

## This Week at Nativity

**Sunday:**

8:45-10:15 am – Catechesis, "Parish Office Basement"

12:00-2:30 pm – Confirmation Candidate/Sponsor  
Retreat, "Café"

3:00-9:00 pm – Players, "Café"

1:30-3:00 pm – Al-Anon, "Chapel"

**Monday:**

Parish &amp; School Offices Closed

**Tuesday:**

7:00-8:00 am – Men's Prayer &amp; Discussion, "Chapel"

7:30 pm – Boosters, "Café"

**Wednesday:**

7:30-7:55 am – Centering Prayer, "Chapel"

9:15 am – Wednesday Wonderings, "Chapel"

3:00-4:30 pm – Brownie Troop Meeting, "Café"

5:00-6:00 pm – 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Daisy Meeting, "Art Room"

6:00-9:30 pm – Players, "Parish Office Basement"

6:30-8:00 pm – Math Counts, "Room 201"

7:00 pm – Parish Council Meeting, "Parish Office"

**Thursday:**

Young Americans, "Café, Old Gym &amp; St. Sebastian Gym"

9:30-11:00 am – Catechesis, "Parish Office Basement"

9:45-10:30 am – Music Together, "Parish Office"

4:30-6:00 pm – Catechesis, "Parish Upstairs &amp; Basement"

7:00 pm – Choir, "Church"

**Friday:**

Young Americans, "Café, Old Gym, &amp; St. Sebastian Gym"

**Saturday:**

6:00 pm – Young Americans Performance, "St Sebastian"

Please call the Parish Office before scheduling any event.

A complete list of parish events can be found at

<http://www.nativity-cincinnati.org/calendar>**Readings:**

Isaiah 49: 14-15 1 Corinthians 4: 1-5

Matthew 6: 24-34

**Saturday, February 25, 2017, 4:30 PM****Lectors:** Greg Laux, Volunteer Needed, Greg Laux**Servers:** Alex Robinson, Catie Strode, Catie Green**Eucharistic Ministers:** Robert & Samantha Smyjunas,  
Ryan Reese, Rita Timoney, Helen Vollman, Volunteers  
Needed**Sunday, February 26, 2017, 10:00 AM****Lectors:** Bob Herring, Beth Adkins, Ed Smith**Servers:** Patrick Jennings, Jack & Haley Renneker, Julia  
Moser, Jack & George Fisher, Zachary End**Eucharistic Ministers:** TBA**Next Weekend's Second Collection** will be going to our St. Vincent de Paul Society. Because of you, hope lives on for struggling families throughout our neighborhoods.**Sick & Shut-Ins**

Bill Bach

Stephanie Benhase

Alberta Carter

Diana DeRhodes

Jackie Goetz

Lin Laing

Fran Pielage

Bill Sandman

Maureen Sullivan

Bob Valerius

David Bell

Mary Jo Beresford

Angela Casey

Joe Doering

Krystyna Kamp

Sandra Mertes

Bradley Resch

Caitlyn Sanderson

Jane Udry

Jan Weaver

Victoria Behringer

Dottie Brinker

Barbara Cottrell

Barry Funk

Liam Kaufman

Claire Overbeck

Monica Runyan

Sr. Joan Schimian

Barbara Valentine

**Friends & Family**

Sheila Caldwell

Brian Lauer

John Mack

Greg Morley

Holly Rough

Peg Schuckman

Barbara Wernke

Rod Griffin

Amy Leigh

Doug Martin

Cathy Ramundo

Suzie Rumsey

Mary Ellen Spaitte

Michelle Lattore

Paul Lereck

Annette Mason

Bob Ross

Pam Sabo

Mike Tebbe

**Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements for Holy Communion, Anointing of the Sick, Reconciliation and pastoral visits.****Mass Intentions**

Sunday	9:00 am	Molly Matre
Sunday	11:00 am	Richard Baumgartner
Monday	8:15 am	Carol Ann Caldwell
Tuesday	8:15 am	Kathy Mountel
Wednesday	8:15 am	Benefactors
Thursday	8:15 am	In Thanksgiving
Friday	8:15 am	Fr. William Thomas
Saturday	4:30 pm	Celebrant Intentions

**Church Offerings**

	<u>February 12, 2017</u>	<u>Fiscal YTD</u>
Regular Collection	\$9,247	\$275,490
School Support	685	10,933
Online Donations	547	93,601
Total Weekly Collection	10,479	380,024
Weekly Budget	10,800	360,600
Over/Under	(321)	19,424
St. Vincent de Paul	552.34	

**A basket will be in the back of church to collect your palms from last year. The palms will be burned and used on Ash Wednesday.****Centennial Brunch:** All Nativity families who sent their RSVP card in will be receiving a ticket through the mail. Admission to the brunch is by "ticket only."

## February 19, 2017 – Seventh-Sunday in Ordinary Time

**We need volunteers** to help with serving beverages, babysitting and clean up at the Centennial Brunch. Sign up using the link or feel free to contact me directly to volunteer: Janet Nawroth at (513) 519-1532 or [janetnawroth@hotmail.com](mailto:janetnawroth@hotmail.com). Thank you for helping with this very special event!  
<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c054aaec22a57-nativity-2>.

**2017 Catholic Ministries Appeal:** We thank everyone from Nativity who has participated in the 2017 Catholic Ministries Appeal. Our pledges let us provide paths of hope through six important Catholic ministries right here in our archdiocese. Additionally, 50% of all pledges in excess of our parish goal of \$25,451 will go to our St. Vincent de Paul Society. If you did not receive a pledge card, please pick one up from the basket in the back of church. To make a pledge securely online, visit [www.CatholicAppeal.net](http://www.CatholicAppeal.net).



**Parish Membership and Tuition:** Children of a Nativity Parishioner, enrolled at Nativity School, receive a significant amount of tuition aid from the parish. A Nativity parishioner is, at the very least, registered, normally attends Sunday Mass at Nativity Church, and supports the work of the parish through regular use of parish envelopes and volunteer hours.



**Spring is almost here!** Now is the time to prepare for spring. The Nativity Boosters Mulch Sale is back in full swing again this year. The Nativity Boosters fundraiser raises money to help cover the cost of the great sports programs Nativity provides to its students. The prices remain the same as last year, \$4.75 for 2.0 cubic feet of high quality Black Platinum with **FREE** local delivery on March 25<sup>th</sup>. To order: Easy on line ordering and payment, please click or copy the following link to take you there: <https://nativity-cincinnati.weshareonline.org/Mulch>; send an email with your order to [mulchsale@athletics.nativity-cincinnati.org](mailto:mulchsale@athletics.nativity-cincinnati.org); or you can call the mulch-meister at (513) 470-4774; orders by email or phone made payable to **Nativity Boosters**. Many hands make for light work! We are in **GREAT** need of **trucks and workers** (youth and adults to volunteer for the March 25<sup>th</sup> delivery. Contact 470-4774 if you are able to help or use our SignUp Genius page: [www.SignUpGenius.com/go/70Ao945A4AA23A64-2017](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/70Ao945A4AA23A64-2017).

**One Faith, One Hope, One Love Update:** In September 2015, Nativity kicked off its participation in the Archdiocesan One Faith, One Hope, One Love campaign. By March 2016, thanks to the generosity of parishioners, Nativity met its goal of raising \$725,000 in pledges to be paid over 5 years. As the campaign goals

stated, 20% of payments received up to goal will be returned to the parish. Our latest disbursement of \$13,741 has been received representing 20% of Nativity parishioner pledge payments made between July 1 and December 2016. So far, Nativity has received three payments totaling \$54,324. Our next disbursement is anticipated in July 2017 and is dependent on pledge payments made by parishioners between January 1, 2017 and June 30, 2017. Nativity's share of funds will be put towards improvements in the school and church. *Thank you for your continued commitment to the One Faith, One Hope, One Love campaign and to Nativity!*

Announcing the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual **Greater Cincinnati Catholic Women's Conference. Save the Date and Register!!** The first Saturday of Lent this year is **March 4** and what better way to start Lent than a spiritual day of prayer, great talks, and spiritual renewal? This year the theme is: *"Lord, Teach Us to Pray."* The event will be held at The Manor House in Mason, OH. Registration is now available online at [www.catholicwomenofcincinnati.com](http://www.catholicwomenofcincinnati.com). Last year the event sold out so register early and bring a friend!

**Parent Math Night:** Please join us in the school cafeteria on February 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm for Nativity Math Night. Finish the school year strong by learning how to support your children at home. Our presenter, Julia Waint, has been a math teacher in Cincinnati for over 27 years and has a BS in mathematics education and a MA in mathematics. She will be offering suggestions for how to work with children to help them become more successful in math.

**Completing Our Projects – 2016 Annual Fund:** Thanks to those families who have already donated to the 2016 Annual Fund, we have reached nearly 60 percent of our goal of raising \$100,000. So far, 133 families have donated \$59,570. Please give soon so we know how much funding is available to complete our projects over the summer months. Your donation will help renovate the school art room, replace desks and chairs in designated classrooms, and finish installing new doors and security equipment on parish grounds. For more information and to make a donation, go to <http://nativity-cincinnati.org/giving/annual-fund>. Or you may make out a check to Nativity Annual Fund, and mail it to 5935 Pandora Avenue, 45213. Thank you for your continued support of Nativity!



Nativity will host its annual **Parish Mission** during Lent on Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> through Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup>. Our guest speaker is Jack Jezreel, a nationally-known presenter on social action and founder of the JustFaith program. The Mission will kick-off with a Family Parish Potluck Dinner on Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> beginning at 5:00 pm with presentation ending at 8:00 pm. Presentations on Monday and Tuesday evenings will begin at 6:30 pm and end at 8:00 pm. Complimentary babysitting will be available on-site all three nights. More details to come...

**Please join** us for our 15<sup>th</sup> annual Findley Community Dinner in observance of the **National Week of Prayer for the Healing of Aids!** This year's Findley Community Dinner is Thursday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at St. Joseph Catholic Church from 6:00-8:00 pm.

~Please remember Nativity in your will~

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