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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. Mr. Thomas Kelly

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24-HOUR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

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



THE TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

25 JUNE 2017

Everyone who acknowledges Me before others
I will acknowledge before My heavenly Father.

MATTHEW 10: 32



FIRST READING

The Lord is with me, like a mighty champion.
JEREMIAH 20: 10-13

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

In Your great kindness answer me with Your
constant help.

PSALMS 69

SECOND READING

The gift is not like the transgression.
ROMANS 5: 12-15

GOSPEL

*"Fear no one. Nothing is concealed that
will not be revealed."*

MATTHEW 10: 26-33

CALENDAR

SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS WEEK OF 25 JUN - 01 JUL

SAT	05:00 PM	Priest's intentions
SUN	Masses	Priest's intentions
MON	07:30 AM	All fathers, living and deceased
	05:30 PM	† Frances St. John
TUE	07:30 AM	Holly O'Driscoll
	05:30 PM	† Miriam and Rolly Somer; † Tom Del Sarto
WED	07:30 AM	The Turchet family
	05:30 PM	All fathers, living and deceased; Marissa Ramirez Zweiger; † Gary Carlton Parker; † Mary Ann Josvai
THU	07:30 AM	† Alba Rigali
	05:30 PM	Mark and Margaret Head
FRI	07:30 AM	All Sulpicians, living and deceased, who have served Nativity parish;
	05:30 PM	Cardinal Raymond L. Burke; All fathers, living and deceased
SAT	08:00 AM	Phillip Honore; Wesley Bieniaszewski; Pat and Susan O'Hare; † Jeanne Clarke;

Please pray for those in need of physical or spiritual healing

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)

25 JUN	(Sunday)	
26 JUN	(Monday)	
	07:30 PM	Legion of Mary
	07:30 PM	St. Vincent de Paul Society
27 JUN	(Tuesday)	
	08:00 PM	H ⁴
28 JUN	(Wednesday)	
29 JUN	(Thursday)	
	11:00 AM	The Thursday Group
30 JUN	(Friday)	
01 JUL	(Saturday)	First Saturday

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



BULLETIN NEWS

REMINDER: SUBMISSION GUIDELINES


Items for the bulletin should be emailed to the
bulletin editors at nativity.bulletin@gmail.com.

EARLY SUBMISSION DEADLINE

For the upcoming holiday our publishers have earlier-
than-usual submission deadlines for specific bulletins.

- Items for the **09 July 2017** bulletin must be
submitted by **Wednesday, 28 June 2017**.

PARISH OFFERINGS

	WEEK OF 10-11 JUN
TOTAL:	\$12,887
ADA Progress:	\$38,850
2017 Archdiocesan Appeal Goal:	\$165,940
Donate online: www.tinyurl.com/sf2017ADA	

SAINTS AND OBSERVANCES

SOLEMNITY, FEAST, MEMORIAL • OPTIONAL MEMORIAL • OTHER

29 JUN (Thursday): SAINTS PETER and PAUL

Peter was a Galilean fisherman chosen by Jesus to be His disciple. Jesus changed his name **Simon** (Hebrew for *he who hears*) to **Peter** (Greek for *rock*). After the Ascension, Peter is described in **Acts** as “chief of the Apostles”. From the middle of the 3rd century onwards, documents show that the Bishops of Rome were recognized as the successors of Peter.



Paul is the “apostle of the Gentiles”. He was born in Tarsus as a Roman citizen, and was raised and educated as a Pharisee. Before his conversion he was a zealous persecutor of Christians. After experiencing the Risen Christ, he became accepted in the Christian community through the intercession of **Barnabas**. It is believed Paul was martyred for the faith around the year 66.

30 JUN (Friday): FIRST HOLY MARTYRS OF THE HOLY ROMAN CHURCH (d. ~64)

Christians who were blamed by the Roman Emperor Nero with setting fire to Rome, Italy, and were sentenced to death as punishment. They were all disciples of the Apostles. The total number of these murders is known only to God.

01 JUL (Saturday): SAINT JUNIPERO SERRA, Priest (1713-1784)

A tireless worker, Serra was largely responsible for the foundation and spread of the Church on the West Coast of the United States. Founded twenty-one missions, converted thousands of Native Americans, and trained many of them in European methods of agriculture, cattle husbandry, and crafts. Dedicated religious and missionary, penitent and austere in all areas of his life.

MINISTRY AND GROUP NEWS

NATIVITY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

Nativity School is currently accepting applications for grades Pre-K to 7th. Please call the school office, 650/325-7304, to request an application or visit our school website at www.nativityschool.com > Admissions.

Nativity School, mindful of its mission to be a witness to the love of Christ for all, admits students of any race, color, and national and/or ethnic origin to all the rights and privileges, programs and activities generally accorded to or made available to students at this school.

Nativity School does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, ethnicity, and national and ethnic origin, age, sex, or disability in administration of educational policies, admission policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

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: 01:00 PM (twice per month)

Tuesday: 01:00 AM

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.

TOGETHER IN HOLINESS: CATHOLIC MARRIAGE CONFERENCE

The **Archdiocese of San Francisco** and the **St. John Paul II Foundation** present the *2nd annual Together in Holiness Catholic Marriage Conference* on **Saturday, 05 AUG 2017** from **09:00 AM-03:45 PM** at **Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary**, 1040 Alameda de Las Pulgas, Belmont. This one-day event includes dynamic presentations, Mass celebrated by **Archbishop Cordileone**, Eucharistic Adoration, and Reconciliation. Speakers include **Dr. Ray Guarendi**, national TV and radio host; **Mary Caprio**, Fellow of the St. John Paul II Foundation; and local speaker **John Hamlon**. Complimentary childcare (2-12 years) is available, space limited. Cost is **\$59/couple** or **\$35 individual**; early bird discounts are available until **30 JUN 2017**. To learn more and register visit www.togetherinholiness.org or contact **Susie Lopez 469/237-1029**, susie@forlifeandfamily.org

FATIMA CELEBRATION

On **Thursday, 13 JUL 2017**, 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**.



*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

MARRIAGES

- PARISHIONERS**
- Sheenah Esbig and Jesus Contreras (*Nazarene*)
 - Chloe and Peter Santa Maria (*Matthew, Eleanor*)
 - Robyn and Paul Monger

- DEATHS**
- Fr. William Queenan

SPECIAL COLLECTION

This weekend the Archdiocese of San Francisco will take up the **Peter's Pence** collection, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Join our Holy Father as a witness of charity to those who are suffering.

Checks for all special collections should be made out to the **Church of the Nativity**. In the memo line write the appropriate reference for your donation, for example: *Peter's Pence*.

FR. WILLIAM QUEENAN

We learned on **Sunday, 11 JUN 2017** that **Fr. Bill Queenan** died that morning. He was 82 years old. He was the associate pastor at Nativity from 1979 to 1998. That year he moved to Centerville, Massachusetts to retire and live near his family. Fr. Queenan had many talents. Once he had met someone he would greet them by name even if they had met only one time previously. He also loved to play the piano and often entertained our Thursday Group. You may send your condolences and memories of Fr. Queenan to his sister:

Paula Connolly
151 Katherine Road
Centerville, Massachusetts 02632

May he rest in peace.

QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR MARRIAGE?

Many have read in the secular and Catholic press reports about the efforts of Pope Francis to assist married couples. For many reasons there is a lack of solid information about these matters. Your priests share the concerns of the Holy Father and make themselves available to help couples have the certainty of a Catholic marriage that is fully recognized by the state and the Catholic Church. For further information and for couples to arrange a personal meeting with a priest, please contact **Fr. Mark G. Mazza** at **650/323-7914**, xtn 103 or frmgm2012@yahoo.com.

IN THE COMMUNITY

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL STORE VOLUNTEERS

Would you like to give back by helping others? The **Society of St. Vincent de Paul** in its Redwood City Store has volunteer cashier positions available right now. Hours are **12:00-03:00 PM** or **03:00-06:00 PM, Monday-Sunday**. Training will be provided. The mission of SVdP's stores is to offer free goods to our neighbors in need and low-cost options to customers shopping on a budget or interested in supporting a sustainably green community. Pope Francis would love our stores, as they lift up those in need, while supporting the environment - perhaps we should call them *Laudato Si* stores! For information on this exciting opportunity please contact **Alicia Rangel**, Stores General Manager at **650/588-5734**. We look forward to you joining our team!

COME AND SEE!

Praising unceasingly. Blessing by intercession. Preaching through a life of contemplation. **Single, Catholic women** between the ages of **18-38** are invited to experience a taste of the life of a cloistered Dominican nun. Contact **Sister Joseph Marie, O.P.**, Vocation Directress, at vocations@nunsmenlo.org, or visit our website at www.nunsmenlo.org/discernment-days/ to learn more and to register for one of our upcoming *Come and See Days*:

- Saturday, 15 JUL 2017
- Saturday, 21 OCT 2017
- Saturday, 13 JAN 2018

The event is free and all meals will be provided. Space is limited and fills fast!



VALLOMBROSA RETREAT CENTER NEWS

Noted Catholic author **Alice Camille** will be hosting "*The Holy Mirror*" Summer Retreat at Vallombrosa Retreat Center, 250 Oak Grove Ave., Menlo Park, from **Sunday, 13 AUG 2017, 01:00 PM** to **Friday, 18 AUG 2017, 04:00 PM**. This retreat is open to the public. This is a scriptural retreat with many different attendance options. Attendance options and rates are on the website.

For information, contact **David Leech** at **650/325-5614**, or visit www.vallombrosa.org.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL TWILIGHT FASHION SHOW

The **Society of St. Vincent de Paul** of San Mateo County (SVdP) invites you to a *Happy Hour and Fashion Show* on **Tuesday, 22 AUG 2017** from **05:30-07:30 PM** in **Trinity Church's** beautiful courtyard, celebrating the courage and beauty of the women of SVdP's **Catherine Center** blossoming into new life. The women will model fashions from SVdP's thrift stores. The evening includes cocktails, mocktails, and heavy hors d'oeuvres. Tickets are **\$75** and can be purchased at www.svdpsm.org or <https://commitchange.com/nonprofits/3414/events/920>. Trinity Church is located at 330 Ravenswood Avenue, Menlo Park.



FROM THE HOLY SEE

THE HOLY FATHER'S
PRAYER INTENTIONS

Each month **His Holiness** asks for prayer intentions. For **July 2017**, the Holy Father's prayer intentions are:

Intention: *Lapsed Christians*

That our brothers and sisters who have strayed from the faith, through our prayer and witness to the Gospel, may rediscover the merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of the Christian life.

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.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY GROUP

The **Women's Catholic Scripture Study group of San Mateo County** invites you to join us for our upcoming study called *The United Kingdom of Israel: A Foreshadowing of the Reign of Christ the King* which will examine the lives of Kings Saul, David and Solomon to learn how their Old Testament reigns—especially the reign of David—point ahead to the kingdom of heaven. It will cover the First Book of Samuel 7:3 through the First Book of Kings 11:43.

For a sample lesson of this Bible study, go to: www.TurningtoGodsWord.com and click on **TtGW Studies**. Our 28-week study begins **Thursday, 07 SEP 2017**, and ends **10 MAY 2018** (with breaks for Thanksgiving, Christmas, President's Week, and Easter) and includes study questions, small group discussion, and class wrap-up lecture. We meet at **St. Mark Catholic Church**, Belmont. Class times are **09:45 AM–12:00 PM**.

For more information, please visit www.cssbelmont.com. To receive an application to join us, please contact either **Diane Masetti** at diane@cssbelmont.com, or **650/593-3681** or **Tami Palladino**, at tami@stcharlesparish.org, or **650/592-7349 x405**.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: RE-ENTRY FAIR

The **Archdiocese of San Francisco Restorative Justice Ministry** is hosting an event on **Friday, 08 SEP 2017**, from **08:00 AM-04:00 PM** as part of our peace and justice mission. The Restorative Justice Conference and Resource Fair will explore current challenges in our re-entry systems and showcase city agencies and non-governmental organizations working in education, employment, legal services, substance abuse recovery, and more. Volunteer opportunities both before and during the event are available. The conference will be held in the Conference Center of St. Mary's Cathedral. For more information contact **Julio Escobar**, Restorative Justice Ministry **415/614-5572** escobarj@sfarch.org. To register for the conference: www.reentryaction.org/conference_registration

CALENDAR OF NOVENAE

25 JUN (SUN)	SIXTH Day: Saints Peter and Paul
26 JUN (MON)	SEVENTH Day: Saints Peter and Paul
27 JUN (TUE)	EIGHTH Day: Saints Peter and Paul
28 JUN (WED)	NINTH Day: Saints Peter and Paul
29 JUN (THU)	Feast of Saints Peter and Paul
30 JUN (FRI)	
01 JUL (SAT)	
02 JUL (SUN)	FIRST Day: Saint Benedict
03 JUL (MON)	SECOND Day: Saint Benedict
04 JUL (TUE)	<i>Independence Day</i> THIRD Day: Saint Benedict
05 JUL (WED)	FOURTH Day: Saint Benedict
06 JUL (THU)	FIFTH Day: Saint Benedict
07 JUL (FRI)	SIXTH Day: Saint Benedict FIRST Day: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
08 JUL (SAT)	SEVENTH Day: Saint Benedict SECOND Day: Our Lady of Mount Carmel

FIND THE NOVENA PRAYERS

Novena to Saints Peter and Paul:

<http://op54rosary.ning.com/events/novena-to-ss-peter-and-paul>

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_glor.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



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

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. Using this booklet while saying the Rosary will not only be helpful to you, but also for the world. 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.

CARNIVAL



AND THE WINNERS ARE..

37TH ANNUAL NATIVITY CARNIVAL RAFFLE WINNERS

This year there were many opportunities to win with the raffle tickets purchased.

The following people won \$399.00 Apple gift cards as door prizes:

- Russ Castle
- Sebastian Palacios
- Theresa McCorkhill
- Paula San Filippo
- Gloria Lipari

On Friday and Saturday evenings there were Early Bird Drawings for \$1000.00.

The winners were:

- Sheila Jun
- Pat Voll

The winners of the Sunday final raffle drawing were:

- \$1000.00 Sami Nawas
- \$3000.00 Karen Skogstrom
- \$10,000.00 Maureen Curran

Congratulations to all the winners! Thank you to all who supported the Nativity Carnival and raffle.

CORNER

DID YOU
KNOW?

THE “UNKNOWN WOUND” OF JESUS

SAINT BERNARD OF CLAIRVAUX, the French abbot and mystic who helped to renew the Cistercian Order in the twelfth century, related in the Annals of Clairvaux a conversation he had once had with Our Lord. He prayed, asking Jesus which was His greatest unrecorded suffering; and the Lord answered him:

“I had on My Shoulder while I bore My Cross on the Way of Sorrows, a grievous Wound which was more painful than the others, and which is not recorded by men. Honor this Wound with thy devotion, and I will grant thee whatsoever thou dost ask through its virtue and merit. And in regard to all those who shall venerate this Wound, I will remit to them all their venial sins, and will no longer remember their mortal sins.”

ST. PIO OF PIETRELCINA for more than 50 years bore the wounds of Christ (the stigmata) on his hands and feet. In a book published in the Italian language by St. Pio's friary, titled Il Papa e Il Frate, author Stefano Campanella reported that the future St. Pio had once had a very interesting conversation with Karol Wojtyla, the future St. Pope John Paul II.

According to Campanella, Fr. Wojtyla asked Padre Pio which of his wounds caused the most pain. Padre Pio

replied, “It is my shoulder wound, which no one knows about and has never been cured or treated.”

St. Bernard of Clairvaux, after receiving the message from Christ regarding the pain He experienced in His shoulder, sought to foster devotion to the Shoulder Wound of Christ, and penned this prayer:

Prayer to the Shoulder Wound of Christ

Most loving Jesus, meek Lamb of God, I, a miserable sinner, salute and worship the most Sacred Wound of Thy Shoulder on which Thou didst bear Thy heavy Cross which so tore Thy flesh and laid bare Thy Bones as to inflict on Thee an anguish greater than any other wound of Thy Most Blessed Body. I adore Thee, O Jesus most sorrowful; I praise and glorify Thee, and give Thee thanks for this most sacred and painful Wound, beseeching Thee by that exceeding pain, and by the crushing burden of Thy heavy Cross to be merciful to me, a sinner, to forgive me all my mortal and venial sins, and to lead me on towards Heaven along the Way of Thy Cross. Amen.

(Imprimatur: +Thomas D. Beven, Bishop of Springfield.)

If you search on-line for “Shroud of Turin shoulder wound” you can also read confirming evidence from forensic experts that the Man Who was wrapped in the Shroud suffered a dislocation of the shoulder that would have resulted in paralysis of the right arm and unbelievable pain.