

# NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

CATHOLIC CHURCH



CENTENNIAL CAMPAIGN COMMITMENT WEEKEND  
*The 6TH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME* • FEBRUARY 12, 2023

# ABOUT

## Parish Mission Statement

*Promulgated October 7, 2019*

Nativity of our Lord is a vibrant Catholic community committed to helping each person answer the call of Jesus Christ to serve as his disciple by...

- Nurturing a rich sacramental and spiritual life;
- Supporting strong Catholic education and faith formation;
- Fostering fellowship and community;
- And providing abundant opportunities to participate in the parish's long tradition of Christian witness.



Learn more about our parish mission statement at [nativitystpaul.org/news/mission-statement](http://nativitystpaul.org/news/mission-statement).

# LEADERSHIP

**Pastor** | Father Patrick Hipwell (651) 696-5401  
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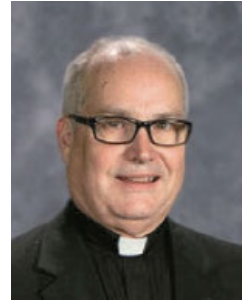
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Nate Hughes Lucas Tucker

# INFORMATION

## Pastor

Father Patrick Hipwell (pictured)



## Church

1938 Stanford Avenue  
St. Paul, MN 55105

## Office Hours

Monday-Thursday: 8:30am-4:30pm  
Friday: 8:30am-Noon


## Lannan Parish Center (Parish Office)

Phone: (651) 696-5401 | Fax: (651) 696-5458  
1900 Wellesley Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55105

**Website** | [nativitystpaul.org](http://nativitystpaul.org)

**Email** | [info@nativitystpaul.org](mailto:info@nativitystpaul.org)

**Staff Email Directory** | [nativitystpaul.org/parish-staff](http://nativitystpaul.org/parish-staff)

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## School Office

(651) 699-1311 | [school@nativitystpaul.org](mailto:school@nativitystpaul.org)  
1900 Stanford Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55105

## STANDARD MASS & PRAYER TIMES

*All liturgies are open to the public and do not require reservations. See back page calendar for this week's schedule.*

## Lord's Day Mass

Saturday: 5pm vigil  
Sunday: 7:30am, 9am, 11am, 5pm

## Daily Mass

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

## Confession

Tuesday, Friday: 4:15-4:45pm  
Wed.: 4:30-5:30pm; Sat.: 3:30-4:30pm

## Adoration

Sat-Sun: 6-10pm; Tues.: 9am-5pm, 5:30pm-12am;  
Wed.: 12-8am, 3-5:30pm; Fri.: 9am-5pm, 5:30-10pm

## Emergency Anointing of the Sick (24 hours)

(651) 696-5401 (press 1 at the recording)

## Prayer Line (9am-7pm)

Mary Kay O'Rourke | (651) 698-5638  
Bette Hoffman | (651) 699-8249

## St. Vincent de Paul Society

## Pastoral Care

(651) 334-2935

(651) 696-5401



# BAPTISMS

## Announcements

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

**Andrew Daniel Keenan**

*Parents: Joseph and Anne Keenan (Horst)*

**Zachary David Wenner**

*Parents: David and Pamela Wenner (Neuberger)*

## Baptism Scheduling

Baptisms are currently being scheduled on an individual basis, typically on Sundays at 12pm. An informational class is required for first-time parents. Contact the parish office at (651) 696-5401 or [info@nativitystpaul.org](mailto:info@nativitystpaul.org) for more information. *Photo courtesy of Brenna Gerten*



# HOLY MATRIMONY

## Banns

Please pray for all our engaged couples as they prepare to receive the sacrament of Holy Matrimony, particularly...

**Summer N. Schwintek and Joseph T. Tierney**

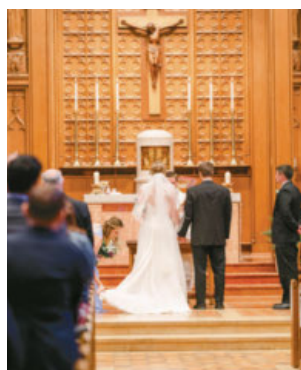
*Saturday, February 18, 2023*

**Austin Paul Johnson and Jacqueline Ann Payne**

*Saturday, March 4, 2023*

## Wedding Planning

To be married at Nativity of Our Lord, the bride, groom, or one of their parents must be an active, registered parishioner for at least six months prior to requesting a wedding date. Contact the parish office to inquire at (651) 696-5401 or [info@nativitystpaul.org](mailto:info@nativitystpaul.org). *Photo by Jennifer Sanders ([jenniferlynnanders.smugmug.com](mailto:jenniferlynnanders.smugmug.com)).*

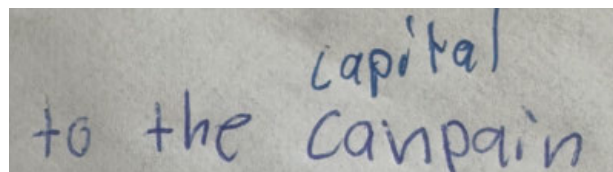


# FUNERALS

## Funeral Information

Please always contact the parish office when anyone has died at (651) 696-5401 or [info@nativitystpaul.org](mailto:info@nativitystpaul.org). Please also tell us if you or someone you know is near death, has experienced a significant decline in health, has entered palliative or hospice care, or is having surgery, and we will arrange a sacramental visit from a priest.

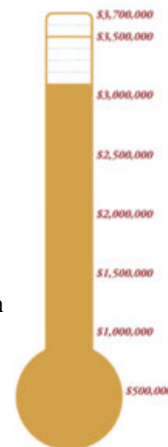
# FROM THE HIP



**Commitment Weekend** | Sat.-Sun., Feb. 11-12  
My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Welcome to Commitment Weekend! We have been blessed by tremendous generosity from hundreds of families and prayerfully ask that all families help get us past the finish line.

At this time I'd like to recognize a truly generous and sacrificial gift that came anonymously through the brass mailbox at the parish office. The plain envelope pictured above had written on it (in two different inks!), "to the capital campaign," and inside was \$31 in cash.



Perhaps it was from an allowance, a paper route, or gifts from a birthday or to honor a First Communion. Whatever the source, we can fairly assume that's a huge sum of money for this young person! And what a great example to all of us: that we are all invited to give how we can, big or small. To that anonymous donor: Thank You!

If you haven't done your part yet, please take a brief moment to make a gift online or complete a pledge card while in Mass today. Together, our support will ensure Nativity of Our Lord continues to shine as a beacon of love, community, and learning.

To make an online pledge, visit [nativitystpaul.org/centennial-campaign](https://nativitystpaul.org/centennial-campaign) via the QR code below on your mobile device.

And may God bless your week.

Fr. Patrick Hipwell, pastor



*Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.*

— 2 Corinthians 9:7



# FORMATION

**Eucharistic Course Update** | Now begins March 2  
New Life and Nativity of Our Lord Faith Formation are offering Bishop Cozzens' *The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church* video course and accompanying small group discussions. The course will consist of in-person small groups in Steiner Hall on five Thursdays in Lent (instead of Tuesdays) beginning March 2 and separate Zoom online sessions on five Mondays (instead of Thursdays) in Lent beginning March 6.



Go deeper in your Eucharistic devotion and explore...

- Why is the Eucharist so important to our Catholic faith?
- I don't seem to get much out of the Mass. What am I missing?
- What does the Eucharist provide that I can't get in any other way in my spiritual life?

Contact Randall McClure at [randallmcc715@gmail.com](mailto:randallmcc715@gmail.com) or Mahalia Marcelin at [mmarcelin@nativitystpaul.org](mailto:mmarcelin@nativitystpaul.org) with questions. Visit [tiny.cc/erevival](http://tiny.cc/erevival) or scan the QR code to register today!

# STEWARDSHIP

## Online Giving

We are pleased to offer electronic giving right on our parish website at [nativitystpaul.org/online-giving](http://nativitystpaul.org/online-giving). The QR code at right will bring up a form to give to our general parish "Stewardship" fund or Centennial Campaign, as well as links to donate to 2nd Collections and other targeted giving options. Nativity of Our Lord simply could not carry out its mission without our faithful parishioners and generous donors. Thank you!



# LOST AND FOUND

## Trench Coat Found

A tan-colored trench coat was left at the Lannan Center parish office. Please contact us at (651) 696-5401 or [info@nativitystpaul.org](mailto:info@nativitystpaul.org) with a full description to redeem.

## Cell Phone Found

A cell phone has been found and turned into the parish office. Please contact us at (651) 696-5401 or [info@nativitystpaul.org](mailto:info@nativitystpaul.org) with a full description to redeem.

# IMAGES

## Cover Image

*Scouts Sunday Altar Servers* by George Battis | Feb. 5, 2023

# YOUTH

**Ice Skating Outing** | Thursday, February 16, 6-8:30pm  
Our fellowship night this month will include a trip to Groveland Park to go ice skating! We will meet in Steiner Hall this Thursday evening around 6pm, with pizza arriving shortly after. We will then head over to Groveland Park after we eat. There are free skate rentals at Groveland with a driver's license, student ID, car keys, cell phone, or credit card held until you return the skates. We will return to Nativity at 8:30pm, and students can be picked up then. We will be walking to and from Groveland Park as a group, so dress accordingly. Permission forms are required. Contact Emily Meyer for more information at [emily.meyer728@gmail.com](mailto:emily.meyer728@gmail.com).

## Totus Tuus Registration Now Open | June 25-30

Students entering grades 1-12 in the fall are invited to this summer's Catholic youth program at Nativity of Our Lord. This year's theme is "The Mystery of Salvation," and we'll dive into the Sorrowful Mysteries of the holy rosary. Each program is \$50/student. Families' fees cap out at \$150/family, and tuition assistance is available. Visit [nativitystpaul.org/totus-tuus](http://nativitystpaul.org/totus-tuus) via the QR code above to register. For more information, contact Mahalia Marcelin at [mmarcelin@nativitystpaul.org](mailto:mmarcelin@nativitystpaul.org) or (651) 696-5441.



## Steubenville St. Paul Conference | July 28-30

Current 8-12th grade students are invited to the Steubenville St. Paul 2023 conference for youth next summer. Registration for Nativity of Our Lord youth is now open. Visit [nativitystpaul.org/steubenville](http://nativitystpaul.org/steubenville) via the QR code to register or for more information, or contact Mahalia Marcelin, Faith Formation Director at (651) 696-5441 or [mmarcelin@nativitystpaul.org](mailto:mmarcelin@nativitystpaul.org).



## Newsletter Sign-up

Want to know what's otherwise happening with Nativity of Our Lord youth ministry? Visit [nativitystpaul.org/youth-ministry-emails](http://nativitystpaul.org/youth-ministry-emails) to sign up for our email newsletter today!

# HEALTH & SAFETY

## Pastoral Safety

Nativity of Our Lord and its leadership are committed to protecting children, youth, and vulnerable adults in all parishes, Catholic schools, and other church ministries, here at Nativity and beyond. To learn more about our commitment to protecting the vulnerable, contact our Safe Environment Coordinators:

- Parish: Beth Erickson, Parish Secretary  
(651) 696-5401 | [info@nativitystpaul.org](mailto:info@nativitystpaul.org)
- School: Molly Dressen, Administrative Assistant  
(651) 696-5411 | [mdressen@nativitystpaul.org](mailto:mdressen@nativitystpaul.org)

# NATIVITY WOMEN

**Fireside Chat & Social w/ Dr. Billy Junker** | March 7

Please join the Nativity Council of Catholic Women for the final Fireside Chat & Social of the season as we discuss Leo Tolstoy's *The Death of Ivan Ilyich* with Dr. Billy Junker on Tuesday, March 7 at 7pm in Steiner Hall. *The Death of Ivan Ilyich* reminds us of what is important in life and shows us that it is never too late for us to discover this. Dr. Junker, Nativity of Our Lord parishioner, teaches Catholic Studies at the University of St. Thomas and will guide our discussion.



A few copies are available at the parish office to borrow on a first come, first served basis. This event is open to all women of the parish. As always, wine and refreshments are complimentary, but kindly register online at [tiny.cc/fcs\\_junker](http://tiny.cc/fcs_junker) or call the parish office at (651) 696-5401.

# PASTORAL CARE

**Holy Communion Off Campus**

If the weather, an illness, on any other reason prevents anyone from attending a Mass, and he or she would like to receive Holy Communion sometime in the week that follows, contact the parish office at (651) 696-5401 and we'll come to them (or you!).

# LITURGY

**Daily Mass Downstairs, No Livestreams** | Mon.-Fri.

The restoration of the interior of church building has now begun in earnest, and construction crews have moved into the nave to repair the damage done from decades of weathering. As such, daily Masses (Monday-Friday) have now moved downstairs to Steiner Hall temporarily, and some of the entrances will be closed as needed. Look for on-site signs for where to go upon arrival. Please also note Masses celebrated downstairs will not be livestreamed. Thank you for your patience as we work to restore our beautiful, historic worship space!

**Children's Liturgy of the Word Help Wanted**

We are now offering Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 9am Mass each weekend, and are looking for one adult and one or two student volunteers to lead the program each week. Leaders will check in at 8:50am in the sacristy, and materials and directions are provided. Adult volunteers must have completed the "Essential 3" through their Virtus account. If you have questions regarding your Virtus status, please contact Molly Dressen at [mdressen@nativitystpaul.org](mailto:mdressen@nativitystpaul.org). Visit [tiny.cc/CL-signup](http://tiny.cc/CL-signup) to volunteer today.

# RESPECT LIFE

**40 Days for Life Kick-Off** | February 21

On "Fat" Tuesday, February 21, from 6-8:30pm, we warmly invite you to Steiner Hall for soup, salad, dessert, and fellowship! We will discuss the upcoming, life-saving Lenten 40 Days for Life campaign, which runs February 22 - April 2 (see below). This is a free event. Please contact Karen McCann to help out and to RSVP (612) 964-4522 or [karenmccann3@gmail.com](mailto:karenmccann3@gmail.com).

**Lenten 40 Days for Life** | February 22 - April 2

Please join us once again for the international peaceful prayer movement that is changing and saving lives. Please let Karen know if you would like to help promote and join in this effort, and stay tuned for more details, including an opportunity to sign up for an hour of prayerful vigil.



**Book Discussion** | February 23

We will discuss *Fierce Mercy, Daring to Live Out God's Compassion in Bold and Practical Ways* by former Planned Parenthood worker-turned-pro-life-leader Abby Johnson on Thursday, February 23 from 7-8:30pm in Steiner Hall. Books are available for \$12 or for loan. Contact Karen McCann at (612) 964-4522 or [karenmccann3@gmail.com](mailto:karenmccann3@gmail.com) for a book, or for more details.

# MEN'S CLUB

**Fish Fry** | February 24, March 10

It's time again for the Lenten Fish Fry, sponsored by the Nativity Men's Club! Come join us on Friday, February 24 from 5-8PM in the school cafeteria for food, beverages, and great fellowship. We serve your choice of fried or baked cod, fries or baked potato, veggies, coleslaw, and bread sticks for the kids.

The Nativity Fish Fry also features a to-go option which can be ordered at the garage on Wellesley Avenue. Meals are \$15/adult, \$8/child, or \$50/household.



The second Fish Fry is Friday, March 10 from 5-6:30pm, with the 7th and 8th grade play at 7pm). To-go orders will be available until 8pm that day. If you have any questions about either Fish Fry, contact Fish Fry Chair Ian McKiel at [info@nativitymen.org](mailto:info@nativitymen.org). *Pro Liberis!*

# ADORATION

**Vacant Hour** | Fridays, 6-7pm

We still have one vacant hour in need of a weekly committed adorer on Fridays from 6-7pm, beginning immediately. Sign up at [adorationpro.org/nativity](http://adorationpro.org/nativity) (and click "Weekly Commitment"). Thank you!



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# CALENDAR • FEBRUARY 13-19, 2023

Monday, 2/13	Tuesday, 2/14	Wednesday, 2/15	Thursday, 2/16	Friday, 2/17	Saturday, 2/18	Sunday, 2/19
<b>Mass:</b> •8:15am	<b>Mass:</b> •8:15am, 5pm  <b>Grandparents Rosary:</b> 8:45am  <b>Confession:</b> •4:15-4:45pm	<b>Mass:</b> •8:15am  <b>Confession:</b> •4:30-5:30pm	<b>Mass:</b> •8:15am	<b>Mass:</b> •8:15am •5pm  <b>Confession:</b> •4:15-4:45pm	<b>Mass:</b> •8:15am •5pm (vigil)  <b>Confession:</b> •3:30-4:30pm	<b>Mass:</b> •7:30am •9am ( <i>with Children's Liturgy</i> ) •11am •5pm ( <i>not livestreamed</i> )
<i>Liturgy times reflect the current week. See page 1 for standard schedule. All Masses are public, and no registration is required. All weekend Masses except Sunday at 5pm are livestreamed and recorded and available at <a href="http://nativitystpaul.org/online-liturgies">nativitystpaul.org/online-liturgies</a>.</i>						
	<b>Adoration:</b> 9am-5pm, 5:30pm-12am	<b>Adoration:</b> 12-8am, 3-5:30pm		<b>Adoration:</b> 9am-5pm, 5:30pm-10pm	<b>Adoration:</b> 6-10pm	<b>Adoration:</b> 6-10pm
(6th Week in Ordinary Time)	<i>Ss. Cyril and Methodius</i>  <b>Building and Grounds Committee Mtg. Lannan Conf. Room</b> 7am	<b>RCIA Meeting School Library</b> 6:30-8pm  <b>Faith Formation School</b> 6:30pm	<b>Youth Group Ice Skating Steiner Hall &amp; Off Campus</b> 6-8:30pm	<i>The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order</i>  No School (teacher in-service)		<i>The 7TH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME</i>
<i>Changes to the parish schedule since Tuesday, and sometimes even earlier, are not reflected here. Pulpit announcements share the most up-to-date information, followed by the e-newsletter and website. When in doubt, contact the parish office.</i>						

## SPRING GALA

**Night to Shine Auction & Dinner** | April 15

On Saturday, April 15, Nativity of Our Lord will hold its annual Night to Shine Spring Gala, which includes a live and silent auction. We would like to invite you to please consider supporting this special event by contributing merchandise, services, or experiences that can be included in our auction!

If you have a special connection who can help create an amazing experience package, a talent you'd be willing to share as a service donation, or if you have an item you'd like to donate, please let us know! You can contact [ncfsilent@gmail.com](mailto:ncfsilent@gmail.com) with any questions or to confirm your donation.

— With gratitude, the Night to Shine Auction Committee

## SUBMISSIONS

### Publishing Deadlines

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— Isaac Huss, Comms. Director and Bulletin Editor

## MASS INTENTIONS

		8:15am	5pm (or private)
<b>Mon.</b>	<b>2/13</b>	Eugene V. Sitzmann Sr. +	Gregory Huss
<b>Tues.</b>	<b>2/14</b>	Jane Doherty +	Katie McKenzie +
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>2/15</b>	Jim McQuillan, Sr. +	Marvin L. Weber +
<b>Thu.</b>	<b>2/16</b>	Margaret "Jayne" Berg +	Lambert Hoffman +
<b>Fri.</b>	<b>2/17</b>	Michael Caprio	Dan and Kelly Wicker
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>2/18</b>	Laurie Murphy	-

## WEEKLY READINGS

<b>Monday:</b>	Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16-17, 20-21; Mk 8:11-13
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1-4, 9-10; Mk 8:14-21
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-15, 18-19; Mk 8:22-26
<b>Thursday:</b>	Gn 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mk 8:27-33
<b>Friday:</b>	Gn 11:1-9; Ps 33:10-15; Mk 8:34 — 9:1
<b>Saturday:</b>	Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Mk 9:2-13
<b>Sunday:</b>	Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48