

# 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.

**April 30, 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 May 8th. 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."



**1225 Alta Vista  
Dubuque, IA 52001**



Fr. Andy baptized his niece, Olivia, at St. Pius in CR, and Brady here at Nativity.



Dcn. Steve baptized Elmer here at Nativity, with Fr. Andy as the Godfather.

**4th Sunday of Easter**

## Mass Intentions

### Monday, May 1: St. Joseph the Worker

6:30am † Fr. Richard Schaefer

### Tuesday, May 2: St. Athanasius, Bishop

6:30am † Ron Scheffert

### Wednesday, May 3: Sts Philip and James, Apostles

6:30am † Bill Phillips, Sr.; Wade Stephens (Living)

### Thursday, May 4

6:30am Simon, Shappell & Linden Families

### Friday, May 5

6:30am † Blanche McCauley

9:30am † David Lammer

### Saturday, May 6

8:00am † George Banworth;

† Fr. Thomas McAndrew

4:15pm † Bob Huss (Anv); † Lisa McDonnell

### Sunday, May 7: Fifth Sunday of Easter

6:30am Nativity

9:30am † Dcn. Jim Carroll (Anv);

† Robert & † Mary Coohy

## 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: Kim Lohberg

6:30am: Tim Duggan

9:30am: Mike and Julie Dunn

Greeters @ 9:30am: Cindy & Tim Leifker

## From the Pastor

Here in the Easter season we celebrate a lot of special Sacraments, so I chose to put some baptism photos on the front cover. In the next couple of weeks we will have 1st Communions and Confirmations, so I am already looking forward to those celebrations.

This weekend I am away with the Wahlert High School Kairos team and junior students who are making their retreat, please keep us all in your prayers.

The 4th Sunday of Easter is also known as Good Shepherd Sunday, and we hear one of my favorite single lines in scriptures, it's John 10:10, Jesus says, "**I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly.**" Think about that for a moment: Jesus, our Good Shepherd, came into this world so that we might have abundant life! When we think of sheep and a good shepherd, we think of that shepherd leading the sheep to fresh green pastures, feeding them with care. When I think of myself as your shepherd, I pray that I am able to lead you to that same abundant life, and able to feed you with care, especially through the Word and the Eucharist.

Finally, I realized this week that our debt was now starting with a 3, down to \$398,744, with recent contribution to the RED Fund. I've been trying to celebrate the wins wherever I can these days, and I'd say that qualifies, since it started with a 7 when I arrived! Thanks for all of your support along the way! - Fr. Andy

## Parish Calendar

### Tuesday, May 2

9:30am Sacraments & Holy Eucharist Study - Conference Room

7:00pm Sacraments & Holy Eucharist Study - Conference Room

### Wednesday, May 3

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

6:00pm Family Holy Hour - Church

### Thursday, May 4

6:30pm Adult Choir Practice - Church

6:30pm Men's Group - Church Offices

### Friday, May 5

9:30am - First Friday Mass and May Crowning - Church

## Stewardship Report

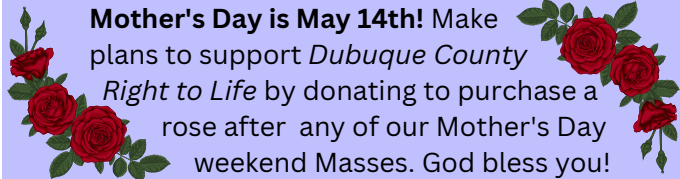
Received 4/23/23.....	\$11,987
Envelopes Rec'd.....	106
Weekly Need.....	\$14,350
Amount Budgeted YTD.....	\$617,050
Received YTD (Jul 1- Apr 23).....	\$588,759
Retire the Debt (RED Fund).....	\$175
Amount Needed for Ln# 1850.....	\$14,294
Easter Budget.....	\$17,000
Rec'd YTD.....	\$13,086
Social Justice.....	\$485;
India.....	\$915;
Tanzania.....	\$259
<b>Mass Attendance (4/23):</b>	<b>4:15 - 205; 6:30 - 165; 9:30 - 273</b>

## In Our Parish

Mass Intention scheduling for the second half of 2024 will open on Tuesday, May 23rd. You may call or stop in the office from 9:00am to noon, or you can email the office at [dbq057sec@dbqarch.org](mailto:dbq057sec@dbqarch.org) to request a Mass to be celebrated for your intention.



**Mother's Day is May 14th!** Make plans to support *Dubuque County Right to Life* by donating to purchase a rose after any of our Mother's Day weekend Masses. God bless you!



Dear Parishioners of Nativity, Birthright believes that *"It is the right of every pregnant woman to give birth, and the right of every child to be born."* Birthright is a non-profit charitable organization that has been providing love and support for over 50 years to women facing unplanned pregnancies. We are supported by devoted volunteers and private donations. Thank you for the generous donations given to the Knights of Columbus baby shower to benefit Birthright. Your on-going support is very much appreciated and will help us "Love them to life!" -Brooke Pfeiffer (Co-Director, Birthright of Dubuque)



Hey men of Nativity, last summer you did a great job getting things done around the parish, and as you can imagine we have more opportunities to do so this year. This Thursday join us at 6:30 for a special project to spruce the place up!

### Prayer for as we await a new bishop:

O God, eternal shepherd,  
who govern your flock with unfailing care,  
in your mercy grant your Church in Dubuque  
a pastor who will please you by his holiness  
and will show us your watchful care.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

Amen.



## At the Sunday Mass

### Entrance Antiphon

Mode 4

Cf. Ps 33 (32): 5-6 · RM



### Communion Antiphon

Mode 8



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## In Our Community



MARY'S INN

All are invited to attend a fundraiser luncheon in support of Mary's Inn Maternity Home on Wednesday, May 10 from 11:30am - 1:00 pm at the Dubuque Golf and Country Club. Tickets are \$55 for the lunch and program. Tables of 8 are \$400. Please call Sue at 563-583-0457 for tickets or more information.

**World Day of Prayer for Vocations** will be observed on Sunday, April 30 also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday." The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes.



### Institute of the Transfiguration St. Francis de Sales Event

On December 28, 2022 Pope Francis issued a document entitled "Everything Pertains To Love" to commemorate the 400th anniversary of the death of St. Francis de Sales, a Doctor of the Church. To celebrate the life and teachings of this great saint and the Archdiocese of Dubuque's new Institute of the Transfiguration Spiritual Director training initiative, **you're invited to hear Dr. Wendy Wright, an expert on St. Francis de Sales, on Friday, May 19, 2023 at Mt. Mercy University in Cedar Rapids.** This event will include Holy Mass, a social with food and beverages, and a presentation by Dr. Wendy Wright on "St. Francis de Sales: Model of Holiness and Unity in Times of Division." Learn more and register at [dbqarch.org/institute-events](http://dbqarch.org/institute-events).