

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.

September 3, 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 November 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."



Michael Francis (above) and Lillian Kristin (below) were baptized at Nativity in August.



**1225 Alta Vista
Dubuque, IA 52001**

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Monday, September 4: Labor Day

8:00am † Gerry, Ralph & Bernadine McGrath

Tuesday, September 5

6:30am † Ted Wolfe (Anv); † Donna Frommelt (Anv)

Wednesday, September 6

6:30am † James Daly; † Norb & Millie Tressel

Thursday, September 7

6:30am Louis Murphy Family

Friday, September 8: Nativity of the BVM

6:30am † Blanche McCauley (Anv);

Dick & Sharon Feller

Saturday, September 9: St. Peter Claver

8:00am Vern & Mary Demmer Family

4:15pm † Eugene Bechen

Whiteman Family

Sunday, Sept 10: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:30am † Samuel C. Reuter; † Laura Birch

9:30am Nativity; † Richard & Ann LeConte

Parish Staff & Office Info

Pastor	Fr. Andy Upah dbq057@dbqarch.org
Deacon	Deacon Steve Whiteman dbq057d2@dbqarch.org
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Evangelization/FF	Serena Freisinger dbq061s4@dbqarch.org
Parish Nurse	Becky Krapfl (582-1839) dbq057s2@dbqarch.org
Phone	(563) 582-1839
Hours	Monday/Tuesday 8:30am-3:00pm Wednesday 8:30am-6:00pm Thursday 8:30am-3:00pm Friday 8:30am-Noon

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

From the Pastor

It has been great having Fr. Francis and Fr. Nathan here - I am a very visual learner so I looked up exactly where their diocese was in the south of India, you can see the little yellow star pin on the map. The population of their diocese, which is roughly half the size of the Archdiocese of Dubuque, is 65,79,313 but there are only 33,589 Catholics. I have been able to have a few meals with them and really learn about their ministry there in India and how we are supporting them and helping their people in beautiful ways. - Fr. Andy



Parish Calendar

Monday, September 4 - Labor Day - Parish office closed

Tuesday, September 5

9:30am Bible Timeline Study - Conference Room

7:00pm Bible Timeline Study - O'Brien Room

Wednesday, September 6

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

5:30pm Family Faith Formation - O'Brien Room/Church

6:00pm Family Adoration and Healing Prayer - Church

Thursday, September 7

6:00pm Volleyball - Grass near Radio Station

6:30pm Adult Choir Practice - Church

6:30pm Men's Group - Parish offices

Stewardship Report

Received 8/27/23.....	\$9,898
Envelopes Rec'd.....	113
Weekly Need.....	\$14,400
Amount Budgeted YTD.....	\$129,600
Received YTD (Jul 1- Aug 27).....	\$111,745
Retire the Debt (RED Fund).....	\$661
Festival Equivalency Budget: \$35,000.....	YTD: \$2,725
Amount Needed for Ln# 1850.....	\$11,296
Social Justice.....	\$348; India.....\$2,039; Tanzania.....\$847
Mass Attendance (8/27):	4:15 - 194; 6:30 - 185; 9:30 - 280

In Our Parish

Join Cub Scouts! Nativity Parish has hosted Cub Scout Pack 10 since the early 1950s. Scouting strives to build character while learning and having fun. All Nativity boys and girls in Kindergarten through 5th grade may participate in Cub Scouts. We meet Sunday afternoons 3x/month in the O'Brien room or outdoors (weather permitting). The first regular pack meeting will be **Sunday, September 10 at 5pm**. Please bring your child or grandchild if you are interested, or contact Mike Whalen (563) 513-8541 or Felicity Valentine (563) 451-4991 if you have questions.

Save the Date! Our **Parish Festival Equivalency Dinner** will be held on **September 24th at 5pm**.
RSVPs due by September 15th.

Next week's Lector Schedule:

4:15: Kim Lohberg

6:30: Tom Kirmse

9:30: Melissa Noel; Les Blair

Greeters for 9:30: Joyce & Jon Brachman

Upcoming Men's Group Schedule:

September 7 - Service

September 14 - Fraternity

September 20 - Worship

Visit NativityDBQ.org/faith-formation-opportunities and check the Men's Ministry tab for more information

Healing Corner

At Nativity each week there is an open opportunity to receive healing prayer beginning at 6pm on Wednesday, going until everyone has received prayer. A session generally takes 10-15 minutes, but if a session needs to go longer, recipients are invited to contact Serena Freisinger at the office at (563) 582-1839 or via email at S.Freisinger@dbqarch.org to schedule an appointment. In this corner of the bulletin we will relay witness stories anonymously as we receive them.

"Better use of my knees--able to get up and down."

"Healing of hearing, shoulder pain, numbness in my feet. Praise Jesus."

"The Spirit of God coming into me. Healing forgiveness for my husband and I."

"In Reconciliation. With God's help, I was able to forgive myself, to let go of the anger, rejection, betrayal, demeaning behavior and brutally cruel behaviors of a person toward me. I pray for her and me for deeper forgiveness and healing."

Faith Formation Information

Families & Ages K-12 | Registration for **Family Faith Formation** is now open to families with children K-12 in the public school system. Family Faith Formation replaces the traditional CCD/Religious Education model with a beautiful opportunity to grow in faith as a family through times of learning and prayer. All children entering 2nd or 9th & 10th grade are also asked to register for either 1st Communion or Confirmation Prep. To learn more or to register please visit NativityDBQ.org/family-faith-formation. Please contact Serena Freisinger at the parish office or through email: S.Freisinger@dbqarch.org with any questions.

Around the Area

Do you know a couple who have been married over 70 years? Worldwide Marriage Encounter highlights and honors couples with long marriages. Every state in the U.S. will honor one couple. All nominations should be in by **September 15**. For more information, call (641) 753-6953. To nominate a couple, go to: wwwme.org

That Man is You! A new session will be starting on **Saturday, September 16 at 7am** at the Cathedral Center. All men of Nativity parish are welcome to join. For more information contact Jim Sigwarth at (563) 451-5296 or Jim Unsen at (563) 556-4857 or email at junsen6901@aol.com

Sign up now!

Mary's Inn Maternity Home Denim & Lace event is on **September 21** at the Hotel Julien
RSVP by September 14 – go to marysinmaternityhome.org/events

Celebration of the Archangel St. Raphael

Come join the Cathedral & St. Patrick parishes in celebration of the Archangel St. Raphael on **Friday, September 29**. We will gather for Mass with Bishop Pates at 7pm, followed by a social in the Cathedral Center.

Take a fresh look at your Marriage. Consider making a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and enrich your lives together. Marriage Encounter is a unique approach aimed at revitalizing Christian Marriage. For more information call (563) 920-9419.

Upcoming dates: April 12-14, 2024 in Epworth;
September 27-29, 2024 in Dubuque;
November 8-10, 2024 in Holstein.