

## This Week at Nativity

## Sunday:

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

9:00 am Mass – Bambinelli Sunday, "Church"

1:30-3:30 pm – Al-Anon, "Parish Office Basement"

## Monday:

7:00 pm – St. Vincent de Paul Meeting, "Chapel"

7:00 pm – Small Faith Group, "Parish Office Basement"

## Tuesday:

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

7:00-8:30 pm – Booster's Meeting, "Café"

## Wednesday:

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

3:00-6:00 pm – Kindergarten Girl Scouts, "Art Room"

7:00 pm – Advent Musical, "Old Gym"

## Thursday:

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

3:00-4:30 pm – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Brownies, "Art Room"

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

7:00 pm – Advent Musical, "Old Gym"

## Friday:

3:00-4:30 pm – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Brownies, "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:

Micah 5: 1-4a

Hebrews 10: 5-10

Luke 1: 39-45

Saturday, December 19, 2015 4:30 PM*Lectors:* Mary Gene Kling, Beth Gunderson, Beth Gunderson*Servers:* AJ & TJ Bock, Julia Moser*Eucharistic Ministers:* Mary Ann Klonne, Dick Meirose, Bea Souder, Nita Toennis, (Volunteers Needed)Sunday, December 20, 2015 9:00 AM*Lectors:* Brendan Cronin, Andy Farfsing, Chris Wilke*Servers:* Noah Lorbach, Abby Miller, Nicholas Simpson, Ivan Wendel*Eucharistic Ministers:* Dave Hermann, Judy Parsons, Wayne & Jan Chapman, Robert Preston, Michaela & Michaele Townsend, Anne Ramsay, (Volunteers Needed)Sunday, December 20, 2015 11:00 AM*Lectors:* Pat Dells, Mary Lennard, Martha Fuller*Servers:* Kendle & Bradley Coffey, Zachary End, Gus Kleinfeldt*Eucharistic Ministers:* Patrick Fuller, Jason & Thomas Darrah, Lynn McDonald, Sara Gurney, Kathy Symons, Mary Lennard, (Volunteers Needed)

Please keep the following parishioners in your prayers and please pray for the people who have died, especially Cynthia Fix.

## Sick &amp; Shut-Ins

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

## Friends &amp; Family

Gene Abner	Kathy Kelly	Matthew Kenney
Michelle Latorre	Paul Lereck	John Mack
Annette Mason	Doug Martin	Cathy Ramundo
Holly Rough	Peg Schuckman	Mary Ellen Spait

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

December 6, 2015

Offerings	\$11,711.00
Budget	\$10,800.00
Over (under) Budget	911.00
Year to Date Actual	\$242,836.00
Year to Date Budget	\$248,400.00
Over (under) Budget	(5,564.00)
Shelter House	723.00

Thank You

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	For the People
Sunday	11:00am	Richard Baumgartner
Monday	8:15 am	Nicholas Marchesani
Tuesday	8:15am	In Thanksgiving
Wednesday	8:15am	Deceased Parishioners
Thursday	8:15am	Shut-Ins
Friday	8:15am	Celebrant Intentions
Saturday	4:30pm	Jeanne Stone

Next Sunday's Outreach will be going to our St. Vincent de Paul Society. SVDP fosters HOPE by providing spiritual, emotional and financial assistance on a person-to-person basis in confidentiality to the unemployed, disabled, poor, lonely, and forgotten in our community. Please keep this organization in your prayers.



Special thanks to the children who helped to make the star cookies for Bambinelli Sunday!

The Year of Mercy declared by Pope Francis began on December 8<sup>th</sup>. Here at Nativity we will have an insert in the bulletin each month emphasizing one or two of the corporal works of mercy, showing what IS happening here at Nativity and also giving personal challenges for what can be done in our own personal lives or communally. The month of December will not have a specific focus since the Advent/Christmas Season already provides many opportunities to live out the corporal and spiritual works of mercy.



Please extend a warm welcome to our new parishioners: Mike and Amy Barrett, along with their two sons Finn and Charlie; Michael and Amy Scholl; Matthew and Margaret Shergy; Anne Tedford, along with her daughter Ava; and Jason and Deborah Chambless, along with their two daughters Frances and Catherine. *Welcome to Nativity*

Momentum is building...please make your pledge to the One Faith, One Hope, One Love campaign before Christmas! To date, Nativity has received \$464,225 in pledges from 77 families and is at 64% of its goal of raising \$725,000. That means that so far, only 12% of parish households have made a pledge to the One Faith, One Hope, One Love campaign. Imagine where Nativity would be with 20-25% participation! By now, all parishioners should have received a packet in the mail with a personalized letter requesting a specific donation and a commitment card. Money raised through the campaign will support the following: 50% will support Catholic education; 12% will go towards fostering vocations; 10% will support retired archdiocesan priests; 8% will go to Catholic charities and 20% will come back to Nativity to fund parish projects. When making a pledge, you may designate which ministry you wish to support. Please give prayerful consideration to making a pledge before Christmas and return your commitment card to the Parish Office. If you choose to include a check, please make it out to the Catholic Community Foundation. If you have any questions, you may contact Fr. Paul or Julie Abraham in the Parish Office 531-3164. Thank you in advance for supporting One Faith, One Hope, One Love campaign and Nativity!

Sweet Ministry Opportunity: Hundreds of our neighbors count on bread being at the Caring Place in Kennedy Heights every Tuesday morning. Fortunately, Busken Bakery makes this bread and other pastries available for free! All we have to do is go get it. It's a lot of fun work for a couple of hours. For the past 20 years this "small ministry has been done with great love" by Jim

Bellew and Ron Pflieger. They are unable to continue this meaningful ministry. So, we need you for just a couple hours on Monday morning. Fortunately, Mike McNamara 520-4722 or [mike@planehelp.net](mailto:mike@planehelp.net) and Chris Ritter 477-1162 have committed to coordinating this effort. However, they can't do it every Monday, and we guess that you might not be able to do every Monday morning either. So, we are asking you to pray to see, if you are being called to do something small and sweet with love. Typical schedule: 7:00 am meet at Busken's (Edwards Road back dock at Madison Road) to fill bags with bread, etc.; 9:00 am after a coffee, pastry & fellowship, deliver loaded bags to the Caring Place; we are generally done by 10:00-11:00 am. It's a loving way to begin the week. If you can answer the call of providing bread to our neighbors in need, we need you for 1, 2, 3, or even 4 Monday mornings every month. Please call us! Or, if you have questions, don't hesitate to call. We would love to have you join us.



Carry the Future: Refugees can end up walking hundreds of miles to their asylum destinations. They desperately need a safer, more comfortable way to carry their babies and toddlers. You can help by donating your new or gently used Soft Structured Carriers (SSCs). These are carriers that have clasps, straps or harnesses including brands such as Baby Bjorn, Chicco, Ergobaby, Evenflo, Infantino, Kolcraft, Lillebaby, Mei Teis, Moby Go, Tula, etc. Note that other non-structured carriers, including wraps, slings, and pouches, cannot be accepted. Put your donations in the boxes located outside of the school office and inside the church by 12/18/2015. I will coordinate getting the donated carriers to the Carry the Future organization [www.carrythefuture.org](http://www.carrythefuture.org). They will hand-deliver the carriers to the refugee families for them and instruct them on proper use. If you have any questions, please contact Kristine Flinchum at [kcflinchum@gmail.com](mailto:kcflinchum@gmail.com).



The following students from Nativity have earned honors from Purcell Marian High School: Dean's List: Bryan Badinghaus, Jack Bellman, William Bellman, Maria Burns, Cameron & Madison Kilby, Ryan Lamb, Samuel Lewis, Julia Mumper, Jackson Seedhouse, Benjamin Shaw, Samuel Stainton, Joshua Tepe, Margaret Tobin, Hannah Vondohre and Jordan Wright; First Honors: Moriah Brown, Kwasi Burgin, William Burton, Ana Hagerty and Haley Harper; Second Honors: Benjamin Bellman, Promise Graves, Nicholas Preston, Roman Summers and Nathan Tepe. *Congratulations, Cavaliers!*

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