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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 07:00 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. Patrick J. Driscoll

PERMANENT DEACONS

Rev. Mr. Dominick Peloso

Rev. Mr. Thomas Kelly

VISITING PRIESTS

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SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Mrs. Monica Hickam • mon.hickam@gmail.com

24-HOUR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

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



FIRST READING

Elijah went over to him and threw his cloak over him.

1 KINGS 19: 16, 19-21

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Keep me, O God, for in You I take refuge.

PSALMS 16

SECOND READING

The whole law is fulfilled in one statement, namely, You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

GALATIANS 5: 1, 13-18

GOSPEL

“Foxes have dens and birds of the sky have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to rest His head.”

LUKE 9: 51-62



THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

30 JUNE 2019

You, go and proclaim
the kingdom of God.

LUKE 9: 60

CALENDAR

SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS WEEK OF 30 JUN - 06 JUL

SAT	05:00 PM	Priest's intentions
SUN	Masses	Priest's intentions
MON	07:30 AM	† Sheila Chambers
	05:30 PM	† Isabelle and Frank Da Prato
TUE	07:30 AM	† Gilberte Balderas
	05:30 PM	† Bob and Dot Connelly
WED	07:30 AM	The Neylan and Cardine families
	05:30 PM	† Arthur Bellaire; † Charles Tuzar; † Josue Sacristan; † Jozo Majic; † Nancye Miller
THU	09:00 AM	ICF #351 living and deceased members
FRI	07:30 AM	† Kathleen Hahn
	05:30 PM	† Betty Kelly
SAT	08:00 AM	The Peloso and Munk families; Benefactors of the parish; † John J. Grant, Jr.; † Bruce Barclay

Please pray for those in need of physical or spiritual healing



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



The parish office will be closed
on Thursday, 04 July 2019
for Independence Day.

There will be one Mass,
at 09:00 AM, on Thursday.



PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

If you believe you are a victim of sexual abuse, please call our hotline at **415/614-5506**.

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)

30 JUN (Sunday)

01 JUL (Monday)

06:15 PM Legion of Mary
07:30 PM St. Vincent de Paul Society

02 JUL (Tuesday)

07:00 PM H⁴

03 JUL (Wednesday)

06:00 PM St. Joseph Novena

04 JUL (Thursday)

Independence Day
(one Mass only)

05 JUL (Friday)

First Friday

1ST


06 JUL (Saturday)

First Saturday

1ST



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

PARISH OFFERINGS	
	WEEK OF 15-16 JUN
TOTAL:	\$10,502
Annual Diocesan Appeal Progress:	\$37,538
2019 ADA Goal:	\$152,041

SAINTS AND OBSERVANCES

SOLEMNITY, FEAST, MEMORIAL • OPTIONAL MEMORIAL • OTHER

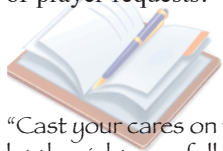
03 JUL (Wednesday):

SAINT THOMAS, Apostle

Poor Thomas! He made one remark and has been branded as “Doubting Thomas” ever since. But if he doubted, he also believed. He made what is certainly the most explicit statement of faith in the New Testament: “My Lord and My God!” and, in so expressing his faith, gave Christians a prayer that will be said until the end of time. He also occasioned a compliment from Jesus to all later Christians: “Have you come to believe because you have seen? Blessed are those who have not seen, and have believed.”

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**

04 JUL (Thursday):

INDEPENDENCE DAY

Although July 4th 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 19th, 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 (Saturday):

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.

MINISTRY AND GROUP NEWS

NIGHT OF REPARATION

June is dedicated to the **Sacred Heart of Jesus**. It is also LGBTQ month. While we as Catholics should respect and love all people, we cannot countenance activity that leads to sin against human dignity and the sacredness of marriage. You are invited to make reparation for any sins being committed and promoted by spending time in front of the Blessed Sacrament from **11:00 PM Saturday, 29 JUN 2019 to 05:00 AM Sunday, 30 JUN 2019**. There will be a rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy at the top of each hour, along with other prayers of reparation. Jesus atoned for our sins on the cross. Please join us for the full time or any amount of time that you are able. For questions, call **Deacon Dominick Peloso, 650/269-6279**.

FATIMA CELEBRATION
On **Friday, 12 JUL 2019**, we will have our next **2019 Fatima Celebration**. It will include Holy Mass, a talk on the apparition, Rosary Candlelight Procession, and Benediction. The celebration continues each month on or about the **13th** until **OCT**. As the world seems to grow in chaos and confusion, the messages of Fatima and these prayers become more and more important. Please join us and help bring Jesus back into the lives of everyone. We will pray especially for the healing of so many hurts.



For questions, call **Deacon Dominick Peloso, 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)**.

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 his charitable works around the world. Funds from this collection help victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Please be generous. For more information visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

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*.

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):

Wednesday: AM, 10:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 12:00 PM

Saturday: 10:00 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.

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 • **Matheus**, son of
Carlos and Tatiana Facanha
Catalina, daughter of
Ivan Marinovic and Irina Danilkina

MARRIAGES • **Ian Chilcote and Victoria Rodriquez**

PARISHIONERS • **Luis and Erica Carrillo**
(*Luis G., Arianna and Alyssa*)

DEATHS • **Most Rev. Pierre DuMaine**

This would be a good opportunity for us to re-examine our level of giving in consideration of rising costs to our parish operation, and increasing our weekly contribution.

SVdP Volunteering

Our St. Vincent de Paul Conference is in need of volunteers. If you are able to help them help the poor in our area, please call **Mike Wilmer at 650/346-1089**.

NATIVITY'S ONLINE GIVING TRANSITION: UPDATE

For several years the Church of the Nativity has had an "e-giving" option for our parishioners who would rather donate to Nativity online instead of using our weekly envelopes. More than 300 parishioners have taken advantage of this service. This option has been provided by **Vanco Services, LLC**. We are now in the process of transitioning our online giving to *Our Sunday Visitor's (OSV) Online Giving* program. OSV is a Catholic organization that provides many services to the Catholic Church and this Online Giving program through OSV has been recommended for use by the Archdiocese of San Francisco.

If you are **already giving online and have an email address** with Vanco you will receive an email from OSV on or after **08 JUL 2019**, to help you with the transition of your account to OSV Online Giving.

If you **do not have an email address with your e-giving** or you **do not yet give online**, but would like to begin, you may go to <https://osvonlinegiving.com/4667/> now to "Create Account" and follow the step-by-step instructions to begin giving online.

As of **Monday, 22 JUL 2019** Online Giving with OSV will become active and Vanco will be deactivated. If you have any questions or need any help with this transition please call the parish office, **650/323-7914**.

IN THE COMMUNITY

RETRouvaille ANNUAL FAMILY PICNIC

It's that time again! Our annual SF Retrouvaille Family Picnic! It's going to be a ton of fun, so please bring the family and join us! Please help us with the head count and RSVP today!

Date: **Saturday, 20 JUL 2019**

Time: **12:00-03:00 PM BBQ**

Location: the home of **Tony and Lolette**
110 Garner Court, Novato 94947

It's a "potluck", so please feel free to bring a side dish to share. Plenty of hot dogs and sausages will be provided. (Options will include natural, chicken and GF vegetarian)

Kids are very welcome! Bring swim suits and towels if you'd like to cool off in the pool.

To RSVP, please email **Cortne and Harvey** at sfretro.bui@gmail.com

Please RSVP by **Thursday, 11 JUL 2019**

GREGORIAN CHANT SUMMER CAMP

Mater Ecclesiae Academy (MEA) is sponsoring a summer youth camp with a sacred difference, where campers 6-16 will learn the basics of the timeless sung prayer of the Church. This year the student will be instructed by **Mary Ann Carr-Wilson** with the Benedict XVI Institute. The camp will be held **23-25 JUL 2019** from **09:30 AM-01:30 PM** at **St. Patrick's Seminary**, 320 Middlefield Road, Menlo Park. For more information visit:

www.materecclesiaeacademy.org/p/chant-camp-info.html, or call Mater Ecclesiae Academy **408/748-1887** or email office@materecclesiaeacademy.org.

"BROWN BAG" SUNDAY



This week the **St. Vincent de Paul Society** will be collecting donations after the Masses.

The **Nativity Conference of St. Vincent de Paul** is a very active one. Several times a week members go out to the needy of our parish bringing food, or assistance with PG&E bills or rent. More and more of the needy in our parish are in need of rental assistance due to the skyrocketing rental prices in this area. These collections on the 5th Sundays make their good work possible. Please be generous.

TOGETHER IN HOLINESS CONFERENCE

On **Saturday, 03 AUG 2019**, the **St. John Paul II Foundation** presents the fourth annual *Together in Holiness* marriage enrichment conference, in collaboration with the Archdiocese of San Francisco Office of Marriage & Family Life. This one-day event includes dynamic presentations, Mass celebrated by **Most Rev. Robert E. Christian, O.P.**, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of San Francisco, Eucharistic Adoration, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Speakers include **Deacon Harold-Burke Siver; Roland Millare, S.T.D.**; and more. On-site childcare is available (2-12 years), pre-registration is required. Cost: **\$59/ couple or \$35/individual**. Scholarships are also available. The conference will be held on **03 AUG 2019** from **09:00 AM-04:00 PM**, at the **Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary**, 1040 Alameda de las Pulgas, Belmont. For more information: Visit www.togetherinholiness.org or email Conference Coordinator **Susie Lopez** at susie@forlifeandfamily.org.

FROM THE HOLY SEE

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

Each month His Holiness asks for prayer intentions. For **July 2019**, the Holy Father's intention is:

Intention: *The Integrity of Justice*

That those who administer justice may work with integrity, and that the injustice which prevails in the world may not have the last word.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING BILINGUAL MASS AND PICNIC

NFP friends and family picnic Come celebrate the US Bishops' **National NFP Awareness Week** by joining us for a bilingual Mass and picnic on **Saturday, 27 JUL 2019** at **St. Raymond's Parish** in Menlo Park. Mass is at **10:00 AM** with **Fr. Larry Goode** and will be followed by a potluck picnic. The Archdiocese will provide hamburgers, hotdogs, buns, condiments, plates, and utensils. Please bring drinks and a side dish or dessert to share. RSVP to **Ed Hopfner**, Office of Marriage & Family Life **415/614-5547** (HopfnerE@SFArch.org) so we know how much food to purchase. St. Raymond Church. 1100 Santa Cruz Ave., Menlo Park.

ST. FRANCIS CENTER: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

St. Francis Center in Redwood City is look for volunteer ESL teachers for adult students. Starting in **August** for the **2019/2020** school year, English tutors/teachers are needed **Monday** through **Friday** at various times during the day. 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 **Tess** at St. Francis Center at **650/365-7829** for more information and to sign up.

CAMP MONTE STELLA:

A Leadership Camp for Girls Entering 5th-9th Grades

Date: Sun-Thurs, 21-25 JUL 2019

Venue: 17301 Silver Spur Drive, Tuolumne, CA 95379

Fee: \$480. Sibling discount of \$25

Website: www.campmontestella.com

For video, photos, information and an application form

Email: ask@campmontestella.com



Our combined camp offers a unique, fun-filled week to explore your talents, make new friends, acquire good habits, and advance in the skills to be a leader. Try dance, creative arts, cooking, and STEM experiments. Learn etiquette at the Elegant Dinner, and party at the Decades Dance! The fun continues outdoors with the Miner's Flume water slide, Giant Swing, and Broken Hollow Archery. Additionally, deepen your leadership and faith through talks, daily Mass and the Rosary. Spaces fill up quickly, so register now!

CALENDAR OF NOVENAE

30 JUN (SUN)

01 JUL (MON)

02 JUL (TUE)

FIRST Day: Saint Benedict

03 JUL (WED)

SECOND Day: Saint Benedict

04 JUL (THU)

Independence Day

THIRD Day: Saint Benedict

05 JUL (FRI)

FOURTH Day: Saint Benedict

06 JUL (SAT)

FIFTH Day: Saint Benedict

07 JUL (SUN)

SIXTH Day: Saint Benedict

FIRST Day: Our Lady of Mount Carmel

08 JUL (MON)

SEVENTH Day: Saint Benedict

SECOND Day: Our Lady of Mount Carmel

09 JUL (TUE)

EIGHTH Day: Saint Benedict

THIRD Day: Our Lady of Mount Carmel

10 JUL (WED)

NINTH Day: Saint Benedict

FOURTH Day: Our Lady of Mount Carmel

11 JUL (THU)

Feast of Saint Benedict

FIFTH Day: Our Lady of Mount Carmel

12 JUL (FRI)

SIXTH Day: Our Lady of Mount Carmel

13 JUL (SAT)

SEVENTH Day: Our Lady of Mount Carmel

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>

CATHOLIC CHARITIES CYO: BUS DRIVER WANTED

Catholic Charities CYO Transportation is currently recruiting school bus drivers for routes in San Francisco, San Mateo and Marin counties; a great part-time or full-time opportunity. No experience driving large vehicles is required.

CHP Certification Training is provided at no cost. Excellent benefits package and competitive pay. For more information, contact **Marty** at mrea@CatholicCharitiesSF.org.

VALLOMBROSA CENTER NEWS

Beating Back the Gates of Hell – How a Weak Church Strengthens Saints and Sinners Alike

Are you discouraged and heartbroken about the scandals rocking our Church? Find out how a weak Church strengthens Saints and Sinners. Join our new Auxiliary Bishop and Rector of St. Patrick Seminary, **Most Rev. Robert Christian, O.P.**, on **Friday, 26 JUL 2019, 06:30 PM** to **Sunday, 28 JUL 2019, 11:00 AM** for this 3-day retreat. He will explore how, without sugarcoating anything, and without being in denial about the presence of personal and structural sin in the Church, we can live, in His Church, in Jesus' victory: We **can** snatch victory from the jaws of defeat. Renew yourself, renew the Church. Full weekend rates and commuter rates available at www.vallombrosa.org/calendar or call **650/325-5614**. Register soon as this event will sell out.

Vallombrosa Retreat Center is located at 250 Oak Grove Avenue, Menlo Park.



LETTER CAMPAIGN AGAINST SB360: THE "SEAL OF CONFESSION" BILL

Archbishop Cordileone asks all the faithful of the Archdiocese to contact their state Assembly representative to voice their opposition to SB360, proposed legislation that threatens the confidentiality of the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation. The state Senate has already approved the bill, which would take away the full right to confession from priests and everyone who works with priests in parishes and Church agencies statewide. You may go to <https://www.sfarch.org/KeepTheSeal> for more information. There you can download a letter to send to your Assembly member or send a note via email to your state representative.

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*

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The First Friday and First Saturday Devotions

Many Catholics observe special devotions on the First Friday and First Saturday of each month, particularly attendance at Mass and the reception of the Eucharist.

First Friday:

Our Lord revealed to **Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque**, as one of the **12 Promises of the Sacred Heart**:

"In the excess of the mercy of My Heart, I promise you that My all-powerful love will grant to all those who will receive Communion on the First Fridays, for nine consecutive months, the grace of final repentance: they will not die in My displeasure, nor without receiving the sacraments; and My Heart will be their secure refuge in that last hour."

First Saturday:

Subsequent to the apparitions at Fatima, our **Blessed Mother** appeared again to **Saint Lucia**, on **10 DEC 1925**, with the Child Jesus by her side. At that time, she revealed her Immaculate Heart to Lucia, and told her:

"Look, my daughter, at My Heart, surrounded with thorns with which ungrateful men pierce Me at every moment by their blasphemies and ingratitude. You at least try to console Me and say that I promise to assist at the hour of death, with the graces necessary for salvation, all those who, on the first Saturday of five consecutive months, shall confess, receive Holy Communion, recite five decades of the Rosary, and keep me company for fifteen minutes while meditating on the fifteen mysteries of the Rosary, with the intention of making reparation to Me."

Would you consider making these your own special devotions to the Hearts of Jesus and Mary?



PRAYER OF ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT

Our Lord revealed to St. Gertrude that the following prayer would release 1000 souls from Purgatory each time it was said.

"Eternal Father, I offer You the Most Precious Blood of Your Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the Universal Church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen."

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