



LIVING THE
GOSPEL ...
ONE LIFE
AT A TIME

Respect Life Sunday
October 3, 2021

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Greetings in the Lord! We are off to a strong start in classes for both youth, young adults, and adults. Many thanks to our parents and grandparents for prioritizing the spiritual wellbeing of their children and grandchildren both in bringing them to class and to Holy Mass. The Eucharist is the Source and Summit of our lives. St. Augustine of Hippo famously described God as “ever ancient, ever new” because he is eternal, but our experience of him is always life-giving. We could call the Mass “ever ancient, ever new” because it the place of closest contact with God, but is rich because it “hits” us new ways, not because God is different but because we are different.

We also have 14 folks who are a little older who are preparing for First Communion and Confirmation. It is renewing for me to walk with them in the basics of the faith, and their experience of the richness of God in their prayer lives. Please keep all those preparing for sacraments in your prayers and **please welcome any new folks you see.**

As I have mentioned before, I will be away October 4-12 for retreat. It is part of my three-year spiritual direction training program. Please pray for me and the 75 other priests who will be on retreat and for our directors. I will be out of communication for this whole time, but feel free to leave messages via phone or email. Weekday Masses are cancelled for this time, and a neighboring priest will be handling funerals or emergency calls that come up.

Also, please put in your schedule the dates for our **Parish Mission**. Fr. Tony Dittmer will be speaking at evening gatherings on **November 7-9 @ 6:30 p.m.** This is great time of year for a spiritual renewal as the weather cools down and we may have more time to go a little deeper with the Lord.

May God bless you abundantly.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Scott Potthoff
Pastor

Feather Party Bingo

November 14th - 1:00 pm

Parish Hall

We hope you
can join us!



Ladies of God's Grace

Women's group meeting is

Thursday, October 14th

6:30 p.m. in Parish Hall

ALL women 18-118 are Welcome!



BULLETIN BINGO IS BACK!

Two numbers for Bulletin Bingo are hidden somewhere in this bulletin. Mark any numbers that are on your Bingo card and remember to hold on to your Bingo card until a verified winner has been announced.

WE'RE BACK TO MAKIN' RAVS!

If you would like to volunteer, **please come and join us in the Parish Hall!** No experience necessary—we are happy to train!!! We meet on Thursday mornings from September to April. Please mark your calendars for the upcoming September and October rav making dates:

Thurs., Oct. 7 - 8:00 am

Thurs., Oct. 14 - 8:00 am

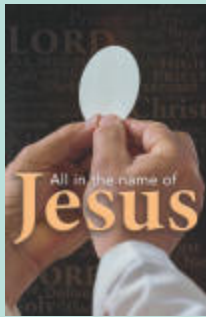
Thurs., Oct. 21 - 8:00 am

Thurs., Oct. 28 - 8:00 am

PLEASE NOTE: Due to the price increase of ingredients, Ravens and Tortalocci will now cost \$7 per bag.

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TEENS ENCOUNTER CHRIST (TEC) will be reignited after a long hiatus due to the Covid-19 pandemic We will meet on **Sunday, October 3rd @ 2:00 pm** with an outdoor Mass followed by fellowship and a light meal. Teens ages 16-20 are invited to come and check us out. If you are a Tecite please come back to see everyone! A great way to ignite your relationship with our Lord!! Information for a December TEC for girls will be in a future bulletin!



2021 ADA UPDATE:

Thanks to the generosity of 33 parish families, we are **42%** of the way to our goal!! Each gift is important to the mission of the diocese. If you have not yet had the opportunity, please return a pledge card with your response today. There are cards on the table in the church vestibule.

Your gift helps support the central ministries of our diocese including religious education of our young people, faith formation of adults, training of our future priests, Newman centers on our college campuses and much more. Together we can accomplish many works of faith, hope and charity. Every dollar raised over our goal will be **returned to our parish for our use.** To those who have contributed, **we are most grateful!**

Goal - \$47,486.00
33 Pledges as of 9/28/21 - \$20,100.00
Amount Short of Goal \$27,386.00

ALL SOULS ENVELOPES: You can remember your deceased loved ones by using the *All Souls Envelope* in your monthly packet. This is a wonderful way to remember our deceased family and friends for Masses that will be listed in the bulletin as “All Souls”.

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

Saturday	Oct. 9	Liturgical Ministers
4:30 pm	Lector: Euch Min:	Julie Eilers Call parish office to volunteer.
Sunday	Oct. 10	Liturgical Ministers
8:00 am	Lector: Euch Min:	Call parish office to volunteer. Diana Potthoff
10:30 am	Lector: Euch Min:	Tom Tonozzi Call parish office to volunteer.
Saturday	Oct. 16	Liturgical Ministers
4:30 pm	Lector: Euch Min:	Nancy McNally Terese DeSerf
Sunday	Oct. 17	Liturgical Ministers
8:00 am	Lector: Euch Min:	Rhonda Bezely Kathy Yerly
10:30 am	Lector: Euch Min:	Kathy Martin Pat Boroski

AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE ABOUT THE BULLETIN MAILING - We have

‘REVERSED’ the mailing of the parish bulletin. We are now asking parishioners that **want the bulletin mailed to them** to please call the parish office at 815-663-3731 or email **nativityoffourlordsv@comcast.net**. Our bulletins can also be viewed on our WEBSITE, **www.nativitysv.org** or on **parishesonline.com**

FOR THOSE AGE 70½! There is good news if you have reached age 70½ and you would like to help Nativity of Our Lord Parish. If you have an IRA, the government requires you to take out a certain amount each year and be subject to federal tax. However, the law allows you to donate this amount directly to our Parish during 2021 and have it distributed **free of federal income tax!** What a wonderful opportunity for those 70½ to help Nativity of Our Lord. Please contact your tax advisor for information.

Income For The Weekend of Sept. 18/19, 2021

<u>Sunday/Holyday</u>	
Adult	\$3075.00
Loose Cash	178.50
Build/Energy.	300.00
Vigil Candles	112.00
Children Env.	53.00
TOTAL	\$3718.50

Income For The Weekend of Sept. 25/26, 2021

<u>Sunday/Holyday</u>	
Adult	\$3524.00
Loose Cash	259.00
Build/Energy.	317.00
Mission Sunday	2.00
Vigil Candles	83.00
Religious/Catechetical	57.00
Children Env.	115.00
TOTAL	\$4357.00

Thank You!! Your contributions to your parish are greatly appreciated!

Please remember Parish of the Nativity of Our Lord in your will. Our Legal Title is:
Parish of the Nativity of Our Lord
Roman Catholic Congregation
 Spring Valley, Illinois

Parish of the Nativity of Our Lord

PLEASE NOTE!

There will be **NO DAILY** MASSES ON:

**Mon., Oct. 4th - Friday, Oct. 8th
& Mon. & Tues., Oct. 11th & 12th**

If you are looking for a weekday Mass time please call area churches for times.

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9

4:30 pm - † John Piccatto &
Leo O'Neill Family

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10

8:00 am - For Parishioners of the Parish
of the Nativity of Our Lord

10:30 am - † Gordon Virgo

MONDAY, OCTOBER 11

NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13 (Weekday)

7:00 am - † Lorraine Parsons

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14 (Weekday)

7:00 am - † Joe Marchiando

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15 (St. Teresa of Jesus)

7:00 am - † Mary Elizabeth Lee

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16

4:30 pm - For Parishioners of the Parish
of the Nativity of Our Lord

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17

8:00 am - † Chester & Veronica Czarny

10:30 am - † Connie Skerston



October is the Month of The Holy

Rosary and Respect Life: It would be wonderful for all of us to pray a daily or weekly rosary for the sanctity of all human life.

Almighty God, giver of all that is good, we thank You for the precious gift of human life,

*For life in the womb, coming from your creative power,
For the life of children, making us glad with their
freshness and promise,*

*For the life of young people, hoping for a better world,
For the life of people who are disabled, teaching us that
every life has value,*

*For the life of the elderly, witnessing to the ageless values
of patience and wisdom.*

*Like Blessed Mary, may we always say "YES" to Your
gift. May we defend it and promote it from conception to
its natural end. And bring us at last, O Father, to the
fullness of eternal life in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen*

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Organist/Director: Mrs. Mary Jane Tonozzi

Parish Secretary/Bookkeeper: Mrs. Kim Olszewski

Trustees/Consultants: Thomas Tonozzi &
Tom Piano

Mass Schedule

Weekday Masses: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday
& Friday, 7:00 am

Sunday Liturgies: Saturday, 4:30 pm
Sunday, 8:00 am & 10:30 am

*Weekday and Indoor Masses can be viewed online
via Facebook live.*

Sacraments

Penance: Saturdays, 3:15 - 4:15 pm; &
First Saturdays, 8:30 - 9:30 am

Baptism: By appointment only.

Marriage: Must be arranged *at least six months*
ahead.

Holy Orders: Call pastor to schedule appointment.

Cemeteries

Mount Olivet, St. Anne's & Sts. Peter & Paul

Bulletin Deadline

By 1:00 pm Monday prior to date of bulletin.

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