This Week at Nativity

Sunday:

4:30 pm – Christmas Eve Mass, "Church" 1:30-3:00 pm – Al-Anon, "Parish Office Basement"

Monday:

12:00 am – Midnight Christmas Mass, "Church" 9:00 & 11:00 am – Christmas Masses, "Church"

Tuesday:

Parish & School Offices Closed

Wednesday:

Parish & School Offices Closed

Thursday:

Parish & School Offices Closed

Friday:

Parish & School Offices Closed

Saturday:

4:30 Mass, "Church"

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:

Genesis 15: 1-6; 21: 1-3 Sirach 3: 2-6, 12-14 Luke 2: 22-40

Saturday, December 30, 2017 – 4:30 PM

Lectors: Bea Souder, Nancy Ciarniello, Bea Souder *Servers:* Julia & Ava Moser, Ray Ravenna *Eucharistic Ministers:* VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Sunday, December 31, 2017 - 9:00 AM

Lectors: Julie Kulhanek, Tony Daniel, Mary Gene Kling *Servers:* Greta & Colin Albers, Finnigan Barrett, Jashir Barnes-Ali

Eucharistic Ministers: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Sunday, December 31, 2017 - 11:00 AM

Lectors: Patti Newberry, Michael Mohr, Tom Millard *Servers:* Kaeley Hawkins, Sydney & Sophia Hunt *Eucharistic Ministers:* VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Next Weekend'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 service to members of these communities in need of food and clothing. Please keep this organization in your prayers.

Sick & Shut-Ins

Bill Bach Stephanie Benhase Mary Jo Beresford Alberta Carter Angela Casey Dottie Brinker Diana DeRhodes Barbara Cottrell Rachel Cronin Roman Dietz Joe Doering Barry Funk Krystyna Kamp Jackie Goetz Tom Grogan Fran Pielage Liam Kaufman Judy Lococo Ron Rulon Monica Runyan Bill Sandman Sr. Joan Schimian Maureen Sullivan Jane & Carl Udry Barbara Valentine **Bob Valerius** Jan Weaver

Friends & Family

Sheila Caldwell **Bob Finn** Michelle Lattore Brian Lauer Amy Leigh Paul Lereck George Long John Mack Doug Martin Annette Mason Rose Ann Miller **Bob Mitchell** Kince Moore **Greg Morley** Cathy Ramundo **Bob Ross** Holly Rough Suzie Rumsey Pam Sabo Peg Schuckman Mary Ellen Spaite Mike Tebbe

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

Mass Intentions

Sunday	4:30 pm	Paul Bauke
Monday	12:00 am	Father Rock Travnikai
Monday	9:00 am	Paul Bauke
Monday	11:00 am	For the People
Tuesday	8:15 am	Special Intention
Wednesday	8:15 am	For those living in poverty
Thursday	8:15 am	Edward Haake
Friday	8:15 am	Winifred Murphy
Saturday	4:30 pm	Alumni & Family

Due to the holidays and the early deadlines for the bulletins, collection totals will be reported in the January 7, 2018 bulletin.



The Holy Father designates each New Year as a special opportunity for the universal Church to pray for a year of greater peace, respect for life and social justice. This year's theme is "Migrants and refugees: men and

women in search of peace." Join us as we pray for all those fleeing their homeland from war and hunger, discrimination, persecution, poverty and environmental degration. We will pray too for the resolve to not view migrants as a threat, but as an opportunity to build peace. January 1, 2018, Mass in Celebration of the 51st "World Day of Peace," will be celebrated by Archbishop Dennis Schnurr, at the Cathedral of St. Peter in Chains (corner of 8th and Plum Streets, Downtown at 11:00 am. A reception with light refreshments will follow the Mass at the Cathedral.

December 24, 2017 - Fourth Sunday of Advent





Please join us for Mass on Saturday & Sunday, January 6 & 7, 2018 as we celebrate "The Epiphany of the Lord." The Gospel tells us that the Magi found Christ "On entering the House." The door to

your home is a Holy threshold. You can bless those who come in and go out by placing an inscription above the door. Join us for Mass and receive your scroll containing instructions, along with chalk for inscribing.



Make your tax deductible 2017 Annual Fund donation before year's end! Make your "Into Our Second Century"

donation by December 31st in order to take it as a 2017 tax deduction. Donations will be used to convert the old gym into a new library/technology/media center; make significant improvements to the interior of the church; purchase a high-grade projection system; and add \$10,000 to the school's education fund. Also, please check with your employer regarding a matching gift program. Some local employers who have matched gifts in the past include: Chase Bank, Deloitte, Fidelity, Johnson & Johnson, Macy's and UBS Financial Services. To donate to the Annual Fund, go to https://nativity-cincinnati.weshareonline.org/AnnualFund or send your check (made out to 2017 Nativity Annual Fund) to the parish office at 5935 Pandora Avenue, 45213

Congratulations to the EV3 Eagles who won the Champions' Award at the Cincinnati State
FIRST LEGO League Regional Qualifier this past Saturday, December 9th. They have advanced

to the district qualifier at iSpace and will compete on January 20th. Congratulations to the team members: Margie Allaire, Ruth Debono, Madeline Frank, Bella Gillotti, and Evan Schlick. Coached by Dave Allaire and Greg Schlick. *Good luck EV3 Eagles!*

"In Loving Memory"... a special section on the back of the bulletin will be available to our parishioners to list the name of your deceased loved one. The cost is \$60.00 per name, and their name will remain in the bulletin for One year. This will help defray the cost of printing our bulletin at Nativity. If interested, please contact Cindy in the parish office at 531-3164.

Boosters raise funds for Nativity soccer in cooperation with FC Cincinnati: Nativity Boosters recently received a \$526 check from FC Cincinnati to be used for youth soccer. Boosters raised the money by participating in the 2017 FC Cincinnati's Giveback Program. The program selects two games whereby Nativity families can purchase tickets using a Nativity promo code. Money comes back to Nativity Boosters as a result of tickets purchased using the code. Many thanks to FC Cincinnati

for their donation, and to Nativity families who used the promocode to purchase tickets to the two designated games.

The Perfect Christmas Gift...A ticket to the Cincinnati Men's

Conference (www.CincinnatiMensConference.com) Saturday, April 28th, 2018 at the Taft Theatre. A faith-filled day where men from all over will enjoy Catholic inspiration and spiritual growth. Featured Speakers: Fr. Mitch Pacwa of EWTN; Fr. Larry Richards, Founder of Reason For Hope Foundation; Coach Gerry Faust, former head football coach of Moeller High School and University of Notre Dame; Most Reverend Archbishop Dennis Schnurr as the main celebrant; and a surprise fifth speaker to be announced. Get complete information on the conference and purchase tickets at www.CincinnatiMensConference.com.



The following children were baptized at Nativity last weekend: Donald Edward, son of Donald and Maura Berry; Violet Kathryn and Annabel Christine, daughters of

Kenneth and Susan Lay. Congratulations to the proud parents!



Congratulations to our Music Director, Matt Spencer! He received his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Music from Northern Kentucky University on December 16, 2017. Matt' area of focus for his degree was in Religious Studies.

During this holy season of remembering the Incarnation, let us always be mindful that we have been blessed with the fruits of God's creation. So let us in turn, bless others. May we be especially generous to our brothers and sisters in need, and may we protect God's great gift of Creation so that future generations may also be blessed by its abundance.

FYI: The Parish Office will be closed on December 26, 2017 through January 1, 2018. We will re-open on January 2, 2018. If you have a true emergency, please leave a message on ext.301 and someone will get back to you ASAP.



The Parish Office wishes everyone a Merry Christmas!

~ Please remember Nativity in your will ~

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