

Saint Mary Nativity

706 North Broadway Street
Joliet, IL 60435

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Maintenance Manager: Mr. Larry Tomasic

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Parish Secretary: Mrs. Tricia DiChristofano

MASKS REQUIRED

Parish Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday 8:30am - 4:30pm

Fridays 8:30am – 3pm

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www.stmarynativityholycross.com



st. mary nativity
CATHOLIC CHURCH

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free.
- Lk 4:18*

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St. Mary Nativity Weekend Masses

Saturdays: 4pm

Sundays: 7am, 11am, 12:30pm & 5:30pm

Weekday Masses 8:30am: Tuesday & Thursday
at St. Mary Nativity

Confessions

Saturdays 3:15pm-3:45pm

Holy Cross

Kościół Świętego Krzyża

830 Elizabeth Street Joliet, IL 60435

Mailing Address:

901 Elizabeth Street Joliet, IL 60435

Parochial Vicar: Father Tomasz Sielicki

Polish Organist: Mr. Mariusz Madej

Business Manager: Mrs. Mary Nemanich

Polish School Principal: Barbara Szuba



Holy Cross Weekend Masses

Saturdays: 4pm in English

7pm in Polish

Sundays: 9am in English

10:30am in Polish

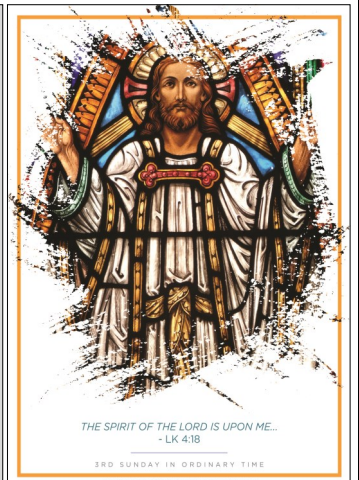
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Monday, Wednesday, Friday

7:00pm in Polish Monday—Friday

Confessions

Saturdays 3:15pm-3:45pm



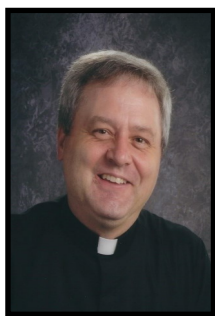
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- LK 4:18

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
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3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, January 23, 2022

I Have a Confession to Make...So Do You!

Part Two



This week I wanted to share more about the Sacrament of Confession, this wonderful gift from our Lord Jesus Christ to us. Here's another amazing thing about Confession that I experienced: I could receive it at any Catholic church. All I had to do was start with "Forgive me Father, for I have sinned," and the priest, whoever he was, picked up the ball and tossed it back to you. Were you going off to college? I found a Catholic priest at the

Newman Center. How about traveling into Chicago? Step into St. Peter's in the Loop almost any time of day. Even on vacation in Minnesota's north woods? The priest with the Polish accent absolved me in Latin. It didn't matter who the priest was. They all had varying human talents of directing your soul to God. Yet each one had the gift of God to say, "through the ministry of the Church I absolve you of your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." There was no need to be scandalized by the priests' different talents, because I at times had a different ability of repenting with true sorrow and firmly resolving to avoid near occasions of sin. Regardless of the differences between priest and penitent, where those two gathered, I knew Christ was in our midst. Sins, and not just any sins, my sins, were about to be forgiven. Confession was this universal, ongoing access to the living mercy found in the open and Sacred Heart of Jesus Christ.

My love and appreciation for Confession has only deepened since becoming a priest. As much as I might like to, it's a sacrament I can't administer to myself. I can't look onto the mirror and say "Jerome, I absolve you." No, this sacrament reminds me of my essential and ongoing need for the Savior, moving me to my knees like every other Christian, and saying those words I have been repeating since childhood, "Forgive me Father, I have sinned." Going to Confession regularly helps me to become a better confessor. It's amazing and humbling to see Christ at work, forgiving sins through his very human priests. I'm sure most priests pray that they won't get in the way of God's mercy in this sacrament of healing. It can be tough to hear confessions—one moment there's a child who forgot to feed their pet, next comes in a hardened criminal. One soul needs a gentle touch, so as not to quench the smoldering wick of God's life in their heart; the next needs a flash like Saul to knock them to the ground of repentance or they'll never become a saint. In comes someone who has confessed yesterday, next is the person who has been away for thirty or forty years. Here comes the soul who knows deeply what God wants of them personally, next comes the one who can only confess the sins of their family and neighbors. Pray for your priests, because they regularly have to wisely guide each person based on a few moments of conversation with someone they often do not even see. On top of this, the confessor sometimes has to deal with his own physical tiredness or even his own spiritual tiredness

from carrying the sins of the world. And it's always difficult, offering the holiness of God to those who are holier than you.

Thanks be to God it's all worth it, because this is a sacrament of joy! The priest watches those dead in mortal sin rise like Lazarus and walk again. The priest witnesses Jesus directly at work, healing the wounds of human hearts. The priest sees joy come from heaven to earth, the joy in heaven over the sinner who repents. No wonder I still love the Sacrament of Confession. So let me offer you a few tips to help you experience the mercy God offers you in Confession: Go. Go frequently. Go well.

First: Go. Simply go. Go to Confession. All sorts of excuses pop into our minds and fears rise in our hearts. But it is Jesus himself who calls you to be forgiven. So get up and go.

Next, Go frequently. The minimum is yearly Confession in preparation to receive our Lord worthily in Communion during Easter. That's not enough to grow in our friendship with Christ. I recommend monthly. At Fatima, Our Blessed Mother made monthly Confession part of the Devotion of the Five First Saturdays.

Finally, Go well. Go to Confession in a good way, and here's how to do that:

Deepen your sorrow. Sometimes it only dawns on us much later in life how much sin hurts our Lord. That is part of our conversion. Until then, we can always tell him, "Lord, I'm sorry I'm not sorrier for having offended you."

Firm up your spiritual goals. "I firmly resolve with the help of your grace to sin no more." Those are beautiful words that we rarely put into practice. Make it specific: "Lord, by the next time I come to Confession, I will avoid this specific temptation."

Grow in gratitude. Our Lord loves to be thanked. After your penance, make sure you let him know how grateful you are that he has forgiven you once again. You could spend a whole day telling our Lord, "Thank you for forgiving me!"

Here at our parishes, you can find a priest ready to offer you the mercy of God each week at 3:15pm on Saturdays, before the 4pm Mass. I also try to make myself available before every Sunday Mass and Fr. Tomasz is available before the 10:30am Mass on Sunday. Almost every day, you will find a priest waiting for you before the 8:30am and 7pm Mass. Don't keep our Lord waiting from filling you up with the fullness of his grace.

With my prayers,

Fr. Jerome

St. Mary Nativity & Holy Cross News & Events



Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be available from Noon to 3:00 p.m. every Friday. All are welcome! Both regular adorers and substitutes are needed for these times. Please contact Laurie at (815) 370-4533 to sign up.

"By standing before the Eucharistic Christ, we become holy." Bl. Carlo Acutis Please note: The church continues to be open for personal prayer Monday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Friday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

St. Mary Nativity & Holy Cross Website update

Live Events Calendar now available

Do you want to know what events are happening at St. Mary Nativity or Holy Cross Church go to <https://stmarynativityholycross.com/calendar/>

St. Mary Nativity's Tuesday Prayer group is inviting you to join us as we rekindle the devotion of the Novena in honor of our Sorrowful Mother. Please join us every Tuesday.

1:00—The Holy Rosary

1:20—The Chaplet of Divine Mercy

1:30— The Sorrowful Mother Novena

(Although the emphasis of the Novena will be intended for conversations and the return of lapsed Catholics, there is period of time allowed during the Novena for private intentions as well). You are most welcome to join us for the entire prayer time or join us just for the Novena at 1:30pm.

Do you suffer from celiac disease? This can make it difficult to receive our Lord in Holy Communion, since the hosts are made from wheat flour. Often times, a low-gluten host can be used. It is kept in a separate container as all the hosts are consecrated at Mass. Then at Communion time the person receives Communion from this separate container. If you or a family member needs help in this way, please contact the parish office and let us know. Thank you. Fr. Jerome.



Attention!! If you have not picked up your 2022 offering envelopes they will be mailed to your home within the next week. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office.

COME JOIN Our Bible Study Group

as we continue to study the Bible book by book. We meet on **Tuesday mornings from 9:30AM until 11AM in the Nativity Room.** Our next meeting date will be: **Tuesday, January 25th in the Nativity Room**

A Day of Recollection



Join us for a Day of Recollection for Women on Wednesday, February 9, 2022 from 11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. at St. Mary Nativity Church. The recollection will include several short talks, Eucharistic Adoration, and the opportunity for the sacrament of reconciliation. All of the women in the Parish are invited. Please bring a friend!

Holy Cross and the Faith Formation Team

We are seeking a member of Holy Cross to join our Family Faith Formation Team. How would you like to be a helping hand on our Catholic Faith? Our parishes are looking for volunteers to help at all levels. This core group will help organize and promote programs to help your fellow Parishioners know Christ better and grow closer to him. The range is from young people to adults, from catechesis to sacramental preparation. Don't worry about your background—we'll train together!! Please call or email Barbara Surges, our Director of Faith Formation, at (815) 726-4031 bsurges@stmarynativity.org. The next team meetings is Sunday January 30, 2022 at the St. Mary Nativity Rectory.

Hospitality Sunday

Sunday, February 13 we invite you to gather with fellow Parishioners in the Nativity Room after the 7am, 11am, and 12:30pm masses for coffee, donuts and conversation. Religious items will be available. (Small donation would be appreciated). The DVD-CD Lending Library will be available, as will the book share Library. Free will donation appreciated. Sponsored by St. Mary Nativity Lay Apostolate.



TOTUS TUUS 2022

Summer of 2022

Students entering grades 1-6
June 19-24 Totus Tuus 9:00-2:30
Vacation Bible School: July 18-22
from 9:00 am-12:00 pm

We are excited to offer two camps for faith and fun this summer! Vacation Bible School had 27 students last year who loved their junior high crew leaders. Enthusiasm for these summer programs is high.

In an effort to keep the cost reasonable for families, we are asking for **donations** now. **Adult volunteers** are needed and **housing** for Totus Tuus college students. Can you help with these well attended events? Please contact Barbara Surges at (815) 726-4031.

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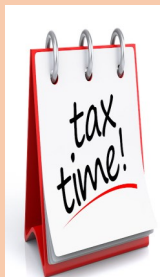
**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GOOD
SHEPHERD COUNCIL #5573
CHARITIES BREAKFAST
JANUARY 30th**

Enjoy a delicious breakfast of pancakes, sausage links, scrambled eggs and tasty potatoes. **Tickets will be sold in the Commons of St. Mary Immaculate 15629 S. Rt. 59 Plainfield IL. 60544 from 8:00 a.m. until noon on January 30. The cost is \$8.00 per person.**

Once you have your breakfast ticket, you'll head directly over to Blueberry Hill Restaurant to pick up your meal through their Drive-Thru window (Next to the Parish).

Cash and checks accepted. *All funds raised at this event are used to support various charities throughout the SMI community and the Diocese of Joliet.*

Contact Tom Krepelka at 708-218-5733 or tpkrepelka@aol.com with any questions.



End of Year Tax Announcement
Donation letters for 2022 contributions to Saint Mary Nativity and Holy Cross Parishes will be mailed upon request toward the end of January. Please call the rectory at 815-726-4031 after January 15th to request your statement for taxes.

**Day of Prayer for the
Legal Protection of
Unborn Children**

January 22

Bookings for 2022

Mass Intentions

According to Diocesan Policy, mass intentions may not be scheduled earlier than one year ahead. Mass Intentions for St. Mary Nativity and Holy Cross parishes are now available for the month of January 2023. Two "Collective Mass Intentions" are offered for Saturday evening at 4:00pm and Sunday morning at 11:00 am at both churches. Please call the church office to schedule.

FORMED

It gives me great joy to share with you that our parish now has a subscription to FORMED, a premier online platform filled with over **4,000 Catholic studies, movies, audio dramas, talks, e-books, and even cartoons for our children.** FORMED has content from over 60 apostolates, including Augustine Institute, Ignatius Press, and the Knights of Columbus, with material that is professionally produced, engaging, and solid in its catechism. Best of all, this material is **FREE** to you. Much of FORMED's content is available in both English and Spanish. **Have you despaired of finding good movies that your family can enjoy together on a Friday night?** Start with **Mother Teresa**, the story of a saint who brought love to the poorest of the poor. You can enjoy FORMED on your computer – no extra equipment needed. OR, on your television with an inexpensive Roku device or Apple TV. You can even listen on your phone as you commute to work or do chores. My hope and prayer is that the content on FORMED will enrich, deepen, and inspire your faith. May the good Lord bless you and all of your loved ones! To gain access to all of FORMED's content, follow these simple steps:

Go to <https://signup.formed.org/> Enter our parish's zip code: 60435 then Enter your name and your email address.

Sign up for Flocknote today to receive emails or texts of our bulletins, parish information and upcoming events! stmarynativity.flocknote.com/parishioners

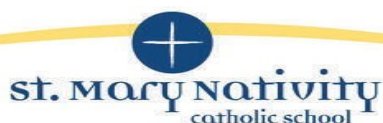


Bulletin Deadlines

Deadline to submit items for the bulletin is Wednesdays at 2:00 p.m.

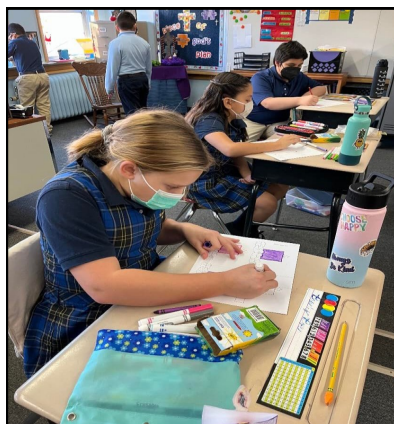
Thank You!

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(Rt. 53 at Ruby St. & Black Rd.)
(815) 722-8518 www.stmarynativity.org
*Great things are always happening at
St. Mary Nativity School!*

Registration is underway for the 2022/2023 school year. Call the school office at (815) 722-8518. Tuition assistance is available.



CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Now Accepting Applicants

FOR 2022-2023 LOCAL GRANT

CCHD is now accepting applications for the Local Grant Program. Visit <https://bit.ly/3JSAdF2> for more information and the next steps! All organizations applying must go through a multi-step review process.



SACRAMENTAL AND MINISTRY INFORMATION

**PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE AT
(815) 726-4031**

Sacrament of Reconciliation

- ◆ **Saturdays** in English from 3:15 p.m. until 3:45 p.m. at both parishes.
- ◆ **Sundays** in Polish from 10:00 a.m. until 10:20 a.m. at Holy Cross.
- ◆ Confessions also available by appointment.

Sacrament of Anointing

- ◆ Please call the Parish Office to notify us if someone needs an anointing or is critically ill or in the hospital.

Baptism

- ◆ Parents should be active parishioners and are required to take a baptismal preparation class before the Baptism.

Marriage

- ◆ The couple is asked at least six months in advance to begin preparation discussions. This should be done before making other wedding plans.

Funerals

- ◆ Upon the death of a loved one, before publication in the newspaper, please schedule the funeral mass.

Catechumenates

- ◆ Adults interested in joining the Catholic church should contact the Parish Office for information concerning the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.

JOIN OUR CHURCH FAMILY

St. Mary and Holy Cross Parishes presently serves hundreds of families within Joliet and the surrounding areas. Many Catholics attend either of these parishes for Mass and consider it their "spiritual home." However, they are not formally registered in either parish. Why not take the opportunity to become "one of the family?" For those who are new to either Roman Catholic parish, we hope that you find the grace and love of Jesus Christ in the teachings and ways of the Catholic faith. As you become more acquainted with either parish, you may find an area in which to share. The success of our parish and bringing the faith to others depends on the work, sacrifice, prayers, and cooperation of all of us. To register, simply fill out the form below and return it to the parish office through the mail, drop it off, or return it through the Sunday offering. You may also register online by going to the parish website. Our parish secretary will contact you to complete your registration. Welcome! We're happy you're here!

Name(s) _____ Church _____

Address: _____

PhoneNumber: _____

Email: _____

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As stewards of God's gifts, our parishes have many opportunities to provide lasting legacies. Please prayerfully remember St. Mary Nativity and Holy Cross in your estate plans. Your gift to the Church and its ministries would be very much appreciated and will be used in accordance to your wishes. For more information, please call the rectory office at 815-726-4031.



St. Mary Nativity

\$ 7,994.00

Holy Cross

\$ 2,657.00



The 2022 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA) is now underway, and we are asking everyone to pledge their support to this important effort for our diocese, and our parish. This year's CMAA theme, Devoted to the Works of the Lord, illustrates how the many ministries our annual appeal supports allow us to join together to do God's work throughout our diocese. From helping the poor and vulnerable to forming future priests and educating people of all ages in the faith, the ministries funded through your gifts are far more extensive than our parish could provide on its own.

St. Mary Nativity parish goal for the 2022 CMAA is 39,900.00 and Holy Cross parish goal is \$11,000.00, 70 percent of any amount we raise over our goal will be returned to us. This is a great opportunity for our parish!

Please review the materials and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's annual appeal. If you do not receive a CMAA mailing, please contact the parish office to request one.

Share Faith

Support the Collection for the Church in Latin America

This weekend we will take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America. For many in Latin America and the Caribbean, a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers all present obstacles to practicing the faith. Your support for the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, and other programs to share our Catholic faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ. To learn more about how your gifts make a difference, visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.



St. Mary Nativity & Holy Cross News



Trivia Knight 2022 will be Virtual again this year!

The event is going back to its original month.

Save the Date - Saturday February 26th at 7 pm!

Please get your teams together and spread the word!

20 Teams has been our highest participation!

Let's set a new record!

A FRIENDLY COMPETITION

This event is a lot of fun and the proceeds help provide a quality Catholic education and supports the financial needs to provide our students with facility improvements.

More information will be available in the near future!



Winners will be posted on the school's Facebook page
<https://www.facebook.com/StMaryNativitySchool>
and on the on the school's website at www.stmarynativity.org

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Seller</u>
Adela Formentini	January 14th Friday	\$20	School Family
Barb Semlar	January 15th Saturday	\$40	School Family
Severiana Villanueva	January 16th Sunday	\$150	School Family
Ray Nonnie	January 17th MLK Jr. Day	\$50	Eugene and Dorothy Nonnie
Diane Blackburn	January 18th Tuesday	\$20	B. Gerl
Kathryn Stephens	January 19th Wednesday	\$20	School Family
Maria Acosta	January 20th Thursday	\$20	School Family

Thank You

Congratulations!

Thank You

The school extends a heartfelt and huge thank you to our parishioners and friends who supported the Cash Calendar Raffle. The proceeds for the school is \$47,355!!

St. Mary Nativity & Holy Cross Mass Intentions

Saturday January 22

4:00 PM Mass (SMN)

- + Lawrence Wicevic by Geradette Russ
- + Bernie Zolecki by Gerry Troppe

4:00 PM Mass (HC)

- + Frank & Rita LuBuda by Frank Labuda & Daughter Caryn
- + Ed Kraske by Pat Kraske

7:00 PM Polish Mass (HC)

- + Z podziękowaniem za otrzymane łaski i z prośbą o Boże błogosławieństwo
- + Stanisław Michałek
- O szczęśliwą podróż i powrót dla rodziny Gomulów

Sunday, January 23 —Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 AM Mass (SMN)

- + For the People of the Parish

9:00 AM Mass (HC)

- + Raymond Stofko by Family

10:30 AM Polish Mass (HC)

- O zdrowie i opiekę MB z okazji 40. rocznicy ślubu dla Marii i Bolesława Kowalczyków
- O oczyszczenie z błędnego nauczania i jedność chrześcijan
- O Boże błogosławieństwo dla Sławomira z okazji urodzin
- O Boże błogosławieństwo dla sprawujących posługę lektora

11:00 AM Mass (SMN)

- + Donald Koren by Judy Koren & Family
- + Joanne Dorr by Larry & Celeste Rudman

12:30 PM Mass (SMN)

- + Raymond Micek by Justine and Kimberly

5:30 PM Mass (SMN)

- + Tim Gruber by Family

Monday January 24 (HC)

8:30 AM Mass

- + Edith Krok by Michelle Rosenbaum

7:00 PM Polish Mass

- + Helena Wilczek (zam. rodzina Gogola)

Tuesday January 25

8:30 AM Mass (SMN)

- + Sadie Fisher by SMN Parish

7:00 PM Polish Mass (HC)

- + O Boże błogosławieństwo dla Kamila z okazji 25. urodzin

Wednesday January 26 (HC)

8:30 AM Mass

- + JoAnn "Ann" Lepacek by Pat Lepacek

7:00 PM Polish Mass

- + Helena Piorun (w 30. dniu od śmierci - zam. parafianie)

Thursday January 27

8:30 AM Mass (SMN)

- + John J. Glowacki by Family

7:00 PM Polish Mass (HC)

- O łaski potrzebne w życiu osobistym i rodzinnym dla Bożeny

Friday January 28 (HC)

8:30 AM Mass

- + John Lajcin by Dan & Marilyn Lajcin & Family

7:00 PM Polish Mass

- O powrót do Boga i Kościoła oraz o wyzwolenie z nałogu dla Władysława

Saturday January 29

4:00 PM Mass (SMN)

- + Steven Pugel "26 year Death Anniv." by Family
- + Lucille Kararo by Family

4:00 PM Mass (HC)

- + George & Adeline Roehr by Frank LaBuda & Daughter Caryn

7:00 PM Polish Mass (HC)

- + Maria Strama (15. rocznica śmierci)

St. Mary Nativity & Holy Cross Mass Intentions Cont.

Sunday, January 30 —Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 AM Mass (SMN)

- + For the People of the Parish

9:00 AM Mass (HC)

- + Flex & Kitty Burzawa by Family

10:30 AM Polish Mass (HC)

- + Władysław Skolarus (zam. Maria Janik z rodziną)

11:00 AM Mass (SMN)

- + The Montoya Family by Family
- + Michaeline LaBuda by Frank LaBuda & daughter Caryn

12:30 PM Mass (SMN)

- + Lawrence Przbyl by SMN Parish

5:30 PM Mass (SMN)

- + Joann Dorr by Barbara Jenco

THIS WEEKS EVENTS

(SMN) Saint Mary Nativity
(HC) Holy Cross

Nativity Room (NR)
(SMNS) Saint Mary Nativity School

Saturday, January 22

No Events

Sunday, January 23

10:00 a.m. Family Faith Formation –Cafeteria
Second Collection Latin America

Monday, January 24

11:00 a.m. Funeral at Holy Cross

Tuesday, January 25

9:30 a.m. Bible Study NR)
1:30 p.m. Rosary at (SMN)

Wednesday, January 26

9:30 a.m. All School Mass Church Closed

Thursday, January 27

1:00 p.m. Rosary in Spanish (SMN)
Happy Birthday Jennifer Martinez

Friday, January 28

12:00 p.m. Eucharist Adoration (SMN)
5:30 p.m. Polish School (SMN)
7:30 p.m. Polish School (SMN)

Saturday, January 29

No Events

Sunday, January 30

10:30 a.m. Baptim at Holy Cross
12:00 p.m. Family Faith Formation Team Meeting in the Cafeteria

**** If you are having a mass intention said for a family member and would like to bring the gifts up for the mass please see the Ushers the day of the mass and they will direct you. Thank you! ****

The Parish Families of St. Mary Nativity and Holy Cross join in prayerful remembrance of:

Lois Dodge—January 8, 2022

May his soul and all souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon him.



Communion to the Homebound

The Holy Eucharist is the gift of Jesus himself at Mass. If you are confined to home and unable to receive him, we have volunteers who will bring him to you. Please contact the parish office if you would like to receive Holy Communion at home. We could also use new volunteers to help in this outreach, so also contact the parish office if you are able to help. Our parish office can be reached at 815-726-4031.

Please pray for our sick

Mary Bellos	Paul Morris
Vietta Bews	Phil May
Sheri Bokholdt	Ann
Christopher Borsom	Robert Nasenbeny
William Brenc	Raymond John Nickel
Charlotte Brown	Andy Orosco
Miguel Cruz	Nick Pervan
John Drnek	Mildred Pruss
Bob Eberhard	Ronald Pruss
Dosseh Houeai Elise	Amy Rabb
Jim Flanery	Father Pete Rossa
Charlette Frieh	Steve Senisais
Anthony Gregory	Nancy Serdar
Anthony Harames	Ashley Smith
Haramas	Adam Speirs
Janet Horvath	Scott Speirs
Harriet Kazlauskas	Thomure Family
James Kozar	Joseph Trubich
Janet	Diann Cerpen-Verlare
Jacqueline H	Susan Ward
Marilyn Lajcin	Bill
Jerry Lakota	
Darlene Likar	Need prayers or know
Gabby Matlak	someone who does call
Alex McKeel	Pat Weiskop
John	(815)-723-7141
Charlene Molnar	

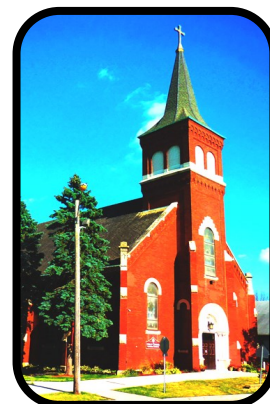


If it is too difficult for you to walk to the front of the church to receive Communion, please know that at each Mass an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion comes to the back of the church to distribute Communion. If you would like to have the Extraordinary Minister give you communion in the back of church, please let an usher know before Mass begins. At Communion time, when you see the Extraordinary Minister come to the back, please raise your hand so that they can see you and give you Holy Communion.

St. Mary Nativity



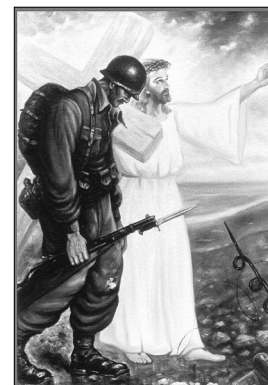
Holy Cross Parish



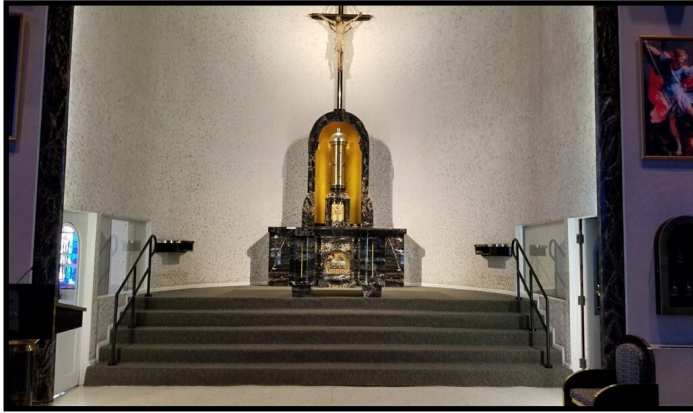
Please pray for our troops

Pfc. Paul Roder, USM
 Jacob Gregurich, USMC
 Chris McCarty, USMC
 LT Alex Aguilera, USMC
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