

**This Week at Nativity****Sunday:**

After 9:00 Mass – Presentation & Welcoming Sunday, “Café”

After 11:00 Mass – Welcoming Sunday, “Cafe”

8:45-10:15 am – Catechesis, “POB”

12:00 pm – Baptism Program, “POB”

12:30 pm – Stations of the Cross, “Church”

1:30-3:00 pm – Al-Anon, “Chapel”

**Monday:****Tuesday:**

7:00 pm – Booster Meeting, “Café”

**Wednesday:**

7:30-8:00 am – Centering Prayer, “Chapel”

9:15-10:30 am – Wednesday Wonderings, “Chapel”

3:00-4:30 pm – 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Daisy Meeting, “Art Room”

6:00-8:00 pm – Lent Adult Formation, “Café, & Library”

6:00-7:15 pm – Wolf Scouts, “Art Room”

**Thursday:**

9:30-11:00 am – Catechesis, “POB”

4:30-6:00 pm – Catechesis, “POB & POU”

**Friday:**

5:30-7:30 pm – Fish Fry, “Café”

**Saturday:**

**Note:** PO – Parish Office

POB – Parish Office Basement

POU – Parish Office Upstairs

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:** 2 Chronicles 36: 14-16, 19-23

Ephesians 2: 4-10 John 3: 14-21

**Saturday, March 10, 2018 – 4:30 PM**

**Lectors:** Sister Carren, Mary Gene Kling, Sister Carren

**Servers:** Grace Albrinck, Emma Ganz, Abby Kirwan

**Eucharistic Ministers:** VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**Sunday, March 11, 2018 – 9:00 AM**

**Lectors:** Michael Mohr, Tom Millard, Brendan Cronin

**Servers:** Sarah Kemper, Jashir Barnes-Ali, Edward Mohr, Ben Millard

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Jan Brown, Joe Schmidt, Liz Bellew, Beth, Megan & Jackson Glass, Darlene Casey, Anthony Kulhanek, Georgia Henley, VOLUNTEER NEEDED

**Sunday, March 11, 2018 – 11:00 AM**

**Lectors:** Sarah Peters, Mary Lennard, Pat Dells

**Servers:** Charlie & Andy Peters, Steve North, Brennan Laake

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Lynn McDonald, Sue Odeh, Sophia Lawson, John Finn, VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**Sick & Shut-Ins**

Bill Bach

Mary Jo Beresford

Angela Casey

Rachel Cronin

Joe Doering

Tom Grogan

Mary McErlane

Monica Runyan

Maureen Sullivan

Bob Valerius

Stephanie Benhase

Dottie Brinker

Kathy Chalfin

Diana DeRhodes

Barry Funk

Krystyna Kamp

Fran Pielage

Bill Sandman

Jane & Carl Udry

Jan Weaver

Terri Behringer

Alberta Carter

Barbara Cottrell

Roman Dietz

Jackie Goetz

Liam Kaufman

Ron Rulon

Sr. Joan Schimian

Barbara Valentine

**Friends & Family**

Sheila Caldwell

Brian Lauer

George Long

Rose Ann Miller

Greg Morley

Holly Rough

Peg Schuckman

James Doolittle

Amy Leigh

John Mack

Bob Mitchell

Cathy Ramundo

Suzie Rumsey

Mary Ellen Spaite

Bob Finn

Paul Lereck

Doug Martin

Kince Moore

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 Lothar Kreppel

Sunday

11:00 am For the People

Monday

8:15 am For those who are lonely

Tuesday

8:15 am Benefactors

Wednesday

8:15 am Deceased Parishioners

Thursday

8:15 am For those living in poverty

Friday

8:15 am Mary Bruening

Saturday

4:30 pm Molly Matre

**TOTAL OFFERINGS**

	<b>February 25, 2018</b>	<b>Fiscal YTD</b>
Regular Offerings	\$5,570	285,790
School Support	325	11,530
Online Collection	652	110,943
Total Offerings	6,547	408,263
Budget	10,800	393,000
Over (Under) Budget	(4,253)	15,263
The Caring Place	\$480.16	

**Next Weekend's Outreach Collection** will be going to our St. Vincent de Paul Society. Our purpose is the Spiritual Growth of our members. We experience this growth by seeing the eyes and heart of Jesus in those we serve. We foster HOPE by providing spiritual and financial assistance through in-home visits made in confidentiality to our neighbors in need. Through the generosity of the Nativity parishioners, we are able to help with food vouchers, rent to prevent evictions, utilities to prevent cut-offs and continue to keep neighbors, especially children, from sleeping on the floor. We are extremely grateful to you for following the call of the Holy Spirit, your generosity and prayers.

## March 4, 2018 – Third Sunday of Lent

Please join us today after the 9:00 Mass for Welcoming Sunday. This will provide an opportunity to learn a bit about hunger in our country and world, and how the proposed Farm Bill might address these concerns. We thank the Social Action Commission for sharing their insights on this in a very brief presentation.



Thank you to all who have responded generously to the annual Catholic Ministries Appeal, helping our parish work toward its goal and joining with the entire archdiocese in providing a future of hope for people in need. If you have not participated yet or did not receive an envelope in the mail, additional Pledge Envelopes can be found in the back of church. *Thank you for your generous response to this very important appeal.*



In Burkina Faso, we encounter Safiata, a mother, grandmother and farmer who relies on the money she makes from her crops to put her children through school. How can you work to improve the lives of others this Lent? How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities? Did you know that CRS Rice Bowl has a web page specifically for families? Visit [crsricebowl.org/families](http://crsricebowl.org/families) for activities that will help your family grow in our Catholic faith this Lenten season.



**PLEASE READ:** There will only be **ONE** Mass on Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup> for Palm Sunday at 10:00 am in church



### Holy Thursday:

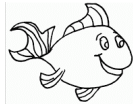
8:15 am *Morning Prayer "Church"*  
7:00 pm *Mass of the Lord's Supper "Church"*  
10:00 pm *Night Prayer "Cafeteria"*  
*(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament)*  
9:00 pm – 8:15 am

### Good Friday:

8:15 am *Morning Prayer "Cafeteria"*  
3:00 pm *Liturgy of the Lord's Passion "Church"*

Holy Saturday: 8:45 pm *Easter Vigil "Church"*

Easter Sunday: 9:00 am Mass "Church"  
11:00 am Mass "Church"



Please join us at the **Nativity Lenten Fish Fry every Friday** through March 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 5:30-7:30 pm, in the school cafeteria.



**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. This 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 with minimum 10 bag order (\$5 for orders less than 10 bags) on Saturday, April 7<sup>th</sup>. To order: 1. Easy on line ordering and Payment, please click or copy the following link to take you there: <https://nativity-cincinnati.weshareonline.org/Mulch>; 2. Send an email with your order to [mulchsale@athletics.nativity-cincinnati.org](mailto:mulchsale@athletics.nativity-cincinnati.org); 3. Call the Mulch line at (513) 470-4774. Orders by email or phone made payable by check to **Nativity Boosters**. Many hands make for light work! We are in **GREAT** need of **trucks** and **drivers** (youth and adults) to volunteer for the April 7<sup>th</sup> delivery. Contact 470-4774 if you are able to help or use our SignUpGenius page: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0945a4aa23a64-nativity1>.

**Care for Creation Tip: Plastic waste is a huge environmental problem, because it never really goes away.** Plastic does not biodegrade. Over time plastic just breaks into smaller and smaller pieces. Because of this, every single piece of plastic ever made is still present today in one form or another. Each year reports indicate that over 100,000 marine animals and one million birds die from ingesting and choking on plastic. Plastics are also responsible for leaching harmful chemicals such as DDT into our soil and groundwater that are then consumed by humans and wildlife, causing illnesses and in some cases, death. Additionally, plastic products remit millions of tons of greenhouse gases during their production phase, accelerating climate change and polluting the local air. **You can help by using reusable bags, bottles, silverware, dishes, cleaning tools, and other products that are alternatives to plastic!**

**"Into Our Second Century" 2017 Annual Fund donations climb to \$61,570.** The 2017 Annual Fund "Into Our Second Century" is well on its way to reaching our goal of raising \$100,000. To date, 136 Nativity families have contributed. Funds raised will be used to develop a new technology center in the old school gym; install new sanctuary flooring and refinish woodwork in the church; purchase high-grade projection systems for school and parish-wide use; and add \$10,000 to the School Education Fund. Information can be found at <http://www.nativity-cincinnati.org/giving/annual-fund>. Questions?? Contact annual fund co-chair's Holly End at [hschapf@gmail.com](mailto:hschapf@gmail.com), Dianne Fisk at [Dianne.Fisk@thechristhospital.com](mailto:Dianne.Fisk@thechristhospital.com) or Development Director Julie Abraham at [julie.abraham@nativity-cincinnati.org](mailto:julie.abraham@nativity-cincinnati.org).

~Please remember Nativity in your will~

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