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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



HEARING LOOP ENABLED

24-hour Eucharistic Adoration



HEARING LOOP ENABLED

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

16 OCTOBER 2016

... one on one side and one on the other,
so that his hands remained steady till sunset.

EXODUS 17: 12



Victory, O Lord -- John Everett Millais

FIRST READING

As long as Moses kept his hands raised up,
Israel had the better of the fight.

EXODUS 17: 8-13

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Indeed He neither slumbers nor sleeps,
the guardian of Israel.

PSALMS 121

SECOND READING

Proclaim the word; be persistent whether it
is convenient or inconvenient.

2 TIMOTHY 3: 14 - 4: 2

GOSPEL

He will see to it that justice is done for them
speedily.

LUKE 18: 1-8

CALENDAR

SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS WEEK OF 16 - 22 OCT

SAT	05:00 PM	Priest's intentions
SUN	Masses	Priest's intentions
MON	07:30 AM	† Meke and Soni Haunga
	05:30 PM	† Joseph and Barbara Wynne
TUE	07:30 AM	Benefactors of the parish
	05:30 PM	Lucienne Woods
WED	07:30 AM	† Souls in Purgatory
	05:30 PM	Arthur E. Guerra; † Antonette Kavanaugh; † Ken Bret Fisse
THU	07:30 AM	Sean Masuhara
	05:30 PM	† Danny Olin
FRI	07:30 AM	† John and Virginia Conway
	05:30 PM	Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Broz; † Lucy Rios
SAT	08:00 AM	Tomas Mieres; Rozanne Southorn; † Lemuel Southorn; † Peggy and Forest Nazworthy

Please pray for those in need of physical or spiritual healing

INFANT JESUS OF PRAGUE PRAYER SOCIETY

NOVENA, LITANY, PRAYER INTENTIONS/THANKSGIVING, AND ADORATION

The **Infant Jesus of Prague Prayer Society** invites parishioners and guests to join in prayer before our Infant Jesus shrine on **17 OCT 2016** at **01:00 PM**. Each month, on the 17th day, we begin the first day of the Infant Jesus of Prague Novena, a litany, prayer intentions/thanksgivings, and conclude with adoration.



Our Lord answers all prayers. It is *how* God answers that is most compelling. Let the Word made flesh, the Infant Jesus, open your our heart, mind, and soul to receive and trust in His Divine Plan for your life.

Our 24-hour Infant Jesus Prayer Line is always open to receive any prayer request and thanksgivings. Please call **650/281-3339**, contact **Anne Delaney, O.F.S.**, or write to pray2infantjesus@aol.com. *We give glory to God through our gratitude.*

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)

16 OCT (Sunday)

17 OCT (Monday)

10:00 AM The Bible Group
01:00 PM Infant Jesus of Prague Society
07:30 PM Legion of Mary
07:30 PM RCIA

18 OCT (Tuesday)

09:30 AM Bible Study
07:00 PM Bible Study
08:00 PM H⁴

19 OCT (Wednesday)

07:00 PM Confirmation Class

20 OCT (Thursday)

11:00 AM The Thursday Group

21 OCT (Friday)

22 OCT (Saturday)



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

PARISH OFFERINGS

	WEEK OF 01-02 OCT
	TOTAL: \$11,216
Annual Diocesan Appeal Progress:	\$63,621
2016 ADA Goal:	\$148,082

SAINTS AND OBSERVANCES

SOLEMNITY, FEAST, MEMORIAL • OPTIONAL MEMORIAL • OTHER

17 OCT (Monday)

SAINT IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH, Bishop and Martyr
(c. 50 - c. 107)

Ignatius was a pagan convert to Christianity, who succeeded **Peter** as bishop of Antioch, Syria. He served during the persecution of Domitian, and during the persecution of Trajan, he was ordered taken to Rome to be killed by wild animals. On the way, a journey which took months, he wrote a series of encouraging letters to the churches under his care. He was the first writer to use the term *the catholic Church*. -- *"No earthly pleasures, no kingdoms of this world can benefit me in any way. I prefer death in Christ Jesus to power over the farthest limits of the earth. He who died in place of us is the one object of my quest. He who rose for our sakes is my one desire."*

18 OCT (Tuesday)

SAINT LUKE, Evangelist

Doctor and companion of **St. Paul**, Luke is a patron to both physicians and artists. In addition to his Gospel, Luke authored a history of the early Church in the *Acts of the Apostles*.



19 OCT (Wednesday):

SAINTS ISAAC JOGUES, JOHN DE BRÉBEUF and COMPANIONS, Martyrs

Missionaries to the Mohawks and Iroquois, who were brutally tortured and martyred for the faith in New France.

20 OCT (Thursday)

SAINT PAUL OF THE CROSS, Priest (1694-1775)

After receiving a vision, and while still a layman, Paul founded the *Congregation of Discalced Clerks of the Most Holy Cross and Passion* (the *Passionists*) in 1721 to preach about Jesus Crucified. Paul was a preacher of such power that hardened soldiers and bandits were seen to weep.

22 OCT (Saturday)

SAINT PETER OF ALCANTARA, Priest (1499-1562)

Franciscan who founded the friary at Babajoz at age 20, serving as its superior. He helped with the reforms of the Franciscan order (the *Alcantarine* reforms, today known as the *Strictest Observance*), and was a friend and confessor to **Saint Teresa of Avila**. Peter was a mystic and writer whose works were used by **Saint Francis de Sales**.

MINISTRY AND GROUP NEWS

CALLING SINGERS AND MUSICIANS



If you play an instrument or sing, consider joining us, the contemporary music group, at the **09:30 AM** Mass. We have a special need for tenors, basses and a drummer. All are welcome - middle school or older. Interested? Contact **Barbara Nelson** at **650/464 2971** or bnelson1015@gmail.com. Or just talk to one of us after the **09:30 AM** Mass on Sundays.

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 nativitymenlorespectlife@yahoo.com 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**.



FOURTH ANNUAL HOLIDAY PIE SALE

On **Sunday, 30 OCT 2016**, after the Masses, the **Corpus Christi Chapter of the Dominican Laity** invite you once again to sample delicious gourmet pies for sale. We will take orders for Pumpkin, Apple, Berry Supreme, Strawberry Rhubarb, and Gluten-free Peach and Pumpkin pies. The 8-inch pies cost **\$20** and come unbaked-frozen. They keep perfectly in the freezer for 10-12 months. All orders can be picked up on the following **Sunday, 06 NOV 2016, only** after the **09:30** or **11:30 AM** Masses. Come meet us, say hello, and find out about the Lay Dominicans, who are celebrating the Order's 800th anniversary. Order a pie in time for your Thanksgiving, Christmas, or New Year's gatherings or to give as gifts.

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

SMALL FAITH-SHARING GROUP

The Fall session of the Small Faith-Sharing Group will begin the week of **13 NOV 2016**. It will meet for six weekly sessions. The resource material for the next session will include prayers, reflection on the Sunday readings, faith-sharing questions and ideas for action responses. Please call **Tim Kennedy** at **650/321-4818** to sign up and for further information.

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: 03:00 PM

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

Friday: 12:00 PM (noon)

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 • Katherine Marie, daughter of William and Rebecca Clark

MARRIAGES • Daniel Alvarez and Simone Grant
• Robert Moran and Stephanie Marzillo

PARISHIONERS

DEATHS • Maury Moseley

SPECIAL COLLECTION

Next weekend is **World Mission Sunday** and there will be a second collection. *"Mercy Changes the World"* – and through your prayer and financial support you too can be merciful to those most in need, half a world away, by supporting the priests, religious Sisters and Brothers, and lay catechists to provide them with loving service. Your support directly benefits the Mission Church in places where young churches are growing, filled with zeal for the faith, but struggling with lack of resources for outreach to the communities in need. Thank you for your continued support.

IN THE COMMUNITY

EXTRAORDINARY JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY SPEAKER SERIES

On **22 OCT 2016** from **10:30 AM-12:00 PM**, His Eminence **William Cardinal Levada**, Archbishop Emeritus of San Francisco, will give a talk at St. Mary's Cathedral Event Center, 1111 Gough Street, San Francisco. The topic will be *"Pope Saint John Paul II, Reflections on Dives in Misericordia"* (Rich in Mercy). The Chaplet of Divine Mercy begins at **10:15 AM** in the Events Center below the Cathedral. For more information please call **415/567-2020** or www.stmarycathedral.org. October 22nd is the feast day of St. John Paul II.

HOLY DOORS "PILGRIMAGE"

Nativity Parish will have a "pilgrimage" to the **Holy Doors at St. Patrick's Seminary on Sunday, 23 October 2016**, after the **11:30 AM** Mass. Parishioners can gather in front of the Church and process to the the seminary. For those who prefer, you can meet the procession at the main entrance to the seminary building around **02:00 PM**. Monsignor Otellini will lead us in a prayer service at that time. Please welcome all to join us in this great spiritual opportunity. For questions, call **Deacon Peloso 650/269-6279**.

"CLERICUS CLASSIC" BASKETBALL GAME

The Archdiocese of San Francisco presents the **2016 Clericus Classic Basketball Game** featuring the priests of the Archdiocese vs. St. Patrick's Seminarians on **Friday, 21 OCT 2016 at 07:00 PM** at **Archbishop Riordan High School**, 175 Phelan Avenue, San Francisco. A limited number of tickets are available at www.sfarch.org/basketball or call the Vocation Office **415/614-5684**. Tickets are **\$10 general/\$5 students**. Proceeds of the game will go to the Office of Vocations, supporting the work of promoting vocations and forming seminarians.

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. On the third Tuesday of the month **Fr. Mark Mazza** will begin the Holy Hour with reflection. Confessions will also be available. All are welcome. If you have any questions, e-mail holyhourhappyhour@gmail.com.

RISE! 2016 CONFERENCE

The **RISE! 2016 Conference** is a free two-day event for Bay Area teens and young adults, as well as parents, catechists and teachers. It will be held at **Our Lady of Peace Church and Shrine on 04-05 November 2016** and will feature two internationally-known speakers on topics of purity, chastity and sexual morality: **Colin Nykaza** and **Sarah Swafford**. The purpose of Rise! 2016 is to instruct and encourage youth to rediscover the beauty of the human vocation to love.



www.riseba.org

RCIA FOR 2016-2017 NOW UNDERWAY

Adults interested in Catholicism are invited to attend the **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** at Nativity. We meet **Mondays, 07:30-09:00 PM** in the O'Hare Center, and began **26 SEP 2016**. This faith formation series is for adults who have never been baptized, or were baptized in another faith, and are now considering becoming Catholic, and for Catholic adults who never received First Communion and Confirmation. The classes are in preparation for the reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation at the Easter Vigil, **Saturday evening, 15 APR 2017**. We will accept new participants throughout **September and October**. See the brochures in the vestibule or visit www.nativitymenlo.org for more detailed information.

NATIVITY SCHOOL INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL

One of the strengths of Nativity School is the number of cultures and countries represented by our wonderful families! To celebrate our various cultures please join us for the **Third Annual International Festival** at Nativity School on **Sunday, 06 NOV 2016 from 11:00 AM-01:00 PM**. All are welcome to help us celebrate your family's heritage by wearing your traditional costume, bringing a traditional food item to share (small servings for about 20 people), sharing music, dance or other ritual of your culture. If you have any questions, would like to participate in any way, or would like more information contact **Kate Ermacoff** at kermacoff@nativityschool.com. All are welcome to join in the celebration.

FROM THE HOLY SEE

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

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

Universal: *Journalists*

That journalists, in carrying out their work, may always be motivated by respect for truth and a strong sense of ethics.

Missionary: *World Mission Day*

That World Mission Day may renew within all Christian communities the joy of the Gospel and the responsibility to announce it.

VOLUNTEERING: PENINSULA FOOD RUNNERS

Are you looking for a satisfying but flexible volunteer opportunity? **Peninsula Food Runners** is a volunteer organization dedicated to alleviating hunger and reducing food waste. We are building our volunteer base in San Mateo County and invite you to join us.

Peninsula Food Runners volunteers pick up excess perishable and prepared food from participating donors (restaurants, caterers, corporate cafeterias, etc.), and then deliver the food directly to our recipients (shelters, day centers for the elderly, Boys and Girls Clubs, etc.).



We are in urgent need of drivers. Surplus food is available, but we have too few drivers to transport the food to local non-profits which feed the hungry.

Shifts normally take less than 90 minutes and can work around your schedule. Come join our team of volunteers!

Go to www.peninsulafoodrunners.org and register under Volunteer Sign-Up. For questions or more information, email Maria Yap at maria_yap@yahoo.com or call Maria at 415/826-6903.

ATTENTION VOTERS!

• **54-Day Rosary Novena:** Parishioners are encouraged to say the rosary for 54 days (27 in petition and 27 in thanksgiving) for our country. This can begin on any day that works for you. Padre Pio said that the rosary is the “weapon of our time.” Don’t just say it, pray it!

Every parishioner is encouraged to join in prayer and education in preparation for the upcoming election. Please put aside other events as this is most important.

For any questions, please contact **Deacon Dominick (650/269-6279)** or **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.

CALENDAR OF NOVENAE

16 OCT (SUN) FOURTH DAY: Pope Saint John Paul II

17 OCT (MON) FIFTH DAY: Pope Saint John Paul II

18 OCT (TUE) SIXTH DAY: Pope Saint John Paul II
FIRST DAY: Saint Jude

19 OCT (WED) SEVENTH DAY: Pope Saint John Paul II
SECOND DAY: Saint Jude

20 OCT (THU) EIGHTH DAY: Pope Saint John Paul II
THIRD DAY: Saint Jude

21 OCT (FRI) NINTH DAY: Pope Saint John Paul II
FOURTH DAY: Saint Jude

22 OCT (SAT) Feast of Pope Saint John Paul II
FIFTH DAY: Saint Jude

23 OCT (SUN) SIXTH DAY: Saint Jude
FIRST DAY: All Saints

24 OCT (MON) SEVENTH DAY: Saint Jude
SECOND DAY: All Saints

25 OCT (TUE) EIGHTH DAY: Saint Jude
THIRD DAY: All Saints

26 OCT (WED) NINTH DAY: Saint Jude
FOURTH DAY: All Saints

27 OCT (THU) Feast of Saints Simon and Jude
FIFTH DAY: All Saints

28 OCT (FRI) SIXTH DAY: All Saints

29 OCT (SAT) SEVENTH DAY: All Saints

FIND THE NOVENA PRAYERS

Pope St. John Paul II

gloria.tv/article/19L2j9pFYdR12aFEkDwJ91cun

St. Jude:

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

All Saints' Novena:

www.piercedhearts.org/treasures/devotions/Novenas/novena_all_saints.html

ST. PATRICK'S SEMINARY JOB OPPORTUNITY

St Patrick's Seminary is looking for an individual to join in the mission of the Seminary as our part-time **Front Office Administrative Assistant** working weekday mornings, **~16-20 hrs/week**. Key responsibilities include, but not limited to: supporting a professional environment that is welcoming to students, staff and general public while effectively directing incoming phone calls, mail and general emails.

For complete job description and qualifications needed, please email: david.flores@stpsu.edu.

CATHOLIC ESTATE AND PERSONAL PLANNING

Estate planning? Funeral and burial planning? End-of-life bioethical decisions? Where do you begin? And where can you find trustworthy advice from a specifically Catholic perspective? The Archdiocese offers free seminars to help orient you to these complex and important topics. Upcoming dates are **Saturday, 22 OCT 2016, at 10:00 AM** at **Mission Dolores Basilica**, 3321 16th Street, San Francisco, and **Saturday, 29 OCT 2016, at 02:00 PM** at **All Souls Church** 315 Walnut Avenue, South San Francisco. Seating is limited, so please register to attend by phone or email: 415/614-5580, development@sfarch.org.

Young Believers



With the ever-increasing use of email and texting, the abbreviation “OMG” has come into widespread and common use (even appearing in advertisements for the California lottery at one time!). While many people may regard this as “simply an expression”, it is in fact a **blasphemy**: you are taking the Lord’s name in vain, in violation of the Second Commandment. Are you willing to be a strong Catholic and obey the Commandments that our Creator gave us? Don’t use this “phrase”, and encourage others to follow your good example (it’s a small sacrifice: offer it up for the souls in Purgatory!).

The Church also offers us a **partial indulgence** if we say “Blessed be God” whenever we hear God’s name taken in vain. So the next time someone texts you “OMG”, text them back “BBG”.

And when they ask you what it means, explain this whole situation to them!

IN THE COMMUNITY

LITTLE HOUSE ACTIVITIES

Check out all the fascinating things that are happening at **Peninsula Volunteers’ Little House** in October!

www.penvol.org/littlehouse

NOTRE DAME HIGH SCHOOL

Sunday, 23 October 2016

11:00 AM - 01:30 PM

www.ndhsb.org

It’s all here - the teachers, the traditions, the perfect class size, the all-girls setting. It’s **Notre Dame High School**, and it’s as amazing as the students themselves!

OPEN HOUSE

STANFORD HEALTHCARE VOLUNTEERING

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: would you be interested in sharing Holy Communion with the adult Catholic patients at Stanford Hospital several times a month, on the days of your choice? Our Catholic communities actively support this program of nearly 90 volunteers. The fall training classes for new volunteers, organized by Stanford Healthcare’s Spiritual Care Team, will be held on **10 OCT, 07** and **14 NOV 2016**, tentatively **06:30-09:00 PM** at **Our Lady of the Rosary**, 3233 Cowper Street, Palo Alto. To learn more about this ministry, and how to apply, please contact **Raksha** in the Spiritual Care Office, **650/723-5101** for an application.

HELP FOR TROUBLED MARRIAGES

Those whose marriages end in divorce are often people who never learned the proper tools for a happy marriage. This is where **Retrouvaille** (*rě-trō-vī*) can help. Teams of couples who have experienced all four stages of marriage (as explained in *Retrouvaille*) present the program. Instead of giving up, they found solutions and learned the tools they need to live a happy marriage; that there are certain learnable skills, attitudes and tools that they can use to deal with the inevitable problems of the real world. The next *Retrouvaille* weekend will be **04-06 NOV 2016** at the Hilton Garden Inn in Mtn View. The fee is **\$100**, including meals. For more information, registration, and other upcoming dates visit www.retrouvaille.org or call **Harvey** and **Cortne** at **415/893-1005** or **Joel** and **Sharon** at **707/217-8796**.



“America needs no words from me to see how your decision in *Roe v. Wade* has deformed a great nation. The so-called right to abortion has pitted mothers against their children and women against men. It has sown violence and discord at the heart of the most intimate human relationships. It has aggravated the derogation of the father’s role in an increasingly fatherless society. It has portrayed the greatest of gifts--a child--as a competitor, an intrusion, and an inconvenience. It has nominally accorded mothers unfettered dominion over the independent lives of their physically dependent sons and daughters. And, in granting this unconscionable power, it has exposed many women to unjust and selfish demands from their husbands or other sexual partners.”

-- *Saint Teresa of Calcutta to the United Nations (1994)*

OCTOBER IS
PRO-LIFE MONTH and
MONTH OF THE ROSARY



PAULINE BOOKSTORE IN REDWOOD CITY

“*Miracle on Middlefield*” The future home of the **Pauline Book and Media Center** and the **Convent of the Daughters of St. Paul** will be located on Middlefield Road and 6th Avenue, on the Redwood City/Menlo Park border beginning in Spring 2017. Donations for the remodel of the building may be sent to the Daughters of St. Paul, 3079 Oak Knoll Drive, Redwood City, 94062.