

**JULY 31, 2022**  
**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**



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**CHURCH OF THE  
NATIVITY**

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Monday - Friday | 8:30am-3 pm  
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## MASS SCHEDULE

### WEEKDAY MASS

Monday - Saturday | 8:00am

### WEEKEND MASS

Saturday Vigil | 5:00pm

Sunday | 7:30am, 9:00am,  
10:30am

\*All Masses held indoor with  
additional seating outdoors in the  
Courtyard.

### Sacraments

#### BAPTISM

Celebrated on the 4th Sunday,  
after the 10:30am Mass or by  
appointment.

Please contact the Parish Office or  
tpinnella@nativitycatholic.org

#### MARRIAGE

Saturdays, 11:00am or 2:00pm.  
Contact the Parish Office.

#### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Encouraged for anyone critically  
ill, for the elderly, or prior to  
major surgery.

#### RECONCILIATION

Saturday | 3:30-4:30 pm

#### EUCCHARIST

Weekday Mass |

Monday - Saturday at 8:00am

Eucharist Adoration |

Monday - Friday 8:30am-9:30am

Perpetual Help Novena |

Tuesdays after 8:00am Mass

Rosary | Weekdays after 8:00am

## ABOUT OUR PARISH

### MISSION STATEMENT

We are a praying, learning, and caring community fulfilling the mission God gives us  
in baptism by our worship in faith, by our witness in hope, and by our service in love.

**Praying through the Sacraments,  
Learning through Religious Education,  
Caring through Pastoral Care.**

## WEEKLY PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF 7-24

### OUR PARISHIONERS CONTRIBUTED

IN THE COLLECTION LAST WEEK, \$16,788  
TO FURTHER THE MISSION AND MINISTRY PROVIDED BY THE CHURCH OF  
THE NATIVITY. THANK YOU FOR GIVING WHAT IS MEANINGFUL TO YOU,  
TO SERVE OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST

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Call the office for a registration form or email [lbarton@nativitycatholic.org](mailto:lbarton@nativitycatholic.org)

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### MASS INTENTIONS

#### SATURDAY 7/30

8:00 am Patricia Rausch, RIP  
5:00 pm Elizabeth L Zuppardi  
Poccia, RIP

#### SUNDAY 7/31

7:30 am James Allen, RIP  
9:00 am Richard Mangiarelli, RIP  
10:30am Carol McGuinness, RIP  
Monday 8/1  
8:00 Tom Kenny, RIP  
TUESDAY 8/2  
8:00 Agnes Lilly, RIP  
WEDNESDAY 8/3  
8:00 Judy Kenny, SI  
THURSDAY 8/4  
8:00 Cub Parker, RIP  
Friday 8/5  
8:00 Zenaida P and Anita B, RIP  
SATURDAY 8/6  
8:00 am In Thanksgiving  
5:00pm Douglas W Ealy, RIP

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**Summer Office Hours: Monday through Thursday | 9:00-1:00**

### PRAY THE DAILY ROSARIES WITH OUR COMMUNITY!

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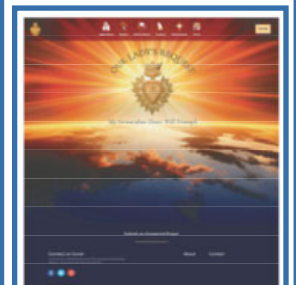
Please click to join us any of these times, *7 days a week* in Pacific Standard Time:

♥ 6 AM: Seven Sorrows Rosary/6:30: Rosary /6:45: Divine Mercy Chaplet

♥ 12 -12:15 PM: 5 Decades of Rosary

♥ 3-3:15 PM: The Divine Mercy Chaplet

♥ 5-5:15 PM: 5 Decades of Rosary



### Greetings in the Lord!

The past Sunday readings of the gospels have made us aware of the meaning of discipleship as a response in love to the call of Jesus to follow Him. In sum we have come to know that discipleship entails knowledge of who Jesus is, his nature and mission as well as his teachings. The response to his call to follow him demands self-denial carrying of one's cross and faithfully following Jesus everyday in our lives. We have also seen that there are two ways by which we can faithfully follow Jesus, namely, being actively involved in the social concerns of our neighbors or being actively attentive in contemplation of his mysterious words through prayer. Last Sunday our gospel emphasized on the importance of being in constant communication with Jesus, the Master, on whom we should depend for our existence and who only can answer to whatever needs we may have in our lives. This is the meaning of prayer and praying the "Our Father" is the way that Jesus himself has taught us in conversing with Him every day in our lives.

Our readings today describe the right type of values that a disciple should have as well as appropriate disposition he should orient himself towards material things that necessarily surround him and eventually affect his views towards what is important and essential in one's early existence. This is generally what could be known as the current culture and worldview of the environment where one lives and move and have his being. The world today has become very materialistic in culture, hedonistic in orientation and relativistic in its moral values. It appears that one who desires to be a faithful disciple of Jesus is in a position where all these elements affect him deeply so as to discern very well in order to make a mature decision and truly be able to respond to the call of Jesus in love with determination, courage and fearless motivation. What an amazing occasion to be reminded by the first reading by Qoheleth of the absurdity of the fact that the goods one has assembled artfully and industriously can be inherited after one's death by people whom we even don't know. Thus a contradiction lies at the heart of lasting striving for passing things, a contradiction that is renewed with each new generation. It clearly reveals the vanity of all earthly desire to possess things.

The message of the gospel this Sunday with the parable of the rich man who planned to store himself the treasures that he wanted to keep but was suddenly taken from the world at the time he least expected. The words of God which are mentioned in the gospel of Luke are indeed very true: "You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong? Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God." These words of the gospel today allow us to develop in us, the disciples of Jesus, the appropriate disposition to develop towards earthly goods. This is the spirit of evangelical poverty that many saints have been able to develop in years whereby they were able to be completely detached from material things, but rather using them wisely in order to develop the timeless and very precious treasure of the gift of being in the heavenly kingdom that Jesus has promised his faithful ones.

# WEEKLY PRAYER

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 31, 2022

- Sunday:** Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 [1]/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21
- Monday:** Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102/Mt 14:13-21
- Tuesday:** Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
- Wednesday:** Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/Mt 15:21-28
- Thursday:** Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 16:13-23
- Friday:** Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41/Mt 16:24-28
- Saturday:** Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-36
- Next Sunday:** Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 [12b]/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

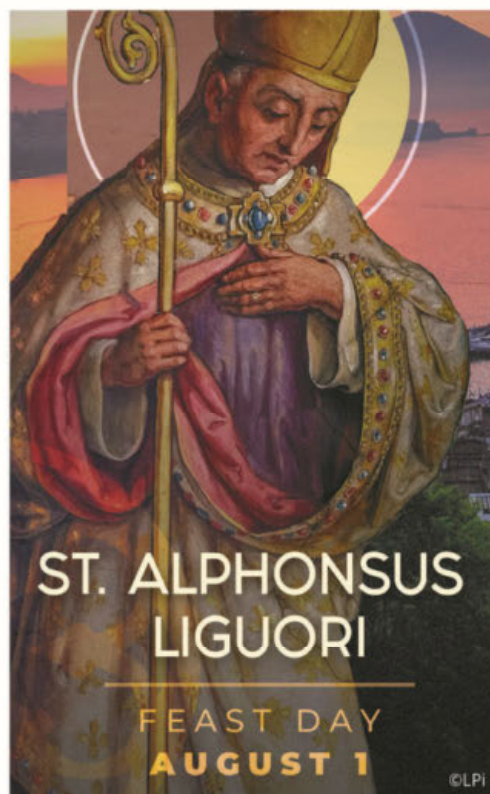
## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 31, 2022

- Sunday:** 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest
- Monday:** St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- Tuesday:** St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest
- Thursday:** St. John Vianney, Priest
- Friday:** The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major
- Saturday:** The Transfiguration of the Lord
- Next Sunday:** 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest

## LIVE THE LITURGY

### Inspiration for the week

Greed is more present and powerful in our lives than we care to admit. We like our “stuff” and are hesitant to part with it. What we convince ourselves that we really need, we really do not. If everything we own is taken away from us tomorrow, life will continue. We will find happiness again. How many relationships are ruined because of inheritance issues? Our possessions cannot come with us when we die. Why do we foolishly think that we cannot live without them here? Wealth and happiness do not have physical origins. True wealth and happiness are gifts of God’s kingdom and matters of heart and soul. We are much more than what we possess, and greed is more real and operative than we think. Let us begin our journey to detachment with an honest admission. We often place more importance on things than on people and God. Ask God to accept our conflicted hearts and give us the courage to do things differently.



## SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint Alphonsus was born into a well-respected family in 1696, in Marianella, in the Kingdom of Naples. He received an exceptional education through private tutors and was conferred degrees in civil and canon law at 16. He practiced law for 8 years before he turned to the Church. He was ordained a priest in 1726.

Saint Alphonsus traveled for 26 years in Kingdom of Naples preaching. His style of ministry was called “mission among the people,” he and a group of priests or lay brothers would go to rural areas, staying for a time to teach, preach, and pray with the people there.

Saint Alphonsus was a brilliant preacher, he was able to connect with ordinary people and his teaching and sermons were marked by his compassion. In a time of restrictive Church rule, where fear of God was truly fear, Saint Alphonsus taught about God’s redeeming love. He also had a special devotion to Mary, praying to her for intercession and including devotions to her in his teaching. He wrote extensively, more than 100 books which have been through thousands of editions. His books are still available today and have been translated into more than 60 languages.

In 1762 Saint Alphonsus was made a bishop by Pope Clement XIII, however, he was eventually allowed to resign his post because of his ill health. He was paralyzed for a time from rheumatic fever in 1775, and had rheumatism so severe it was deforming, bending his head so far forward that his chin rested on his chest.

He died peacefully at the age of 90 in 1787. He was canonized in 1839 by Pope Gregory XVI, and in 1871 he was named a doctor of the church by Pope Pius IX. In 1950 he was declared patron of moral theologians by Pope Pius XII.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE:

### Pew refinishing:

**Starting Monday, August 1st we will begin a 4-6 week project that will restore our pews. During this time they will be sanded and stained.**

**Therefore starting on this date, we will be having Daily Mass outside in the “Nativity Garden” Monday-Saturday at 8:00 am**

**The Masses on Saturday at 5:00 pm, and Sunday at 7:30, 9:00 and 10:30 am will remain in the main church.**

**Thank you for your patience and understanding.**



### Did you know...

- There is a list of Mental Health Resources on our parish website. Look under Ministries>Mental Health Ministry <https://nativitycatholic.weconnect.com/mental-health-ministry>
- The Diocese of San Diego's website lists Mental Health Resources under "Resources to survive during the pandemic" [www.sdcatholic.org/coronavirus/covid-19-resources/](http://www.sdcatholic.org/coronavirus/covid-19-resources/)
- The Diocesan Office for Family Life and Spirituality maintains a list of therapists for referral. Call **858-490-8299** for more information.

**Psalm 34:18-19** "When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears and delivers them out of all their troubles. The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit."

**Nativity Mental Health Ministry 858-367-0049**

[NatMHMinistry@gmail.com](mailto:NatMHMinistry@gmail.com)

**Caring for the Whole Person  
Online Training for Pastoral Care  
Ministers/Volunteers, Wednesday evenings  
from August 17 to September 14,  
6:00-8:00 PM**

This five-part virtual training on how to care for parishioners and support families through serious illness includes topics such as Catholic Moral Teaching Around Serious Illness and End-of-Life issues, Caring for Parishioners through Serious Illness, Advance Care Planning, Palliative and Hospice Care, and Parish as a Loving Community. The training is recommended for volunteers in pastoral care ministries such as Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick and Homebound, Stephens Ministers, Knights of Malta, Parish Nurses, and St. Vincent De Paul.

Register at <https://wholeperson.care>.



**Marriage Help**

**September 16 - 18, 2022**

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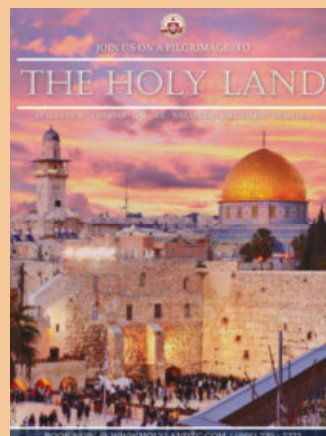
It helps a husband and a wife rediscover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment

that originally brought them together.

For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples,

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## Next Nativity Men's Group

August 4, 2022

Speaker: Tony Krvaric

Born and raised in Sweden, Tony Krvaric was inspired by Ronald Reagan's optimism and unshakable belief in free enterprise, individual liberty, and limited government, vowing to one day come to America and pursue his own American Dream.

In 1992 he immigrated legally and arrived in San Diego, starting his own business in the computer industry. Six years later he discovered his passion; helping individuals and families make smart financial choices - and joined A.G. Edwards & Sons as a full-service Financial Consultant.

After patiently going through the naturalization process for nearly thirteen years, Tony became an American citizen in 2003, calling it "one of the proudest days" of his life.

Tony is Chairman Emeritus of the Republican Party of San Diego County - where he served for 14 years as volunteer chairman, charged with electing and re-electing Republicans to all levels of government.

In his spare time Tony engages in causes that advance freedom, preserve our culture, and honor America's founding principles. He describes himself as socially conservative and fiscally moderate.

His values system stems from learning about the horrors of collectivism and communism that his parents suffered in Yugoslavia (present-day Croatia) and led them to seek a better life in Sweden.

Tony lives in the Scripps Ranch area of San Diego with his wife and their four children ("three boys and a princess.")

The family attends St. Michael's Catholic Church in Poway where Tony is a proud Brother Knight of the Fourth Degree.

**Join us for a night of Faith, Fellowship, Food, and Inspiration**

**Where:** Church of the Nativity

**When:** Thursday, August 4, 6:00 - 8:30 PM

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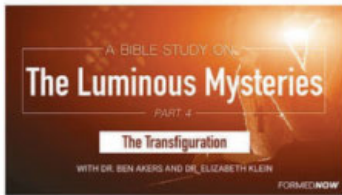
### COMPANIONS IN SHIPWRECK

Good relationships are a vital part of human well-being. In fact, studies show that those with the healthiest relationships live the longest! But where can we see these friendships lived out? Look no further than the life of famed author J.R.R. Tolkien. The relationships he exhibited are a wonderful example for all of us to follow, especially with those we may disagree with. As Tolkien described marriage, it's all about being "companions in shipwreck."



## LEARN

### A BIBLE STUDY ON THE LUMINOUS MYSTERIES: THE TRANSFIGURATION



This week we celebrate the feast of the Transfiguration, the mountaintop manifestation of Christ's glory that we read about in the Gospel. As we recall this wondrous event, however, many questions might come to mind. Why did Moses and Elijah appear? Why did Jesus only bring Peter, James, and John? Hear the answers to these questions and more in this episode of

## LISTEN

### LUMINOUS MYSTERIES

The Transfiguration is part of the Luminous Mysteries, which were introduced to the Church in 2002 by St. John Paul II. These mysteries recall events that demonstrate the light of Christ during his public ministry. On this feast day, let us ponder this miraculous episode of Jesus' life by praying along with this recording of the Rosary.



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TALK ON ANGELS  
BY PATRICK MADRID  
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I'm a Catholic apologist, speaker, best-selling author of 26 books, and host of the daily "Patrick Madrid Show" on Relevant Radio.

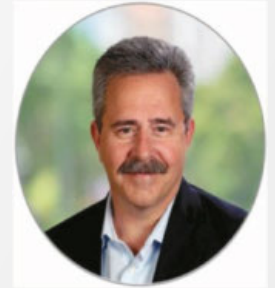
My books have sold over a million copies, but most importantly I'm a husband, father of 11 and grandfather of 28. I will be visiting Orange County for a special event on August 6th.

As you'll see, the event includes an afternoon conference with presentations on angels, science & faith, & Scriptural evidence of God's existence, all culminating in a cocktail reception & taco bar before a full-course dinner at the Christ Cathedral Arboretum. Meet and dine with myself and fellow Catholics.

Looking forward to seeing you in August!

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**Promoting a Culture of Life:** All Catholics are invited to join the Catholic Legislative Network to receive updates and action alerts on social justice issues at [cacatholic.org](https://cacatholic.org) and to join "We Were Born Ready,"

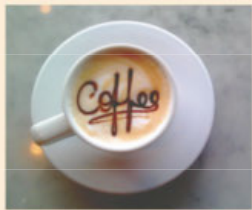
state-wide strategic campaign to empower, equip, mobilize, and resource Catholics to serve women, children and families, and especially women in difficult and unexpected pregnancies at

<https://www.wewerebornready.com/>.

Any questions, contact the Office for Life, Peace and Justice at [mvalencia@sd catholic.org](mailto:mvalencia@sd catholic.org)

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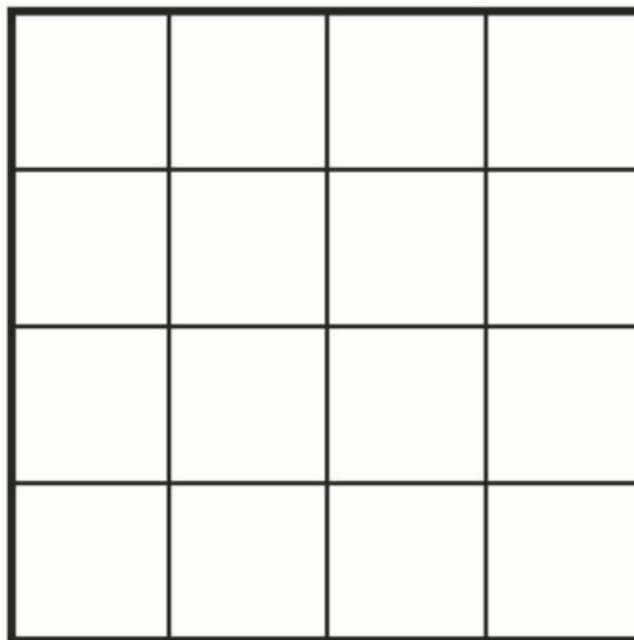
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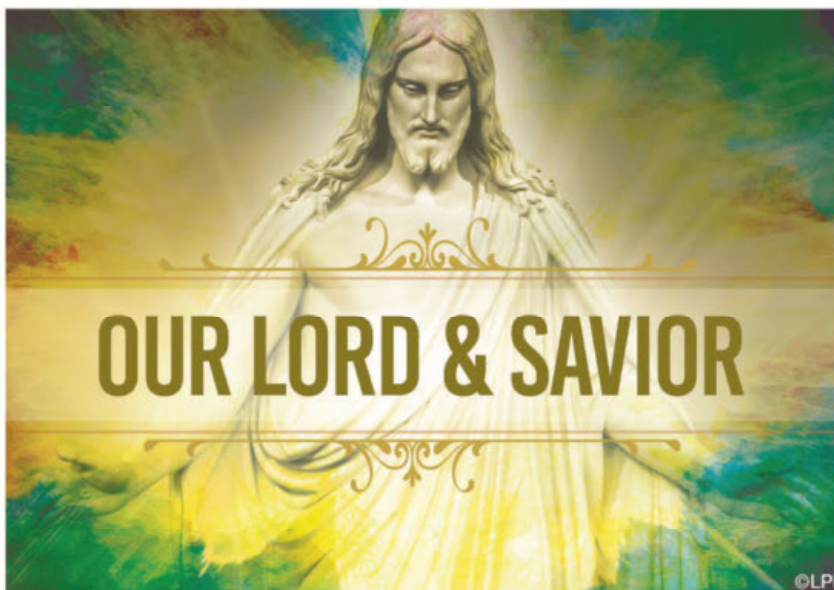
When you put Jesus first in your life, you will have everything you need. Having a lot of stuff won't really make you or God happy. God doesn't want you to keep your blessings to yourself. God wants you to share what he has given you. Be "rich" in only the things that God cares about. The closer you grow with God, the happier you will be.

### PRAYER

Dear God, help me to remember what is really important to you.

### MISSION FOR THE WEEK

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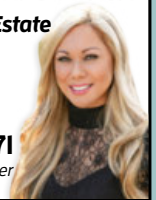
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We are now on our summer break. Watch this bulletin space for information on any summer activities.

Congratulations and welcome to our incoming freshmen from the Nativity School and the Faith Formation Program! The next step in your continuing religious education is the High School Youth Ministry Program, which also incorporates preparation for the sacrament of Confirmation. Your contact information has automatically been added to our class lists. Registration for the 2022-2023 Catechetical Year will start in August.

For more information on Youth Ministry or Confirmation contact Mike James, Youth Ministry Director, at [mjames@nativitycatholic.org](mailto:mjames@nativitycatholic.org) or see the Youth Ministry page on the parish website at <https://nativitycatholic.weconnect.com/youth-ministry>

The Inquiry Period for the 2022-2023 R.C.I.A. Year has opened.

If you are an adult looking to learn more about or to be initiated into the Catholic faith, need to prepare for a missed sacrament, or are a lifelong Catholic looking for a refresher course, then the R.C.I.A. can help.



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) is the process that welcomes you to join the Catholic faith community and introduces you to the beliefs and practices of the Church. If you are not baptized, the process leads to the reception of the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. If you are Baptized in another Christian tradition, the process invites you to participate fully in the church through the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist.

During each R.C.I.A. session we spend time answering your questions about the Catholic faith, reviewing the Scripture readings from Mass, and discussing the current chapter in our book. The most important thing is getting your questions answered.

If you are interested in joining the class that starts in September, please contact Mike James, R.C.I.A. Director, at [mjames@nativitycatholic.org](mailto:mjames@nativitycatholic.org).

An update from the Diocese on the Synod Process...



Cardinal Designate McElroy in consultation with the Synod Commission has completed and released the Diocesan Synthesis Report for the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. Over 10,000 youth, young adults, adults, and members of marginalized groups voiced their sorrows, joys, and hopes for a more synodal church. More than 400 small group sessions took place. The Diocesan Synthesis Report has been posted to our parish website at <https://nativitycatholic.weconnect.com/synod>.

Please take a moment to read it and see the insights that have been gathered so far for our Diocese.