

# Nativity of Our Lord

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Diocesan Website: [www.buffalodiocese.org](http://www.buffalodiocese.org)

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops: [www.usccb.org](http://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.

## Our Mission to Others

[www.mklaymissionaries.org](http://www.mklaymissionaries.org)

[www.jesuitvolunteers.org](http://www.jesuitvolunteers.org) [www.cfcausa.org](http://www.cfcausa.org)

Check the above websites for becoming a volunteer.

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

Dennis Conroy, ext. 140

### Deacon

Deacon Gary P. Andelora, ext. 142

### Seminarian

Sean Paul Fleming, Ext. 140

### Assisting Priests

Msgr. George Brennan, Rev. Peter Drilling & Rev. James Croglia

### 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](http://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](http://www.nativityschool.net)

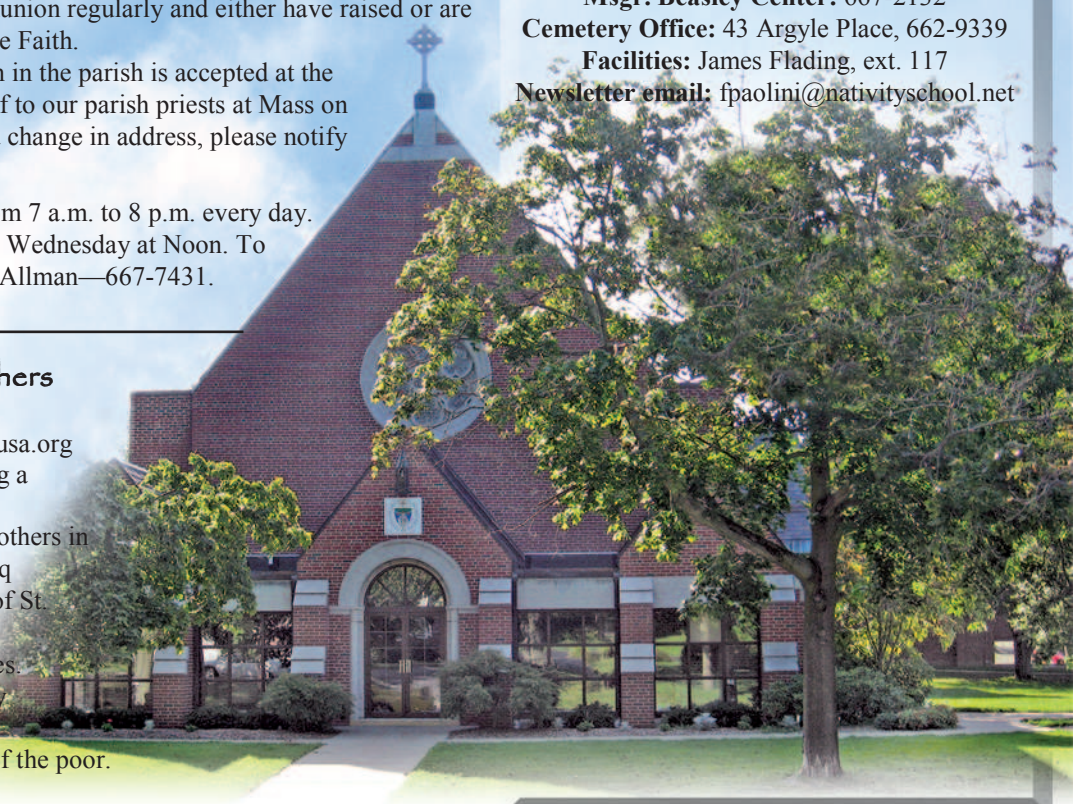
**School Hall:** 667-2132

**Msgr. Beasley Center:** 667-2132

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

**Facilities:** James Flading, ext. 117

**Newsletter email:** [fpaolini@nativityschool.net](mailto:fpaolini@nativityschool.net)



## PARISH STUDY DAY

Christ the King Seminary in East Aurora is holding a Parish Study Day, Thursday, November 8 from 8:30 am-3:30 pm. The speaker is Bro. Robert K. Moriarty, S.M. The theme is "Parish- and Small Church Communities". For information call the Office of Parish Life at 847-5531 or C.K.S. Depart. of Lay Formation at 655-7091.

## ROMAN MISSAL (RM3)

To welcome the Roman Missal III, a representative from the Diocesan Office of Worship will present "The Message and the Meaning of the New Translations: Spirituality" on Thursday, November 10 from 7-9pm.

## ANNUAL THANKSGIVING MASS

Our annual Thanksgiving Liturgy will be celebrated at 9am on Thursday, November 24. Once again, our Parish community is asked to help supplement the Thanksgiving dinners which will be served in several Outreach Centers. Please turn a favorite baked good recipe into a treat for them and bring it to church on Thanksgiving morning. There are so many people counting on us—won't you please help. Our baskets will stand ready to receive your donations. They will be delivered directly after Mass.

## WELCOME

Please welcome the following new members to our Nativity of Our Lord Parish Community: Arnold & Denise Miller, James & Melissa Desiderio, Jarrett & Theresa Braun, Jeff & Lisa Taips, Arthur Marracino, Dale & Virginia Currier, Dennis & Susan Reilly, David & Amy Thomas, David & Danielle Dodman.

## 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.

## OUR CONDOLENCES

Father Bernard, Fr. Peter, Fr. Jim, Msgr. Brennan, Sean Paul Fleming and the Parish Community would like to express deep and profound condolences to the family of: Cindy Fitzpatrick, Esterina Sordo, and Mary Jane Kelley.

## CELEBRATING FIRST RECONCILIATION AT NATIVITY

The first experience of Christ in the sacrament of Reconciliation is a key milestone in the life of a Catholic child. It is, for most children, the first sacrament they will remember, (having been Baptized as infants), and is one of the few sacraments they will continue to celebrate on a regular basis throughout their lives. First Reconciliation can set the tone for future encounters in the sacrament, careful preparation is most important. Friends, Families at home, and our parish community all do well to talk with these children and pray with them on a daily basis over a period of weeks before they come to receive the Lord's mercy. Conversations encouraging empathy, developing self awareness, and responsibility for their actions, sincere apologies, and all about true forgiveness are necessary in helping them form a good conscience.

Our parish will celebrate First Reconciliations on Tuesday, November 8 (initials A-K) and November 22, (initials L-Z) at 7pm in church. Friends and family members are encouraged to join us and are welcome to step forward to receive the sacrament as well. We look forward to seeing you there.

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORT SEPTEMBER, 2011

Monthly Needs for Sept, (4 wks).....	\$84,000.00
"Sunday Collection" Week of 9/04.....	\$23,661.00
"Sunday Collection" Week of 9/11.....	\$22,283.50
"Sunday Collection" Week of 9/18.....	\$18,552.55
"Sunday Collection" Week of 9/25.....	\$19,877.01
Favorable<Unfavorable> for the month .....	\$374.06
Favorable<Unfavorable> for the year.....	\$374.06
Monthly Needs for September, (5 wks).....	\$105,000.00

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 September were 686 compared to 731 last year. Total gross contributions received for September is \$87,519.06 compared to \$86,866.91 last year. The "Weekend/Monthly Collection" is \$84,374.06 versus \$82,839.41 last year. This year \$3,995.61 was loose cash not in envelopes compared to \$4,225.01 last year. The special collections were \$3,145.00 this year and \$4,027.00 last year. Special collections received this month included \$1,241.00 for Peter's Pence, \$1,859.00 for Catholic Education, \$25.00 for School, \$10.00 for Outreach, and \$10.00 for Life Teen. Our heartfelt 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**.

## THE NATIONAL COLLECTION FOR THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA

The Catholic University of America is the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States, located in Washington, D.C. It provides an academically rigorous education guided by Catholic intellectual tradition to nearly 7,000 students every year. Every donated dollar we give directly supports financial aid for students from dioceses across the country, including ours. Please be generous. The collection will take place November 10-11.

## STEWARDSHIP ANNUAL REPORT

Because of the new surplus from last fiscal year, we have been able in this fiscal year (beginning Sept. 1) to repair the damaged ceiling and fiber-glass walls in the rectory, continue the enhanced lighting in church, remove and replace church carpeting, restore the original terrazzo in the sanctuary, begin to replace glass on church side walls, design hand rails for sanctuary, and continue outside lighting.

Our wish list includes the continuation for energy efficient windows, tiles for chapel and hallway, canopy for St. George's bell, covered walkway from church door to parking lot, caulking of activity center, and family days of recollection. (see page 3)

## DRIVER SAFETY CLASS

A driver safety class will be offered November 8th in the Cafeteria and November 14th in the Beasley Center Upper Room from 6:15-9:30 pm (must attend both classes). The class is open to anyone holding a NYS driver's license. The course entitles participants to discounts on car insurance and point reduction. Cost is \$12 AARP member; \$14 non-member and FREE for Veterans with proof of military status. Class size is limited. Please call Jane at 662-4635 to register.

## FIRST EUCHARIST FAMILY GATHERING II

The First Eucharist Family Gathering meets on November 6 (A-K) and November 13 (L-Z) from 9:50-10:20 in the cafeteria.

# CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2010-2011

ACTUAL FOR 12 MONTHS ENDING AUGUST 31, 2011

		Y-T-D HISTORY 2009-2010	Y-T-D BUDGET 2010-2011	Y-T-D ACTUAL 2010-2011	Y-T-D (UNFAVOR) BUDGET	Y-T-D BUDGET 2011-2012
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>						
<b>REGULAR:</b>						
Church	Weekly/Monthly	1,139,939	1,140,000	1,137,862	(2,138)	1,118,000
School	Tuition/Registration Fees/Mandated Services	1,105,514	1,060,680	943,168	(117,512)	1,002,438
<b>TOTAL REGULAR</b>		<b>2,245,453</b>	<b>2,200,680</b>	<b>2,081,030</b>	<b>(119,650)</b>	<b>2,120,438</b>
<b>AUXILIARY:</b>						
Church	Rent/Interest/Drives/Reimbursements	41,644	38,448	45,081	6,633	37,928
School	School Societies/Reimbursements	126,185	80,000	84,258	4,258	55,000
<b>TOTAL AUXILIARY</b>		<b>167,829</b>	<b>118,448</b>	<b>129,339</b>	<b>10,891</b>	<b>92,928</b>
<b>EXTRAORDINARY:</b>						
Church	Donations & Bequests	33,910	31,000	59,195	28,195	38,000
School	Donation/Bequests/Endowment/Grants/Collection	18,172	9,700	18,851	9,151	11,500
		52,081	40,700	78,046	37,346	49,500
<b>TOTAL PARISH RECEIPTS</b>		<b>2,465,363</b>	<b>2,359,828</b>	<b>2,288,415</b>	<b>(71,414)</b>	<b>2,262,866</b>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>						
<b>PAYROLL:</b>						
Church	Payroll/Taxes/Health/Pension	357,492	315,216	316,134	(918)	332,678
School	Payroll/Taxes/Health/Pension	1,041,194	897,958	829,610	68,348	860,538
<b>TOTAL PAYROLL EXPENSES</b>		<b>1,398,686</b>	<b>1,213,174</b>	<b>1,145,744</b>	<b>67,430</b>	<b>1,193,217</b>
<b>SUPPLIES:</b>						
Church	Rectory/Sanctuary/Office/Postage	37,620	25,284	36,695	(11,411)	34,100
School	Office/Computer/Postage	31,749	31,000	24,792	6,208	21,000
<b>TOTAL SUPPLY EXPENSES</b>		<b>69,369</b>	<b>56,284</b>	<b>61,487</b>	<b>(5,203)</b>	<b>55,100</b>
<b>PRINTING:</b>						
Church	Envelopes/Misalettes/Periodicals	12,659	15,501	15,223	278	14,800
School	Textbooks/Library	8,527	6,200	7,190	(990)	10,382
<b>TOTAL PRINTING EXPENSES</b>		<b>21,186</b>	<b>21,701</b>	<b>22,412</b>	<b>(711)</b>	<b>25,182</b>
<b>UTILITIES:</b>						
Church	Gas/Electric/Phone/Water	16,555	17,500	15,970	1,530	15,800
School	Gas/Electric/Phone/Water	31,970	33,100	27,437	5,663	26,000
<b>TOTAL UTILITY EXPENSES</b>		<b>48,525</b>	<b>50,600</b>	<b>43,407</b>	<b>7,193</b>	<b>41,800</b>
<b>GENERAL:</b>						
Church	Assess/Insur/Repairs/Contr Ser/Goodwill	129,248	149,752	167,356	(17,604)	140,557
School	Insur/Repairs/Contr Ser/Misc/Goodwill	136,600	182,122	156,697	25,425	151,018
<b>TOTAL GENERAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>265,847</b>	<b>331,874</b>	<b>324,053</b>	<b>7,821</b>	<b>291,575</b>
<b>CAPITAL:</b>						
Church	Contingency/Capital Expenses	51,114	6,825	36,538	(29,713)	0
School	Capital Expenses	522	0	552	(552)	0
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>51,636</b>	<b>6,825</b>	<b>37,090</b>	<b>(30,265)</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>OTHER MINISTRIES:</b>						
Church	School Subsidy	397,959	481,080	358,766	122,314	459,345
	Youth Subsidy	36,176	31,944	33,911	(1,967)	31,944
	Rel Ed Subsidy	67,028	63,088	61,440	1,648	63,000
	Outreach Ministry	24,329	33,603	25,357	8,246	28,000
	Music Ministry	64,969	69,255	67,999	1,256	73,704
	Pastoral Care Ministry	400	400	0	400	0
<b>TOTAL OTHER MINISTRIES</b>		<b>590,861</b>	<b>679,370</b>	<b>547,473</b>	<b>131,897</b>	<b>655,993</b>
<b>TOTAL PARISH EXPENSES</b>		<b>2,446,110</b>	<b>2,359,828</b>	<b>2,181,666</b>	<b>178,162</b>	<b>2,262,866</b>
<b>NET SURPLUS (DEFECIT)</b>		<b>19,254</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>106,749</b>	<b>106,749</b>	<b>(0)</b>

## FAITH FORMATION

- Nov 1: Confirmation Classes—7:00-8:30 pm, Church & Cafeteria  
Nov. 2: Children's Connection Grades 1-6, 4:15-5:15 or 5:45-6:45  
Nov. 3: Y.E.S. Grades 7&8 & L.O.F.T. Grade 9, 7:00-8:15 pm  
Nov. 6: First Eucharist Family Gathering II (A-K) 9:50-10:20 am  
Nov. 7: Children's Connection Grades 1-6, 4:15-5:15 or 5:45-6:45  
Confirmation Classes—7:00-8:30 pm  
Nov. 8: First Reconciliation A-K, 7:00 pm in Church  
Nov. 9: Children's Connection Grades 1-6, 4:15-5:15 or 5:45-6:45  
Nov. 10: Y.E.S. Grades 7&8 & L.O.F.T. Grade 9, 7:00-8:15 pm  
Nov. 13: First Eucharist Family Gathering II (L-Z) 9:50-10:20 am  
Nov. 14: Children's Connection Grades 1-6, 4:15-5:15 or 5:45-6:45  
Nov. 16: Children's Connection Grades 1-6, 4:15-5:15 or 5:45-6:45  
Nov. 17: Y.E.S. Grades 7&8 & L.O.F.T. Grade 9, 7:00-8:15 pm  
Nov. 21: Children's Connection Grades 1-6, 4:15-5:15 or 5:45-6:45  
Nov. 22: First Reconciliation L-Z, 7:00 pm in Church  
Nov. 28: Children's Connection Grades 1-6, 4:15-5:15 or 5:45-6:45

## CONFIRMATION NEWS

This month we will be concluding our immediate preparation for Confirmation.

1) **CANDIDATE SESSIONS—Please note that the first session this month is on TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1. There is no Monday class that week.** Also, on that day, please have your son/daughter come to the school cafeteria by 6:50 pm as we will be going as a group to the Church for Mass to commemorate All Saints Day. Following Mass, we will go back to the school cafeteria to continue our program until 8:30 pm as usual.

The following session will be held in the School Cafeteria from 7:00-8:30 pm on Monday, November 7. This is the last preparation session and will focus on understanding the Rite of Confirmation.

2) Following the last session on November 7, we will not meet until Monday, November 28, 2011. **On Monday, November 28, the Confirmation candidates will have an opportunity to go to the sacrament of Reconciliation. One of the requirements to receive the sacrament of Confirmation is that the candidate be in the state of grace. The candidates should come directly to the Church, no later than 6:55 pm. Preceding the confessions, there will be a brief prayer service which will begin at 7:00 pm. Sign in sheets will be in the main entrance of the Church. The candidates may leave after they have gone to Confession. They do not need to wait for the whole group to be dismissed.**

Parents, sponsors, and parishioners are also invited to participate.

Please set aside the following two dates in December:

- ✠ Monday, December 5, 2011—Confirmation Rehearsal for candidates and Sponsors, School Cafeteria, 7:00-8:30 pm  
✠ Saturday, December 10, 2011—Confirmation Liturgy and Rite, 5:45 pm.

Students from the Confirmation class are asking for warm clothing donations to be given to those in need. Suggested items include socks, coats, scarves, mittens, hats, and sweaters. Donations can be brought to Confirmation class or to the Faith Formation office. Last day for contributions is November 7th. Thank you for caring for others.

### MAKING PLANS FOR CHRIST'S MASS

**Saturday, December 24:** 3pm in Church & 3pm in the gym  
5pm in Church & 5pm in the gym  
7:45 and 10:00 pm in Church  
**Sunday, December 25:** 9:00, 10:30 am & 12:00 noon

**SAVE THESE TWO DATES IN YOUR CALENDAR NOW!!**  
**LENTEN FISH FRY'S COMING TO NATIVITY**  
**MARCH 2, 2012 & MARCH 30, 2012**  
**DINE-IN OR TAKE-OUT**  
**4-7 PM**  
**WATCH FOR MORE INFO IN JANUARY**

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

On Thanksgiving Day, please use the yellow envelop to donate to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Your generous gift is so needed and appreciated! This year members of the Nativity of Our Lord conference have visited over 70 clients, here in Orchard Park and in Buffalo, and provided many with desperately needed appliances, furniture or financial assistance. We work in close cooperation with Sister Beth and the Outreach Office. Contributions to the Poor Box in the vestibule have been amazing! Thank you so much!

Our parish conference has only 10 active members. New members are urgently needed to help us make an ever increasing number of client visits. The next meetings are October 26th and November 16th at 7pm in the Msgr. Holbel Center, and last less than an hour. Come and check it out! Call Myra Lucero at 662-1932 for more information.

To donate appliances or furniture, please call SVDP downtown at 882-3360 ext. 4 to schedule a pick up. Clients are so grateful to receive your used refrigerator, bedding, or furniture. Clothing donations can be deposited in the blue bin behind the school (Thorn Ave. entrance). Thank you.

## NATIVITY OUTREACH

Help Needed: Eucharistic Minister to do a communion service at Fox Run once every 5 or 6 weeks. Share this beautiful ministry with those who cannot get to church and wish to receive the Eucharist. Please call if interested in being trained—Sister Beth at 662-1302.

If you would like to take a tour of the Family Justice Center, which describes the work against domestic violence, let Sister Beth know. These tours are offered on Tuesdays twice a month at either 8:00 am or 5:30 pm—whichever is an easier time for you.

Planning Christmas projects: Once again the Outreach Office will be sending Christmas Cookies to our homebound parishioners. If you have any cookies to share, we would appreciate receiving them for this project **no later than December 16**. We will need volunteers to deliver them. If you can help, please call Sr. Beth.

Christmas Angel Project: The "angels" (shaped like a tree—easier to cut) will be ready the weekend of Thanksgiving if you wish to buy a Christmas gift for a child. You will find the names in the Angel Basket in front of church. Please purchase a gift of clothing for that child. (Toys are provided by other organizations.) **DO NOT WRAP THE GIFT, BUT PUT IT IN A BOX WITH THE TREE TAPED TO THE OUTSIDE.** Bring your gift to either the School office or Outreach Office **no later than December 16**. Gifts will be distributed the following week. Thank you.

Food Drive: Our Thanksgiving/Park Parsons Food Drive is Sunday, November 13th. Grocery bags will be available for you the previous weekend.

## LITURGY AND LIFE

At its heart, the Eucharist is a sacrament of communion, bringing us closer to God and to our brothers and sisters in the Body of Christ. If we live the fruits of the Eucharist in our daily lives, we will fill our families and our communities with the life-giving qualities that the Liturgy brings: hospitality, concern for the poor and vulnerable, self-offering, and thanksgiving.

An ancient saying in the Church reads "*lex orandi, lex credendi,*" meaning that the law of prayer is the law of faith. More loosely: as we pray, so we believe. To that we might add *lex vivendi*, meaning that as we pray, so we believe, and so we live. In the third edition of the Roman Missal, the bishops and translators have taken great care to ensure that the prayers accurately and fully reflect the mysteries of our faith. Thus, the words that we pray in each liturgical celebration will help to form and strengthen our understanding of the faith.

However, if the effects of the Liturgy stop at the doors of the church, we have not made our prayer and our faith part of our law of living. The Eucharist helps us to grow in union with Christ, avoid sin, increase in charity, strengthen communion with our brothers and sisters, and recognize Christ in the poorest and most vulnerable members of society (see CCC, nos. 1391-1397). But what does that mean in daily life?

### LIVING A LIFE OF PRAYER

Our prayer lives should not be limited to a single hour on Sunday mornings. In fact, the richer our prayer lives are throughout the week, the more fully we will be able to enter into the Sunday celebration of the Eucharist. Some suggestions:

- ✠ Try attending daily Mass at least once a week. Here at 7 & 9, or a church near your job may offer a lunchtime Mass.
- ✠ Visit the Adoration Chapel (Argyle St.) before or after work or on your lunch hour for quiet prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.
- ✠ Pray grace before every meal—even in public.
- ✠ Schedule time for family prayer at least once a week. This prayer can be as simple as saying the Our Father or a decade of the Rosary together or use our Bidding Prayers.
- ✠ Take time during the week to read or listen to the readings for the upcoming Sunday. The readings are available online (in print and audio) at [www.usccb.org/nab](http://www.usccb.org/nab).
- ✠ Begin your day with a brief prayer of thanksgiving to God, offering your day to him.
- ✠ End your day with an examination of conscience, looking at your successes and failures in what you have done or what you have failed to do. If you are aware of serious sin, receive the Sacrament of Penance before you receive Holy Communion again.

### LIVING A LIFE OF LOVING SERVICE

Celebrating the Eucharistic Liturgy and receiving Holy Communion should strengthen us to conform our lives more closely to the example of Christ. As Jesus knelt before his Apostles to wash their feet (see Jn 13), giving them an example of humble service, so must we who bear the name Christian live our lives in service to our brothers and sisters.

To help us in this endeavor, Church Tradition has identified works of mercy. These fourteen practices demand great sacrifice and generosity, but they also draw us more deeply into conformity with the Lord. Focusing on one of these works each week may be a practical way to integrate them into our personal, family, and parish lives. Continued on Page 8

## NATIVITY SCHOOL NEWS

The eighth grade shadowed at Catholic High Schools. They will be taking the Entrance Exam for Catholic High Schools on November 19th.

The Boys JV Baseball team and the Soccer team will be in play-offs.

The Nativity HSA Halloween Party is Friday, October 28th.

## OKTOBERFEST WINNERS

Congratulations to the following raffle winners from Oktoberfest:

✠ \$100.00—Mr. & Mrs. Dotton, Mr. & Mrs. Chimes, Ungaro, Mr. & Mrs. Mogavero, Yoviene, Bevevino, Mr. & Mrs. Borowiec, Mrs. Curtin, Mr. & Mrs. Notaro.

✠ \$500.00—Mr. & Mrs. Clark, Mr. & Mrs. Sullivan

✠ \$5,000.00—Mr. & Mrs. Bradley

✠ \$10,000.00—Mr. & Mrs. Reimann

Further report will follow.



## MASS & MEETINGS

Our Life Teen masses are on Sundays at 6:30pm here at Nativity. They're geared towards teens, but everyone is invited to join us. Show up a bit earlier to get a close spot and for some warm up worship with the band.

Life Teen meetings follow Mass on Sunday and run until 9:00 pm. Life Teen is a relationship driven ministry designed for high schoolers to not only learn about the faith, but to experience it in action. All high schoolers are welcome to join us.

EDGE meetings are held on Monday evenings from 7:00-8:30 pm at St. Bernadette's. Edge is the middle school counterpart to Life Teen. They follow the same basic format as Life Teen, but geared towards middle schoolers. All 7th and 8th graders are welcome to join us.

## ANTIOCH HOURS

Antioch hours are held on Wednesday and Thursday after school (from 2-5pm) in the Antioch Room (aka—our youth room), which is next to the rectory at Nativity. It's a time to just hang out with us after school. We've got snacks, movies, video games, all kinds of stuff.

## PRAYER & PRAISE

Prayer and Praise nights are nights where we come together for some praise and worship, and to just pray together, as simple as that sounds. They run from 7-9 pm in the Antioch Room, with the possibility of grabbing something to eat or just hanging out afterwards. The next meeting will be November 30th.

## FALL RETREAT

Our annual Fall Retreat is happening November 18-20. This time we're heading to Cradle Beach in Angola. It's a weekend of prayer, food, fun, little sleep, and food... All high schoolers are welcome to come. The cost is \$70 (due on Nov. 6), and permission slips can be found on our website [www.antiochlifeteen.org](http://www.antiochlifeteen.org) or on our Facebook page.

## ANNOUNCED INTENTIONS OF THE CELEBRANT

### Tuesday, November 1—All Saints Day, Holy Day of Obligation

7:00 a.m. For Parishioners by Fr. Bernard  
9:00 a.m. Mary Breen by Nativity Faculty and Staff  
7:00 p.m. Edward T. Hunt by Terrance & Mary Keating

### Wednesday, November 2—All Souls Day

7:00 a.m. All Souls  
9:00 a.m. All Souls

### Thursday, November 3

7:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the Speranza & Morlacci Families by Fran Speranza & Family  
9:00 a.m. Alan M. Arena Jr. by his Family

### Friday, November 4

7:00 a.m. Johanna Thomas by Peter Liberatore  
9:00 a.m. Thomas F. Stapleton by Tom & Charlotte Downing

### Saturday, November 5

8:00 a.m. JoAnn Molik by her daughter Kathleen  
4:30 p.m. Dr. E. Michael Sullivan by Dr. & Mrs. John Reilly  
7:00 p.m. Martha Hauser by her Family

### Sunday, November 6

7:30 a.m. Anthony Mahoney by Joe & Donna Mahoney  
9:00 a.m. Joseph Gorczyca Jr. & Sr. by Dale & Shirley Eckl  
10:30 a.m. Helen Wischerath by her Family  
12:00 p.m. For Parishioners by Fr. Bernard  
1:15 p.m. Teresa Smith by John & Jean Reilly  
6:30 p.m. Helen Baxter by Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Adamchick

### Monday, November 7

7:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the Speranza & Morlacci Families by Fran and Family  
9:00 a.m. William Sabio by Virginia, Bill, Sean & Patrick Hogan

### Tuesday, November 8

7:00 a.m. Jaye Zielin by the Hellinger Family  
9:00 a.m. Walter & Jane Szczykutowicz by their daughter

### Wednesday, November 9

7:00 a.m. Michael Myers by his Family  
9:00 a.m. Frances Gorey by Mr. & Mrs. George Schichtel

### Thursday, November 10

7:00 a.m. Joe Palczynski by Joe & Doreen Murphy  
9:00 a.m. Neil Hartung by Ginger Armknecht

### Friday, November 11

7:00 a.m. Msgr. Charles T. Griffin by his Family  
9:00 a.m. Donald Quinlan by Mr. & Mrs. Philip Scheeler

### Saturday, November 12

8:00 a.m. Helen Kulas by her Children  
4:30 p.m. Mary Eberhardt by her husband Ronald  
7:00 p.m. Ann S. Dore by Howard and Rose Ann Russell

### Sunday, November 13

7:30 a.m. Neil Hartung by Dorothy Rey  
9:00 a.m. For Parishioners by Fr. Bernard  
10:30 a.m. George J. Donsly by the Math-Computer Science Dept. at ECC North  
12:00 p.m. Lisa Barniak Andrews by her Family  
1:15 p.m. Terence J. Young by Ed & Maureen Pace  
6:30 p.m. Tammie Dempsey by Dan & Joan Dempsey

### Monday, November 14

7:00 a.m. Rose Morlacci by Fran and Family\*  
9:00 a.m. Sophie Cline by Mary Ann Pietrzak

### Tuesday, November 15

7:00 a.m. Diane Holtz by John Fitzpatrick & Jean Teczar\*  
9:00 a.m. Dr. Daniel Curtin by his Wife & Family

### Wednesday, November 16

7:00 a.m. Special Intention for Tom Sheehan by Sharon Glavey & Sherwood Sheehan Jr.\*  
9:00 a.m. Shirley Wood by the Traynor family

### Thursday, November 17

7:00 a.m. Emilio Speranza by his Wife & Family  
9:00 a.m. John & Rose Hellinger by their Children & Grandchildren

### Friday, November 18

7:00 a.m. Loretta Stevens by Amherst Dental  
9:00 a.m. John Hrabocsak by his Family

### Saturday, November 19

8:00 a.m. Bertha Ksiazek by the Sellers Family  
4:30 p.m. Frank Breese by Rosemarie Breese  
7:00 p.m. Walter Obrochta by his Family

### Sunday, November 20

7:30 a.m. For Parishioners by Fr. Bernard  
9:00 a.m. John McGrath by Jim & Mary Ellen Boyle  
10:30 a.m. John Hellinger by his Family  
12:00 p.m. Coletta & Jerome Metz by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Metz  
1:15 p.m. Martin Breen by Max, Sheila & Joanne  
6:30 p.m. Marie Carbone by Maria Marrano

### Monday, November 21

7:00 a.m. Rocco Scatenato by his Family  
9:00 a.m. Donald Mingen by his Wife and Family

### Tuesday, November 22

7:00 a.m. Winnie Brock by Dan & Annette Marmion  
9:00 a.m. Mina Callis by her sister Margaret

### Wednesday, November 23

7:00 a.m. Kevin Williams by Tom & Del Rollek  
9:00 a.m. Thomas J. Maloney by his Wife & Family

### Thursday, November 24—Thanksgiving Day

9:00 a.m. All Souls

### Friday, November 25

7:00 a.m. Lucille Collins by Ann Collins  
9:00 a.m. Dr. Daniel Curtin by his Friends

### Saturday, November 26

8:00 a.m. Carrie M. Niewczyk by Thomas & Delphine Rollek  
4:30 p.m. Alice Augustine by Barbara & Joe Russell  
7:00 p.m. Stephen Soroka by his Wife & Family

### Sunday, November 27

7:30 a.m. Leo Noworyta by his Family  
9:00 a.m. Frances Griffin by her Family  
10:30 a.m. For Parishioners by Fr. Bernard  
12:00 p.m. Clara Cieslinski and her son Edward by Joanne Cieslinski & her Family  
1:15 p.m. Patrick J. Downing by his Family  
6:30 p.m. Robert Hartung by Joe & Doreen Murphy

### Monday, November 28

7:00 a.m. Anne E. Rebmann by her Family  
9:00 a.m. Catherine Certo by the Hellinger Family

### Tuesday, November 29

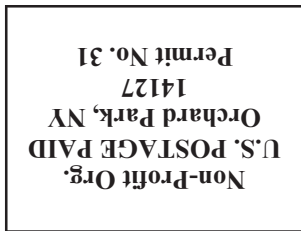
7:00 a.m. William Kovalick by Jean Pierre & Kate Kovalick-Patay and Willian Kovalick  
9:00 a.m. Florence Gay by Lorraine & Silvio Russo

### Wednesday, November 30

7:00 a.m. Jason Kempston by the Hellinger Family  
9:00 a.m. Rose & Louis Coppola by their Family

\*Prayer Service here—Mass celebrated at retreat center.

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Nativity of Our Lord  
43 Argyle Place  
Orchard Park, NY 14127  
Return Service Requested

### CORPORAL & SPIRITUAL WORKS OF MERCY

✠Feeding the hungry ✠Sheltering the homeless ✠Clothing the naked ✠Visiting the sick ✠Visiting the imprisoned ✠Giving drink to the thirsty ✠Burying the dead ✠Converting sinners ✠Instructing the ignorant ✠Advising the doubtful ✠Comforting the sorrowful ✠Bearing wrongs patiently ✠Forgiving injuries ✠Praying for the living and dead.

Our parishes and civil communities offer numerous opportunities to live out these works, from assisting with religious education classes or volunteering at a food bank to encouraging our legislators to put forward policies that protect the life and dignity of each person. As we grow in conformity to Christ, we see more clearly that all people are made in the image and likeness of God (see Gn 1:26) and so have an inherent value and dignity. By helping to build a more just and compassionate society, we act as Christ's Body in the world.

### IT ALL COMES BACK TO THE EUCHARIST

Living the Christian life is not easy. "What material food produces in our bodily life, Holy Communion wonderfully achieves in our spiritual life. Communion with the flesh of the risen Christ ... preserves, increases, and renews the life of grace received at Baptism. This growth in Christian life needs the nourishment of Eucharistic Communion, the bread for our pilgrimage". And so, each Sunday, we return to the Eucharistic table, brining all our efforts of the previous week, the good and the bad, the successes and the failures, the joys and the sorrows. We gather with our brothers and sisters in the Lord and, together with our priest, we join these efforts to the perfect sacrifice of Christ, asking that God will receive what we offer back to him in humble thanksgiving. Then strengthened by Holy Communion, we are once again sent forth to glorify the Lord in our lives. (CCC nos 1392 & 1368)

### 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, 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, Janet Smith, Linda Smith, Dorothy Mazurchuk, Ruth Schwandt, Marjie Prebble, 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, Aady Booker, Ellen Grudza, Daniel Kowalewski, Fred Raska, Julie Raska, Nancy Dowrey, Laura Merrit, Rachel Reusch, Anne Waligur, Renee Srader, Shari Bauda, Dorothy Kowalewski, Alice Leahy, Kristin LaJoie, Greg Weiss, 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, 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, Winifred Casciano, Geraldine Wiess, Rose Lally, Donna Bene, Jim Zitnik, Paige Ingrando, Jeanne O'Neill, Dorothy Aubrecht, Bill Heuer, Cathy Hays, Donovan Benzin, Thom Sylves, Brayden Grant, Gina Fitzgerald, Mary Mahoney, Dorothy Moran, Karen Praczajlo, Randy Zentz, Norma Wilson, Sean J. Hanley, Jr., Melissa Addeo, Michael Bueme, Stephen Warner, Margaret Warner and Deacon Edward Meyer.