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# The Church of the Nativity

**MASSES** 

Sundays 08:00, 09:30, 11:30 AM and 05:00 PM Saturdays 08:00 AM and 05:00 PM (Vigil)

Weekdays 07:30 AM and 05:30 PM

**Holy Days** 07:30 AM, 05:30 and 07:30 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (Opus Dei priest)

03:30 PM - 04:30 PM (parish priest)

(also by appointment)

**BAPTISMS** 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays of the month

(contact rectory 2 months in advance)

WEDDINGS Saturdays 11:00 AM and 02:00 PM (contact rectory at least 6 months in advance)

**PASTOR** 

Rev. Msgr. Steven D. Otellini

PAROCHIAL VICAR

Rev. Mark G. Mazza

PERMANENT DEACONS

Rev. Mr. Dominick Peloso

Rev. Mr. Thomas Kelly

WEEKEND ASSISTANTS Rev. Paul Maillet, P.S.S.

Rev. Gladstone Stevens, P.S.S.

### SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Mrs. Monica Hickam • (650) 853-1009

### **FIRST READING**

I will spread prosperity over Jerusalem like a river.

ISAIAH 66: 10-14

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Blessed be God who refused me not my prayer or His kindness.

PSALMS 66

### SECOND READING

May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.

GALATIANS 6 14-18

### GOSPEL

Do not rejoice because the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice because your names are written in heaven.

LUKE 10: 1-12, 17-20



# THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

03 July 2016

Jesus said, "I have observed Satan fall like lightning from the sky."

**LUKE 10: 18** 

# **CALENDAR**

# SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS

WEEK OF 03 - 09 JUL

SAT	05:00 PM	Priest's intentions
SUN	Masses	Priest's intentions
MON	09:00 AM	The Thompson and Wagstaffe families
TUE	07:30 AM 05:30 PM	The Neylan and Cardine families Special intention
WED	07:30 AM 05:30 PM	† John and Virginia Conway † Gene Winnike
THU	07:30 AM 05:30 PM	† Soni and Meke Haunga † Larry Johnston
FRI	07:30 AM 05:30 PM	Marty Shapiro Maria and David Gilsdorf; Margaret and Mark Head; † Virginia Suda; † Michael Suda
SAT	08:00 AM	Benefactors of the parish; † Michael Hurley

Please pray for those in need of physical or spiritual healing



The parish office will be closed on Monday, <u>04 July 2016</u> for Independence Day.

There will be one Mass, at <u>09:00 AM</u>, on July 4th.





SUN MON-FRI MON-FRI TUE THU SAT SAT SAT	07:00 PM 07:10 AM 05:10 PM 06:00 PM 06:00 PM 06:15 AM 07:40 AM 10:00 AM -	Holy Hour for Priests Morning Prayer Evening Prayer Cenacles of Life Rosary Perpetual Help Novena Men's Prayer Group Morning Prayer Confessions
SAT	12:00 PM 03:30 PM - 04:30 PM	(Opus Dei priest) Confessions (parish priest)
03 JUL	(Sunday)	
04 JUL	<b>(Monday)</b> 07:30 PM	Independence Day Legion of Mary
05 JUL	(Tuesday) 08:00 PM	Н <sup>4</sup>
06 JUL	(Wednesday)	
07 JUL	(Thursday) 11:00 AM 06:00 PM	The Thursday Group ICF #351 Dinner and Meeting
08 JUL	<b>(Friday)</b> 09:30 AM	Nativity Moms' Group
09 JUL	(Saturday) 09:00 AM	Baptism Class

Msgr. Otellini and Nativity Parish
Thank you so much for the beautiful vestment. I truly
appreciate it and cannot wait to use it. Please know
of my prayers for you and your parish.

God bless, Father Andrew Ginter

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	WEEK OF
	18-19 JUN
TOTAL:	\$11,000
Annual Diocesan Appeal Progress:	\$27,517
2016 ADA Goal:	\$148,082

# SAINTS AND OBSERVANCES

OLEMNITY FEAST MEMORIAL . OPTIONAL MEMORIAL . OTHER

# 04 JUL (Monday): INDEPENDENCE DAY

Although July 4<sup>th</sup> is celebrated as America's official split from Britain's rule and the beginning of the American Revolution, the actual series of events show that the process took far longer than a single day. The original resolution was introduced by Richard Henry Lee of Virginia on **07 June 1776**. New York did not vote on the resolution until July 19<sup>th</sup>, and no one actually signed the Declaration of Independence on July 4th (all but one of the signatures was in place by **02 August 1776** -- Thomas McKean did not sign until **1781**).

### 06 JUL (Wednesday): SAINT MARIA GORETTI, Virgin and Martyr (1890-1902)

Maria was born to a poor farming family in Corinaldi, Italy, and spent a difficult childhood assisting her widowed mother. She was devout and often at prayer. In 1902, at age 12, she was attacked by a young man intent on seduction. When she refused to submit, he stabbed her repeatedly. As she lay dying, she forgave him. The man was imprisoned and was unrepentant until he had a dream in which Maria appeared to him from heaven. He was converted at that point, and testified at her canonization in 1950.

### 09 JUL (Saturday):

# SAINT AUGUSTINE ZHAO HONG and COMPANIONS, Martyrs (d. ~1815)

The *Martyrs of China*, they were imprisoned and died for their faith and work. Augustine was a soldier who escorted **Saint Gabriel John Tauin du-Fresse** to Beijing during his missionary work. Augustine became a convert to Christianity and a priest, working in the Sichuan apostolic vicarate.

### ARE YOUR INTENTIONS "IN THE BOOK"?

Our legion of dedicated Eucharistic Adorers begin each hour by praying for (among others) all the intentions entered into our book of prayer requests. Tap into the unimaginable power of focused

> communal (and global) prayer and let your loving community lift your needs up before our Father.

"Cast your cares on the Lord and He will sustain you; He will never let the righteous fall." -- Psalm 55: 22

"Until now you have not asked for anything in My name. Ask and you will receive, and your joy will be complete." -- John 16: 24

# MINISTRY AND GROUP NEWS

### **NATIVITY MOMS GROUP**

All moms are invited to join the Nativity Moms' Group. Our next meeting will be Friday, 08 JUL 2016 from 09:30-11:00 AM in the O'Hare Center. Come meet other moms, share the joys and challenges of motherhood, and pray a rosary for our families! Refreshments will be provided. If you have little ones at home, please bring them along. Contact Christine Semler at 650/594-4637 or Monica Hendricks at 650/367-4944 for more information.

FALIMA CELEBRATION On **Wednesday**, **13 JUL 2016**, we will have our next celebration of the Blessed Mother's apparition at Fatima, Portugal. We will have a Mass at **07:30 PM**, followed by a talk on the message of Fatima, rosary candlelight procession around the church

grounds, and healing Benediction. Please join us and bring your family. For questions, contact **Deacon Dominick Peloso** at **650/269-6279**.



### **ROSARY OUTSIDE ABORTION CLINIC**

If you would like to pray the Rosary during the week in front of the Planned Parenthood in Redwood City, please contact **Eileen** at <a href="mailto:nativitymenlorespectlife@yahoo.com">nativitymenlorespectlife@yahoo.com</a> or **650/799-4722** for more information. Additionally, every First Saturday of the month, a group of parishioners meets to pray there after going to the **08:00 AM** Mass and pray until about **10:00 AM**.

### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Nativity Church is open 24/7. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for adoration and there is always someone present in prayer. Won't you join us by signing up for your weekly Holy Hour? When you sign up, you and your intentions share in the grace of everyone who comes to visit. Come and experience the dramatic presence of God in our lives. Please consider the following hours as there is no one currently assigned to them (or pick an hour that works for you):



Monday: 10:00 PM

Tuesday: 02:00 AM; 11:00 AM; 12:00 PM (pr. partner)

Thursday: 02:00 PM

Saturday: 07:00 PM (prayer partner)

Thank you in advance for your generosity. The God who is not outdone in generosity will certainly bless you and your intentions. Call Mary Ellen Peloso (650/269-7794) to sign up.

### **CENACLES OF LIFE PRAYER GROUP**

Our Nativity rosary prayer group continues to pray to end the culture of death. All are invited to come! We pray two rosaries together and offer up a fast each week. We meet at **06:00 PM** in the church each **Tuesday** evening.

Pregnant? Need Help? Please contact the Juan Diego Society (408/258-2008), the Gabriel Project (800/910-0191) or Community Pregnancy Center (650/964-8093).

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **OUR PARISH FAMILY**

Please keep all of our newest members in your prayers, as well as those who have preceded us to the Father.



### **BAPTISMS** • Liam James, son of

- Jolon and Nicole Staubli
- Julie Marie, daughter of Juan Sanchez and Crystal Dill

MARRIAGES • Junius Kauinana and Kim Pham

- **PARISHIONERS** Christopher Krause
  - Rachel Chase
  - John McCabe
  - Judy Romea
  - Amanda Moon
  - Nicole Farinas

**DEATHS** • Raymond Basso

### **JOURNEYSONGS BOOKS**

Unfortunately the bindings on our JourneySongs books are breaking. We have only been using these books since December of 2014 and already the bindings on many of the books have broken. This is because the cover will get caught on the trim on the pew when not put back carefully into the pew pocket. When you are finished using the book please put it back into the pew pocket with the binding down. Although it does not look as good

this way, it will help lengthen the life of the books. They were an expensive investment and we all would like them to last for many more years. Thank you for your help.



# IN THE COMMUNITY

### **NOW HIRING: SVdP CATHERINE CENTER RELIEF STAFF (PART-TIME)**

SVdP's Catherine Center is a transitional place of safety and dignity for women to live and heal upon leaving incarceration. We seek compassionate individuals who can be present to our women when the program manager is not available (nights, holidays and weekends). Duties include supervising activities on and off site, keeping case notes, being a kind and listening presence to the residents, maintaining a safe and supportive atmosphere, coordinating activities that promote a healthy lifestyle (such as weekend walks), communicating with the program staff, and transporting and accompanying the women to worship services and community events, as needed. The ideal candidate has experience working with those in recovery, an open heart and excellent communication skills. Email: vclausing@svdpsm.org.

### ST. FRANCIS CENTER: ESL TUTORS NEEDED

The **St. Francis Center** in Redwood City is looking for volunteer ESL teachers for adult women! Starting in August, English tutor/teachers are needed Monday through Friday at various times during the day and no knowledge of Spanish is necessary. It is a wonderful ministry! If you can commit to an hour or an hour and a half one day a week, you would be making a huge difference in the life of your future student. Please contact Kristin Bright at the Center at 650/365-7829 for more information and to sign up!

### ST. PATRICK'S SEMINARY: ADMIN ASSISTANT

St. Patrick's Seminary and University is hiring for a front office adiminstrative assistant. The Front Office Administrative Assistant is responsible for maintaining a professional environment that is welcoming to the students, staff and public, while effectively directing incoming phone calls, mail, and general emails. 17.5-19 hours per week with a standard work week set as Monday-Friday, 08:30 AM-12:00 PM. This is a part-time, non-exempt position.

For full job description and to send resume, please contact David Flores at david.flores@stpsu.edu.

### **CORPUS CHRISTI MONASTERY DISCERNMENT DAYS**

"Come and See" ... "Called by God, like Mary, to sit at the feet of Jesus and listen to his word, to ponder and call upon him is solitude." Corpus Christi Monastery will be holding another discernment day for single Catholic women (ages 18 to 40) on 16 JUL 2016. To register or for more information contact Sr. Joseph Marie, O.P. at vocations@nunsmenlo.org or 650/322-1801 x19. The nuns at Corpus Christi Monastery are Dominican Contemplative Nuns, whose whole life is harmoniously ordered to the continual remembrance of God. Corpus Christi Monastery, 215 Oak Grove Avenue, Menlo Park, California.

### **NANO FARMS**

NANO Farms USA is a Community Supported Agricultural (CSA). It is a worker-owned cooperative and a non-profit organization dedicated to fighting unemployment in East Palo Alto. All produce is grown on the property of St. Patrick's Seminary in Menlo Park, and all funds go towards the St. Francis of Assisi Guild of NanoFarms USA. They grow organic fruits and vegetables depending on the seasons throughout the year. You can order a box of delicious fruits and vegetables weekly. Customers can pick up boxes in designated locations or subscribe for home delivery today through their CSA Program. Visit their website www.nanofarms.com or call them at 650/817-8801.

### **NATIVITY LIBRARY**

Nativity has an excellent library in the O'Hare Center. It is chock full of books on Lives of the Saints, Spirituality, Bible Studies, Theology,



Teens, Family, Catholic Fiction, and lots of Children's books. It is open on Sunday morning from 07:30 AM-12:30 PM. For other times, you may get a key from the office. Take advantage of the great books that will supplement and increase your spiritual growth. All books (400+) and DVDs (100+) have been donated by parishioners, and the borrowing is on the honor system. For questions, call Deacon Dominick Peloso at 650/269-6279.

# FROM THE HOLY SEE

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

Each month **His Holiness** asks for general and missionary prayer intentions. For **July 2016**, the Holy Father's prayer intentions are:

Universal: Indigenous Peoples

That indigenous peoples, whose identity and very existence are threatened, will be shown due respect.

Missionary: Latin America and the Caribbean

That the Church in Latin America and the Caribbean, by means of her mission to the continent, may announce the Gospel with renewed vigor and enthusiasm.





## IN THE COMMUNITY

### FIRST ANNUAL YOUTH VOCATION CAMP

Is God calling you? The Office of Vocations of the Archdiocese of San Francisco and St. Thomas Apostle–St. Monica Parish Family Ministry are sponsoring a summer camp for boys who are or will be enrolled in high school in the fall of 2016. The purpose of the camp is to expose our young men to the various Christian vocations of life, particularly vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Presentations, discussion, prayer, and fun will be part of each day led by seminarians and parish youth leaders. This camp will be held at Youth Retreat House, Casa San Felipe, 1977 Reliez Valley Road, Lafeyette, CA from Sunday, 31 JUL 2015 until Tuesday, 02 AUG 2016. All meals and lodging are provided. Families are asked to contribute \$50.00 for the camp, but scholarships are available for families in need. Due to limited availability of space, not all applicants may be accepted. The application deadline is 01 JUL 2016.

To register or for more information, please contact **Fr. David Schunk**, <u>vocations@sfarch.org</u> or 415/614-5683. Applications are also available in the parish office.

### YEAR OF MERCY YOUTH/YOUNG ADULT RETREAT

Youth and young adults ages 16-35 are invited to a retreat in the style of Taizè at Mercy Center in Burlingame 22-24 JUL 2016. The retreat begins Friday, 22 JUL 2016 with dinner and prayer around the cross. Saturday includes silent time, scripture reflection, small groups, workshops and prayer. The retreat will end at 01:00 PM on Sunday, after prayer, groups, Mass, and lunch. The cost is \$115.00, including all meals and lodging. Please contact Sr. Jean Evan at 650/373-4508 for more information. To register, please email <a href="mailto:mrieley@mercywmw.org">mrieley@mercywmw.org</a>. Mercy Center is located at 2300 Adeline Drive, Burlingame. Youth under age 18 must be accompanied by a chaperone.

# **CALENDAR OF NOVENAE**

03 JUL (SUN)	SECOND Day: Saint Benedict
04 JUL (MON)	Independence Day THIRD Day: Saint Benedict
05 JUL (TUE)	FOURTH Day: Saint Benedict
06 JUL (WED)	FIFTH Day: Saint Benedict
07 JUL (THU)	SIXTH Day: Saint Benedict FIRST Day: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
08 JUL (FRI)	SEVENTH Day: Saint Benedict SECOND Day: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
09 JUL (SAT)	EIGHTH Day: Saint Benedict THIRD Day: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
10 JUL (SUN)	NINTH Day: Saint Benedict
	FOURTH Day: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
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### FIND THE NOVENA PRAYERS

**Novena to Saint Benedict:** 

https://www.ewtn.com/Devotionals/novena/benedict.htm

**Novena to Our Lady of Mount Carmel:** 

https://www.ewtn.com/faith/carmel.htm

### **OTHER NOVENA PRAYERS**

**Infant Jesus of Prague (nine-hour):** 

www.ewtn.com/library/PRAYER/PRAGNOV.TXT

St. Therese "24 Glory Be's" Novena:

www.ewtn.com/Devotionals/novena/24\_glory.htm

**Novena for Priests:** 

www.ewtn.com/Devotionals/novena/priests.htm

Effecacious Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus:

www.ewtn.com/devotionals/heart/sh novena.htm



### MEDITATE ON THE WORD

We are told: "This Book of the Law shall not depart out of your mouth, but you shall <u>meditate on it</u> day and night" (Joshua 1:8). Read about God's promises, then really think about them.

### This week's meditation (Psalms 91: 14-16):

"Because he loves Me," says the Lord, "I will rescue him; I will protect him, for he acknowledges My name. He will call upon Me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble, I will deliver him and honor him. With long life will I satisfy him and show him My salvation."

# Young Believers

SOLEMNITIES, MEMORIALS, AND FEASTS, OH, MY!

Throughout the year we celebrate solemnities, feast days, and memorials (obligatory and optional) to the Blessed Mother, the apostles, saints, and significant events in the life and history of the Church. What is the source of this "calendar", and what is the difference between the types of celebrations?

The reference used by the Church is the Roman Marty-rology. You can find a copy on-line at

www.breviary.net/martyrology/mart.htm

The martyrology is a catalog of martyrs and saints arranged according to the order of their feasts (usually the day of their death). Since the time when the commemorations of martyrs, to which were added those of bishops, began to be celebrated, each Church had its special martyrology. Little by little these local lists were enriched by names borrowed from neighboring Churches, and when the era of martyrs was definitively closed, those were introduced who had shone in the community by the sanctity of their life and notably by the practice of asceticism.

The difference between the three basic categories resides in their importance, which in turn is reflected in the presence or absence of different liturgical elements.

Solemnities are the highest degree and are usually reserved for the most important mysteries of faith. These include Easter, Pentecost and the Immaculate Conception; the principal titles of Our Lord, such as Christ the King and Sacred Heart; and celebrations that honor some saints of particular importance in salvation history, such as Sts. Peter and Paul, and St. John the Baptist on his day of birth (last week). Some solemnities are also holy days of obligation, but these vary from country to country. A solemnity is celebrated if it falls on a Sunday of ordinary time or Christmastide. But it is usually transferred to the following Monday if it falls on a Sunday of Advent, Lent or Easter, or during Holy Week or the Easter octave.

A feast honors a mystery or title of the Lord, of Our Lady, or of saints of particular importance (such as the apostles and Evangelists) and some of historical importance, such as the deacon St. Lawrence.

A memorial is usually of saints but may also celebrate some aspect of the Lord or of Mary. Examples include the optional memorial of the Holy Name of Jesus or the obligatory memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. From the point of view of the liturgical elements there is no difference between the optional and obligatory memorial.

### PATRIOTIC LINKS

Consider visiting these on-line sites for some patriotic enlightenment:

www.archives.gov/historical-docs

Historic documents at the National Archives

www.historychannel.com/fourthofjuly

Fourth of July Information (the History Channel)

www.rsar.org

The Real Story of the American Revolution (Sons of the American Revolution)

www.ushistory.org

Independence Hall Society of Philadelphia

memory.loc.gov/ammem

The American Memory collection of the Library of Congress

