

This Week at Nativity

Sunday: Closed
Monday: Closed
Tuesday: Closed
Wednesday: Closed
Thursday: Closed
Friday: Closed
Saturday: Closed

***UPDATE from the Catholic Conference of Ohio regarding Mass:**

Out of deep concern for the common good as well as the physical and spiritual well-being of all the people of Ohio, the Catholic Bishops of Ohio have agreed once again to cooperate with the governor, and to support and abide by the multi-phased approach to returning to work and eventual public gathering in large groups. To that end, on Tuesday, April 28th the Catholic Bishops of Ohio announced they have extended the suspension of public Mass through Friday, May 29th, with the hope of publicly celebrating together the Solemnity of Pentecost on the weekend of May 30/31. Additional details will follow in the coming weeks, as we receive updates from the Archdiocese.

For the latest information on the Coronavirus and what we are doing at Nativity please visit our website at www.nativity-cincinnati.org/updates.

Let us care and be attentive to one another:

During this very unusual time for all of us it is so important that we support and encourage one another. We urge you to be attentive to your neighbors, to offer help in any way you can, being especially mindful of the elderly, the sick or those who are alone. Try to cheer one another and pray for one another. Let us make this a time of real Christian community-building. *In God alone we place our trust.*

Sick & Shut-Ins

Bill Bach	Bill Balskus	Reid Baumgartner
Liz Bellew	Stephanie Benhase	Mary Jo Beresford
Dottie Brinker	Eugene Carlson	Deborah Casey
Kathy Chalfin	Barbara Cottrell	Diana DeRhodes
Joe Doering	Stella Evans	Barry Funk
Jackie Goetz	Krystyna Kamp	Jim Kaufman
Fr. Ray Kellerman	Al & Mary Lou Matre	Mary McErlane
Karen Morgan	Ron Rulon	Sr. Joan Schimian
Debbie Schneider	Maureen Sullivan	Jane & Carl Udry
Barbara Valentine	Bob Valerius	Jan Weaver

Friends & Family

Mark Behreng	Sheila Caldwell	James Doolittle
Bob Finn	Rick Holtz	John Mack
Doug Martin	Bob Mitchell	Greg Morley
David Palmer	Cathy Ramundo	Holly Rough
Mike Rumsey	Rhoda Rupp	Randy Rupp Jr.
Mary Ellen Spaite	Peg Schuckman	David Shiveley
Mike Tebbe	Mary Williams	Craig Wrober

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

CHURCH OFFERING	April 26, 2020	Fiscal YTD
Regular Collection	5,088	303,043
School Support	35	10,901
Online Collection	742	167,862
Total Offerings	5,865	481,806
Budget	10,900	487,800
Over (under) Budget	(5,035)	(5,994)

"Moving Forward Together" Annual Fund has reached over 83% of its goal!

The "Moving Forward Together" Annual Fund is building momentum with 144 families contributing \$83,484 to date. This year's goal is to raise \$100,000 to improve campus security and fire detection; enhance the sound in church; update the ceiling, lighting and wall coverings in the cafeteria; and add \$10,000 to our School Education Fund. Many thanks to those who have already contributed. For those of you that are experiencing financial hardships of your own, we know that this is not the time to give. But, for those of you who can help, please consider donating so that we have cash in hand to complete our projects over the summer. Any donation would be deeply appreciated! To donate to Annual Fund, send a check made out to Nativity Annual Fund, 5935 Pandora Avenue, 45213. Questions regarding annual fund may be directed to co-chairs Dianne Fisk at Dianne.Fisk@thechristhospital.com or Charlie Knapke at cknapke1@lenovo.com.

May 3, 2020 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

WEEKLY ENCOUNTERS WITH THE RISEN CHRIST – STATIONS OF THE RESURRECTION:

The Weekly Encounters are intended for use in your Domestic Church during the Fifty Days of Easter. The order of prayer provided is the same week to week, with a different Gospel account of the Risen Lord's appearance to his disciples, and to us. Each week, now through Pentecost, a new encounter will be proclaimed and prayed. The Third Encounter is: **Peter and John Reach the Tomb, John 20: 1-10.** Please go to the following link for specific directions on how to pray them each week: <https://www.nativity-cincinnati.org/updates/weekly-encounters/> We will have a new Encounter each week on our website, as well as hard copies in the back of church for those of you who do not use/have access to a computer.

Please support #GivingTuesdayNow on May 5th:

Along with the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and other parishes within the diocese, Nativity is participating in #GivingTuesdayNow on May 5th. This day is dedicated to recognizing the good that is going on within parishes during the coronavirus pandemic. For instance, although Fr. Paul is unable to celebrate Mass, he has been calling parishioners to check on their well-being and sending uplifting letters with suggested prayers encouraging them to not lose sight of God's love and healing. Our Principal Dave Arbogast along with the teachers and staff have been working hard to make the best of the online education required to finish out the school year. Currently, they are creatively structuring end-of-year events to try to keep as many school traditions as possible, and hopefully give our students a sense of comfort and normalcy. Our parents and students have been working tirelessly to quickly adapt to online learning at home. Our building and maintenance staff has been busy to work making long-planned improvements to our campus while it is closed. Our parishioners who volunteer in the St. Vincent de Paul Nativity parish office have been providing assistance to our neighbors in need. In short, during this difficult time our Nativity community continues to be Christ to one another. **Your parish needs your continued support.** Please go to #GivingTuesdayNow at <https://www.aocstewardship.org/givenow/> to donate to Nativity or other charitable organizations. On the website, you can also

share a story of how your parish or family has been making a difference and giving back during the current health crisis.



Married Couples celebrating a significant wedding anniversary (25, 40, 50, 60, 65, 70, 75) in 2020 are invited to request a congratulatory certificate from Archbishop Schnurr in one of two ways: Visit the Archdiocesan Office for Marriage & Family Life Website at... <http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/ministries-offices/family-life/>; or call the Office of Marriage & Family Life (513) 263-6692, before June 19th. In addition to receiving a certificate from Archbishop Schnurr, married couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in 2020 are invited to a Golden Anniversary Mass, on **August 1, 2020, at 4:30 pm, at St. Peter in Chains Cathedral.** To register to attend the Mass, please follow the directions from above.



ALL BAPTISMS SCHEDULED FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL THROUGH MAY 29th ARE CANCELED due to the shelter in place order by Gov. DeWine. All Baptisms will be rescheduled when the order is lifted, and we are permitted to once again gather for Mass.

If you had a Mass Intention scheduled for a loved one or friend anytime between mid March through May 29th, the same holds true as for Baptisms scheduled. We will get everyone rescheduled as soon as we are permitted to return to regular worship in church.



Our St. Vincent de Paul Drop Off box is over-flowing. Please do not drop any items off at this time. All St. Vincent de Paul Stores are closed due to the Coronavirus and will not be picking up again until they are permitted to return to work themselves.

The SVDP Society of Nativity parish continues to serve our neighbors in need through this unprecedented time. Your donations through the twice-monthly second collections make our work possible. We expect an increase in need in the coming months as our community is affected by job layoffs due to the coronavirus. We ask, if your circumstances allow, that you continue supporting the work of our SVDP conference by mailing your donation to the Parish Office addressed to SVDP or give online at <https://nativity-cincinnati.weshareonline.org/St.VincentDePaulSociety>. We thank you for your continued support and prayers.

~ Please remember Nativity in your will ~

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