# NATIVITY

# Catholic Church



#### MISSION STATEMENT

We, the people of Nativity, are committed to live and proclaim our faith in the presence of Jesus Christ through:

- worship and prayer
- life-long faith formation
- compassionate service to those in need

#### Masses

Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri 8:30 a.m. Saturday 5:30 p.m. Sunday 8:30, 11:00 a.m. Holydays: 8:30 a.m.; 6:00 p.m.

> **Bulletin Deadline** Monday, 12:00 Noon.

#### Marriages

Congratulations! Please contact us at least six months in advance so that we can work with you as you prepare for marriage.

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

The first Sunday of the month, from 1-4 p.m. the church will be open for those who wish to pray before the Blessed Sacrament.

7225 Southeastern Avenue Indianapolis, IN 46239 317/357-1200

Parish Office 8 am - 4 pm, Monday through Friday

Website: www.nativitvindv.org

Bulletins can be found on the Home Page of the website Father Eric Augenstein: freric@nativityindy.org Parish and School Staff:

first initial and last name (lower case; no spaces) @nativityindy.org

Communion to the Sick Call the Parish Office to arrange

#### **Baptisms**

First-time parents, please go to nativityindy.org/baptism. Others contact Parish Office. Baptisms occur once a month.

#### **Holy Orders**

Those considering entering the Priesthood or a Religious Vocation, please contact Archdiocesan Vocation Office at 317/236-1490.

#### **New Parishioners**

We welcome you to Nativity and hope that you will feel at home here. Please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible to begin the registration process

#### Liturgical Ministers

Scheduling for most ministries is coordinated through an online scheduling software program. For more information, go to www.nativityindy.org/ liturgy

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturdays, 4:00 - 5 pm;

other times by appointment.



Jesus replied, "The first is this: Hear. O Israel! The Lord our God is Lord alone! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength."

- Mk 12:29-30

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

Dear friends in Christ.

We begin this week with our annual **40** Hours Devotion, Sunday, October **31**, through Tuesday, November **2**. If you have not already committed to a specific time of prayer on these days, I invite you to stop by the church whenever you are available to spend some time in quiet prayer in the presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. This time of prayer can change your life!

You're also invited to join us for some special Masses this week – on Monday, November 1, at 6 pm, to celebrate All Saints Day; and on Tuesday, November 2, at either 8:30 am or 7 pm, to commemorate All Souls Day. Note that since it falls on a Monday, All Saints Day is not a day of obligation this year, but we will continue to have Mass. And at the evening Mass on All Souls Day, as we conclude our 40 Hours Devotion, we will remember and pray in a particular way for our parishioners who have died over the past year. I invite you to join us.

Finally – don't forget about the opportunities to volunteer at this year's NCYC (National Catholic Youth Conference), to be held here in Indianapolis November 18-20. A link to the volunteer sign up portal can be found on our parish website.

In Christ's Peace, Fr. Eric

#### Giving to the Church through your will

is a good way to continue your support of the Church and its ministries beyond your lifetime. When your estate plan is prepared, consider including plans for a gift to the Church.

# FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST COMMUNION

Registration for First Reconciliation and First Communion is open! If you have a child who has not yet received these sacraments you can register them on Nativity's website: <a href="https://">https://</a> nativityindv.org/first-sacraments



#### October 24, 2021

We	ekly Collected	\$ 14,871	
YTD	Actual	\$ 255,230	
	Budget		
(16	x 15,912)	\$ 270,504	
Diff	erence +/(-)	\$ (15,274)	
Fut	ure is Now	\$ 2,279	
St.	Vincent de Paul	\$ 225	
Wo	rld Mission Sunday	\$ 220	

### Mass Intentions

Mon. Nov 1 6:00 p.m. Judy O'Connell Tues. Nov 2 8:30 a.m. Special Intention 7:00 p.m. Judy Gillespie Wed. Nov 3 8:30 a.m. Special Intention Thurs Nov 4 8:30 a.m. Special Intention Fri. Nov 5 8:30 a.m. Pam and Jim Hafner Sat. Nov 6 5:30 p.m All victims of abortion 8:30 a.m. For Nativity Sun. Nov 7

11:00 a.m. James Withem

### YOU ARE INVITED

The Nativity Senior Group will meet for lunch at Longhorn, 10240 E. Washington St, on November 11, at 1:00 pm. Please RSVP to Rosemary Murray, 317 757-9653. All Parish members over 50 are invited to attend.

#### **ABORTION ALTERNATIVES**

Birthline Mon-Fri 8-4:30 317/635-4808 Option Helpline 24/7 1-800-712-HELP

Parish Staff Fr Eric Augenstein 317/357-1200 John Hosier, Deacon 317/650-6684 **Brittney Cross** Evangelization and Discipleship 317/359-6075 Terri Bianchini School Principal 3310 S Meadow Dr. 317/357-1459 Daniel Dixon Parish Business Mgr. 317/357-1200 Christine Seitz, Dir. of Liturgical Music 317/357-1200 Maureen Hutt Youth Minister 317/357-1200 Theresa Marlin Parish Secretary 317/357-1200 Peggy Lamott School Secretary 317/357-1459 Gordon Welt Maint. Coordinator 317/357-1200 K.C. Brown Digital Media Coord. 317/357-1200 Parish Council Chairperson Jason Klee 317/362-3175 At-Large Paola Alejo

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Jason Klee 317/362-3175 Finance Council

Gerry Roy 317/506-3491 Parish Life/Social Act

Maureen Sciame 317/642-8414

School Ryan Mirasol 317/209-3152 Stewardship

Amanda Rail 317/706-5658 Youth Ministry

Maureen Hutt 317/357-1200

1 Kgs 17:10-16 Heb 9:24-28

Mk 12:38-44

#### NATIVITY ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FISCAL YEAR UPDATE

Our Nativity St. Vincent de Paul Conference completed its fiscal year at the end of September. Below are some highlights from our team: Collections from you -our supporters were \$13,079.

We provided home visits (most were virtual due to pandemic) to 74 families, helping about 229 family members in total per below:

- Financial aid (for assistance with utilities, rent, shut-off prevention, etc.): \$6,499
- Direct cash outlay for items (Bedding, washer/ dryer, hotel stays, Christmas, etc.) \$3,811
- Donations to SVDP Food Pantry, Good Shepherd

SVDP, a Mission 27 fund raiser: \$4,982

 Kroger gift cards purchased to help our many families in need: \$950

In kind goods provided to above families in need from Mission 27 warehouse: (estimated values below)

Furniture: 8 families \$ 800 Clothing: 10 families \$1,000

Misc. household goods: 13 families \$1,300 We sent 10 families to the Catholic Charities Christmas Store where each child receives gifts and the family gets one overall present. We also had 7 investigators participating in our Changing Lives program collaboration with St. Jude in the spring of 2021 when it was interrupted by Covid complications. We hope to resume this program in 2022.

Thank you for your past support and prayers and please continue to help as we are now getting more calls for help than ever.

Also, know that shopping the Mission 27 thrift stores and donating goods to these stores (including our annual fall collection), provide financial support for the Food Pantry and the Changing Lives program. To donate items, please call 317-687-1006 and schedule a truck for pickup.





#### REVERSE RAFFLE VOLUNTEERS

Go to our volunteer website https://www.signupgenius.com/ go/10C054AA4A828A02-reverse and add your name to one of the categories listed!

The Reverse Raffle is just around the corner and you remember how fun that is! Your help is needed to make this one the best yet!

Contact Sarah Mockaitis or the Parish Office with any

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#### NATIVITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Nativity School students are learning about Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) in their homerooms, PE, Art, Music, Technology, STEM, REACH, and Library. One of the important parts of the holiday is making altars (ofrendas). In memory of the departed, these altars are covered with pictures, candles, flowers, and cavaveras (sugar skulls). Seventh grade students will be making their own sugar skulls to place on the altar as reminder of the cycle of life and death. Students in other grade levels will be making lighted flowers and other decorations to place on the altar.

Nativity school families are decorating a Remembrance frame and attaching a photo of a deceased loved one(s) in the center. These posters will be hung up surrounding the Day of the Dead ofrenda in the entry by Door #1.



#### **ADULT CONFIRMATION (AGE 18+)**

This year, adults who are looking to be confirmed are invited to learn alongside our catechumen and candidates in the RCIA program. Sessions are held on Tuesday nights starting at 7pm, located in the parish center. Register on Nativity's website! <a href="https://nativityindy.org/adult-confirmation">https://nativityindy.org/adult-confirmation</a>

If you have any questions please contact the Coordinator of Evangelization and Discipleship at bcross@nativityindy.org

#### FROM THE VOCATIONS OFFICE

"You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Will you share in Christ's saving mission as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at 317/236-1490 or <a href="mailto:vocations@archindy.org">vocations@archindy.org</a> and leave your name and number.

#### 2021 CHRISTMAS STORE

The Christmas Store will open this year on November 11th to assist struggling families who might otherwise not have a Christmas. The Christmas Store will again operate as a drive-thru to ensure health and safety. Volunteers will use information submitted by our community partners to carefully select gifts. Families will come to the Christmas Store at an assigned date and time to pick up their gifts. Last year we were able to provide Christmas to 839 struggling families. This year, 85 community organizations are partnering with us to serve a goal of 850 families-that's over 4,000 people! Visit www.Archindy.org/ChristmasStoreHelp for more information on how you can help the Christmas Store this year

#### MEIJER SIMPLY GIVE CAMPAIGN

It's that time again to support God's Bounty food pantry through donating to the Simply Give campaign at the Meijer on Southport Road. The pantry is again the recipient of this campaign which runs through Saturday, January 1, 2022 – a total of 13 weeks!

It is very simple to donate. All you need to do is pickup a Simply Give donation card at the checkout counter. have them swipe the card for \$10 and that amount goes into our account plus Meijer will match that amount. You can also swipe it yourself through the self checkout. Meijer will match any amount given in increments of \$10. If you give \$50 - that turns into a \$100 donation. NOW THAT IS AWESOME!!! There is no limit as to the amount you can donate. REALLY!!! There will be a DOUBLE MATCH DAY on Saturday, December 11, 2021. For every \$10 purchased on this date, Meijer will provide an additional contribution of \$20, bringing the total to \$30 for a single customer purchase. There is a maximum Meijer will match on that day which we usually make so don't forget the rest of the weeks because matching anything we give is great and very generous!

This is our biggest money maker for the pantry and WE REALLY NEED YOUR HELP! This is a wonderful thing that Meijer does for the community here and nationwide. It is a privilege to be a part of this campaign.



#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Fr. Louis Gootee Council will meet Monday, Nov 1. Join us at 6:30 PM for the Rosary in church followed by our meeting in the Fr. Gootee Conference Room in the Parish Center. If you have questions contact Mark Gill, <a href="mailto:council13105@indianakofc.org">council13105@indianakofc.org</a> or visit us at www.nativity-Kofc.org

The Knights of Columbus is looking for men (ages 18 or older) who want to be part of an organization that promotes the Catholic Faith and its principles. They are: Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. Catholic men are invited to join the Knights of Columbus and help make a difference in the community, as well as your parish.



#### PROJECT RACHEL MINISTRY

If you are suffering after abortion, you may feel very alone. You may have experienced abortion many years ago and never told anyone. You may be struggling with a more recent abortion. Regardless of the circumstances, healing is possible. If you would like to learn more or to register for a retreat, please contact (317) 452-0054 or email projectrachel@archindy.org



God's Bounty Food Pantry, located at 8946 Southeastern Ave, is staffed every Wed evening from 6-7 pm to accept your donations of non-perishable items. The churches involved have divided up the responsibility and open it to the public every Thursday from 1-6:30 pm.

(The pantry is closed the 5th Thursday in a month.) Nativity's scheduled days to volunteer are the 4th Wed/ Thurs of every month but you are welcome to help any week. Contact Vicki Dwenger with ??? 317/372-2595 vickidwenger@gmail.com

#### IT'S BAAAAAAACK!!!!!

Knights of Columbus Trivia Night

Saturday, November 13th from 7:00-10:00 pm. Doors will open at 5:00 pm.

\$100 per table / 10 per table max / Bring your own food / No outside alcohol

Dress like your favorite TV character / Prizes for best individual and group (table)<a href="mailto:council13105@indianakofc.org">council13105@indianakofc.org</a> with any questions

#### **FAMILY FAITH FORMATION**

This year we are trying a new approach to religious education!

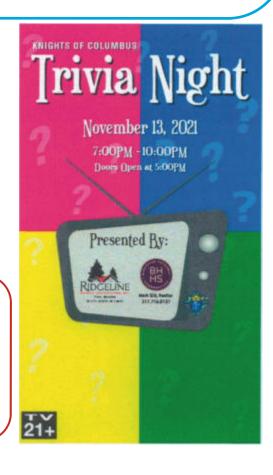
Family Formation is a family-based catechetical program that helps families to grow in the transforming love of God by understanding and living the Catholic Faith.

Every first Sunday of the month students in Grades K

Every first Sunday of the month students in Grades K -8 meet in classrooms in the school, divided by grade level, where trained catechists present the lessons. Parents gather in the parish center to learn about different aspects of the faith, engage in discussion with other parents, and receive that month's home lessons.

Through weekly Home Lessons, Family Formation helps parents pass on the Catholic Faith to their children and grow in faith and holiness. This model enables parents to be "the primary educators in the Faith." [General Directory for Catechesis (GDC) 255] You can register on Nativity's website: <a href="https://nativityindy.org/re">https://nativityindy.org/re</a>

Family Formation sessions begin October 3rd and end May 1st



#### **RONCALLI HIGH SCHOOL**

#### 2021 Roncalli Open House

We are so excited to be able to host the 2021 Roncalli Open House on campus! This year's event will take place on Thursday, November 4 from 6:00-8:00 PM. Both the Ascension St. Vincent and Bishop Chartrand gymnasiums will be set up to explore Roncalli. Check in at either location, and join us for a fun evening! Take a tour of the school, meet students and speak with faculty, staff & coaches. See what it's like to be a Roncalli Royal...we love it, and we know you will too! Contact Allie Ross at <a href="mailto:aross@roncalli.org">aross@roncalli.org</a> with any questions.

#### Roncalli High School Placement Test

Roncalli will welcome the Class of 2026 for the High School Placement Test (HSPT) on Saturday, November 6! Additional details are below:

Test begins at 8:00 AM and concludes by 11:15 AM

Please arrive 15 minutes early, and use the Fine Arts Center entrance (Door #5).

Cost is \$10-cash or check (checks payable to Roncalli High School)

Students are asked to bring 2 sharpened No. 2 pencils; calculators are not allowed.

STARS students and parents are invited to the 8th grade parent meeting on Tuesday, October 19, 2021 at 7 PM in the Roncalli Student Life Center.

Accommodations, as designated in the student's IEP/ISP, are available only for those students who provide the appropriate documentation to Mrs. Michelle Roberts (<a href="mailto:mroberts@roncalli.org">mroberts@roncalli.org</a>), Special Needs Director, at least 10 days prior to the HSPT.

Parents are strongly encouraged to attend an Admissions Information meeting on the morning of the High School Placement Test from 10:00 – 11:15 AM in the auditorium. Items covered at this meeting will include the Admissions Application, the Admissions process, the Financial Aid process and some general academic and scheduling information. Please contact Jessica Engel, School Counselor (317) 787-8277 (ext.235) or Jane Dias, Guidance Administrative Assistant (ext. 214) with questions.

# "SAFE PARISH SAFE ENVIRONMENT"

For anyone 18 and over who will be working with or around children in a volunteer capacity with the church or school, the required "Safe Parish Safe Environment Training" password is

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#### CELEBRATE NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK - Nov. 7-13

The future of our Catholic Church relies on men and women opening their hearts to the unimaginable possibilities God has designed for their lives. However, encouraging vocations is *all* our responsibility. Please pray daily for the young men and women currently discerning a religious vocation. And please discern how you can more fully foster vocations in your family, your parish and throughout the Archdiocese.

The Serra Club of Indianapolis works within our parishes and Archdiocese to achieve religious vocations through prayer, active personal involvement, and club-sponsored activities, while growing in our faith and fellowship. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.serraindv.org">www.serraindv.org</a>.







# ST. AGNES PARISH 2021 CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Friday, November 5, 9 am to 5 pm Saturday, November 6, 9 am to 4 pm

Location: basement of St. Agnes Church 1008 McLary Road, Nashville, IN NO ADMISSION FEE, FREE PARKING, ELEVATOR ACCESSIBLE

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#### **GIRLS CYO VOLLEYBALL**

Girls CYO volleyball registration is open for all parishioners in grade 4-8.

Registration must be done on the CYO website. Registration will close November 29th.

Tryouts are tentatively scheduled the week of December 5th. Specific dates and times will be published at a later date. Anyone interested in coaching should contact Trish Wlodarczyk.



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#### PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

We meet the first and third Wednesday of the month in the Parish Center from 9-Noon. People feel the warmth and love of Jesus Christ with Prayer Shawls. They are blessed by Father Eric and are free for distribution to those in need of comfort. They are available either by stopping by the parish office during the week or from the basket in the narthex of the church by the painting of our Blessed Mother. Give one to someone you know who is suffering physically or spiritually. Monica Santangelo 317/862-4137 with



### Quilting

The next monthly meeting of the Nativity Quilting group will be Monday, November 15 at 6:30 pm in Holy Family Conf Room. Newcomers are always welcome. Please reach out to Maureen Sciame 317/642-8414 maureen.sciame@comcast.net with questions.

#### **NATIVITY ATHLETICS**

The Athletic Committee is looking for volunteers to fill the current open positions:

Treasurer

questions.

- Soccer Coordinator
- **Equipment Manager**
- Concession Manager
- Boys Volleyball Coordinator
- Spirit Wear Coordinator

The Nativity Athletic Committee needs your help to ensure that we have a successful sports program for our student athletes.

Contact Kevin Kirkhoff kevinkirkhoff@comcast.net

#### **ELECTRONIC DONATIONS**

One-time or recurring donations may be made to your Sunday contribution or Capital Campaign through a link on our website, www.nativityindy.org/give. Contact Daniel Dixon 317/357-1200 with questions.

Now that our Food Pantry (located at 3001 E. 30th Street) is once again serving our neighbors inside our facility, we find ourselves in need of volunteers to do intake. Intake involves greeting our neighbors, confirming their current residential and family status, updating this information in our database as well as explaining how the pantry works to our new shoppers. Shifts for intake volunteers are: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 7:45am-12pm and Thursday evening 4:45-7pm. Do you like helping people? Have computer experience doing data entry (easy to learn)? Want to know more? Contact Bill Richardson 317-697-2589 or billrichardson2007@gmail.com.

Thank you for your continued support of SVdP and the neighbors we serve.



#### PRIMETIMERS UPCOMING EVENTS

Save the date!

Sunday, November 14th - International luncheon along with a presentation and demonstration of traditional musical instruments collected from around the world. This event is being hosted by Cheryl and Rich Rosenfeld. Start time will be noon (following the 11 am Mass) in the Holy Family Room. Contact Cheryl Rosenfeld at 317 797-9028 or email crosen520@gmail.com if you plan on attending and to coordinate what item you may be bringing for lunch.

Sunday, December 5th - Primetimers Holiday Brunch and White Elephant Exchange. Start time will be 12 noon (after the 11 am Mass) in the Parish Center.

Primetimers is a social group at Nativity for ages 50 and over. If you would like to be added to our email distribution list, please contact Nancy Pinard at 317-371-2630 (email pinard1@sbcglobal.net) or Louise Stevenson at 317-352-1872 (email daviddsls2001@aol.com).

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