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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

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Rev. Mark G. Mazza

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HEARING LOOP ENABLED



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THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

12 NOVEMBER 2017



For you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts
like the earth, parched, lifeless and without water.

PSALMS 63: 2

FIRST READING

Taking thought of wisdom is the perfection
of prudence.

WISDOM 6: 12-16

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Your kindness is a greater good than life.

PSALMS 63

SECOND READING

The Lord himself, with a word of command,
... will come down from heaven.

1 THESSALONIANS 4: 13-18

GOSPEL

Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither
the day nor the hour.

MATTHEW 25: 1-13

CALENDAR

SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS WEEK OF 12 - 18 NOV

SAT	05:00 PM	Priest's intentions
SUN	Masses	Priest's intentions
MON	07:30 AM	† John Kates; † John and Kathleen Demeter
	05:30 PM	† Souls in Purgatory
TUE	07:30 AM	† Souls in Purgatory
	05:30 PM	† Shelby Drazan
WED	07:30 AM	† Rosaleen Kelly
	05:30 PM	The Otellini family; † Barbara Widmer; † Joshua Loren Mallari Paderna; † Souls in Purgatory
THU	07:30 AM	† Souls in Purgatory
	05:30 PM	† Nancy Preston
FRI	07:30 AM	Julian Verbo
	05:30 PM	† Edward J. Hogan; † Souls in Purgatory
SAT	08:00 AM	The Parsons family; Eugene Woods; † Rosalie Woods; † 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

PARISH OFFERINGS

	WEEK OF 28-29 OCT
TOTAL:	\$10,601
Diocese of Santa Rosa Fire Fund:	\$7,878
ADA Progress:	\$92,706
2017 Archdiocesan Appeal Goal:	\$165,940

Donate online: www.tinyurl.com/sf2017ADA

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)
12 NOV	(Sunday)	Adopt-a-Family Sign-Ups Dominican Laity Pie Deliveries RCIA
	03:00 PM	
13 NOV	(Monday)	Legion of Mary
	07:30 PM	
14 NOV	(Tuesday)	Bible Study
	09:30 AM	
	07:00 PM	Bible Study
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15 NOV	(Wednesday)	Mid-Peninsula Catholic Moms Confirmation Class
	09:30 AM	
	07:00 PM	
16 NOV	(Thursday)	The Thursday Group 1st Reconciliation Parent Mtg
	11:00 AM	
	07:00 PM	
17 NOV	(Friday)	Infant Jesus of Prague Society
	01:00 PM	
18 NOV	(Saturday)	Natural Family Planning Class Baptism Class Adopt-a-Family Sign-Ups
	09:00 AM	
	10:15 AM	
	05:00 PM	



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

SAINTS AND OBSERVANCES

SOLEMNITY, FEAST, MEMORIAL • OPTIONAL MEMORIAL • OTHER

13 NOV (Monday):

SAINT FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI (1850-1917)

Foundress of the *Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart*. Frances and six Sisters arrived in New York from Italy in 1889. They worked among immigrants, especially Italians. **Mother Cabrini** founded 67 institutions, including schools, hospitals, and orphanages in the United States, Europe and South America. Like many of the people she worked with, Mother became a United States citizen during her life, and after her death she was the first US citizen to be canonized.

14 NOV (Tuesday):

SAINT NICHOLAS TAVELIC AND COMPANIONS, Martyrs (d. 1391)

As Franciscan custodians of the shrines in the Holy Land, **Nicholas, Deodat, Peter of Narbonne** and **Stephen of Cuneo** decided to take a direct approach to converting the Muslims. On November 11, 1391, they went to the huge Mosque of Omar in Jerusalem and asked to see the Qadi (Muslim official). Reading from a prepared statement, they said that all people must accept the gospel of Jesus. When they were ordered to retract their statement, they refused. After beatings and imprisonment, they were beheaded before a large crowd.

Nicholas and his companions were canonized in 1970. They are the only Franciscans martyred in the Holy Land to be canonized.

17 NOV (Friday)

SAINT ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY, Patroness of the Third Order (1207-1231)

The daughter of King Andrew of Hungary; she married Prince Louis of Thuringa at age 13. Built a hospital at the foot of the mountain on which her castle stood and tended to the sick herself. Once when she was taking food to the poor and sick, Prince Louis stopped her and looked under her mantle to see what she was carrying; the food had been miraculously changed to roses.



18 NOV (Saturday)

DEDICATION OF THE BASILICAS OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL



ST. PETER'S, ROME



ST. PAUL'S, ROME

MINISTRY AND GROUP NEWS

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.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Nativity Church is open 24x7. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for adoration and there is always someone present in prayer. Won't you join us by signing up for a 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

Tuesday: 09:00 PM

Thursday: 10:00 PM

Friday: 08:00 AM

Saturday: 03:00 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.

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

NATIVITY ADOPT-A-FAMILY

The **22nd Annual Nativity Christmas Adopt-a-Family** is coming. We will again be providing gifts and food for around 200 families. There will be signups on **11-12** and **18-19 NOV 2017**. Delivery will be on **16 DEC 2017**. More information will be available in the next weeks. Please put in on your calendar.



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 NOV 2017** 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 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.*

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**
- **Mattia Wei**, son of **Fulvio Bonecchi** and **Merry Kuo**
 - **Juliana Evelyn Rose**, daughter of **Benny** and **Alicia Pacheco**

MARRIAGES

PARISHIONERS

- DEATHS**
- **Marcellina Davis**
 - **Matthew Cruz**
 - **Ricardo Torres**
 - **Andrew Gonzales**

HOLIDAY PIE SALES

Pick up your pies on **Sunday, 12 NOV 2017** after the **08:00, 09:30** or **11:30 AM** Masses. The **Menlo Park Corpus Christi Chapter of the Dominican Laity** would like to thank you for ordering pies again this year. These pies keep perfectly in the freezer for 10-12 months. Come meet us and find out about the Lay Dominicans.

H4: HOLY HOUR-HAPPY HOUR

Come join us for Holy Hour at Church of the Nativity every **Tuesday** at **07:00 PM** for some quiet time in Eucharistic Adoration, followed by Happy Hour with fellow young adults at a nearby pub. For other activities and announcements, check out our Facebook Group: [Holy Hour Happy Hour \(Mid Peninsula Catholics\)](#) or email us at holyhourhappyhour@gmail.com.

MID-PENINSULA CATHOLIC MOMS

We welcome moms of all stages and young children at our meetings. Bring a toy to share. Refreshments will be provided.

Topic: *Living the Liturgical Year*

Date: **Wednesday, 15 NOV 2017**

Place: **O'Hare Center**

Time: **09:30-11:30 AM**

To RSVP contact **Monica Hendricks**, mmthendricks@gmail.com, home phone **650/367-4944** or **Christina Lee**, lee.christina.s@gmail.com, **650/450-8498**

facebook.com/groups/mpcatholic or meetup.com/Catholic-Moms

VALLOMBROSA THANKSGIVING PRAYER SERVICE

We cordially invite you to join us for an afternoon of music, prayer, and reflection in celebration of the gift of God's love. The **Vallombrosa Choir**, under the direction of **Patrick Feehan**, will perform a Thanksgiving Prayer Service in the Chapel at the Vallombrosa Center on **Sunday, 12 NOV 2017** at **02:00 PM**. A suggested donation of **\$20/person** is welcome. For more info, contact **David** via davidl@vallombrosa.org or call **650/325-5614**.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

Next weekend there is a second collection for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development**. Over 46 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs to empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to lift themselves out of poverty. By supporting this collection you give people a hand up, not a handout. To learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development visit www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE GLUTEN-INTOLERANT

We now have available low-gluten altar bread for those who are gluten-intolerant. These hosts contain **less than 0.01%** gluten and are approved by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. If you wish to receive Holy Communion with this special host please get at the end of the Communion line and let the priest know that you would like to receive the low-gluten host. If you have any questions please call the parish office, **650/323-7914**.



If you would like to learn more about this altar bread, visit www.altarbreadsbpa.com/

SCHOLA SERAPHICA CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Tickets are available for **Schola Seraphica's 11th Annual Christmas Concert** on **10 DEC 2017, 02:00 PM** at **St. Patrick's Seminary**. Tickets are **\$20** for adults and **\$15** for seniors and students. They may be purchased at the Nativity parish office between **09:00 AM-04:00 PM, Mon-Fri**. Seating is limited. We are looking forward to sharing more beautiful music with you.

IN THE COMMUNITY

NFP OVERVIEW CLASS

Our next Natural Family Planning (NFP) class will be on **Saturday, 18 NOV 2017**. This class will give an overview of the benefits of NFP, which is based on up-to-date science and is individualized for every couple. It works with the body's natural rhythm and increases respect for the couple's fertility as God designed it. NFP is an investment in your marriage which you don't want to be without. Couples who are to be married at Nativity are required to take this class. The class is conducted by **Finola Glassmoyer**, a registered nurse, who has been teaching NFP for many years. The hour-long class is held in the O'Hare Center and begins at **09:00 AM**. For more information and to register for this class, contact **Finola**, **650/868-3090** or love2pray@gmail.com.

PILGRIMAGE TO GUADALUPE

Catholic Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico 09-14 DEC 2017 to be there for the Feast Day and the beautiful Mass of Roses on **12 DEC 2017**. **\$2049.00** per person including airfare from San Francisco. Breakfast, lunch and dinner daily. Mass every day. For a flyer or more detailed information, please call **Cathie** or **Michael Milano** at **800/773-2660**.



FROM THE HOLY SEE

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

Each month **His Holiness** asks for prayer intentions. For **November 2017**, the Holy Father's prayer intention is:

Intention: *Christians in Asia*

That Christians in Asia, bearing witness to the Gospel in word and deed, may promote dialogue, peace, and mutual understanding, especially with those of other religions.



SCHEDULE OF CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR SERVICES

20 DEC (Wednesday)
 07:00 PM Simbang Gabi Mass
 07:30 PM Advent Penance Service
 (at St. Raymond's Church)

23 DEC (Saturday)
 08:00 AM Daily Mass
 05:30 PM Vigil Mass
 (4th Sunday of Advent)

24 DEC (Sunday)
 08:00 AM Mass: 4th Sunday of Advent
 09:30 AM Mass: 4th Sunday of Advent
 11:30 AM Mass: 4th Sunday of Advent
Christmas Eve
 06:00 PM Vigil Mass of Christmas
 10:00 PM Choral Prelude to
 Christmas Mass
 10:45 PM Christmas Proclamation and
 Procession to the Crib
 11:00 PM Midnight Mass of Christmas

25 DEC (Monday) *Christmas Day*
 08:00 AM Christmas Day Mass
 09:30 AM Christmas Day Mass
 11:30 AM Christmas Day Mass
 (no 05:00 PM Mass)

26 DEC (Tuesday) *Feast of St. Stephen*
 09:00 AM Daily Mass (one Mass only)

31 DEC (Sunday)
 08:00 AM Holy Sacrifice of the Mass
 09:30 AM Holy Sacrifice of the Mass
 11:30 AM Holy Sacrifice of the Mass
 05:00 PM Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

01 JAN (Monday) *Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God*
 09:00 AM Daily Mass (one Mass only)

02 JAN (Tuesday) Regular daily Mass schedule

CALENDAR OF NOVENAE

12 NOV (SUN)

13 NOV (MON) FIRST DAY: Saint Cecilia

14 NOV (TUE) SECOND DAY: Saint Cecilia

15 NOV (WED) THIRD DAY: Saint Cecilia

16 NOV (THU) FOURTH DAY: Saint Cecilia

17 NOV (FRI) FIFTH DAY: Saint Cecilia

18 NOV (SAT) SIXTH DAY: Saint Cecilia

19 NOV (SUN) SEVENTH DAY: Saint Cecilia

20 NOV (MON) EIGHTH DAY: Saint Cecilia

21 NOV (TUE) NINTH DAY: Saint Cecilia

22 NOV (WED) Feast of Saint Cecilia

23 NOV (THU) Thanksgiving Day

24 NOV (FRI)

25 NOV (SAT)

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

Efficacious Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus:

www.ewtn.com/devotionals/heart/sh_novena.htm

EWTN (ETERNAL WORD TELEVISION NETWORK)

EWTN is a 24x7 Catholic television station. They broadcast locally on Comcast **74** and digital **229**, DirecTV **422**, and DISH channel **461**. EWTN also broadcasts on traditional and satellite radio (**1260 AM** and channel **160** on Sirius Satellite Radio). You can also watch/listen to their programs directly online at www.ewtn.com. EWTN broadcasts daily



Mass several times per day. They also broadcast the Holy Rosary, Chaplet of the Divine Mercy, and similar prayerful interludes. A complete program schedule is available on their website.

BOOKLET: PRAYING THE ROSARY FOR THE WORLD

The *Praying the Rosary for the World: God's Power is in our Hands When We Pray the Rosary* booklet was compiled by the Cloistered Dominican Nuns of Corpus Christi Monastery in Menlo Park. It includes a prayer for each mystery of the Rosary, and a special intention for each "Hail Mary" related to the mystery being said. You may purchase these booklets in the parish office during regular office hours, **Monday-Friday, 09:00 AM-04:00 PM**. The booklets are **\$2.00** apiece. All money will go directly to Corpus Christi Monastery.

INDULGENCED PRAYER

Reciting any of these prayers with a properly reverent and contrite intention gives you a **partial indulgence**. Why not save this page and recite these prayers often?

THE ANGELUS

The Angel of the Lord declared to Mary, and she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Behold the handmaid of the Lord: Be it done unto me according to Thy word.

Hail Mary . . .

And the Word was made Flesh: And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary . . .

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts; that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ, Thy Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection, through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.

THE MAGNIFICAT

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Savior for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.

He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation. He has shown the strength of his arm, he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of his servant Israel for he remembered his promise of mercy, the promise he made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children forever.

THE ANIMA CHRISTI

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from Christ's side, wash me. Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O good Jesus, hear me. Within Thy wounds hide me. Suffer me not to be separated from Thee. From the malicious enemy defend me. In the hour of my death call me, and bid me come unto Thee, that I may praise Thee with Thy saints and with Thy angels forever and ever. Amen.

HAIL, HOLY QUEEN

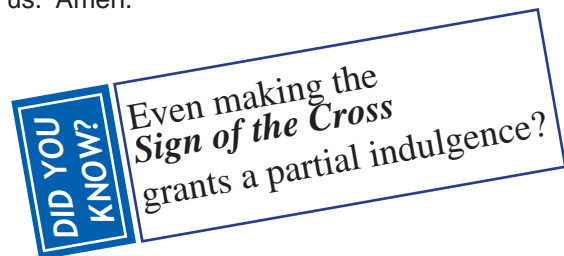
Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then, Most Gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us, and after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruits of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. Amen.

ANGEL OF GOD

Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love entrusts me here. Ever this day be at my side, to light, to guard, to rule, to guide. Amen.

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 mercy hear and answer us. Amen.



The Church also grants a **partial indulgence** each time these short prayers are said (**memorize them!**)

My Jesus, mercy! (300 days)

All for Thee, O most Sacred Heart of Jesus (300 days)

Blessed be God! (50 days, if said upon hearing a blasphemy -- remember our **No OMG** campaign?)

Grant, O Lord, that I may know Thy Will and do it (300 days)

My God, I love Thee (300 days)

O Jesus, save me (300 days)

Sacred Heart of Jesus, I put my trust in Thee (300 days)

Mother of Mercy, pray for us (300 days)

Merciful Lord Jesus, give them (him, her) everlasting rest (300 days, applicable to the deceased)

May it please you, O Lord, to reward with eternal life all those who do good to us for your Name's sake. Amen.