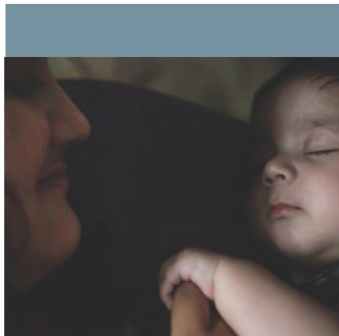
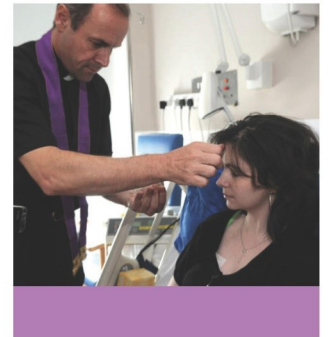
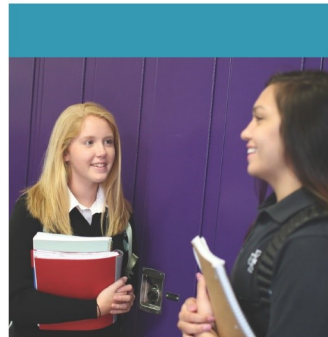
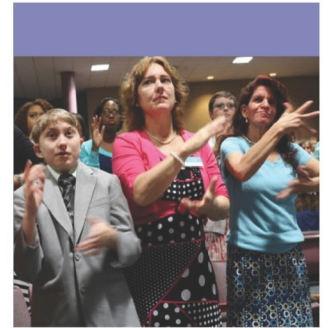
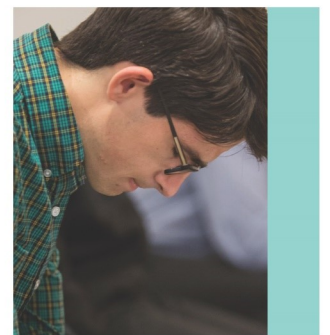
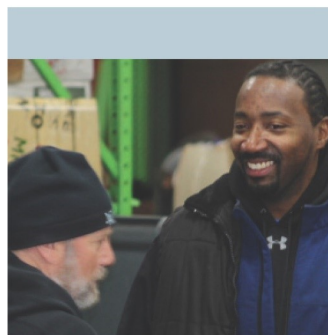


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BAPTISMS

Announcements

Please join us in welcoming our newest baptized member of the Catholic faith!

Isaac Joseph Kozak

Parents: Andrew Kozak and Sarah Lippert

Baptism Preparation

Baptisms are typically held on first and third Sundays at 9:30am in the church. For first-time parents, required baptismal classes are typically held on the fourth Sunday of each month at 1:30pm in the church, excluding December. Contact the parish office at info@nativity-mn.org or (651) 696-5401 to register. Photo courtesy of Brenna Gerten.



HOLY MARRIAGES

Marriage in Christ Seminar - Beginning March 7

Married couples are again invited to the Archdiocesan Marriage in Christ Seminar at Nativity of Our Lord, an opportunity to learn how to develop daily habits of prayer, loving actions, and meaningful conversations to grow and enrich your relationship.



The seminar will be offered on the following Thursdays: March 7, 14, 21, and 28; and April 4 from 6:30-8:30pm. Registration is \$85/couple (\$25 for couples under 5 years of marriage) and is now open at <https://nativity-mn.org/mic>. Space is limited, so sign up today!

Wedding Planning

To be married at Nativity at Our Lord, the bride, groom, or one of their parents must be an active, registered parishioner for at least six months prior to scheduling a wedding. Contact the parish office for more information at info@nativity-mn.org or (651) 696-5401.

IMAGES

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2019 CSA Poster

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Photos Wanted!

Have any great photos that you took at Nativity? From weddings to Turkey Bingo, we'd love to highlight the vibrancy, faith, and beauty of our parish in the bulletin and other print publications, on the website, and through our various social media outlets. Please send photos to jhuss@nativity-mn.org and let us know who should get the credit. Thank you!

PASTORAL CARE

Highland Leisure Age - Wednesdays, February 27, 8:30am

All seniors are invited to join in the fun and fellowship at this ecumenical senior group, particularly this week as it's Nativity of Our Lord's turn to host!

Highland Leisure Age meets every Wednesday from September-June at 8:30am at Gloria Dei Lutheran and is co-sponsored by Nativity of Our Lord and seven other local Christian assemblies. Activities can include 500, bridge, and assorted card games. Lunch is served at noon for \$10 and lunch tickets should be purchased by 11am. You are welcome for lunch even if you're not interested in playing cards. For more information, call Bonnie at (651) 690-1108.



We are also in need of two volunteers to help set up, serve lunch, and clean up from 11:30-1pm on our appointed dates this year, both this Wednesday and May 1. Assistance is provided from Leisure Leagues leaders. Please contact Nancy at (651) 696-5444 or nshatek-suek@nativity-mn.org if you can help. Thank you!

Food Collection Weekend - March 2-3

Please consider bringing a bag of non-perishable food to church next weekend for Keystone's community food shelf. Thank you!

RESPECT LIFE

Book Discussion Follow-Up - Monday, February 25, 6-8:30

Thanks to all who came during the frigid weather last month to our first discussion! We are offering a second opportunity to discuss the amazing book *Transfigured*, Patricia Sandoval's *Escape from Drugs, Homelessness, and the Back Doors of Planned Parenthood* this Monday evening at the McCann home. To RSVP and/or get your copy, please contact Karen McCann at karmccann@comcast.net or (612) 964-4522. Everyone is welcome!



40 Days for Life Spring Campaign - March 6—April 14

Mark your calendars and keep your eyes open for more details in our bulletin and email newsletter for the Spring 40 Days for Life Campaign! If you would like to know more about this life-saving opportunity, visit <https://40daysforlife.com/> or contact Karen McCann at (612) 964-4522 or karmccann@comcast.net or Jen Rolfe at jenrolfes13@gmail.com (651) 231-2940 to help out with our community's peaceful, prayerful efforts to end abortion.



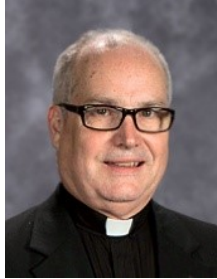
Thank You

Thanks to all who came to pack meals for the hungry at Feed My Starving Children on February 8. We joined with others and packed 177 Boxes of 38,232 meals to feed 105 kids for a year. We hope more can join us in the future!

INFORMATION

Pastor

Father Patrick Hipwell (pictured)



Mass & Prayer Times

See back page calendar for weekly schedule. Hearing aid devices are available in the sacristy.

Lord's Day Mass

Saturday 5pm; Sunday 7am, 8:15am, 9:30am (downstairs in Steiner Hall), 11am, 5pm

Daily Mass

Monday-Saturday 8:15am, Monday-Friday 5pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday-Friday 7:45-8:10am and 4:30-4:55pm
Saturday 3:30-4:30pm

Emergency Anointing of the Sick (24 hours) (651) 696-5401 (press 1)

Prayer Line

9am-7pm	Bette Hoffman	(651) 699-8249
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FROM THE HIP

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

The last few weeks have certainly posed weather challenges for us all, in getting to school, Mass, and parish events. I want to thank you all for your patience and dedication in braving the weather to fulfill liturgical ministry commitments and Adoration hours and to worship together at daily and weekend liturgies. Your presence and steadfastness makes Nativity of Our Lord the strong and thriving community that it is!

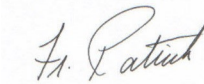
Our parish is particularly indebted to Celeste Pariana, our long-time volunteer sacristan, who has decided to step away from her sacristy duties at this time. Certainly, all of us here at Nativity — clergy, parishioners, and students alike — have benefited from Celeste's many years of generous service. May Christ continue to bless Celeste for her stewardship at Nativity. Patrick Henning, Director of Liturgy, will assume all sacristy duties at this time.

Incidentally, we have a few changes in the parish office to announce. Isaac Huss is broadening his responsibilities, serving now as Director of Communications and Marketing. B.J. Kranz will be concentrating on all Nativity parish development, including stewardship, endowments, and planned giving.

Tim Huberty will continue to serve as parish secretary, managing contacts and inquiries at the Lannan Center front desk, and serve also as my assistant. As administrative secretary, Marian Layman is now the archivist for the church records and sacraments, while managing the new parishioner ministry and other parish needs.

If you need assistance in any of these areas, please continue to contact the front desk at info@nativity-mn.org or (651) 696-5401 for direction.

God's blessings on you and your family in the coming week.



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SUBMISSIONS

Publishing Guidelines

Bulletin content is typically required by Monday at noon for the following Sunday's bulletin, while digital content requires at least two business days prior to desired publication. Visit <https://nativity-mn.org/content-submissions> for more information or to submit copy for the parish bulletin, online calendar, social media, and email newsletter. Images must still be sent via email to ihuss@nativity-mn.org.

Publishing is not guaranteed, and is generally granted on a first-come, first-served basis, giving priority to official Nativity of Our Lord events and communications. Bulletin submissions can also be sent to bulletin@nativity-mn.org.

—Isaac Huss, Communications Director and Bulletin Editor

MEN'S CLUB

Sports Shirt Stag - Friday, March 1, 6pm
The Men's Club is pleased to invite the men of the parish to the annual Sports Shirt Stag this Friday evening with special guest Don Lucia, the former coach of the Golden Gopher men's hockey team. Doors will open at 6pm, dinner will be served at 6:45, and the program will start at 7:15pm. Come on down for beer, brats, and hockey talk.



Don Lucia amassed 722 wins including two National Championships, a runner-up, several frozen four appearances, and eight conference championships in 30 years of college hockey coaching. Join us as he shares his journey from Grand Rapids, MN to the apex of NCAA hockey.

Fish Fry - March 15 and April 12
Mark your calendars for the Nativity Lenten Fish Fry! Come join us on March 15 and April 12 from 5-8pm in the school cafeteria for food, beverages, and great fellowship. The fish is great and the company is even better! There's also a drive-up window at the garage on Wellesley Avenue. Meals are \$12/adult, \$9/child, and \$40/family. The Men's Club proudly sponsors two fish dinners every Lent. If you have any questions about either Fish Fry, contact Fish Fry Chairs Walter Harrier and Ian McKiel at info@nativitymen.org. *Pro Liberis!*



Nativity Men's Club Raffle:

The Annual Men's Club Raffle is just about here! Tickets will be distributed in March, then we will award one \$500 prize, one \$200 prize and one \$100 prize monthly from May through October. Proceeds from the raffle help fund the school, the NELC, and other programs benefiting the children of Nativity parish. For more information, please visit www.NativityMen.org/raffle or call Pat Midden at (651) 492-3589.



CONCERTS

My Soul's Repose - March 9, 2019, 7:30pm

Experience heart-rending music of loss, grief, and the strength to live on as The Singers return to Nativity of Our Lord for *My Soul's Repose*. Dale Trumbore's "How to Go On" uses poetry of Barbara Crooker, Amy Fleury, and Laura Foley to create a poignant, secular Requiem. Eric Whitacre's "When David Heard," a work that leaves listeners breathless, was composed for a friend following the sudden and tragic loss of a son. This program is a testament to the healing powers of music and the human voice. Tickets are available at the door or <http://www.singersmca.org>.



FAITH FORMATION

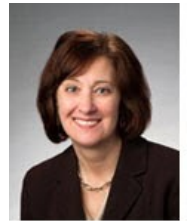
Dante Study Series - Beginning March 9 (new date!)

This spring, University of St. Thomas literature professor Dr. Mary Reichardt (pictured) will offer an overview of Dante's Divine Comedy and discuss key passages that help unlock its spiritual depth.

"Dante's Divine Comedy can rightly be called the greatest poem ever written, praised through the ages by a pantheon of writers and scholars...Irish novelist James Joyce said 'Dante is my spiritual food!' Pope Benedict XV called Dante 'the most eloquent singer of the Christian idea.' Even the 20th century literary critic T.S. Eliot famously wrote that 'Shakespeare and Dante divide the world between them, there is no third.'" —Anthony Esolen

There will be a \$25 tuition fee for this Saturday Morning Lenten and Easter Series, which will cover the cost of handouts and the companion text, Mark Musa's *The Portable Dante*.

Dr. Mary Reichardt holds a Ph.D. in literature from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, has published fourteen books, and has taught Dante many times at both the graduate and undergraduate levels and in public lecture series. You won't want to miss this opportunity!



Saturdays in Lent in Steiner Hall (excluding 3/30):

- 3/9 - Introduction to the Divine Comedy and Inferno 1-5
- 3/16 - Deadly Sins and Sinners: Inferno 6-19
- 3/23 - "The Vast Kingdom of All Grief": Inferno 7-34
- 4/6 - The Seven Storey Mountain: Purgatorio 1-16
- 4/13 - "Eager to Rise, Now Ready for the Stars": Purgatorio 17-33

Easter (2nd Floor Conference Room in the Parish Center):

- 4/27 - Soaring Through the Heavens: Paradiso 1-16
- 5/4 - "Like a Wheel in Perfect Balance Turning": Paradiso 17-33

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Volunteers Needed

Nativity Preschool and the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd are looking for volunteers to assist trained Montessori-style catechists for 3- and 4-year-old children. These volunteers will have the opportunity to learn from the best along with others from around the Archdiocese—as well as through the eyes of child!



The commitment asks for 1.5 hours per week with the students and an additional catechetical training program of one Saturday per month September-March. Instructing you during these monthly sessions will be Carolyn Kohlhaas, a brilliant, prayerful, and joyful woman and nationally renowned teacher of this worldwide program. If you think this invitation is for you, please contact Nancy Barrett at ambt949pm@gmail.com or (651) 690-2687.

ADORATION

Hours Needed

The following hours have no adorers scheduled and represent our greatest need for new weekly commitments:

- Monday at 1pm;
- Wednesday at 1pm, 6pm, and 9pm;
- Thursday at 5:30pm;
- Friday at 3pm;
- Saturday at 6pm and 9pm; and
- Sunday at 2am and 3am.



Visit <http://nativity-mn.org/perpetual-adoration> for more information, or head directly to www.adorationpro.org/nativity to sign up online to commit to a new weekly hour. If you would like to speak to someone about becoming a regular weekly adorer or dedicated substitute, please contact Jim at mcquillan@riffs.com or (763) 746-8244. Thank you for your prayerful consideration!

SCHOOL

Tuition Rebate Presentation - Tuesday, February 26, 7-8pm

Would you like to reduce the amount of tuition you pay for your child to attend Nativity School? If so, then the Nativity tuition rebate program is for you! Program coordinator Molly Lee will present a one-hour educational session this Tuesday evening in the school library to answer all of your questions. Contact Molly at scrip@nativity-mn.org for more information.



COMMUNITY

Ethics of Genetic Modification - Thursday, Feb. 28, 7pm

Science has dramatically increased our ability to intervene in the natural order of creatures and their environment. What are the limits to such technologies, and what might be the virtues necessary for developing a protocol guiding its prudent application?

The University of St. Thomas's Murphy Institute invites you to reflect on this complex and vital issue with experts from around the world. Visit <https://www.stthomas.edu/murphyinstitute/events/20190228-crispr.html> for more information. This event is co-sponsored by the Anselm House and University of St. Thomas Office of Sustainability Initiatives.



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YOUNG ADULTS

Lord's Day - Sunday, February 24, 4-7pm

Fr. Nick Hagen invites all young adults aged 21-35 to Urban Catholic Lord's Day this Sunday evening. He'll present the first of *Five Pillars of a Catholic Plan for Life*, based on the *Mystagogical Catechesis* of St. Ambrose of Milan. Don't be an accidental Catholic—make plans today to be the saint you were meant to be.



- 4pm Confessions available in the church
- 4:30pm “Pillar I: Moral Instruction” by Fr. Nick in the bride's room (just below the Adoration Chapel)
- 5pm Mass with the parish in the church
- 6pm Social Hour in the rectory (enter on Prior Ave.)

Visit <https://nativity-mn.org/urban-catholic> for more information about Urban Catholic, a dynamic young adult movement at Nativity of Our Lord. And/or, invite a friend and [#jointhemovement](https://twitter.com/jointhemovement).



SACRED MUSIC

Choir Anthems - February 24 - 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1. Cantique de Jean Racine, Faure
2. Canticle of Praise, John Ness Beck

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PARISH CALENDAR · FEB. 25 - MAR. 3, 2019

Monday, 2/25	Tuesday, 2/26	Wednesday, 2/27	Thursday, 2/28	Friday, 3/1	Saturday, 3/2	Sunday, 3/3
Mass: 8:15am, 5pm Confession: 7:45-8:10am, 4:30-4:55pm	Mass: 8:15am, 5pm Grandparents' Rosary: 8:45am Confession: 7:45-8:10am, 4:30-4:55pm	Mass: 8:15am, 5pm Confession: 7:45-8:10am, 4:30-4:55pm	Mass: 8:15am, 5pm Confession: 7:45-8:10am, 4:30-4:55pm	Mass: 8:15am, 5pm Children's Adoration: 9-10am Confession: 7:45-8:10am, 4:30-4:55pm	Mass: Daily: 8:15am; Vigil: 5pm Confession: 3:30-4:30pm	Mass: 7am, 8:15am, 9:30am (Steiner Hall) 11am, 5pm Confession: None
(7th Week in Ordinary Time)						8th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Respect Life Book Discussion Off Campus 6-8:30pm Boy Scouts Troop Meeting Cafeteria 6:30pm	Cub Scout Den Meeting Cafeteria 6:30-8pm Scrip Info School Library 7-8pm RCIA Lannan Center Conference Room 7pm	Highland Leisure Age Off Campus 8:30am Faith Formation School 6:45pm Boy Scouts District Meeting School Library 7-8:30pm	Bible Timeline DVD Study Group Gather Room 9-10:45am	First Friday Fellowship Steiner Hall 8:45-10:30am Sports Shirt Stag Cafeteria 6pm	Food Collection	Food Collection

NCCW

First Friday Fellowship - Friday, March 1, 8:45-10:30am
All are welcome to join us this Friday in Steiner Hall for coffee, donuts, and camaraderie. See you there!

COMMUNICATIONS

Email Newsletter

Have you signed up for Nativity News yet? Nativity of Our Lord's weekly email newsletter highlights events of the upcoming weekend and connects parishioners to helpful resources on the web. Visit

<https://nativity-mn.org/email-newsletter> to sign up.



ONLINE FORMATION

FORMED Pick of the Week - February 24

Every Mass, we celebrate God's real presence with us here and now. This week's FORMED Pick of the Week will help you explore the truth of Christ's presence in the Eucharist with the first episode of FORMED's most popular series, *Presence: Mystery of the Eucharist*. Take some time this week to appreciate the "source and summit" of the entire Christian life.

This week, visit <http://nativitystpaul.formed.org>, watch *Presence, Episode 1: God Is With Us*, and be FORMED!



MASS INTENTIONS

	8:15am	5pm
Mon. 2/25	Karen Perfect	Paul Boland
Tues. 2/26	The Mrozinski Family	Barbara McCarter +
Wed. 2/27	John Berthiaume, Sr.	The Dagostino Family
Thurs. 2/28	Marnie McGough	Irene Christy
Fri. 3/1	Faye Sitzmann +	Mother Rose Zaleski
Sat. 3/2	Sr. Maravillas Schwab, O.C.D.	-

MASS READINGS

M Sir 1:1-10; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Mk 9:14-29
Tu Sir 2:1-11; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mk 9:30-37
W Sir 4:11-19; Ps 119:165, 168, 171-172, 174-175; Mk 9:38-40
Th Sir 5:1-8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mk 9:41-50
F Sir 6:5-17; Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34-35; Mk 10:1-12
Sa Sir 17:1-15; Ps 103:13-18; Mk 10:13-16
Su Sir 27:4-7; Ps 92:2-3, 13-16; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45