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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. 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



**CARNIVAL CORNER**

*(see back page)*

# 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

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

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



**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.



**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.

## 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](mailto: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](http://www.CatholicCharitiesSF.org).

Questions? Contact **Jane Ferguson Flout** at **415/972-1227** or [jfergusonflout@CatholicCharitiesSF.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto: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

<b>14 MAY (SUN)</b>	
<b>15 MAY (MON)</b>	
<b>16 MAY (TUE)</b>	FIRST Day: The Ascension
<b>17 MAY (WED)</b>	SECOND Day: The Ascension
<b>18 MAY (THU)</b>	THIRD Day: The Ascension
<b>19 MAY (FRI)</b>	FOURTH Day: The Ascension
<b>20 MAY (SAT)</b>	FIFTH Day: The Ascension
<b>21 MAY (SUN)</b>	SIXTH Day: The Ascension
<b>22 MAY (MON)</b>	SEVENTH Day: The Ascension
<b>23 MAY (TUE)</b>	EIGHTH Day: The Ascension
<b>24 MAY (WED)</b>	NINTH Day: The Ascension
<b>25 MAY (THU)</b>	<b>Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord</b>
<b>26 MAY (FRI)</b>	FIRST Day: Pentecost Novena
<b>27 MAY (SAT)</b>	SECOND Day: Pentecost Novena

### FIND THE NOVENA PRAYERS

**The Ascension of Our Lord:**

[www.ewtn.com/Devotionals/novena/Ascension.htm](http://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](http://www.ewtn.com/library/PRAYER/PRAGNOV.TXT)

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

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

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](http://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](http://www.nativitycarnival.com)