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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

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24-HOUR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

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



HEARING LOOP ENABLED



FIRST READING

We have with one accord decided to choose representatives.

ACTS 15: 1-2, 22-29

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

May God have pity on us and bless us; may He let His face shine upon us.

PSALMS 67

SECOND READING

It gleamed with the splendor of God. Its radiance was like that of a precious stone.

REVELATION 21: 10-14, 22-23

GOSPEL

Whoever loves Me will keep My word, and My Father will love him.

JOHN 14: 23-29



THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

26 MAY 2019

Peace I leave with you; My peace I give you.
Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.

JOHN 14: 27

CALENDAR

SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS WEEK OF 26 MAY - 01 JUN

SAT	05:00 PM	Priest's intentions
SUN	Masses	Priest's intentions
MON	09:00 AM	† Those who died serving our country
TUE	07:30 AM	Lita de Guzman
	05:30 PM	† Miriam and Rolly Somer; † Tom Del Sarto
WED	07:30 AM	† Stanley Rozynski
	05:30 PM	All mothers, living and deceased; Fanny Lyon; Greg Piccinini; † Paul Walker; † Kate Spade
THU	07:30 AM	† Fr. Dan McGinn
	05:30 PM	† Robin McGlohn
FRI	07:30 AM	All mothers, living and deceased
	05:30 PM	Eduardo Malinao
SAT	08:00 AM	† Maria and Frank Garcia; † Henoc Zamudio; † Laverne Plesha; † Mike Cassidy

Please pray for those in need of physical or spiritual healing



The parish office will be closed on Monday, 27 MAY 2019 for Memorial Day. There will be one Mass, at 09:00 AM, on Monday.

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)

26 MAY (Sunday)

27 MAY (Monday)

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

28 MAY (Tuesday)

07:00 PM H⁴

29 MAY (Wednesday)

06:00 PM St. Joseph Novena

30 MAY (Thursday)

31 MAY (Friday)

11:00 AM Nativity School Graduation Mass


01 JUN (Saturday)

03:30 PM Nativity School Graduation

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 11-12 MAY
TOTAL:	\$10,628
Catholic Charities:	\$4,762
Annual Diocesan Appeal Progress:	\$35,853
2019 ADA Goal:	\$152,041

BEWARE!

Make sure you don't leave any belongings visibly exposed inside your vehicle. There have been many burglaries in Menlo Park and cars have been vandalized during Sunday Mass in the past.



SAINTS AND OBSERVANCES

SOLEMNITY, FEAST, MEMORIAL • OPTIONAL MEMORIAL • OTHER

27 MAY (Monday):

MEMORIAL DAY

Memorial Day, originally called **Decoration Day**, is a day of remembrance for those who have died in our nation's service. There are many stories as to its actual beginnings, with over two dozen cities and towns laying claim to being the birthplace of Memorial Day. There is also evidence that organized women's groups in the South were decorating graves before the end of the Civil War. Memorial Day was officially proclaimed on **05 May**

1868 by **General John Logan**, national commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, and was first observed on **30 May 1868**, when flowers were placed on the graves of Union and Confederate soldiers at **Arlington National Cemetery**.



31 MAY (Friday):

THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

"Now it happened that as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb.'"

Luke 1: 39-43

01 JUN (Saturday):

SAINT JUSTIN, Martyr (c. 100-165)

A pagan philosopher who converted at the age of 30 by reading the Scriptures and witnessing the faith of martyrs. **Justin** used his oratorical and philosophical skills to dispute with pagans and explain the faith, becoming one of the first great Christian apologists.

MINISTRY AND GROUP NEWS

FATHER'S DAY CARDS

Father's Day is **16 JUN 2019!** What could be a better gift to your father, husband, father-in-law, grandfather, godfather, brother, brother-in-law, uncle, son, or friend than to be remembered in a novena of Masses in observance of Father's Day at the Church of the Nativity? Father's Day Cards are available at the entrances to the church. Put the name(s) of your loved ones who are fathers, living or deceased, on the larger envelope and return it to the parish office or put it into the collection. Send the card to your favorite father. These names will be placed on the altar during June so that they will be remembered in a novena of Masses that will be said in their honor.

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 (210 Oak Grove, Menlo Park) on **Tuesdays** from **07:00-08:00 PM**, followed by drinks at **08:00 PM** at nearby pub or café. If you have any questions, please e-mail holyhourhappyhour@gmail.com. All are welcome.

FATIMA CELEBRATION
On **Thursday, 13 JUN 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

Next weekend is a second collection for the **Catholic Communication Campaign**. This campaign connects people with Christ in the United States and in developing countries around the world through the Internet, television, radio, and print media. Fully 50% of the funds collected remain here in the Archdiocese of San Francisco to fund local communication efforts, such as the Catholic San Francisco and the TV Mass. Your support helps spread the Gospel message.

To learn more visit www.usccb.org/ccc. Please be generous.

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: 03:00-05:00 AM (twice per month)

Wednesday: 02:00 AM

Saturday: 10:00 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.

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 • Peter Hoonhout and Leanne Ruperto

PARISHIONERS • Tomasz Kubik and Natalia Kubik-Mackowiak (*Maximilian Albert*)
• Bruno Caratori and Mariana Donangelo
• Catherine Kety Khabbaz (*Adele, Antoine, Jean George*)

DEATHS • Peggy Smyth

NOVENA TO SAINT JOSEPH

Every **Wednesday** evening after the **05:30 PM** Mass there will be a novena to St. Joseph. This novena will take about 20 minutes. In addition to the novena, once a month the **05:30 PM** Mass will be in honor of St. Joseph. All are welcome to join in this celebration in honor of St. Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary.



Nativity's 39th
Annual Carnival
7-9 June 2019

IN THE COMMUNITY

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**. An Early Bird discount is available until **17 JUN 2019** and 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.

MONTHLY DINNER MEETINGS FOR MEN DISCERNING A PRIESTLY VOCATION

Interested in knowing more about the priesthood as a vocation? Discernment involves listening to God, learning about yourself, and seeking the guidance of others. Discernment is not a solitary endeavor. The **Archdiocesan Office of Vocations** offers two monthly meetings for men who are interested in discovering more about the priesthood. First Monday meetings are in Redwood City. First Thursday meetings are in San Francisco. The program each time is Eucharistic Adoration in the church, followed by dinner and discussion in the rectory.

Upcoming dates:

Mondays: 03 JUN: 06:15-08:30 PM, St. Pius X Church, 1100 Woodside Rd. Redwood City For information or to RSVP: **Fr. Tom Martin** (martin.thomas@sfarch.org)

Thursdays: 06 JUN: 06:15-08:30 PM, Church of the Epiphany, 826 Vienna St., San Francisco. For information or to RSVP: **Fr. Patrick Summerhays** 415/614-5684 (summerhays.patrick@sfarch.org)

TV AND ONLINE MASS FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Do you know someone unable to get to church because of illness, frailty, or other struggles? For the homebound, "*My Sunday Mass*" on KOFY-TV channel 20 at **08:30 AM** provides spiritual comfort and hope. To see the Mass online, visit www.mysundaymass.org.

EWTN also broadcasts (cable and on-line) the daily and Sunday Masses at **05:00 AM** (Pacific), with encore broadcasts at **09:00 AM, 04:00 PM** and **09:00 PM** daily (www.ewtn.com/multimedia/weekly-schedules.asp#).

For Catholics who can get to church, TV or online Mass does not meet the Sunday Mass obligation.

Your planned donations help us forecast, with confidence, the level of financial support our parish will receive in the year ahead. Electronic Giving is a way to automate your offerings. It is convenient for you and provides consistency for the church budget. Traditional basket offerings fluctuate significantly from week to week but when contributions are automated, the church receives the funds to carry out its work on a steady, uninterrupted basis. Please visit the church website at www.nativitymenlo.org and click on the e-Giving link on the left side of the page. You may set up recurring and one-time contributions. Or, if you wish, you may call the office and request a paper authorization form.

Mmgr Steven Otellini

REGISTER WITH THE PARISH

We welcome all visitors and invite those who are considering coming home to the Catholic Church to register. Church attendance alone does not make you or your family registered members. To register online, please go to www.nativitymenlo.org and fill out the Parish Registration Form. To obtain one in the mail, please call the rectory office **650/323-7914** during regular business hours.

FROM THE HOLY SEE

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

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

Intention: *The Church in Africa, a Seed of Unity*

That the Church in Africa, through the commitment of its members, may be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for this continent.



LIVES OF THE SAINTS: Saint Joan d'Arc

Born: January 6, 1412 Died: May 30 1431

Feast Day: May 30th

WHAT THE WORLD WAS LIKE

Joan of Arc lived at the time of the beginning of the Renaissance, which was a revival of classical art, architecture, literature, and learning. This was a time of transition from medieval times to modern times.

When Joan of Arc was born, France was involved in the Hundred Years War with England. Because of this war, much of the farmland in France was ruined and people were starving because of lack of food. During Joan's life, many people in France died from the Black Death, a deadly plague that was spreading throughout Europe. People lived in fear of not only the English and the plague, but also of local French people who raided towns and villages.

WHO SHE WAS

Joan of Arc grew up in France. Her father was a farmer. Although she did not have much formal education, her mother taught her prayers. Joan always listened to her parents and tried to do what they asked of her. She attended Mass every day and she tried to help the poor. She was quiet and preferred to play alone rather than with others. She enjoyed playing in the woods and she was good at spinning and weaving cloth.

While Joan was growing up, there was a war going on between France and England. This war had lasted almost one hundred years. France was divided and had no king. Joan began hearing the voices of Saint Michael, Saint Catherine, and Saint Margaret. They told Joan that she was chosen by God to unite France and to help Charles be crowned king. Joan was very surprised because she knew nothing about politics or about the military. She wanted to serve God, but she did not know how to help her country. Finally, she realized that this was God's will and He would lead her.

At first she was laughed at, but soon Joan was leading the French army with a banner that said "Jesus and Mary." She began winning battles. Soon the English were gone from many towns in France. The French soldiers loved Joan. Eventually, she saw Charles crowned the king of France.

Later Joan was captured and became a prisoner of the English. She was sentenced to death. Although she was afraid, Joan remained faithful to God and calmly went to her death holding a crucifix.

WHAT SHE MEANS TO US

Joan of Arc was faithful to God's will in her life. Even when she was laughed at, she kept her focus on God and what he asked her to do. It seemed to be impossible for a teenage girl to become a soldier, lead an army, and unite the country of France, but Joan did just that because of her faith.

CALENDAR OF NOVENAE

26 MAY (SUN)	SIXTH Day: The Ascension
27 MAY (MON)	SEVENTH Day: The Ascension
28 MAY (TUE)	EIGHTH Day: The Ascension
29 MAY (WED)	NINTH Day: The Ascension
30 MAY (THU)	The Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord
31 MAY (FRI)	FIRST Day: Pentecost Novena
01 JUN (SAT)	SECOND Day: Pentecost Novena
02 JUN (SUN)	The Feast of the Ascension (observed) THIRD Day: Pentecost Novena
03 JUN (MON)	FOURTH Day: Pentecost Novena
04 JUN (TUE)	FIFTH Day: Pentecost Novena
05 JUN (WED)	SIXTH Day: Pentecost Novena
06 JUN (THU)	SEVENTH Day: Pentecost Novena
07 JUN (FRI)	EIGHTH Day: Pentecost Novena
08 JUN (SAT)	NINTH Day: Pentecost Novena

FIND THE NOVENA PRAYERS

The Ascension of Our Lord:

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

Novena for Pentecost (Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit):

<https://www.ewtn.com/devotionals/pentecost/seven.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_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



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.

Young Believers

JOIN THE ANGEL IN TAKING SAINT JOHN TO SEE THE NEW JERUSALEM



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.”



CARNIVAL

Dear Friends
of Nativity

The 2019 39th Annual Nativity Carnival
will be here in **less than three weeks!**

Save the dates: **June 7th, 8th and 9th, 2019**



Once again we are offering discount **Pre-Sale Eager Beaver All You Can Ride Wristbands** and **Ride Tickets**; these are available to order on-line, by mail, at the Rectory, and at the Nativity School office. Monsignor will be giving away a **\$10,000** Grand Prize in our Raffle Drawing. **Pride and Joy** at **06:00 PM** on **Friday, June 7th**. **The Bell Brothers** at **06:00 PM** on **Saturday, June 8th**.

We need your help to ensure a successful carnival again and we ask for your volunteer help. To volunteer to help at the Carnival please click on the *iVolunteer* banner located on the nativitycarnival.com website.

We need volunteers for food booths, Men's Club dinner on Friday and Saturday nights, Pan Game, Game Booths, setup and break-down, to name a few. Please go to the website and sign up for your favorite choices.

We are looking to cover 100% of the shifts. Please help us in contributing to the success of the Carnival, by participating in a fun event throughout the weekend.

Stay tuned for weekly updates through the week of the carnival, and for more upcoming information about our Free Pancake Breakfast and Raffle Drawing.

The Nativity Men's Club Dinner will be serving *Tri-tip* on **Friday, June 7th** and for the first time will be offering a generous serving of *Smoked Pulled Pork* on **Saturday, June 8th**.

Questions and comments please call **Leighton Ford** at **650/799-2867** or **Sal Ruiz** At **650/400-6910**.

See you at the Carnival!

Leighton and Sal

www.nativitycarnival.com



For the most up-to-date
information any time!

CARNIVAL