).....\$411,589

Retire the Debt (RED Fund).....\$551

Amount Needed for Ln# 1850.....\$21,254

Social Justice.....\$362; **India**.....\$683; **Tanzania**.....\$486

Mass Attendance (1/22): 4:15 - 192; 6:30 - 133; 9:30 - 230

In Our Parish

Reminder to participants in the evening session of *The Search*, our session this week is cancelled due to the Healing Mission. Please watch the video at home on Formed.

"Joyfully Gifted" Parish Lent Retreat

You're invited to a parish retreat day on Saturday, February 25th from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM on the topic of being "Joyfully Gifted." God has given spiritual gifts, called charisms, to all baptized Christians. This interactive retreat will help you discover how you have been gifted and how to effectively and joyfully use those gifts. The retreat will be led by Matt Selby, Director of Adult and Marriage Formation for the Archdiocese of Dubuque. It will be held in the O'Brien Room. Please register at nativitydbq.org/joyfully-gifted by February 20. The cost is \$25 (including lunch and materials).



Lenten Bible Study Join Cole Cluchey this Lent we explore the gift and graces offered through the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Holy Eucharist. Register for either Tuesday mornings at 9:30 or Tuesday evenings at 7:00 beginning February 28th and ending April 4th. Please register by February 14th to ensure your materials are ordered in time. Cost is \$35/participant. Register at nativitydbq.org/lent-study-2023



The Wednesday morning women's Bible study invites all women 18 and older to join us for Lent! This study meets every Wednesday morning from 9:30 to 11. Childcare is provided. This Lent we'll be reading and discussing *Return*, a daily prayer guide by Fr. John Burns. Register online at nativitydbq.org/womens-bible-study. Cost is \$10.

YM Board Game Nights: Our next Board Game Night is Friday, February 17th in O'Malley Hall at St. Anthony Church at 7-8:30pm. Join other teens and play some board games! Please RSVP to Marcy at dbq060ym@dbqarch.org by Feb 16th, so we can plan accordingly.

Loras College is hosting an informational evening for local high school students and their parents on Sunday, February 5th beginning at 5pm. Join us for pizza, a student/parent panel, an optional evening tour and Sunday night Mass with our Spiritual Life team and chaplain Fr. Dustin Vu. Registration is limited so sign up soon!

At the Sunday Mass

Entrance Antiphon

Mode 2

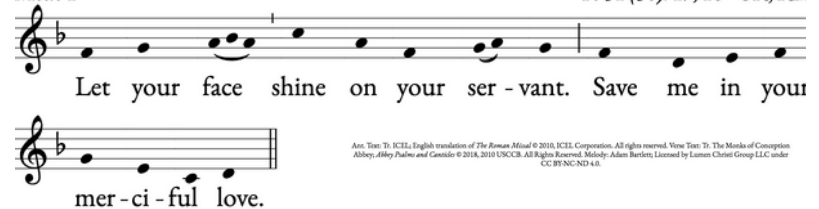
Ps 106 (105): 47 · RM



Communion Antiphon

Mode 1

Ps 31 (30): 17, 18 · GR, RM



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In Our Community



Dubuque County Right to Life is hosting a Trivia Night on February 11th at St. Columbkille's Parish Hall. Doors open at 5pm and trivia begins at 6:30pm. A table donation is \$200 for a table of 8 or \$25 per person.

Register yourself or fill a whole table. Costumes and table themes are encouraged. Babies and toddlers are welcome to attend. The donations will go towards building an outdoor memorial wall to give families a place to name their children who have died through miscarriage or abortion. Register by Feb. 1st by calling 556-5960 or emailing dcrtl@dcrtl.org. Food will be provided by the Knights of Columbus for a donation. Join us for a fun night for a great cause!!

Divorced? Know someone who is struggling with divorce? A twelve-week "Surviving Divorce" program begins Thursday, February 12, 2023 at 6:30 PM at St. Anthony Catholic Church in the Faith Formation building. "Surviving Divorce" features twelve video presentations that cover topics such as shock and grief, anger and forgiveness, money issues, dealing with children and a former spouse, and annulment and remarriage. This program is for the newly separated and divorced and those struggling with issues years later to help them find answers to their questions, restore their hope, and begin healing. The \$25 program fee covers the cost of all program materials. For more information, contact Deacon Brian Zeman at b.zeman@dbqarch.org or call the parish office at 563-588-0571. To register, visit www.stanthony-dubuque.org/divorce.

