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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.

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SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Mrs. Monica Hickam • (650) 853-1009

24-HOUR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Mrs. Mary Ellen Peloso • (650) 269-7794



THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

06 NOVEMBER 2016

They are the children of God
because they are the ones who will rise.

LUKE 20: 36



FIRST READING

Even the king and his attendants marveled at the young man's courage.

2 MACCABEES 7: 1-2, 9-14

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

On waking I shall be content in Your presence.

PSALMS 17

SECOND READING

The Lord is faithful; He will strengthen you and guard you from the evil one.

2 THESSALONIANS 2: 16 - 3: 5

GOSPEL

They can no longer die, for they are like angels.

LUKE 20: 27-38

CALENDAR

SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS WEEK OF 06 - 12 NOV

SAT	05:00 PM	Priest's intentions
SUN	Masses	Priest's intentions
MON	07:30 AM	† Souls in Purgatory
	05:30 PM	Jean Schaaf
TUE	07:30 AM	† Souls in Purgatory
	05:30 PM	† Boyd Paulson
WED	07:30 AM	† Elizabeth Lacunza
	05:30 PM	† Souls in Purgatory
THU	07:30 AM	† Souls in Purgatory
	05:30 PM	Benefactors of the parish
FRI	07:30 AM	† Souls in Purgatory
	05:30 PM	† Willi Helbig;
		† Ceres Alabado;
		† Michael Kelly;
		† Jose P. Diwa
SAT	08:00 AM	† John Kates;
		† Lemuel Southorn;
		† Francisco Pablo Rivera;
		† Souls in Purgatory

Please pray for those in need of physical or spiritual healing



Parish Office Hours
09:00 AM-04:00 PM
Monday-Friday



Electronic giving is offered
through our website
www.nativitymenlo.org
or call the parish office
for a paper form



Please make sure
your cell phones are
turned off or **muted**
when you enter the church.

SUN	07:00 PM	Holy Hour for Priests
MON-FRI	07:10 AM	Morning Prayer
MON-FRI	05:10 PM	Evening Prayer
TUE	06:00 PM	Cenacles of Life Rosary
THU	06:00 PM	Perpetual Help Novena
SAT	06:15 AM	Men's Prayer Group
SAT	07:40 AM	Morning Prayer
SAT	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Confessions (Opus Dei priest)
SAT	03:30 PM - 04:30 PM	Confessions (parish priest)
06 NOV	(Sunday)	Dominican Laity Pie Pick-Up
07 NOV	(Monday)	
	10:00 AM	The Bible Group
	07:30 PM	Legion of Mary
	07:30 PM	RCIA
08 NOV	(Tuesday)	<i>Election Day</i>
	09:30 AM	Bible Study
	07:00 PM	Bible Study
	08:00 PM	H ⁴
09 NOV	(Wednesday)	
	07:00 PM	Confirmation Class
10 NOV	(Thursday)	
	09:30 AM	Opus Dei Women's Group
	11:00 AM	The Thursday Group
11 NOV	(Friday)	<i>Veterans Day</i>
	09:30 AM	Nativity Moms' Group
12 NOV	(Saturday)	
	06:00 PM	Adopt-a-Family

PARISH OFFERINGS	
	WEEK OF 22-23 OCT
TOTAL:	\$11,260
World Mission Sunday:	\$7,118
Annual Diocesan Appeal Progress:	\$63,621
2016 ADA Goal:	\$148,082

SAINTS AND OBSERVANCES

SOLEMNITY, FEAST, MEMORIAL • OPTIONAL MEMORIAL • OTHER

08 NOV (Tuesday)
BLESSED JOHN DUNS SCOTUS (1266-1308)

09 NOV (Wednesday)
DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA
The **Basilica of St. John Lateran** is the cathedral church of Rome and the official ecclesiastical seat of the Pope. Officially named the *Archbasilica of the Most Holy Savior*, it is the oldest and ranks first (being the only cathedral in Rome) among the four major basilicas of Rome, and holds the title of **ecumenical mother church** (mother church of the whole inhabited world) among Roman Catholics.

10 NOV (Thursday)
SAINT LEO THE GREAT, Pope and Doctor of the Church (c. 400-461)

Pope from 440 to 461, during the time of the invasion of Attila the Hun. When Attila marched on Rome, Leo went out to meet him and pleaded for leave. As Leo spoke, Attila saw the vision of a man in priestly robes (believed to be **St. Peter**), carrying a bare sword, and threatening to kill the invader if he did not obey Pope Leo.

11 NOV (Friday)
VETERANS DAY

SAINT MARTIN OF TOURS, Bishop (c. 316-397)
Martin was born to pagan parents; his father was a Roman military officer and tribune. Martin joined the Roman imperial army at age 15. He once gave a beggar half of his heavy officer's cloak, and later had a vision of Jesus wearing the cloak. Martin was persecuted by the Arians, who were openly hostile to Catholics, and later became first a hermit, then the bishop of Tours. Martin was the first non-martyr to receive the cultus of a saint.

12 NOV (Saturday)
SAINT JOSAPHAT, Bishop and Martyr (1580-1623)

Basilica of
St. John Lateran



MINISTRY AND GROUP NEWS

NATIVITY MOMS GROUP

All moms are invited to join the **Nativity Moms' Group**. Our next meeting will be **Friday, 11 NOV 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.

SAVE THE DATE: SCHOLA SERAPHICA CONCERT



Rehearsals are underway for **Schola Seraphica's 9th Annual Christmas Concert** on **04 December 2016** at **02:30 PM**. The concert will once again be at the beautiful St. Patrick's Seminary Chapel, 320 Middlefield Road, Menlo Park.

MONTHLY MORNING OF RECOLLECTION

The **Opus Dei Women's Group** has a monthly morning of recollection at Nativity, which is sponsored by the Charwick Study Center (www.charwick.org). They meet on the second Thursday of the month beginning at **09:30 AM**. For more information please contact: **Carrie** at **408/674-2861** or **Bridget** at **650/224-8025**. Find more information about Opus Dei at www.opusdei.org.



HOLIDAY PIE DELIVERIES

The Corpus Christi Chapter of the Dominican Laity will have the pies you ordered for pick up on **Sunday, 06 NOV 2016, only** after the **09:30** or **11:30 AM** Masses. Don't forget to get the delicious pies you ordered. Thank you for your contributions.

You have never strayed too far for the Father's forgiveness and grace.

H4: HOLY HOUR-HAPPY HOUR

Young adults in their 20s and 30s are encouraged join us for a Holy Hour at the Church of the Nativity on **Tuesdays** from **08:00-09:00 PM**, followed by drinks at **09:00 PM** at a nearby pub or café.

All are welcome. If you have any questions, please e-mail holyhourhappyhour@gmail.com.



EUCCHARISTIC 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):



Sunday: 10:00 PM

Monday: 12:00 PM (noon)

Thursday: 12:00 PM (noon); 01:00 PM; 02:00 PM

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.

*Pregnant? Need Help? Please contact
the Juan Diego Society (408/258-2008),
the Gabriel Project (800/910-0191),
or San Juan Diego Centro por la Vida at St. Francis (650/322-2152).*

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 • Kyle Gregory, son of
Gregory and Angela Stern

MARRIAGES • Edgar Blanco and Monica Orozco
• Josip Dugandzic and Laetia Whiteley

PARISHIONERS • Gina and Ludovic Godet (*Manon, Pierrine*)
• Chad Frontino

DEATHS • Doris Bonino
• Eve Bielecki

The Memorial Mass for **Eve Bielecki** will be held on **Wednesday, 09 NOV 2016** at **09:00 AM**.

WEEKLY ENVELOPE USERS

We have received a message from the company that provides our Sunday envelopes. Beginning with the December envelopes they will be adding an extra 1st Sunday envelope, which will be the envelope for **01 JAN 2017**. You will also receive the standard 1st Sunday of January envelope with the January mailing. This will continue each month to ensure that you have an envelope for the first week of the following month if the mail is delayed in the postal system.



IN THE COMMUNITY

SPECIAL COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

This weekend there will be a special collection for the **Archdiocese for the Military Services (AMS)**. This collection is taken up every third year for the benefit of the AMS. The mission of the Archdiocese is to “serve those who serve” by providing pastoral care and services to Catholics serving the United States Armed Forces, enrolled in the U.S. Military Academies, undergoing treatment at any of the 153 Department of Veterans Affairs’ Medical Centers, working in civilian jobs for the federal government beyond U.S. borders, and the families of these populations. Please be generous and help the AMS carry on its vital mission.

EXTRAORDINARY JUBILEE OF MERCY: MONTHLY SPEAKER SERIES

On **19 NOV 2016** from **10:30 AM-12:00 PM**, Archbishop of San Francisco, **Salvatore Cordileone**, will give a talk on “*Reflections on the Year of Mercy*” at **Saint Mary’s Cathedral Event Center**, 1111 Gough Street, San Francisco. The presentation is open to the public and free of charge. The event will begin with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 10:15 AM (in the Event Center below the Cathedral). More information is available at **415/567-2020** or www.stmarycathedralsf.org.

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**.



SEEKING HOPE AND HEALING

If you are separated or divorced and seeking hope and healing please join a one-day retreat *New Beginnings, New Hope* in this Year of Mercy. Presentations will include: *Merciful like the Father; Healing from Divorce by looking back; Dismantling the Myths: Divorce and Annulments; Moving Forward, Building Community* (a presentation/small group discussion).

The retreat will be on **12 NOV 2016** from **09:00 AM-03:00 PM** at **St. Hillary Catholic Church**, 761 Hilary Drive, Belvedere, Tiburon. The cost is **\$25.00** per person and includes lunch. Limited childcare is available; pre-registration is required. For more information and to register go to www.newhopesf.info or contact **Ed Hopfner** at hopfnere@sfarch.org or **Victoria Parrott** at **702/460-3116**.

PRO-LIFE MEETING

San Mateo Pro-Life will meet on **Thursday, 10 NOV 2016** at **07:30 PM** in the Worner Center of St. Gregory parish (138 28th Ave, San Mateo (cross street, Hacienda)).

Discussing:

- Current: Mustard Seed; Legislative Update
- Banish Baywood Planned Parenthood
- Election results and ramifications on life issues

Let’s defend all people from conception to natural death.

All are welcome. For more info, contact **Jessica** at **650/572-1468**

CATHOLIC CHARITIES CYO TRANSPORTATION SERVICES SEEKING DRIVERS

Catholic Charities CYO Transportation Services has employment opportunities for individuals who wish to be a school bus driver. CHP – Certified School Bus Driver Training will be provided at no cost in **late November 2016**. If you are looking for a good paying job with benefits you may sign up for the free training. Please contact **Bill Avalos**, Operations Manager at bavalos@catholiccharitiessf.org or **650/757-2117**.

FROM THE HOLY SEE

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

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

Universal: *Countries Receiving Refugees*

That the countries which take in a great number of displaced persons and refugees may find support for their efforts which show solidarity.

Missionary: *Collaboration of Priests and Laity*

That within parishes, priests and lay people may collaborate in service to the community without giving in to the temptation of discouragement.

NATIVITY ADOPT-A-FAMILY

The time for the **26th Annual Nativity Adopt-a-Family** program is here! Parishioners adopt a needy family in the area and commit to buying gifts for each child and a family gift. We also have Wish List Items for local charitable organizations such as New Creation (a home for pregnant women), St. Francis Center of Redwood City, Juan Diego Society, etc. There will be sign-ups after Masses



on **12-13** and **19-20 NOV 2016**. The date of delivery is **Saturday, 17 DEC 2016**. We will also be taking volunteers for the packaging of food and delivery. We again anticipate your generosity and thank you in advance. This is a great way to share the joy of Christmas for those less fortunate than us, and for families or groups to go together and participate. For questions, call **Mary Ellen Peloso, 650/269-7794**.

RESPONSIBLE CATHOLIC CITIZENSHIP



Election season can be a great opportunity for catechesis about missionary discipleship and the political responsibilities of Catholics. To help you in your formation efforts, and to equip you to answer questions about the Church's role in political life, the **Catholic bishops** have made available dozens of resources at faithfulcitizenship.org.

NANO FARMS

NANO Farms USA is a Community Supported Agricultural (CSA). It is a worker-owned cooperative 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**.



CALENDAR OF NOVENAE

06 NOV (SUN)

07 NOV (MON)

08 NOV (TUE)

09 NOV (WED)

10 NOV (THU)

11 NOV (FRI)

12 NOV (SAT)

13 NOV (SUN) FIRST DAY: Saint Cecilia

14 NOV (MON) SECOND DAY: Saint Cecilia

15 NOV (TUE) THIRD DAY: Saint Cecilia

16 NOV (WED) FOURTH DAY: Saint Cecilia

17 NOV (THU) FIFTH DAY: Saint Cecilia

18 NOV (FRI) SIXTH DAY: Saint Cecilia

19 NOV (SAT) SEVENTH DAY: Saint Cecilia

FIND THE NOVENA PRAYERS

St. Cecilia:

nashvilledominican.org/charism/st_cecilia/Novena_to_St_Cecilia

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



CUT THROUGH THE NOISE OF WHAT IS AT STAKE IN THIS ELECTION

Fr. John Lankeit of Ss. Simon and Jude Cathedral in Phoenix, AZ delivered a powerful 19-minute sermon on 02 OCT 2016 that, without naming names, goes straight to the heart of what is at stake in this election. This homily has now been translated into other languages and aired on EWTN Radio. Many people are calling it "the best homily I have ever heard on the most crucial issue of our times." Listen to it for yourself:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=881aDDE5qFY>

THE MEMORARE

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, we fly unto you, O Virgin of virgins, our mother; to you we come, before you we stand, sinful and sorrowful.

O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not our petitions, but in your infinite mercy, hear and answer us.

LIVES OF THE SAINTS: Saint Martin of Tours

Born: 316 Died: November 8th, 397
Feast Day: November 11th



WHAT THE WORLD WAS LIKE

Saint Martin of Tours lived during the fourth century. During this time, Constantine I ruled the Roman Empire, and he was the first emperor to be baptized a Christian. By the end of the century, Christianity became the official religion of the Empire.

WHO HE WAS

Saint Martin was born in France. His father was a senior officer in the Roman army. Martin had no desire to join the army. He was far more interested in learning about Christianity, which was still not widely accepted. However, because he was the son of an officer, he had to join the army when he was only fifteen years old.

Martin lived as a humble, religious man in the army. Although he was allowed to have a servant, he never asked the servant for anything. While Martin was a soldier, he experienced something that changed his life. One day he saw a beggar who did not have enough clothes to keep himself warm. Martin immediately cut his own cloak in half and gave the other half to the beggar. In his sleep that night, Martin had a dream in which Jesus was wearing the piece of cloak. Soon after having this dream, he was baptized.

When Martin was twenty years old, he decided that he could no longer fight in the army. When he was released from the army's service, he went to the city of Tours. There, he became a follower of Hilary of Poitiers. Hilary and Martin together set up a monastery just outside of Tours. Martin lived a quiet life in the monastery and was always willing to welcome those who were less fortunate.

When the Bishop of Tours died in 371, the people of Tours agreed that they wanted Martin to become the new bishop. Martin wanted a life of solitude and prayer, and so at first he refused to become the bishop. However, some residents of Tours tricked him into coming to the city. Although he resisted, he eventually became the new Bishop of Tours. Martin did not change the way he lived when he became a bishop. He continued living a simple life. He prayed, taught, and preached throughout France. He served as Bishop of Tours for over twenty years until his death at the age of eighty-one.

WHAT HE MEANS TO US

Saint Martin lived a life of great humility and modesty. He was a great man whose example we should all strive to follow. He helped people out of the kindness of his heart, not for glory or fame.

PRAYER FOR VETERANS

Almighty God, we commend to Your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our Armed Forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with Your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of Your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Need some ideas? Visit a local VA hospital (Menlo Park or Palo Alto). Visit the USS Hornet Museum (docked in Alameda). Tell a veteran "thank you." *Pray* for everyone in the Armed Forces.

www.anysoldier.com

www.shieldsofstrength.com

www.uss-hornet.org

www.loc.gov/vets



INTERIOR OF SAINT JOHN LATERAN

19TH-CENTURY ENGRAVINGS
(INDIANAPOLIS MUSEUM OF ART)

EXTERIOR OF SAINT JOHN LATERAN

