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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** 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> 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. Alner Nambatac

## PERMANENT DEACONS

Rev. Mr. Dominick Peloso

Rev. Mr. Thomas Kelly

## WEEKEND ASSISTANTS

Rev. Jerome Magat, P.S.S. (cand.)

Rev. Paul Maillet, P.S.S.

Rev. Gladstone Stevens, P.S.S.

## SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Mrs. Monica Hickam • (650) 853-1009

*24-hour Eucharistic Adoration*



HEARING LOOP ENABLED

**FIRST READING**

I set limits for it and fastened the bar of its door.

JOB 38: 1, 8-11

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

He hushed the storm to a gentle breeze, and the billows of the sea were stilled.

PSALMS 107

**SECOND READING**

Those who live might no longer live for themselves but for Him who for their sake died and was raised.

2 CORINTHIANS 5: 14-17

**GOSPEL**

“Who then is this Whom even wind and sea obey?”

MARK 4: 35-41



# THE TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## 21 JUNE 2015

He asked them, “Why are you terrified?  
Do you not yet have faith?”

MARK 4: 40

### CALENDAR

### SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS WEEK OF 21-27 JUN

<b>SAT 08:00 PM</b>	Priest's intentions
<b>SUN Masses</b>	Priest's intentions
<b>MON 07:30 AM</b>	† Lemuel Southorn
<b>05:30 PM</b>	† John Kates
<b>TUE 07:30 AM</b>	† John and Virginia Conway
<b>05:30 PM</b>	All fathers, living and deceased
<b>WED 07:30 AM</b>	† Peter and Barbara Widmer
<b>05:30 PM</b>	Maria and David Gilsdorf
<b>THU 07:30 AM</b>	† Carolina E. Sylvestri, Sr.
<b>05:30 PM</b>	Pat Marques and family; Our Lady's intentions; In thanksgiving; All fathers, living and deceased
<b>FRI 07:30 AM</b>	All fathers, living and deceased
<b>05:30 PM</b>	† Maria and Carolina Arata
<b>SAT 08:00 AM</b>	All fathers, living and deceased; † Fr. Clement Davenport; † Aidan Halligan; † Milan Gambhir

*Please pray for those in need of physical or spiritual healing*



May God bless  
all fathers



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

### SPECIAL COLLECTION




There will be a **second collection** at all Masses next week for **Peter's Pence**.

<b>SUN</b>	07:00 PM	Holy Hour for Priests
<b>MON-FRI</b>	07:10 AM	Morning Prayer
<b>MON-FRI</b>	05:10 PM	Evening Prayer
<b>TUE</b>	06:00 PM	Cenacles of Life Rosary
<b>THU</b>	06:00 PM	Perpetual Help Novena
<b>SAT</b>	06:15 AM	Men's Prayer Group
<b>SAT</b>	07:40 AM	Morning Prayer
<b>SAT</b>	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Confessions (Opus Dei priest)
<b>SAT</b>	03:30 PM - 04:30 PM	Confessions (parish priest)
<b>21 JUN</b>	<b>(Sunday)</b>	
<b>22 JUN</b>	<b>(Monday)</b>	
	07:30 PM	Legion of Mary
	07:30 PM	St. Vincent de Paul Society
<b>23 JUN</b>	<b>(Tuesday)</b>	
	08:00 PM	H <sup>4</sup>
<b>24 JUN</b>	<b>(Wednesday)</b>	
<b>25 JUN</b>	<b>(Thursday)</b>	
	11:00 AM	The Thursday Group
<b>26 JUN</b>	<b>(Friday)</b>	
	09:30 AM	Nativity Moms Group
<b>27 JUN</b>	<b>(Saturday)</b>	

Electronic giving is offered  
through our website  
[www.nativitymenlo.org](http://www.nativitymenlo.org)  
or call the parish office  
for a paper form

### PARISH OFFERINGS

	WEEK OF <b>06-07 JUN</b>
TOTAL:	<b>\$12,046</b>
Mission Co-Op (Tanzania):	<b>\$5,426</b>
Annual Diocesan Appeal Progress:	<b>\$30,020</b>
2015 ADA Goal:	<b>\$130,840</b>

# SAINTS AND OBSERVANCES

SOLEMNITY, FEAST, MEMORIAL • OPTIONAL MEMORIAL • OTHER

**22 JUN (Monday):**

## **SAINT PAULINUS OF NOLA, Bishop (354-431)**

A distinguished lawyer who held several public offices in the Empire, Paulinus and his wife Therasia retired from public ministry to an estate in Spain. After the loss of their only son at a few weeks' of age, they gave away most of their estates and dedicated themselves to increasing their holiness. Paulinus was chosen bishop of Nola by popular demand, where he governed for more than 21 years. His writings contain one of the earliest examples of a Christian wedding song.



**22 JUN (Monday):**

## **SAINTS JOHN FISHER and THOMAS MORE, Martyrs (1469/1478-1535)**

In 1521 Bishop **John Fisher** was asked to study the problem of Henry VIII's marriage. He incurred Henry's anger by defending the validity of the king's marriage with Catherine and later by rejecting Henry's claim to be the supreme head of the Church of England. Like Thomas More, John Fisher refused to take the oath to the new Act of Succession, which would have presumed the legality of the king's divorce and his position as head of the English Church.

**Thomas More's** belief that no lay ruler has jurisdiction over the Church of Christ cost him his life. Beheaded on Tower Hill, London on **06 July 1535**, More steadfastly refused to approve Henry VIII's divorce and remarriage and establishment of the Church of England. Fisher and More were tried together and executed within two weeks of one another.

## MINISTRY AND GROUP NEWS

### **NATIVITY MOMS GROUP**

All moms are invited to join the **Nativity Moms' Group**. Our next meeting will be **Friday, 26 June 2015** from **09:30-11:00 AM** in the **O'Hare Center**. Come meet other moms, share the joys and challenges of motherhood, and pray a rosary for our families! Refreshments will be provided. If you have little ones at home, please bring them along. Contact **Christine Semler** at **650/594-4637** for more information.

### **NATIVITY MOMS AND DADS OF YESTERYEAR**

Renew past friendships and make new ones. Join the **Nativity Moms and Dads of Yesteryear** at Harry's Hofbrau, 1909 El Camino Real, Redwood City, on **Tuesday, 14 July 2015** at **06:00 PM**. For information only call **Bonnie Neylan** at **650/322-8645**.

### **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):



**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.

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

### **THE THURSDAY GROUP: SUMMER BREAK**

Our **Thursday Group** have their last meeting on **25 June 2015** and then will be taking a break for July and August. They will begin meeting again in September after Labor Day. Please join them then.

### **CLOTHING NEEDED**

The **St. Francis Center** in Redwood City, is in need of clothing - clean, gently-used clothing for men, women, children and infants. The Center also accepts towels, linens and blankets. No shoes please. We are open **Monday-Friday 08:30 AM-03:00 PM** for donations at 151 Buckingham Avenue. If you have any questions, please call **Kristin Bright** at the Center **650/365-7829**. Thank you so much for helping those in our community!

### **FATIMA CELEBRATION**

On **Monday, 13 July 2015**, 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 Community Pregnancy Center (650/964-8093).*

## 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**
- Marianna Elise, daughter of Mark and Gloria Ebner
  - Sabrina Elise, daughter of Frederick and Amanda Sandford

- MARRIAGES**
- Moises Barragan and Vanessa Oseguera

- PARISHIONERS**
- Christie Robles (*Alexandra*)
  - Veronica and Salvador Zuleta (*Bryan, Ryan, Katie*)

- DEATHS**
- Robin McGlohn
  - Joann Ferguson
  - Jamileh Zaru

*I thank you dear people of God for the opportunity to know and serve you. I thank you for opening your hearts and welcoming me to Nativity. I thank you for the times that we prayed together and shared the Eucharist. I thank you for teaching me and showing Jesus to me. I enjoyed my time here and have grown tremendously as a person and as a priest. Please remember that I have tried to be a dedicated servant of God and have prayed that whenever I serve you, you will see God working in me. Please pray for me!*

Father Al

### SPECIAL COLLECTION

Next weekend our second collection will be for **Peter's Pence**, which provides **Pope Francis** with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. *"To love God and neighbor is not something abstract, but profoundly concrete: it means seeing in every person the face of the Lord to be served, to serve Him concretely," -- Pope Francis.* The proceeds of this collection benefit the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please join Pope Francis and be a witness to charity to those who are suffering throughout the world. Your generous support is appreciated.

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*.



### WINNERS OF THE 35TH ANNUAL NATIVITY CARNIVAL RAFFLE

- 1st Prize – *Mercedes Benz*: **Kyu Hee Voorhies**  
2nd Prize -- *\$1500.00 cash*: **Martha Lancestremere**  
3rd Prize -- *\$500.00 cash*: **Norma Couge**

Thank you to all who participated in the raffle this year!

## IN THE COMMUNITY

### CORPUS CHRISTI MONASTERY DISCERNMENT DAYS

*Sponsa Christi ... "Called by God, like Mary, to sit at the feet of Jesus and listen to His word, to ponder and call upon Him in solitude."* **Corpus Christi Monastery** will be holding two discernment days for single Catholic women (ages 18 to 40) on **11 July 2015** (registration by **03 July 2015**) and **10 October 2015** (registration by **03 October 2015**). Space is limited. To register or for more information contact **Sr. Joseph Marie, O.P.** at [vocations@nunsmenlo.org](mailto:vocations@nunsmenlo.org) or **650/322-1801x19**. Corpus Christi Monastery, 215 Oak Grove Avenue, Menlo Park, CA 94025.



### DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE STRUGGLING WITH INFERTILITY?

Modern medicine has made great strides in helping couples overcome infertility, by restoring reproductive health through the application of **Natural Procreative Technology™**. Yet many people, even in the medical profession, are still unfamiliar with it, even though it has a success rate of up to 75% in restoring natural fertility. Contact **Ed Hopfner** for more information: **415/614-5547** or by email at [hopfnere@sfarchdiocese.org](mailto:hopfnere@sfarchdiocese.org).

### CONCERNED ABOUT YOUR MARRIAGE?

Call Retrouvaille -- **415/893-1005**.

Do you feel lost and alone? Are you hurt, frustrated, or angry with each other? Have you thought about separation or divorce? Would you simply like to improve communication skills?

Retrouvaille is the name of a Catholic Ministry designed to help heal and renew marriages. Retrouvaille is not just for hurting couples and welcomes all couples wanting to bring new life to your marriage. Couples of all faiths and those with no faith tradition are welcome and encouraged to attend. The ultimate goal of Retrouvaille is solely to help save marriages. Retrouvaille is not a retreat, marriage counseling, or a sensitivity group. There are neither group dynamics nor group discussions on the weekend. It is not a time for hurting; it is a time for healing.

For more information go to [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org). The next **San Francisco** weekend will be **06-08 Nov 2015**; in the **East Bay 18-20 Sept 2015**; in **San Jose 14-16 Aug 2015**; and in **Sacramento 10-12 July** and **09-11 Oct 2015**.

## FROM THE HOLY SEE

### THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

Each month **His Holiness** asks for general and missionary prayer intentions. For **June 2015**, the Holy Father's prayer intentions are:

**Universal:** *Immigrants and Refugees*

That immigrants and refugees may find welcome and respect in the countries to which they come.

**Missionary:** *Vocations*

That the personal encounter with Jesus may arouse in many young people the desire to offer their own lives in priesthood or consecrated life.

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**24 JUN (Wednesday):**

**THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST**

Jesus called John the greatest of all those who had preceded him: "I tell you, among those born of women, no one is greater than John...."



"The Birth of John the Baptist" - Jacopo Tintoretto (c. 1555)

**26 JUN (Friday):**

**SAINT JOSEMARIA ESCRIVA DE BALAGUER, Priest (1902-1975)**

The founder of *Opus Dei* and *Priestly Society of the Holy Cross*. Josemaria travelled frequently throughout Europe and Latin America to work for the growth of *Opus Dei*, and by the time of his death, it had spread to five continents with over 60,000 members of 80 nationalities.

**27 JUN (Saturday):**

**SAINT CYRIL OF ALEXANDRIA, Doctor of the Church (376-444)**

Cyril was a monk, priest, and bishop of Alexandria. He worked at the Council of Ephesus and fought against the heresies of the day, including the heresy of Nestorius that there were two persons in Christ.

### HOLY LAND TOUR

You are invited to take the trip of a lifetime to the **Holy Land**, the place where Jesus lived, walked, died, rose from the dead, ascended to heaven, and where the Holy Spirit inspired the first generation of Christians. **Mrs. Jan Conway Willbanks**, a parishioner with much experience, has organized a trip especially for Nativity Parishioners from **13-22 October 2015**. There is an expertly-planned trip by **NAWAS International**, which has run these pilgrimages for over 66 years. In addition to the experienced Holy Land guide, **Deacon Dominick** and **Mary Ellen Peloso** will provide spiritual guidance and lead prayerful reflections. We will visit Tel Aviv, Caesarea, Haifa, Tiberias, Nazareth (Mary's house is where God first became man), the Sea of Galilee, Cana, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, the Mount of Olives and more. We take many vacations in our lifetime, sometimes spending much. This will be unlike any other trip. As a pilgrimage, it will increase your love and knowledge of Jesus. Your reading of the Bible will come alive. And this knowledge coupled with a deeper sense of union with Jesus will not end as you fly back to Nativity. It will last a lifetime. It is also a time from bonding and community building with our great family here at church. Please join us. This will be the trip you will talk about until the day you die and see Jesus yourself face to face. For more information, check out the flyers around the church and contact **Mrs. Conway Willbanks: 650/619-0554** or [jan@connectionsww.com](mailto:jan@connectionsww.com).

## CALENDAR OF NOVENAS

<b>21 JUN (SUN)</b>	SEVENTH Day: John the Baptist SECOND Day: Saints Peter and Paul
<b>22 JUN (MON)</b>	EIGHTH Day: John the Baptist THIRD Day: Saints Peter and Paul
<b>23 JUN (TUE)</b>	NINTH Day: John the Baptist FOURTH Day: Saints Peter and Paul
<b>24 JUN (WED)</b>	<b>Feast of the Nativity of John the Baptist</b> FIFTH Day: Saints Peter and Paul
<b>25 JUN (THU)</b>	SIXTH Day: Saints Peter and Paul
<b>26 JUN (FRI)</b>	SEVENTH Day: Saints Peter and Paul
<b>27 JUN (SAT)</b>	EIGHTH Day: Saints Peter and Paul
<b>28 JUN (SUN)</b>	NINTH Day: Saints Peter and Paul
<b>29 JUN (MON)</b>	<b>Feast of Saints Peter and Paul</b>
<b>30 JUN (TUE)</b>	
<b>01 JUL (WED)</b>	
<b>02 JUL (THU)</b>	FIRST Day: Saint Benedict
<b>03 JUL (FRI)</b>	SECOND Day: Saint Benedict
<b>04 JUL (SAT)</b>	<b>Independence Day</b> THIRD Day: Saint Benedict

### FIND THE NOVENA PRAYERS

**Novena to Saint John the Baptist:**

[svfonline.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/08/Novena-St-John-Baptist.pdf](http://svfonline.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/08/Novena-St-John-Baptist.pdf)

**Novena to Saints Peter and Paul:**

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

**Novena to Saint Benedict:**

<http://www.ewtn.com/Devotionals/novena/benedict.htm>

### OTHER NOVENA PRAYERS

**Infant Jesus of Prague (nine-hour):**

[www.ewtn.com/library/PRAYER/PRAGNOV.TXT](http://www.ewtn.com/library/PRAYER/PRAGNOV.TXT)

**St. Therese "24 Glory Be's" Novena:**

[www.ewtn.com/Devotionals/novena/24\\_glory.htm](http://www.ewtn.com/Devotionals/novena/24_glory.htm)

**Novena for Priests:**

[www.ewtn.com/Devotionals/novena/priests.htm](http://www.ewtn.com/Devotionals/novena/priests.htm)

**Efficacious Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus:**

[www.ewtn.com/devotionals/heart/sh\\_novena.htm](http://www.ewtn.com/devotionals/heart/sh_novena.htm)

PADRE PIO'S  
FAVORITE!

# Young Believers

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ELIZABETH  
 BAPTIST  
 MARY  
 JESUS

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 NATIVITY  
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VISITATION  
 SANDALS  
 JORDAN  
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 SPIRIT



**DID YOU KNOW?**  
 John the Baptist is the only saint to be honored with two feast days in the Church calendar: the date of his birth and the date of his death. The only other person sharing this specific honor is the **Blessed Virgin 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.”