

# Nativity of Our Lord

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www.nativityofourlordop.com

Diocesan Website: www.buffalodiocese.org

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops: www.usccb.org

## Eucharistic Liturgies

Saturday Vigils:..... 4:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Sunday:..... 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 a.m., 12:00 noon and 1:15 p.m.,  
..... 6:30 p.m. Life Teen Mass (September - May)

Monday through Friday:..... 7:00 and 9:00 a.m.

Saturday..... 8:00 a.m. only

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: ..... 3:30 to 4:15 p.m. and 6:30 to 6:45 p.m.

Wednesday: ..... 7:25 a.m.

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Baptisms are celebrated as a community at Mass at 1:15 p.m. on the second and fourth Sundays of the month outside of Lent. Parents who wish to present a child for Baptism call for an appointment with one of the priests, to discuss the meaning of the Sacrament and the responsibilities being undertaken. The date and time for Baptism will be arranged at this meeting.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Arrangements should be made six months in advance. Meet with a priest to express your intentions and freedom to marry. Once this is established a date and time may be secured. Attendance at a Pre-Cana Conference is required. All arrangements for a wedding must be completed one month before your wedding day.

**Sacrament of the Sick:** Please notify a priest for those seriously ill. Please make arrangements while your loved one is still conscious and can personally accept this eternal grace.

**Letters of Recommendation:** Letters of Recommendation to act as sponsors for the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation are given to registered members of the parish who attend Mass and Communion regularly and either have raised or are raising their own children (if any) in the Faith.

**New Parishioners:** Formal registration in the parish is accepted at the Parish Office. Please introduce yourself to our parish priests at Mass on Sunday. If you are moving or there is a change in address, please notify the parish office.

**Adoration Chapel:** Open to public from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. every day. Rosary Hours - Monday at 10 a.m. and Wednesday at Noon. To schedule a holy hour, please call Patty Allman—667-7431.

## Mission Statement

Pastoral Council is in the process of reviewing our Mission Statement.

We are twinned with our sisters and brothers in Haiti in the parish of St. Michael's, Coq Chante. We are committed in support of St. Michael's Parish, clinic, school, water project and basic necessities for families. Their physical needs are an opportunity for us to give and in return receive the grace-filled prayers and blessings of the poor.

### Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday— 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Friday—8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, 1:00 to 4:00 pm. For appointments please call directly.

### Pastor

Rev. Bernard U. Nowak, ext. 145

### Deacon

Deacon Sam Puleo, ext. 142

### Assistant Priest

Msgr. George Brennan

### Business Manager

Robert M. Joslyn, Sr., ext. 125

### Director of Life Teen

Patrick Murphy, (716) 508-0258

### Director of Music

Mr. Robert T. Kiersz, ext. 123

### Parish Outreach

Sr. Beth Hays S.S.M.N., 716-662-1302

### Faith Formation Office

S-4414 South Buffalo St. • 716-662-2169

**Director:** Mary Barone, ext. 126

www.nativityofourlordop.com Faith Formation

### Nativity of Our Lord School

S-4414 South Buffalo St. • 716-662-7572

**Principal:** Miss Ruth Frost, ext. 122

www.nativityschool.net

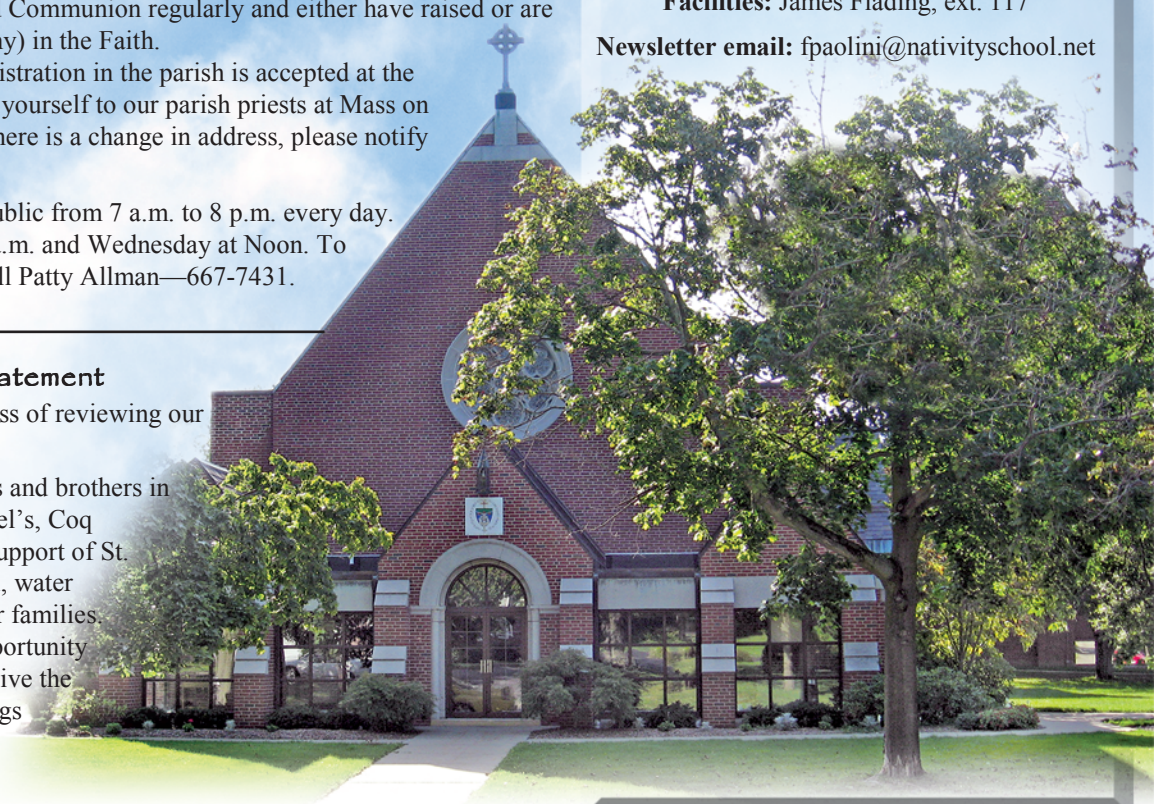
**School Hall:** 667-2132

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**Cemetery Office:** 43 Argyle Place, 662-9339

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**Newsletter email:** fpaolini@nativityschool.net



## PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORT

January, 2011

Monthly Needs for Jan. , (4 wks) .....	\$87,000.00
“Sunday Collection” Week of 1/02 .....	\$24,831.69
“Sunday Collection” Week of 1/09 .....	\$24,676.02
“Sunday Collection” Week of 1/16 .....	\$19,322.54
“Sunday Collection” Week of 1/23 .....	\$16,442.75
Favorable<Unfavorable> for the month .....	<\$1,727.00>
Favorable<Unfavorable> for the year .....	<\$11,101.16>
Monthly Needs for February, (5 wks) .....	\$96,000.00

Fiscal Year is September 1 to August 31

The following facts and figures represent this year compared to last year. The average weekly envelopes used in January were 590 compared to 622 last year. Total gross contributions received for January were \$87,915.00 compared to \$100,760.87 (included special Haiti collection) last year; of which \$85,273.00 was the “Weekend/Monthly Collection” versus \$86,587.72 last year. \$4,083.92 was loose cash not in envelopes compared to \$4,238.56. The special collections were \$2,642.00 this year and \$14,172.87 last year. Special collections received this month included \$127.00 for School, \$10.00 for the Religious Retirement collection and \$2,505.00 for utilities. Bishop’s Relief Fund will be reported next month. Once again, thanks to all parishioners for your support and generosity in our Parish “**Stewardship in Faith**” program; please remember your commitment to **Time, Talent and Treasure**.

### STEWARDSHIP

Excerpts from the stewardship program of the Blessed Trinity RC Church, Orlando, Florida:

1. **What are the challenges and rewards of stewardship?** It is an incredible challenge to live in imitation of the life of Christ. We all face obstacles, opportunities, and challenges, living in a fast-paced environment with many responsibilities. Our spiritual hunger does not always get a chance to be nourished through prayer and action. However, clear sense of purpose—nourished by the Eucharist and our rich Catholic tradition—opens the door for us to actively commit to a life of gratitude and responsibility; to thank God for his endless gifts, and then to decide what we can do to help the world. The rewards include: †Making a difference in people’s lives. †Becoming an active member of a fulfilling Catholic community. †Discovering talents inside you, waiting to be used. †Letting go of your worries and setting realistic goals in both your spiritual and secular life. †Experiencing the amazing increase in God’s presence that comes with a partnership with the Lord.

For your own development, a Catholic steward, it helps to spend time in prayer and reflection to recognize your gifts from God. Then discover how best to use those gifts for the benefit of others and of course, invite others to discern and share their gifts, too.

2. **Who is a Christian Steward?** One who receives God’s gifts gratefully, cherishes and tends them in a responsible and accountable manner, shares them in justice and love with all, and returns them with increase to the Lord. The definition, rooted in biblical and church tradition, corresponds with Almighty God’s decision to entrust to humanity the universe God has created and with Jesus Christ’s famous parable of the talents and of the Last Judgment.

3. **Stewardship reflection questions:** What resources, talents, and abilities has God given me? Do I use them in a service to others? How might I take the next step to become a more effective Steward?

## CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL 2011

Our Bishop, The Most Rev. Edward U. Kmiec, announced a \$10.5 million goal for the 2011 Appeal in support of Catholic Charities of Buffalo. The announcement kicked off the 87th annual campaign. The theme of this year’s Appeal is again, “**Whoever. Wherever. Whenever.**” because Catholic Charities is always there, providing help for people of all faiths and walks of life when they need it most. Appeal Week 2011 will take place April 10-17, though the Appeal will continue through the end of the fiscal year (June 30.) Appeal Week will celebrate the support of Western New Yorkers who have made a contribution to the Appeal, and encourage those who have not already donated to do so. Our parish mail campaign has already begun.

Bishop Kmiec made the announcement from the Lackawanna Food Pantry—one of four food pantries Catholic Charities of Buffalo operates. In 2010, these food pantries provided enough bags of food for 213,717 meals to nearly 23,000 individuals. Bishop Kmiec remarked on the fragility of our nation’s economy and the loss of government funding for some of Catholic Charities’ services, but expressed optimism for the Appeal’s success. “We remain in the midst of a deep economic down turn. Recovery at the national level, fragile at best, is virtually non-existent locally. According to U.S. Census figures, Buffalo is now the third-poorest city in the nation,” said Bishop Kmiec. “Despite the challenges we face, I am inspired by the incredible commitment of the Appeal leadership team and our many supporters. I found in our diocese a marvelous and extraordinary spirit of giving and service to others.”

The Bishop was joined by Sister Mary McCarrick OSF, diocesan director of Catholic Charities, who introduced Greg Maher as chairperson. Appeal Chair Greg Maher praised the immense generosity of Western New Yorkers through the last few years of tough economic conditions. He also stressed the importance of both individual and corporate donations to the Appeal, citing that one in 10 Western New Yorkers receives assistance from Catholic Charities.

“Last year charitable donations nationwide were down 10%. In Buffalo, here at Catholic Charities we missed the 2009 mark by only one-half of one percent,” said Maher. “As another show of the community of good neighbors, corporate donations last year actually increased by more than two percent.”

“This year we again appeal to both individuals and our strong corporate base to continue their support of Catholic Charities and help spread the word about what Catholic Charities offers nearly 160,000 Western New Yorkers each year”, he continued. Sr. Mary outlined some of Catholic Charities’ more than 70 programs and services, including its job readiness programs for teens, childhood educational programs focused on behavior and homebound-senior visitation services. “It has been one year since I began in this role and I can tell you emphatically that the work being done in our 61 offices and 70 programs is a work of mercy.” Sr. Mary said. “I know this because wherever and whenever I go—in the airport, in a store someone approaches me to share the positive impact of Catholic Charities’ work. I’ve met mothers, grateful for healing therapy for their children, a judge extolling the virtues of our staff in helping families and children, and someone thankful for the hand that pulled them up in a crisis.”

The 2011 Appeal is under the patronage of blessed Teresa of Calcutta. For more information on the 2011 Appeal or to make a donation contact Catholic Charities at 218-1400 or go to [www.ccwny.org](http://www.ccwny.org).

## LENTEN REGULATIONS

**Abstinence:** All Catholics who have reached their 14th birthday are bound to abstain totally from meat on the following days: Ash Wednesday, all Fridays of Lent and Good Friday. (C.1252)

**Fasting:** All Catholics between their 18th and 59th birthday are also bound to observe the Law of Fast on the following days: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. This practice involves limiting oneself to a single full meal and avoiding food between meals. Light sustenance may be taken on two other occasions in the course of the day. (C1252)

**Easter Duty:** After they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, all the faithful are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year. This precept must be fulfilled during the Easter season, unless for a good reason it is fulfilled at another time during the year. This obligation may be fulfilled between March 13 (first Sunday of Lent) and June 19 (Trinity Sunday).

### The following should also be noted:

- ✠ Reconciliation: Catholics are bound by an obligation faithfully to confess serious sins at least once a year. (Canon 989).
- ✠ Other Fridays of the year: Catholics should be reminded that all other Fridays of the year remain as days of penance, in prayerful remembrance of the Passion of Jesus Christ. (C.1250)
- ✠ Obligation: The obligation which we have as members of the Church to do penance is a serious one. Furthermore, the obligation to observe, as a whole or “substantially,” the penitential days specified by the Church is also a serious one. (C.1248)
- ✠ While no one should hold himself or herself lightly excused, one should not become unduly scrupulous. Failure to observe individual days of penance is less serious than the failure to observe any penitential days at all or a substantial number of such days.
- ✠ An invitation: In the name of peace and in union with the Bishops of our country, the faithful of this diocese are invited to add voluntary fasting to the practice of penance during the Fridays of the year. Together with the works of charity and service toward our neighbors, this practice would become a sign of commitment of conversion, reconciliation and peace. (The Challenge of Peace, Art. 298)

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will take place each Friday during Lent at 7:00pm. We urge your participation in this devotion. Various teams will present Stations of the Cross throughout Lent.

## PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

“Open your heart to me all my children, you who are weary and find life burdensome and I will refresh you.” Matthew 11:28

We are in need of several adorers and temporary subs for the winter months. Please pray and consider this invitation to be with our Lord present in the Blessed Sacrament. Please call Patty Allman 667-7431.

Open AM Hours: Sunday—1 & 2, Monday—1 & 2, Thursday—3, Friday—1 & 2, Saturday 3 & (4 every other week).

Open PM Hours: Sunday—8, Monday—1, Wednesday— 11, Friday—9, Saturday—2 & 7.

Open for winter subs: Sunday—7AM, Monday—7AM, Thursday—1PM.

## DISCIPLES OF DIVINE MERCY

Disciples of Divine Mercy will come and pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy for your loved one who may be sick or dying. For more information call Terry at 662-2323 or Patricia at 662-4931.

## ENGAGED COUPLES

The Diocese of Buffalo requires all engaged couples to participate in a marriage preparation program approximately six months prior to your wedding date. You can attend a one day program available to you at Nativity Parish. The following Saturday dates for 2011 are: March 5, May 21, August 27 and October 15. Please call the parish office at 662-9339 to register.

## LENTEN SOUP DINNER

The Bishop Burke Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a Lenten Soup Dinner on Ash Wednesday, March 9, from 4:30-6:30 pm in the Nativity School Cafeteria. The dinner is free, and consists of several selections of meat free soups, salad, and bread. All parishioners, family and friends are invited.

## WELCOME

Please welcome the following new members to our Nativity of Our Lord Parish Community: Daniel McDonnell, Denise & Thomas Zgoda, Christine & Keith Mitchell, Malia & John DeAngelis, Jennifer Michalewski.

## BIBLE STUDY WITH FR. BERNARD

Let's read, study, reflect and pray the 5 sermons in Matthew's Gospel.

Where: 1st floor school—Theology Room #104

When: Wednesdays March 16, 23,30, April 6, 13 & 20

Time: 7-8:15 pm

Who: RCIA/Inquiry about the faith and all interested in this year of Matthew's Gospel.

## NEW ROMAN MISSAL

A Workshop on the new Roman Missal will take place at Christ the King Seminary on April 6th from 7-9pm. This workshop is for Ministers of the Word, Ministers of Communion, Ministers of Music, Parish Liturgy Committee members, Sacristans, Religious, Religious Educators, Campus Ministers, Parish Leaders who will assist with the catechesis and implementation of the Roman Missal—Third Edition in their parishes, and any other interested people from each parish. To register call 652-8900.

## 5 MINUTES COULD MEAN \$50 FOR YOU!

Seek And Find is giving away money to encourage you to review the businesses that support your community. They want to encourage you to share your opinions with the other people in your community, not only to help one another, but also to thank the businesses that support your bulletin or newsletter with their advertising dollars.

Enter by finding a business on Seek and Find and write a review. From now until the end of the year, every time you leave a review, your name will be entered in a weekly contest for a chance to earn \$50. You can enter as many times as you like each week, and enter every week for more opportunities to win. Winners will be notified via an e-mail from contest@SeekAndFind.com.

## JOIN NATIVITY'S FAMILY MASS

The Family Mass Committee invites Nativity parishioners to volunteer at our Sunday, 9am Family Mass as a Host Family, Young reader, or Collector. Please call Gayle Colpoys at 539-5754 to schedule a weekend.



Dear Parishioner:

Lent and Easter make up the most important time of the entire Church year. But for many Catholics, Lent lacks the countdown-like excitement of Advent with its shopping and preparations before Christmas. Frankly, many wish they could arrive at Easter without having to pass through the penance and sacrifice of Lent. People arrive at Easter a bit disappointed that their own feelings do not correspond to what we profess to be the most joyful and holy days of the Church year.

This disappointment stems in part, from a loss of appreciation for the Lenten practices of *prayer, fasting and almsgiving* that give so much meaning to the preparation for Easter. Would you like to get more out of Lent and Easter? If so, I have an opportunity for you.

Dennis Mahaney will present the parish retreat, **LENT: THE ROAD LESS TRAVELED** at **Nativity of Our Lord** on **March 7th, 8th, 9th**. He will present us with a renewed appreciation of the spiritual disciplines that bring spiritual vitality to Lent and prepare us for the great celebration of Easter.

Please invite your neighbors and friends. **LENT: THE ROAD LESS TRAVELED** is for everyone: members of **Nativity of Our Lord**, friends who belong to other parishes or even other Christians, for all those who want to experience a closer relationship with our Lord this Easter and everyday.

On the last page of this newsletter is a prayer card of invitation for you to give to family, friends, and neighbors. Please join the entire parish in praying for a tremendous success for our parish retreat.

Sincerely in Christ,  
Rev. Bernard Nowak  
Pastor

Continuing from recent homilies...To be Christian in this century, one must be a mystic (Rahner, John Paul II, Benedict XVI).

A mystic is of a contemplative mind/heart. So how? "It is always possible to pray: The time of the Christian is that of the Risen Christ who is with us always, no matter what tempests may arise. Our time is in the hands of God: It is possible to offer fervent prayer even while walking in public or strolling alone, or seated at work, while buying or selling...or even while cooking." (Catechism #2743)

In this battle for time, we must face in ourselves and around us erroneous notions of prayer: that it is not a simple mental act, nor a concentration to reach a mental void; nor should we reduce prayer to ritual words and postures. Those who seek God by prayer are quickly discouraged because they do not know that prayer comes also from the Holy Spirit and not from self alone. (2726)

The Christian, stressed, anxious, pulled in so many directions, busy, success-oriented, efficient, productive needs a sea of calm and prayer in this sea of sanity. The contemplative musters the inner strength, the spiritual rebound, the divine companionship to see as no others see and to love more deeply.

(See [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)) link to Catechism, Part 4)



## LENTEN FAST SHOWING OUR CARE FOR GOD'S CREATION FROM THE DIOCESAN CARE FOR CREATION COMMITTEE

As Catholics we think of Penance for Lent as abstaining from meat and giving up chocolate. Please consider a Caron Fast as an alternative.

- ✚ Recycling everything possible? Go to [buffalodiocese.org/Evangelization](http://buffalodiocese.org/Evangelization) for a list of places you can recycle.
- ✚ Turn off lights when leaving the room for meetings or home visits.
- ✚ Turn off your computer at the end of the day. Then switch off the power strip your computer is plugged into. If you turn the computer off first, you will not lose any data. Unplugging computers can save up to \$100 annually.
- ✚ Learn more about the Church's teaching on Caring for God's Creation by going to [catholicsandclimatechange.org](http://catholicsandclimatechange.org).
- ✚ Reduce the number of plastic bags you use when shopping. Cloth bags manufactured in WNY are available at 218-1450 ext. 206.
- ✚ Only run your washing machine when you have a full load.
- ✚ Find one way to save paper today: re-use an old envelope or print double-sided.
- ✚ Turn the taps off. In one day a hot, dripping tap could fill a bath.
- ✚ Who works hardest in the house? Mom? Dad? No, the fridge. It's churning away 24/7. Treat it to a good de-icing to make sure it's running efficiently.
- ✚ "Love does no harm to its neighbor" Romans 13:10. But while our lifestyles consume more and more energy, our poorer neighbors are suffering. Reflect on ways to love our neighbors in our increasingly connected world.
- ✚ Do a home energy audit, for info go to [www.energystar.gov](http://www.energystar.gov).
- ✚ Run your washing machine with cold water. This uses 40% less electricity.
- ✚ Have an embrace-the-silence Sunday. Turn off everything. No TV, no radio, no ringtones, no cars. It'll be good for the soul.
- ✚ Stop Junk Mail: Call 888-567-8688 (888-5-OPT-OUT) from your home telephone; it will be checked against an address database. Or visit [www.optoutprescreen.com](http://www.optoutprescreen.com)
- ✚ Re-use an item you would have thrown away—such as a jam jar, an envelope or an ice-cream container.
- ✚ Replace your missing bulb with an energy-saving light bulb. Compact Florescent Lamps not only consume up to 75% less energy than their incandescent siblings, but also last 10 times longer. Your savings account will appreciate the switch—the average U.S. household will save \$180 per year by swapping their current bulbs for CFL's.



## ASH WEDNESDAY

The ritual of ashes takes place during Mass at 7am, 9am (including school), again at 5pm (including Faith Formation) and in a Prayer Service as part of our parish retreat (Secret of a Cheerful Giver) beginning at 7pm.

**ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE FRI. MARCH 18 AT 11:45AM IN SCHOOL CAFETERIA—MEATLESS ALL INVITED!!**

## NATIVITY SCHOOL NEWS

Congratulations to the following Nativity Eighth Grade Students who won scholarships to Catholic High Schools: Riley Besecker—Canisius & St. Joe's, Caroline Colpoys—Nardin, Alex Downing—Canisius, Andrew Jasiura—Canisius, Elizabeth Klaes—Nardin, Christian Mangulabnan—Canisius & St. Francis, Ainsley Mann—Nardin, John Osborn—Canisius & St. Francis, Kevin Reiser—Canisius & St. Joe's, Marisa Ricottone—Nardin, and Christopher Walter—St. Francis.

### FUTURE CITY

Nativity had two teams participate in the Future City's competition at Mt. St. Mary's High School. There were 23 other Middle School teams also competing. The 7th grade team's Future City was named Maistro Rzeki. The team consisted of: Ben Blas—presenter, Michele Robillard—presenter, Zach Wild—presenter, Jackson Bennett, Joe Downing, Steve Downing, Brian Gable, Spencer Garner, Sam Hore, Noah Johnston, Brian Kazmierczak, John Owczarczak and Noah Schlee. Their mentor was Mr. Blas. The 7th Grade team won the BEST MODEL AWARD.

The 8th grade team's Future City was named Jalada. The team consisted of: Mia DelleBovi—presenter, Allie Lane—presenter, Marisa Ricottone—presenter, Katie Lewandowski, John Osborn and Julianne Taggart. Their mentors were Ms. Walawander and Mr. Gallagher. The 8th grade team won the STUDENT'S CHOICE AWARD.

Mr. Blas won the Mentor's award and Mrs. Tahk won the Teacher's Award.

Congratulations to all those who participated, to the mentors for all their work and to Mrs. Tahk who has been our Future City Leader for many years.

### PRESENTATION NIGHT

Nativity's Student Presentation Night will be Tuesday, March 14th from 6:30-8:00 pm. "It's All About Fairy Tales" is the theme for the evening. All are welcome to attend.

### FAITH FORMATION

- Mar. 2: Children's Connection—4-5pm or 5:30-6:30pm
- Mar. 3: Y.E.S.—7-8pm
- Mar. 6: First Eucharist Family gathering (A-K) 9:50-10:20am  
L.O.F.T./Mass 11:15am
- Mar. 7: Children's Connection—4-5pm
- Mar. 9: Children's Connection—**SCHEDULE CHANGE\***
- Mar. 10: Y.E.S.—7-8pm
- Mar. 13: First Eucharist Family Gathering (L-Z) 9:50-10:20am  
L.O.F.T.—11:15am
- Mar. 14: Children's Connection—4-5pm
- Mar. 16: Children's Connection—4-5pm or 5:30-6:30pm
- Mar. 17: Y.E.S.—7-8pm
- Mar. 23: Children's Connection 4-5pm or 5:30-6:30pm
- Mar. 24: Y.E.S.—7-8pm
- Mar. 27: L.O.F.T.—11:15am
- Mar. 28: Children's Connection—4-5pm
- Mar. 30: Children's Connection 4-5pm or 5:30-6:30pm
- Mar. 31: Y.E.S.—7-8pm

\*Families are invited to celebrate as the Body of Christ at Mass at 5pm on March 9—Ash Wednesday. Catechists will not meet with children for the usual Faith Formation Sessions at 4 or 5:30pm.



### LIFE TEEN AND EDGE NEGATORY

As a reminder—there will be no Life Teen meeting on March 20, but there will be 6:30pm Mass. Also, there will be no EDGE meeting on March 21.

There will be no Man Class or Ladies Night in March due to the retreat.

### XLT

What is XLT? Quite simply—exalt. It's a night of praise, worship and adoration. There's a speaker set for the night, and afterwards time to hang out and have snacks, but the night is revolved around the worship and adoration of our Lord. It starts at 7:00pm on March 4th at Our Lady of Pompeii. We'll be meeting at the Antioch Room to car pool for anyone that wants to.

### ANTIOCH HOURS

Antioch Hours are held every Wednesday and Thursday from 2-5pm in the Antioch Room. It's our own afterschool special. All high schoolers are invited to come on down and hang out. We've got board games, video games (from Mario to Halo), junk food, and foam disc shooters. So stop on by!

### SPRING RETREAT

Our annual spring retreat at Camp Turner is March 18-20. Get ready for lots of fun, music, faith, food and just about anything else you could think of. Keep an eye on [antiochlifeteen.org](http://antiochlifeteen.org) for more information.

### NATIVITY WINE & BEER EVENT



Nativity will be hosting its annual Wine and beer tasting event on Saturday March 5th from 7-11pm. In addition to featuring various wine and beer, finger foods from various local restaurants and vendors will be available. There has been tremendous support from the community in the way of donations and interest in being a part of this fun event. A fun 1970's/disco theme is also planned with entertainment, music, and silent auction. (Feel free to wear your bell bottoms and tie-dyed shirts—or not!!) Tickets are \$25/pp or \$40/couple and will be sold after masses during the month of February as well as at the Nativity School Office. Also feel free to reach out to co-chairs of this event for tickets (Mary Lou Notaro [mnotaro@csshealth.com](mailto:mnotaro@csshealth.com), 903-1352, Pam Weislo [pweislo@amgen.com](mailto:pweislo@amgen.com), 601-8306). Everyone from the community is invited to attend, but we invite everyone to bring friends from outside of Nativity to enjoy a fun, casual, and affordable evening! If you have questions, please contact Mary Lou or Pam.

### RUMMAGE SALE DONATIONS NEEDED!!!



Nativity School needs your gently used clothing, books, electronics, furniture and toys. Drop off dates are: Sunday, March 13, 20 & 27 from 8am-12pm.

The Rummage Sale will be held on Saturday, April 2 from 8am-3pm.

## ANNOUNCED INTENTIONS OF THE CELEBRANT

### Tuesday, March 1

7:00 a.m. Timothy Reinhart by Ruth Frost  
9:00 a.m. Peter Russo by his Mom and Dad

### Wednesday, March 2

7:00 a.m. Sr. Joan Marie Finley by the Magnano Family  
9:00 a.m. Stella Gay by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Barry

### Thursday, March 3

7:00 a.m. Henry Bacher by the Comfort Family  
9:00 a.m. Mary Hrabocsak by the Soroka Family

### Friday, March 4

7:00 a.m. Walter Lopus by Buzz and Julie Peters  
9:00 a.m. Lillian Bauer by Glen and Nathalie Dick

### Saturday, March 5

8:00 a.m. Gregory Bartak by the Russell Family  
4:30 p.m. Mary Eberhardt by her husband Ronald  
7:00 p.m. Hazel Klass by Eleanor Auer

### Sunday, March 6

7:30 a.m. Edward Bores by his Family  
9:00 a.m. For Parishioners by Fr. Bernard  
10:30 a.m. Vincent Zarbo by Mary and Millie Henault  
12:00 p.m. Richard Zieminski by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Metz  
1:15 p.m. Gloria Chmielewski by Joyce Palczynski  
6:30 p.m. Dennis O'Connor by Weston Durant

### Monday, March 7

7:00 a.m. Susan Rott by Larry and Donna Rott  
9:00 a.m. Joseph Long by Tom and Molly Callaghan

### Tuesday, March 8

7:00 a.m. John Nesterowicz by Timothy and Janet Coughlin  
9:00 a.m. Mary and Leon Dudziak by Dorothy Rey and Family

### Wednesday, March 9—Ash Wednesday

7:00 a.m. Mary Ann Voelker by Harry and Pat Knittel  
9:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the Gardner Family by Hugh and Dottie Gardner  
5:00 p.m. Michael Bores by Gladys and Norman Lintner  
7:00 p.m. Prayer Service (with Ashes/No Mass ) & retreat (see p. 4)

### Thursday, March 10

7:00 a.m. Rosalie Leard by Sharon McTiernan  
9:00 a.m. Rita McCulle by Amy Shuster and Family

### Friday, March 11

7:00 a.m. Rocco Lamparelli by James and Linda Young  
9:00 a.m. Elaine Diller by Joe and Donna Mahoney

### Saturday, March 12

8:00 a.m. Roman Klein by Randy & Michele Ferrino & Family  
4:30 p.m. Lisa Berniak Andrews by her Family  
7:00 p.m. Lee Doyno by the Nowicki Family

### Sunday, March 13

7:30 a.m. John & Marion Lotito by Dennis & Rosemary Edwards  
9:00 a.m. James Higgins by Kevin and Mary Sullivan  
10:30 a.m. John E. McGrath by Patty and Paul Hartigan  
12:00 p.m. For Parishioners by Fr. Bernard  
1:15 p.m. Kathleen McPartlan by Margaret Meger  
6:30 p.m. Grace Vance by Jim and Tina Battin

### Monday, March 14

7:00 a.m. Florian Walek by Anne Marie and Sue  
9:00 a.m. Rose Coppola by Pat and Suzanne Reilly

### Tuesday, March 15

7:00 a.m. Eileen Carlson by her Family  
9:00 a.m. Dr. Daniel Curtin by Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Cadle

### Wednesday, March 16

7:00 a.m. G. William Coppola by Ken and Kathy Gedig  
9:00 a.m. Members of the Callis & Kinick Families by Margaret Manos

### Thursday, March 17

7:00 a.m. Marie Keating by Mary Ellen & Terrance Keating  
9:00 a.m. Dan Pietrzak by Mary Ann

### Friday, March 18

7:00 a.m. Rex Brown by Sherry and Tom Lecksell  
9:00 a.m. Donna Caci by the Cavalleri Family

### Saturday, March 19

8:00 a.m. Edmund Brown Jr. by Ruth and Bob Wagner  
4:30 p.m. Frances Griffin by her Family  
7:00 p.m. James Sellers by Mr. & Mrs. Vincenzo DiBenedetto

### Sunday, March 20

7:30 a.m. David Spiesz by Joseph and Donna Mahoney  
9:00 a.m. Jaye Zielin by Lucy Ferraro  
10:30 a.m. Frank Breese by Rosemarie Breese  
12:00 p.m. Margaret and Michael Kolb by their Family  
1:15 p.m. For Parishioners by Fr. Bernard  
6:30 p.m. Eileen Donohue by Nativity Altar & Rosary Society

### Monday, March 21

7:00 a.m. Jean McDonough by Rose Holmes  
9:00 a.m. Coletta & Jerome Metz by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Metz

### Tuesday, March 22

7:00 a.m. Lorraine Biryła by Bill and Nancy Flynn  
9:00 a.m. Carol Reimers by Alice Barkley and Family

### Wednesday, March 23

7:00 a.m. Robert Zilliox by his Wife and Family  
9:00 a.m. Joseph Coppola by his Family

### Thursday, March 24

7:00 a.m. Robert Moran by Ethnea Runfola  
9:00 a.m. Angeline Nicosia by Pat and Suzanne Reilly

### Friday, March 25

7:00 a.m. Donna Hopkins by the Liturgy Committee  
9:00 a.m. Carmella Rocco by the Flanagan Family

### Saturday, March 26

8:00 a.m. Robert B. Ruh Sr. by his wife Carol  
4:30 p.m. Randi Szymanski by Sally Wankmueller  
7:00 p.m. Leonard Aronica by his Family

### Sunday, March 27

7:30 a.m. Neil Hartung by Barbara Brown  
9:00 a.m. Frank & Ida Aquilina by Dan and Terry Coughlin  
10:30 a.m. Roger & Ann Gerwitz by Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Olivieri  
12:00 p.m. Eleaine Dillon by Eileen O'Connor  
1:15 p.m. For Parishioners by Fr. Bernard  
6:30 p.m. Dorothy Kras by Jeff's Friends

### Monday, March 28

7:00 a.m. Carol Reimers by her Family  
9:00 a.m. Anna Mustillo by her son Armando & Grandchildren

### Tuesday, March 29

7:00 a.m. Susan Doolan by Tom & Stephanie Gallagher  
9:00 a.m. Helen Frey by John and Anne Grant

### Wednesday, March 30

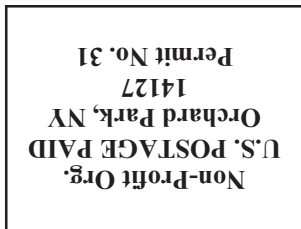
7:00 a.m. Sam Messini by Tim and Ann Fitzgerald  
9:00 a.m. Clarence Haid by Nativity Religious Ed.

### Thursday, March 31

7:00 a.m. Bloss Sutherland by the Curran Family  
9:00 a.m. Theresa LaMendola by Mike and Norma Devin

*Pray the rosary daily*

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**LENT: THE ROAD LESS TRAVELED  
PARISH RETREAT**

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**PARISH RETREAT SCHEDULE:**

**March 7th, 8th, 9th, 2011**

**Monday**

The Prayers That God hears

**Tuesday**

The Acceptable Fast

**Wednesday**

The Secret of the Cheerful Giver

**COME AND JOIN US!**

Eternal God, your son Jesus was a person  
of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

He sought out times of prayer and purification  
to cultivate strength for his mission on earth.

We need the same strength to be his disciples today.

May Lent be for us a time of prayer,  
a time of spiritual renewal,  
and a time of charity for one another.

We ask for your blessing on behalf of those  
preparing for the upcoming retreat,

**Lent: the Road Less Traveled.**

Bless us all, that we may celebrate your presence in our lives  
this Easter.

We pray for this and all things through our Risen Lord.  
Amen

**COMPANIONS WITH THE SUFFERING CHRIST**

Anna Caserta, Ilka Puig, Dolores Kaitnowski, Cheryl Dusel, Carol Doyle, James Burns, Kenneth Schwandt, Clem Denzel, Michael Webster, Dorothy Stanley, Baby Danica, Joseph Bono, Jason Borguzewski, Isabella Searone, Joey Stack, Dawn Tomaski, Maxine Paoletti, Grace Cosentino, Michelle Sylves Berry, James Ryan, Brandon Vegra, Mary Mahoney, Zachary DeVole, Sylvia Davies, Teresa Coppola, Jim Lasker, Maria Evancho, Gifford Walker, Haley Ann Suda, Janet Smith, Linda Smith, Dorothy Mazurchuk, Linda DeNisco, Ruth Schwandt, Marjie Prebble, Valerie Marek, Dale Smith, Norman Klas, Burton Kopaskie, Peter Tomasulo, Regina Moser, Linda Weyand, Delphine Wojtan, Ruth Klizek, Ellie Kalinowski, Richard Ireland, Christine Kukla, Marcia Jurkowski, Marcia McCarthy, Aadyne Booker, Cathy Hays, Ellen Grudza, Cindy Fitzpatrick, Marjorie Lambrix, Daniel Kowalewski, Fred Raska, Julie Raska, John Leach, Nancy Dowrey, Laura Merrit, Rachel Reusch, Anne Waligur, Clara Pliszka, Renee Srader, Shari Bauda, Dorothy Kowalewski, Alice Leahy, Kristin LaJoie, Greg Weiss, Evelyn Tighe, Michael Melerski, Corey Lelonek, Frances Saraceno, Andrew Pawlak, Maureen Burns, Joann Brady-McMahon, Dora Kowalewski, Tom Ferris, Lucy & Marino Monaco, Frank & Margaret Spano, James Kisicki, Lindsey & Kelsey Kaitnowski, Tammie Dempsey, Donald Kill, Jack & Family, Connie Reinhardt, Mary Cirelli, Ed Warren, Wanda, Dan Rojek, Christian Scherr, Garrett Weeks, Helen Hilliker, Catherine Smardz, Stephan Bilowus, Ann Marie Gensler, Cathy Washington, Rose Hellingner, Winifred Casciano, Geraldine Wiess, Sr. Beth Hays, Rose Lally, Dorothy Rey, Evan Rey-Olson, Dorothy Rey, Donna Bene, Jim Zitnik, Paige Ingrando, Jeanne O'Neill, Helen Kryszak, Dorothy Aubrecht, Fay Tribuzzi and Bill Heuer.