

This Week at Nativity

Sunday:

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

10:00 am – Jr. High Religious Education, "Chapel"

12:30-1:00 pm – Stations of the Cross, "Church"

12:30 pm – Centennial Interviews, "Parish Office
Lunchroom"12:30 pm – Committee Festival Meeting,
"Parish Office Basement"

12:30-5:00 pm – Players, "Café & Music Room"

1:30-3:00 pm – Al-Anon, "Chapel"

5:30 pm – Youth Groups, "Church & Café"

Monday:7:00-8:30 pm – Faith Sharing Group, "Parish Office
Basement"**Tuesday:**

7:00 am – Men's Prayer & Discussion Groups, "Chapel"

6:30-7:30 pm – Cub Scouts, "Parish Office Basement"

Wednesday:

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

9:30 & 10:30 am- Music Together, "Parish Office Upstairs"

5:30-7:00 pm – Math Club, "Room 201"

6:00-9:30 pm – Players, "Café & Music Room"

Thursday:

9:30 & 10:30 am – Music Together, "Parish Office Upstairs"

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

4:30-6:00 pm – Catechesis, "Parish Office Upstairs"

8:00-9:30 pm – Men's Club, "Café"

Friday:

5:30-7:30 pm – Fish Fry, "Café"

Saturday:

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**

1 Samuel 16: 1b, 6-7, 10-13a

Ephesians 5: 8-14

John 9: 1-41

Saturday, March 5, 2016 4:30 PM**Lectors:** Bob Herring, Linda Crawford, Linda Crawford**Servers:** Quinn Smyjunas, Abigail & Lauren Spencer**Eucharistic Ministers:** Bitsy & Samantha Smyjunas, Ryan Reese, Rita Timoney, Helen Vollman, (Volunteers Needed)**Sunday, March 6, 2016 9:00 AM****Lectors:** Wayne Chapman, Chris Wilke, Chris Wilke**Servers:** Olivia & Peter Wilke, Greta Albers, Finnigan Barrett**Eucharistic Ministers:** Eileen Beckman, Bill Sandman, Sarah Law, Dave Morris, Henry Faulk, (Volunteers Needed)**Sunday, March 6, 2016 11:00 AM****Lectors:** Ed Smith, Martha Fuller, Martha Fuller**Servers:** Audrey, Charlie & Andy Peters, Anthony Zelinkas**Eucharistic Ministers:** Sara Gurney, Shawn Hostiuck, LeAnn Cummins, Pat Dells, Mary Lennard, Lisa Harper, Renee Bock, Jacob Lamb, Patrick & Bridget Fuller***Please pray for those who have died, especially Kathleen Mountel, Garnet Carder and Carol Caldwell.*****Sick & Shut-Ins**

Bill Bach	Stephanie Benhase	Dottie Brinker
Alberta Carter	Barbara Cottrell	Diana DeRhodes
Joe Doering	Barry Funk	Jackie Goetz
Bob Hatfield	Liam Kaufman	Anthony Le
Lin Laing	Molly Matre	Alexander Nemeth
Claire Overbeck	Fran Pielage	Mary Piepmeier
John Schomaker	Peggy Thomas	Barbara Valentine

Friends & Family

Michelle Latorre	Paul Lereck	John Mack
Doug Martin	Annette Mason	Cathy Ramundo
Holly Rough	Pam Sabo	Peg Schuckman
Mary Ellen Spaitte		

Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements for Holy Communion, Anointing of the Sick, Reconciliation and pastoral visits.**February 21, 2016**

Offerings	\$16,136.00
Budget	\$10,800.00
Over (under) Budget	\$5,336.00
Year to Date Actual	\$407,017.00
Year to Date Budget	\$382,200.00
Over (under) Budget	\$24,817.00
Shelterhouse	\$675.00

You can give online to Nativity by going to <http://www.nativity-cincinnati.org/giving>**Please remember Nativity in your will****Mass Intentions**

Sunday	9:00 am	Virginia Weisgerber
Sunday	11:00 am	For the People
Monday	8:15 am	For those serving in the military
Tuesday	8:15 am	Shut-ins
Wednesday	8:15 am	In Thanksgiving
Thursday	8:15 am	Deceased Parishioners
Friday	8:15 am	For those in Nursing Homes
Saturday	4:30 pm	Benefactors

Next Sunday's Outreach Collection will be going to The Caring Place. The Caring Place was established in 1982 by a coalition of churches serving Golf Manor, Kennedy Heights, Pleasant Ridge and Silverton. Their goal is to provide services to members of the communities in need of food and clothing.**Sr. Janet, as part of her congregational work, will be in Ecuador from March 1st – March 16th visiting the Sisters who minister there. She will be back in the office on the 17th.**

February 28, 2016 – Third Sunday of Lent



2016 Catholic Ministries

Appeal: This is Commitment Weekend for the 2016 Catholic Ministries Appeal. Please join with Catholics in every parish throughout our archdiocese who are sharing their blessings and changing lives through local, Catholic ministries which depend on our help each year. If you have already responded by mail or online, or if you brought your completed pledge card to place in the offertory today, thank you. If you did not receive a pledge card, please pick one up in the back of church. **What is the difference between the One Faith, One Hope, One Love campaign and the Catholic Ministries Appeal?** The Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA) is an annual effort that provides funding to six local Catholic ministries. The ministries are 1) Catholic Charities and Social Services, 2) Campus, Hospital, and Prison ministries, 3) Seminary and Vocations, 4) St. Rita School for the Deaf, 5) Retired Archdiocesan Priests, and 6) New Evangelization programming. These ministries depend on the CMA every year to help fund operating needs and continue their great work. The *One Faith, One Hope, One Love (FHL)* campaign was an extraordinary effort to ensure the future viability of the diocese and also raise funds for individual parishes. Of the funds raised through the FHL campaign, 70% will benefit ministries that are not related to CMA (i.e. Catholic Education and Local Parish Priorities.) The remaining 30% will benefit ministries that do overlap with the CMA (i.e. Catholic Charities, Vocations, and Retired Diocesan Priests.) However, the FHL campaign will provide these ministries with the opportunity to invest in their vision for the future, and generate significant funding that will have a lasting impact for generations to come.



Join our parish community...and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States...in a life-changing Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. When God created us, he made us in his image and likeness. That means that every human being has a special value and purpose. We need to care for each other so that we can be the people God calls us to be. Pick up your family's rice bowl from the back of church, and don't forget to download the CRS Rice Bowl app! Remember, what you give up for Lent changes lives.

Nativity Christmas Tree Sale: A HUGE THANK YOU to all of the wonderful people who volunteered to help with the Christmas Tree Sale this year. The sale was a tremendous success for the Parish, as we were able to sell every single one of the 510 trees we ordered this year. Thank you especially to **Joel Munn** and all the wonderful volunteers from the **Ridgewood Civic Association**, to **John Van Rens** and **Eric Kleiner** and all the awesome guys in the **Nativity Men's Club**, and to **John Teuschl**, **Geoff Pinyard**, and **Doug Newberry** for sacrificing so much of their time to help with

the tree sale this year. The Christmas Tree Sale would not have been the enormous success it was without the help and assistance of each and every one of you. Thank you so much for all you do to make Nativity such a special and unique place to be. We are truly blessed!
Greg Laux, Nativity Christmas Tree Sale Chairman



New Chairperson for Fall Fest Grand Raffle

Needed: We are in search of a new chairperson for the Fall Fest grand raffles. Responsibilities of this role include working with the school to choose the timing of the school-wide raffle sale (currently done during May), partnering with Festival Chairs to set the terms and structure of the prizes, contacting the Parish Office to order tickets, determine the incentives, counting the returns, scheduling volunteers to work the Grand Raffle booth at the festival (along with the Volunteer Coordinator), helping Fr. Paul pull the winners. We appreciate the hard work and dedication of the previous chair people, Chris and Kathleen Wilke, and look forward to having a new chairperson/people! If you are interested in this role or if you have any questions, please contact Haidee Schlegel at (513) 407-1812 of hschlegel80@gmail.com.



Good Job! Nativity Class of 2012 ...Leah Johnson, Beatrice Newberry, Marissa Ruzga and Audrey Stegman will be inducted into the Walnut Hills High School chapter of the *Cum Laude Society* on March 15th. They will be among six dozen members of the 400-student class named *Cum Laude scholars* for GPAs of 3.75 or higher, exemplary character and participation in school or community activities. All of these accomplishments have earned them this honor. Congrats!!!

One Faith, One Hope, One Love campaign nears its goal! To date, Nativity has received \$708,000 in pledges and is at 97% of its goal of raising \$725,000 for the One Faith, One Hope, One Love campaign. See the bulletin insert for details.

Our Year of Mercy focus for March is **Shelter the Homeless**. As we reflect on the corporal work of mercy, it's a good time to thank all those members of our parish who have so often opened their homes to visiting students and teachers from other countries, and especially today we would like to thank Mary and Bill Lennard for hosting Dr. Eileen Burke-Sullivan, our mission presenter. So now we turn our attention to refugees, the poor homeless of our cities and all who need a welcome and a roof over their head. What are you doing? Whom have you helped? **Write it on a leaf and put it on our Mercy Tree please!**

Our DYNAMITE program continues for the next three Monday evenings, Feb 29, March 7 and March 14 from 6:30-8:00pm. Come learn more about your Catholic faith.

Nativity Name Badges: You have probably seen staff and parishioners wearing these badges at Mass and other community events over the past several months. If you would like to purchase a badge for you/family, forms are available in the parish office, school office and in the back of church. Cost is \$8 per badge. We do not profit from the sale of these badges; this is what the printing company charges Nativity per badge to produce. Please remember to select **magnet** or **pin** when ordering....thanks!

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