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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

PAROCHIAL VICAR

Rev. Mark G. Mazza

PERMANENT DEACONS

Rev. Mr. Dominick Peloso

Rev. Mr. Thomas Kelly

WEEKEND ASSISTANTS

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

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



HEARING LOOP ENABLED



THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

14 MAY 2017

Do not let your hearts be troubled.
You have faith in God; have faith also in Me.

JOHN 14: 1



FIRST READING

We shall devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.

ACTS 6: 1-7

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The eyes of the Lord are upon those who fear Him, upon those who hope for His kindness.

PSALMS 33

SECOND READING

Let yourselves be built into a spiritual house.

1 PETER 2: 4-9

GOSPEL

Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes in Me will do the works that I do.

JOHN 14: 1-12

CALENDAR

SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS WEEK OF 14 - 20 MAY

SAT	05:00 PM	Priest's intentions
SUN	Masses	Priest's intentions
MON	07:30 AM	All mothers, living and deceased
	05:30 PM	† Adolph Firenzi
TUE	07:30 AM	† Peter Kolenda
	05:30 PM	† Maria and Caroline Arata
WED	07:30 AM	The Neylan and Cardine families
	05:30 PM	† David Fausson
THU	07:30 AM	All mothers, living and deceased
	05:30 PM	† Edward J. Hogan; † Rev. Gene Wilson; † Mary Piersol; † Mary Jo Walsh
FRI	07:30 AM	† Jelka Rajkovich
	05:30 PM	† Danny Olin
SAT	08:00 AM	All mothers, living and deceased; † Lucille Fina; † Agustin Valderama; † Guadalupe Gomez

Please pray for those in need of physical or spiritual healing



“Virgin and Child” -- Elisabetta Sirani (~1660)




May God
Bless All
Mothers

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)

14 MAY	(Sunday)	
15 MAY	(Monday)	07:30 PM Legion of Mary
16 MAY	(Tuesday)	09:30 AM Bible Study: Pivotal Players 07:30 PM Bible Study: Pivotal Players 08:00 PM H ⁴
17 MAY	(Wednesday)	01:00 PM Infant Jesus of Prague Society 07:00 PM Confirmation Class
18 MAY	(Thursday)	11:00 AM The Thursday Group
19 MAY	(Friday)	
20 MAY	(Saturday)	09:00 AM Natural Family Planning Class



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

PARISH OFFERINGS	
	WEEK OF 29-30 APR
TOTAL:	\$9,628
Annual Diocesan Appeal Progress:	\$33,048
2016 ADA Goal:	\$165,940

SAINTS AND OBSERVANCES

SOLEMNITY, FEAST, MEMORIAL • OPTIONAL MEMORIAL • OTHER

15 MAY (Tuesday):

**SAINT ISADORE THE FARMER
(1070-1130)**

Spanish mystic who labored on a farm outside Madrid. Patron of the U.S. National Rural Life Conference. A poor day-laborer, Isadore attended daily Mass before beginning his work. Angels would come and help him with his labors, and many miracles have been attributed to this saint and his wife, **Santa Maria de la Cabeza**.



16 MAY (Wednesday):

**SAINT SIMON STOCK
SAINT BRENDAN THE NAVIGATOR**

18 MAY (Thursday):

POPE JOHN I (d. 526)

The 53rd pope, who conflicted against Theodoric the Goth, ruler of Italy at the time. Theodoric was an Arian who late in life became suspicious of everyone, imagining conspiracies and attempts to seize his throne. When he attempted to involve Pope John in his politics, the pope travelled to Constantinople to negotiate with Emperor Justin I. Theodoric had John kidnapped and imprisoned upon his return to Rome, and the pope died while in custody.

19 MAY (Friday):

**SAINT CRISPIN OF VITERBO, Religious
(1668-1750)**

A Franciscan lay brother, Crispin's simple, humble holiness brought many local lay people to him for spiritual guidance. As word of his wisdom spread, his visitors became priests, bishops, then cardinals, and even a pope. Crispin was noted for paying little attention to the rank or status of a visitor, either high or low, but concentrating on talking to them all as equal children of the same God.

20 MAY (Saturday):

ARMED FORCES DAY



20 MAY (Saturday):

**SAINT BERNARDINE OF SIENA, Priest
(1380-1444)**

Bernardino's charismatic preaching filled the piazzas of Italian cities. Thousands of listeners flocked to hear him and to participate in dramatic rituals, which included collective weeping, bonfires of vanities, and exorcisms. He was a renowned peacemaker, in the Franciscan tradition, who tried to calm feuding clans and factions in the turbulent political world of the Renaissance.



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: 04:00 AM

Thursday: 09:00 AM

Friday: 09:00 AM

Saturday: 07:00 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.

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 MAY 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.*

**FATIMA
CELEBRATION**

On **Tuesday, 13 JUN 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 • Michael Kozina and Amy Calgaro
• Omar Martinez and Jennie Elizalde

PARISHIONERS

DEATHS • Archbishop George Niederauer

MISSING

On **Saturday, 30 APR 2017** at **01:00 PM** a “lasso” was missing from the vestibule of the church. It was put there in preparation for the afternoon wedding when it was to be used. The “lasso” is part of a tradition that is used in many weddings here. This particular “lasso” is a family heirloom. If found please return it to the parish office as soon as possible. The family would appreciate it very much.



SPECIAL COLLECTION

This week the second collection is for **Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of San Francisco**. This annual second collection asks parishioners to live their faith by generously supporting the good work of Catholic Charities, the social services arm of the Catholic Church in our Archdiocese. Your contributions directly support programs that provide housing services for homeless families, refugee and immigrant services for newcomers, aid for the working poor, children and youth, and thousands of others who are struggling to meet their most basic needs. For more information about Catholic Charities and how you can help strengthen families and reduce poverty in our community, visit www.CatholicCharitiesSF.org.

Questions? Contact **Jane Ferguson Flout** at **415/972-1227** or jfergusonflout@CatholicCharitiesSF.org.

IN THE COMMUNITY

FULL-TIME TEACHING POSITIONS: NATIVITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Nativity Catholic School, 1250 Laurel Street, Menlo Park, CA 94025, is accepting resumes for full-time teaching positions for the 2017–2018 school year. A BS/BA degree and a current California Teaching credential is required. Candidates should be practicing Catholics in good standing with the Roman Catholic Church. Salary and benefits are commensurate with experience. Submit cover letter, resume, and copy of credential to **Mrs. Susie Foster** via postal mail or email sfoster@nativityschool.com. Phone: **650/325-7304**.



FULL-TIME CLASSROOM ASSISTANT POSITIONS: NATIVITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Nativity Catholic School, 1250 Laurel Street, Menlo Park, CA 94025, is accepting resumes for full-time classroom assistant positions for the 2017–2018 school year. A BA/BS degree is preferred. Experience working with children is required. Salary and benefits are commensurate with experience and locally competitive. Submit cover letter and resume to **Mrs. Susie Foster**, Principal, via the postal mail or email sfoster@nativityschool.com. Phone: **650/325-7304**.

NATIVITY LADIES OF YESTERYEAR

We will once again be having a **Nativity Ladies of Yesteryear** dinner at **Angelo Mio's** on Santa Cruz Avenue in Menlo Park, on **05 JUN 2017** at **05:00 PM**. For more information call **Bonnie Neylan** at **650/269-4653**.

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 on **Tuesdays** from **08:00-09:00 PM**, followed by drinks at **09:00 PM** at a nearby pub or café.

All are welcome. If you have any questions, please e-mail holyhourhappyhour@gmail.com.



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.

NFP OVERVIEW CLASS

Our next Natural Family Planning (NFP) class will be on **Saturday, 20 MAY 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.

FROM THE HOLY SEE

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

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

Intention: *Christians in Africa*

That Christians in Africa, in imitation of the Merciful Jesus, may give prophetic witness to reconciliation, justice, and peace.

A STUDENT'S PRAYER

The end of the school year is fast approaching, and for many students that means **Final Exams!** Here is a prayer for students by one of the greatest intellects in the history of the Church (**St. Thomas Aquinas**), whose teachers once called him the "dumb ox".

Come, Holy Spirit, Divine Creator, true source of light and fountain of wisdom! Pour forth your brilliance upon my dense intellect, dissipate the darkness which covers me, that of sin and of ignorance. Grant me a penetrating mind to understand, a retentive memory, method and ease in learning, the lucidity to comprehend, and abundant grace in expressing myself. Guide the beginning of my work, direct its progress, and bring it to successful completion. This I ask through Jesus Christ, true God and true man, living and reigning with You and the Father, forever and ever. Amen.



CALENDAR OF NOVENAE

14 MAY (SUN)

15 MAY (MON)

16 MAY (TUE) FIRST Day: The Ascension

17 MAY (WED) SECOND Day: The Ascension

18 MAY (THU) THIRD Day: The Ascension

19 MAY (FRI) FOURTH Day: The Ascension

20 MAY (SAT) FIFTH Day: The Ascension

21 MAY (SUN) SIXTH Day: The Ascension

22 MAY (MON) SEVENTH Day: The Ascension

23 MAY (TUE) EIGHTH Day: The Ascension

24 MAY (WED) NINTH Day: The Ascension

25 MAY (THU) **Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord**

26 MAY (FRI) FIRST Day: Pentecost Novena

27 MAY (SAT) SECOND 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_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

Please pray for all those who received the Sacrament of Confirmation
on 28 April 2017 from His Eminence William Cardinal Levada, Archbishop Emeritus of San Francisco

Hanna Alcazar

Emma Rose Alva

Richard Anderson

Olivia Andrews

JP Boyle

Hazel Burton-Tillson

Lisa Capobianco

Kassandra Cleland

Dante Coy

William Cronin

Galen Dahl

Laura Anne Dowley

Marlon Emprechtinger

Tobias Enns

Laura Fesas

Eabha Finn

Angela Honda

Gillian Hughes

Stella Kaval

Charlotte King

Kaelin Kingham

Desiree Lopez

Elena Lopez

Daniel Maceda

Amanda Mallinckrodt

Claire Melnik

Francesca Noviello

Peter O'Driscoll

Anna Oyster

William Pires

Anna Prunicki

Sophia Rangel

Julia Reilly

Demetri Rosas

Antonio Roses

Joseph Sarmenta

Makay Sheeper

Sarah Simmonds

Colin Tato

Raquel Vasquez

Gregory Ziemba



WORD SEARCH

Can you find the names of these mothers from the Bible?



EVE
ESTHER
ABIGAIL
SARAH
RACHEL

NAOMI
ANN
ELIZABETH
HANNAH
RUTH

MARY
JOCHEBED
REBEKAH
BATHSHEBA

CARNIVAL



2017 Annual Nativity Carnival

Free Parking • Free Admission • Free Entertainment
Family • Community • Fun
Safe for the Whole Family • Security On-Site

June 9th, 10th and 11th, 2017



Featuring:

- Pre-Sale Unlimited Rides Wristbands (pre-sales end June 7th)
- \$10,000 Grand Prize raffle drawing
- Daily \$1,000 cash drawing (Friday and Saturday)
- Daily door prize drawings

Entertainment By:

- Bell Brothers
- Big Wave Band
- Bob Coons Band
- Dutch Uncle

Go to nativitycarnival.com for raffle drawing, ride tickets, and carnival or volunteering info. Put the date on your calendar and come join Monsignor, the Carnival Committee, and over one hundred volunteers for a weekend with families and friends.

See you at the carnival!
Executive Carnival Committee

www.nativitycarnival.com