

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturdays: 4:00pm (Vigil)
Sundays: 8:30am & 10:30am
Monday, Thursday & Friday: 8:15am
Wednesday 6:30pm (Tuesday No Mass)
Holydays: Consult the bulletin for times
Eucharistic Holy Hour:
Every Saturday 2:30pm until 3:30pm

Prayer Group meets the third Monday
of the month at 7:00pm in the church.

STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Fr. Robert J. Glepko
Retired Deacon: Rev. Mr. Robert J. Dybo
Secretary: Ms. Deborah Poltrone
Bookkeeper: Mrs. Alice Kinney
Facility Supervisor: Mr. Raymond Kinney
Sacristan: Ms. Chris Korab
Organist: Mrs. Diane Lesiuk
Director of Music: Mrs. Angela Bak
Parish Council President: Mr. James Shuster
Finance Chairperson: Mr. Robert Northeim

OCTOBER 24, 2021 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

RITE OF PENANCE (CONFESSION)

Saturdays 2:30-3:00pm or call the
parish office for an appointment.

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome newcomers to our parish community.
If you are 18 years of age, we invite you to
register at the Parish Office during the week.

BAPTISMS

Pre-Baptism Classes are required by the Diocese.
Please call the parish office at least a month
before the baby is due.

WEDDINGS

Please call the parish office at least 6 months prior
to the wedding date to make arrangements.

RCIA

(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Anyone
interested in Catholic instruction or information,
please call the parish office.

ESTATES

Please remember your parish in your Will
so that the message of Christ can continue
for generations to come.

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR)

Religion Classes for children grades 1-8 held at Nativity
on Monday evenings from 6:30-7:30pm
Ms. Lenore Hales, Director



MISSION STATEMENT

We, the parishioners of Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish of Lorain, Ohio, with over 123 years of faith and foundation in a Catholic Polish-American heritage, under the patronage of our Blessed Mother and the guidance of the Holy Spirit, assume the responsibility of welcoming all cultures of our Catholic and non-Catholic community by fostering Christian values and respecting all life, as we continue to build the Kingdom of God. Amen.

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23, SUNDAY VIGIL

4:00 † NATIVITY PARISHIONERS

- E-Dolores Romanski
- L-Don DiLuciano
- S-Lenore Hales, Theresa McIntire

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24, 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME;

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

8:30 † LORETTA, RUDY, JOHN WYNESKI (Jack & Denise Meindl)

- E-Marilyn Muskiewicz
 - L-Bob Pastor
 - S-Mike Davis, Mary Ann Pogorzelski
- 10:30 † LORRAINE & SAM POLTRONE (Daughter)
- E-Peggy Kernohan
 - L-Michele Arredondo
 - S-Bob Clotz

MONDAY, OCTOBER 25, WEEKDAY

8:15 † PAUL SPRINGOWSKI (John Urban Fabian)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27, WEEKDAY

6:30 † ANDREW DROP (Children)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28, STS. SIMON AND JUDE

8:15 † HARRIET CHRULSKI (Sisters)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29, WEEKDAY

8:15 † HENRY LEWANDOWSKI SR.(Family)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30, SUNDAY VIGIL

4:00 † INTENTION OF CELEBRANT

- E-Chris Korab
- L-Bill Rusin
- S-Theresa McIntire, Lenore Hales, Maria Bak

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31, 31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME;

PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY; ALL HALLOWS EVE

8:30 † NATIVITY PARISHIONERS

- E-Mary Jo Mathewson
 - L-Carl Snezek
 - S-Lenore Hales, Anakin & Cortana Davis
- 10:30 † HIGGINS AND GIRAN FAMILY (Frank & Audrey Higgins)
- E-Maureen Flynn
 - L-Bob Stockhausen
 - S-Zoey Pol, Lowman Family

Offertory Gifts: If the weekend Mass intention is for your family member (s), please inform one of our ushers before Mass if you would like to take up the gifts.

World Missions Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ,
 you told your apostles to proclaim the good news
 and to make followers of all nations.
 They gave their lives to you, and for you,
 to spread the Gospel throughout the world.
 Today, the faithful still strive
 to bring your name to those who need it most.
 Give your strength to missionaries around the world
 who give their lives every day in lands far from home.
 Help those charged with bringing your word
 to be an example of you
 for those who cannot read your word for themselves.
 Help those who do their work in your name
 to inspire others to seek you as their Savior.
 We ask this through you, Christ, our Lord,
 Savior of the world.

Amen.

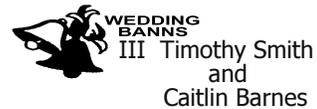


- October 25 Children's choir 5:30pm/PSR 6:30pm
- October 27 Choir rehearsal 7pm
- October 28 Parish Council 7pm
- October 31 Priesthood Sunday, thank our priests!

Food Collection

Please NO non-perishable food or personal care items. Thank you for your continued generosity of food to those who hunger. Please put the non-perishable food in the containers by the doors. The food is collected once a month and given to First Lutheran to distribute.

Let us remember to pray for those confined to hospitals and nursing homes, the homebound and their caregivers, our sons and daughters in the military, the homeless and those who have no one to pray for them.



OUR WEEKLY OFFERING

Amount needed per week.....	\$5,500.00
Collection for October 17	\$5,204.00
Difference of this week	-296.00
Envelopes used this week	181



If you are able, please continue to give your weekly offerings and put the amount on the envelope.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Readings for the week of October 24, 2021

- Sunday: Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Heb 5:1-6/ Mk 10:46-52
- Monday: Rom 8:12-17/Ps 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-21 [21a]/ Lk 13:10-17
- Tuesday: Rom 8:18-25/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [3a]/ Lk 13:18-21
- Wednesday: Rom 8:26-30/Ps 13:4-5, 6 [6a]/Lk 13:22-30
- Thursday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5a]/Lk 6:12-16
- Friday: Rom 9:1-5/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 14:1-6
- Saturday: Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 17-18 [14a]/Lk 14:1, 7-11
- Next Sunday: Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 [2]/Heb 7:23-28/ Mk 12:28b-34

First Reading:

I will gather them from the ends of the world, with the blind and the lame in their midst. (Jer 31:8)

Psalm:

The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy. (Ps 126)

Second Reading:

No one takes this honor upon himself but only when called by God, just as Aaron was. (Heb 5:4)

TODAY'S GOSPEL

The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see." Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you."
 (Mk 10:46-52)

GOSPEL REFLECTION

When we see God with true sincerity of heart and God passes us along our way, it is only then that we will be able to cry out, "Jesus, son of David, have pity on me!" We have to truly want to be healed by, and in union with, God in order for us to reach out to him. If God is only an abstract idea, theory, or someone found in the pages of a book, there is no motivation for a relationship and no desire to seek him. God needs to be real in order for faith to be real. It's all about the journey.

St. Augustine reminds us that "to fall in love with God is the greatest romance; to seek Him the greatest adventure; to find Him the greatest human achievement." We strive after many things and mercy is not always one of them. We think that we can find fulfillment and healing in other things only to discover that we are still short and empty. From the moment human beings were created, God has been calling us and seeking us. He has been walking right beside the human story from the minute He first breathed life into the first human soul. Are we able to recognize God as He walks with us? At some point we have to realize that there is only one way to satisfy the deepest longings of the human heart and that is in relationship with our Creator. We are called to this. However, we make the huge error of thinking that what we are hearing is coming from somewhere else. We become confused. Every human being would certainly profit with wisdom if they realized Who calls them and to Whom they belong.

Then and only then will we realize that it is only our Divine Master who can give us true vision and heal us. Once we recognize and reach out for the merciful presence of our loving Maker, we will be able to see with our soul, understanding the true nature and depth of all things. God's mercy is always available. It doesn't matter how far we have strayed or how blind we become, God patiently waits to console us, guide us and heal us. All we need to do is desire Him. Once we reach out, we also realize that there is no greater love to be found than God's, no human adventure that comes even close to the thrill of a spiritual search, and no human achievement even remotely as satisfying as union with Him. This is where we belong. This is salvation.

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Please continue to pray for Fr. Bob. He thanks you from the bottom of his heart for all the prayers, gifts, and cards.

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Every human being would certainly profit with wisdom if they realized Who calls them and to Whom they belong. There is only one way to satisfy the deepest longing of the human heart and that is in relationship with our Creator. We will instinctively know that it is only our Divine Master who can restore our sight and heal us. The blind man fell in love with Jesus, embarked upon this life-saving adventure to reach him and achieved a goal many have only remotely thought possible. This is mercy in action. No matter how far we stray or how blind we become God patiently waits to console us, guide us, and heal us. All we need to do is desire Him with all our heart.

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All Saints Day Masses and Activities with Children

On Monday, November 1, we will celebrate the Feast of All Saints with Masses at 9am and 6pm. PSR students will attend the evening Mass with their families. All children of the parish are invited to come dressed as a favorite saint. Following Mass, we will invite all children to move around the church with their families, to complete two fun activities and win prizes. We will have a Saintry Scavenger Hunt, and Name that Saint. We hope all families will join us for learning, prizes, and FUN with our heavenly friends!

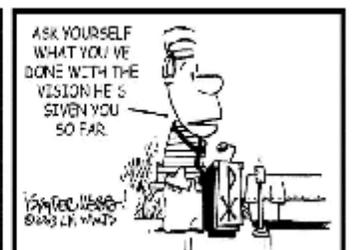
Spiritual Adoption

Our little ones are now seven months along in their development! They are approximately 14 to 16 inches long, and weigh about 2 1/2 to 3 1/2 pounds--about the size of a large eggplant! The baby's hearing is fully developed and he or she changes position frequently and responds to stimuli, including sound, pain, and light. Baby's eyes can now open and close and can sense light changes. The lanugo is starting to disappear from the baby's face. The baby exercises by kicking and stretching. He or she can also make grasping motions and likes to suck its thumb. Baby is coated with a waxy substance called vernix caseosa which protects the skin, and he or she is building up a layer of fat which will help to maintain body temperature once he or she is born. If the baby was born now, its chances of survival are better than last month, (28 weeks - 90% of babies survive premature birth) but some complications are still possible.



If you are in need of prayers, please contact Debi at the office. We are a prayer chain, and our prayer warriors, lovingly offer up your needs. All requests are kept confidential.

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