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AND MORE

JOHN 6:1-15

Church of the Nativity

Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:15am, 12Noon

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday - Saturday: 12:10pm;

Mondays: 7:30pm

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Penance / Reconciliation

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Baptisms

Baptism arrangements are made by contacting the Church Office before or after the birth of the baby. Baptismal catechesis is required of first time parents.

Marriage

The Common Policy for Marriage for all Dioceses of the State of New Jersey require notification of marriage at least one year in advance. Please contact one of the parish priests to set a date.

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What's Coming Up at Church of the Nativity

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These are the men ordained priests in the U.S. in 2024

The average age at ordination was 34 years old. Since 1999, the average age was 35 and ranged between 33 and 37. (ZENIT News / Washington, 04.29.2024).- A newly-released study from the Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate (CARA) at Georgetown University, surveyed men who will be ordained to the priesthood in 2024. The data shows that families continue to be the seedbed of religious vocations: of the 392 respondents, 95% were raised by their biological parents, and 88% were raised by a married couple who lived together. The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on Clergy, Consecrated Life and Vocations (CCLV) released The Class of 2024: Survey of Ordinands to the Priesthood in anticipation of the 61st World Day of Prayer for Vocations on April 21. This annual commemoration occurs on the Fourth Sunday of Easter. Pope Francis has expressed his gratitude for "mothers and fathers who do not think first of themselves or follow fleeting fads of the moment, but shape their lives through relationships marked by love and graciousness, openness to the gift of life and commitment to their children and their growth in maturity." Bishop Earl Boyea of Lansing, chairman of the CCLV committee, echoed Pope Francis stating, "Mothers and fathers, united in marriage, are the first witnesses to love for their children. It is within the family that children are taught the faith, learn the meaning of love, and grow in virtue. This year's study of ordinands underscores the fundamental role that families, in particular, parents, play in building up the kingdom of God. It is through the love and support of the family that children develop into the men and women God calls them to be." Of the 475 men scheduled to be ordained this year, 392 completed the survey for an overall response rate of 83%. These ordinands represent 128 dioceses and eparchies and 29 distinct religious institutes in the United States. Some of the major findings of the report are: On average, respondents first considered a priestly vocation when they were 16 years old. The youngest age reported was three years old and the oldest was 53 years old. The average age at ordination was 34 years old. Since 1999, the average age was 35 and ranged between 33 and 37. Most respondents are White/Caucasian (67%), followed by Hispanic/Latino (18%), Asian/Pacific Islander (11%) and Black/African American (2%). Of those who are foreign-born (23%), the most common countries of origin are Mexico (5%), Vietnam (4%), Colombia (3%), and the Philippines (2%). Of those who worked full-time before entering seminary (70%), the most common fields of employment were education (21%), business (16%), and Church ministry (13%).



Mass Intention & Time
<p>Saturday July 27th 12:10PM Kisha Munson Diana P.</p> <p>Intergenerational Healing of Armando, Cynthia & Neil Torres Family</p>
<p>Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary 5:00PM Bob Dwyer by Judy Corker</p>
<p>Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Sunday July 28th</p>
<p>8:00 Mass Phil Fracassini Phil & Karen Fracassini</p>
<p>10:15 Mass Raymond Cantwell Rich & Anna Westbrock</p>
<p>12:00 Mass Peter Kucinski by The O'Brien Family</p>
<p>Monday, July 29th 12:10PM Dana Sorg A Living Intention Brian & Diane Flynn</p>
<p>7:30PM Howard Karp The Griffin Family</p>
<p>Tuesday, July 30th 12:10PM Pete Maliani Jennifer Glynn</p>
<p>Wednesday, July 31st at 12:10PM Thomas Antonucci Ellin Antonucci</p>
<p>Thursday, August 1st 12:10PM Howard Karp The Griffin Family</p>
<p>Friday, August 2nd 12:10PM Annabelle N. Ramos Pelma A. Gentilezo</p>
<p>Saturday, August 3rd 12:10PM Intergenerational Healing of Armando, Cynthia & Neil Torres Family</p> <p>Howard Karp The Griffin Family</p>
<p>Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary 5:00PM Kathleen Donoghue Friends</p>
<p>Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Sunday, August 4th</p>
<p>8:00 Mass Janice Fracassini Phil & Karen Fracassini</p>
<p>10:15 Mass Lorenzo Damiano Jack & Maryanne Kelley</p>
<p>12:00 Mass Anthony & Patricia Galella & Anthony Jr. The Galella Family</p> <p>Thomas F. Gorman The Gorman Family</p>

From the Rosary Society

The Community Thrift Store is open for business & accepting clothing and their usual items.

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Hours for drop offs: Mondays only

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Next Meeting

Thursday, September 5th at 7:00pm

Thursday, November 7 at 7:00pm

Wednesday, December 4th at 6:30pm

Church of the Nativity
Rosary Altar Society



Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: *2 Kings 4:42-44*

Elisha the prophet feeds 100 people with 20 barley loaves.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalm 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18*

The Lord feeds his people and answers their needs.

Second Reading: *Ephesians 4:1-6*

The Ephesians are encouraged to live the unity of their Baptism.

Gospel Reading: *John 6:1-15*

Jesus feeds the crowd of more than five thousand people with five barley loaves and two fish.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Through most of Lectionary Cycle B, our Sunday Gospel readings are taken from the Gospel of Mark. Over the past two Sundays, we heard how Jesus sent his disciples to share in his mission. If we were to continue reading Mark's Gospel, we would next hear his report of how Jesus feeds the crowds in the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes. Our Lectionary, however, leaves Mark's Gospel for the next several weeks and instead presents this event from the Gospel of John. In John's Gospel, Jesus' multiplication of the loaves and the fishes is presented as a sign of his authority and divinity. Jesus interprets the meaning and significance of this miracle as a sharing of his Body and Blood. This chapter is sometimes called the "Bread of Life Discourse."

In many important ways, John's Gospel uses the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes to teach about the Eucharist. Like the Last Supper, this miracle is said to have occurred near the time of the Jewish feast of Passover. (In John's Gospel three Passovers are identified.) Jesus' language is similar to the language he used at the Last Supper as reported in the Synoptic Gospels. John's description of this event also anticipates the Messianic banquet of heaven, as the crowd reclines and all hungerers are satisfied with abundance. This connection is further amplified by the response of the crowd, who wants to make Jesus a king. John is teaching us that each time we celebrate the Eucharist, we are anticipating the eternal banquet of heaven.

Recall that John's Gospel tells the story of the Last Supper differently than the Synoptic Gospels. Instead of describing the meal and Jesus' actions with the bread and cup, John describes how Jesus washed his disciples' feet. We hear this Gospel when we remember the Last Supper on Holy Thursday. This recollection of Jesus' action at the Last Supper complements the institution narrative of the Synoptic Gospels and Paul's Letters that we hear repeated at each Mass.

In both stories about the Eucharist—the washing of the disciples' feet and the multiplication of the loaves and the fishes—the Gospel of John teaches us that the Eucharist is an action. Our word Eucharist is taken from the Greek language and describes an action: "to give thanks." In the Eucharist we are fed by Jesus himself, and we are sent to serve others.

John's Gospel notes the detail that the bread blessed and shared with the crowd are barley loaves. This is the food of the poor. It reminds us that God feeds and nourishes us, fulfilling our physical needs as well as our spiritual ones.

And recalling the Mass.

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*A Word
from the
Pastor*



This summer, while you are in these seats....



Please don't forget about these seats!



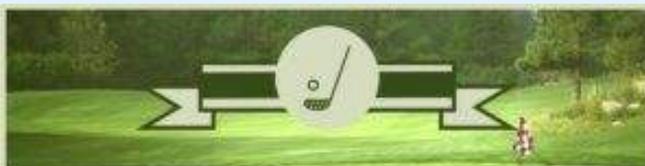
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CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY
2024 GOLF OUTING

CHILDREN'S CATECHETICAL MINISTRY

July 28, 2024

THIS SEMESTER & ARCHDIOCESE

Re-registration Registration letters and forms were emailed several times to all families presently enrolled.

ALL registrations – will be taken at the Religious Education Office and/ or Rectory during office hours. **Payment, due at registration, may be made in Cash, Check, Credit Card or online.**

To complete registration a family:
Must be registered members of the parish.
Parish registration form is on our website: <https://nativitynj.org/nativityregistform-fillable/>
Present a certificate of Baptism for the child or children and
Pay the registration fee for Religious Education.

This year, we are offering:

FOR GRADES 1 – 6 Will run from the week of September 8, 2024, to May 8, 2025, on a weekly basis. This option will be offered on Sundays 9:00AM – 10:00 AM OR on Thursdays 3:30 PM to 4:30PM

To ensure that we make adequate provision for all planning to attend in the fall, we ask that ALL NEW REGISTRATION be completed by July 31st, 2024. Please relay this information to prospective new registrants who might not receive this bulletin, especially those planning to enroll first graders. Thank you!

For our Junior High Students (**Gr. 7 – 8**) Students will have classes on weeknights at teacher's homes or church buildings. Service Project Forms are due back at the beginning of next school year (September 2024)

CONFIRMATION JOURNEY 2025

Information regarding the Confirmation Journey 2025 will be mailed shortly to all the families of students.

FIRST COMMUNION 2025

Children who have completed the First Grade of formal catechesis will be invited to join the First Penance and First Holy Communion preparation sessions in the Fall of 2024, to receive the sacraments in 2025.

ATTENTION MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS AGED 18 AND OVER

The Church of the Nativity must ensure that children and youth who worship, study, or participate in activities sponsored by our parish can do so in the safest and most secure setting possible. As you are probably aware, the Archdiocese of Newark is requiring that all volunteers who participate with minors or can potentially be in contact with minors must undergo training related to prevention, identification, response and reporting sexual abuse.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN WORKSHOP

All parish volunteers who minister directly with children must attend this training workshop and have a criminal background check done. Workshops are being offered at Nativity and neighboring parishes throughout Bergen County.

Sanctuary Light Memorials

Week of July 29, 2024

The Sanctuary Light in the Church
is burning in memory of

Emily Melzl
By: Audrey Kolpin

The Sanctuary Light in the Chapel
is burning in memory of

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*Please remember the sick
who have asked for our prayers*

Jean Rossano, Terry DeSimone, Tracey B.,

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*Please remember in your prayers
the recently deceased*

Workshops at Nativity will be held at the McGrath Room on:

- Thursday, August 22, 2024 at 7:00PM
- Thursday, August 29, 2024 at 7:00 PM – Session will be held in Spanish
- Wednesday, October 23, 2024 at 7:00 PM.
- Wednesday, November 13, 2024 at 7:00 PM

Please register online only visiting www.virtus.org.

KEEPING THE PROMISE ALIVE WORKSHOP (Recertification)

Employees and volunteers are required to attend "Keeping the Promise Alive" after 5 years of attending the "Protecting God's Children" program. If you attended the PGC workshop between September 2014 and December 2019, you are eligible. "Keeping the Promise Alive" re-certification course, will be given at Nativity on

Wednesday, September 11, 2024, at 7:00 PM. It is a 90-minute session good for 5 years.

Individuals must use their original Virtus id to register for a live class and/or to access their online recertification content. (Users who have forgotten their Virtus username and password can visit www.virtusonline.org and click on "Need login information?" to retrieve-**please do not create a new Virtus account**). **No Walk-ins**

Users needing additional assistance can contact the Safe Environment team at sect@rcan.org

Also, you may attend a workshop at our neighboring parishes if their dates are better for your schedule.

PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS
Catholic charity shines a light
on Nigeria massacres in UK Parliament

The account, given by Daniel Beurthe of Aid to the Church in Need ACN (UK), the Catholic charity for persecuted Christians, was provided yesterday (23rd April) at a meeting hosted by the All-Party Parliamentary Group for Freedom of Religion or Belief in the House of Commons, Westminster.

The UK Parliament has received an exclusive report from a leading Catholic charity about the latest wave of attacks against Christian communities in Nigeria and how the people are terrified amid growing concerns of inaction in the struggle to bring the culprits to justice. The account, given by Daniel Beurthe of Aid to the Church in Need ACN (UK), the Catholic charity for persecuted Christians, was provided yesterday (23rd April) at a meeting hosted by the All-Party Parliamentary Group for Freedom of Religion or Belief in the House of Commons, Westminster. DUP MP for Strangford Jim Shannon chaired the event, and in attendance was Baroness Cox of Queensbury, founder of Humanitarian Aid Relief Trust (HART), as well as representatives from ACN (UK), Open Doors, CSW and ADF International. Mr Beurthe, ACN (UK)'s Public and Parliamentary Affairs Officer, cited first-hand reports he had received about attacks earlier this month in Nigeria's Middle Belt given by Father Andrew Dewan, director of communications in the Diocese of Pankshin, Plateau state. Mr Beurthe said:

"Less than two weeks ago, on Friday 12th April, the Fulani terrorists went on a three-day killing spree across a number of towns and villages in his diocese, killing 29 Christians, injuring a further two, and leaving a trail of carnage in their wake with churches and houses burnt down. "This follows on from an attack which the Fulanis carried out on Easter Monday, in which another 10



Week of July 29, 2024

The Bread and Wine
in the Church are offered
in memory of

Emily Melzl
By: *Audrey Kolpin*

Requiesce in pace



Christians were killed, including a pregnant woman and her unborn baby. "These vicious attacks follow the same pattern as the appalling scenes witnessed over Christmas, in which more than 300 Christian lives were lost after 26 villages were struck in a four-day onslaught." Highlighting Father Dewan's concerns about the Nigerian government's response, Mr Beurthe said: "Father Andrew lamented, again and again, the inaction from police, local authorities and national government. "He said to me: (Continued on page 6)



ANNUAL APPEAL

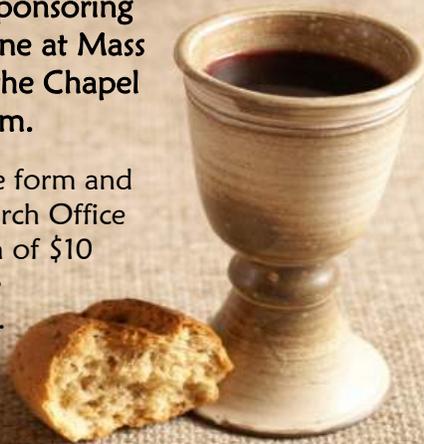
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There is inaction from the government to this conflict at all levels. The primary purpose of government is to protect lives and property, and they have not done well in this regard.” Mr Beurthe set out recommendations made to the UK Government in ACN (UK)’s Religious Freedom in the World: Africa Update report, launched in the UK Parliament last October. He stated: “The human rights violations in Nigeria have a clear religious dimension which is not sufficiently acknowledged by the UK Government. The UK should acknowledge this and increase support for FoRB programmes and research in Nigeria.” In addition, the UK should require an annual report on the state of Freedom of Religion or Belief in Nigeria from the UK High Commission in the country. “With the number of IDPs [internally displaced persons] in the Middle Belt of Nigeria having exceeded 3 million,



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the UK should take steps to increase the support provided to individuals housed in official or unofficial IDP camps. “The UK should urge the Nigerian Government to allow independent bodies to investigate claims of atrocities and support an international fact-finding commission to investigate Nigeria’s security crisis and its implications for religious minorities.” Focusing on the 2022 Pentecost Sunday massacre which took place at St Francis Xavier’s church in Owo, Ondo State, in which 41 Christians were killed and more than 70 injured, Mr Beurthe, shared testimony given by Dominic and Margaret Attah, two survivors who came to Parliament last November for #RedWednesday. “[Dominic] said that as Margaret was in the gallery, singing with the rest of the church choir, militants from Islamic State: West Africa Province (ISWAP) opened fire on the crowd. “He said that they quickly realised their guns weren’t killing the worshipers fast enough, so they began lighting explosive devices and hurling them into the crowds. “When the massacre was over, Dominic began scouring the church looking for his wife. She had been left so disfigured, he walked past her twice before recognising her. “Both of her legs had been torn off in the bomb blasts, and she had also lost an eye.” At yesterday’s meeting Mr Beurthe delivered a statement that Margaret had provided for him: “I would like to thank Parliament, for their work and the hand of love which they’ve extended to us. I and my family thank them. “And I’d like to thank charities like Aid to the Church in Need for all their help. You’re all in the prayers of me and my family, for all the work you do for us and for the Church.”

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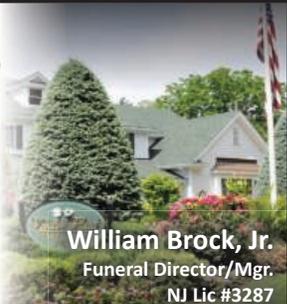
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