

St. Mary Nativity and Holy Cross Parishes

706 North Broadway Street and 830 Elizabeth Street - Joliet, Illinois 60435



Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 19, 2023

Pastor's Corner



A Faithful Thanksgiving

Maybe our national celebration of the Thanksgiving holiday can also help us during our time of national Eucharistic revival. So take a moment to think about some of the things that can happen at Thanksgiving: people gather around one table and share a meal together. (Unless you were exiled to the kids' table; but that's a topic for another day.) The basic elements are there: people, table, food.

As Catholics, this can take us back to the Jewish roots of our faith. It was during the time when the people of God were planning to travel as pilgrims from the land of slavery to a land of freedom. Each house gathered around the table and shared a lamb, bitter herbs, and unleavened bread. I'm sure the bitter herbs reminded them that life is sometimes bitter, especially due to the harsh work they endured at the hands of their masters. But the blood of the lamb, sprinkled on the very doorposts of their homes, would allow death to Passover them in this land. And they would Passover into that new land, filled with abundance. They would have to move to make that happen. They wouldn't even have time to wait for their bread to rise. Then the roasted body of the lamb would be their food for the journey.

Hopefully, you hear the elements of our Catholic Mass, the Holy Eucharist, in this history. Because we, too are the pilgrim people of God. We are travelling from the land of slavery due to sin. We are travelling to the land of everlasting freedom, filled with the abundance of God himself. Along the way, we the people gather around the table of the Eucharist, in the homes of each Catholic parish. We share the same food: the Lamb of God. We celebrate under the sign of his bitter cross. He comes under the appearance of unleavened bread. Why the bitter cross? Because unless we take up our cross and follow Jesus, we will never follow him to heaven—we will not Passover there. The unleavened bread we start with at Mass reminds us that we will have to move to make that happen. Then, at the words of consecration, the bread becomes the very Lamb of God himself. Once the priest utters the words of Jesus, "This is my Body," the bread no longer remains, just its taste and appearance. Instead, we behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

Who is this Lamb of God? In Baptism, his Blood was sprinkled within you. When the angel of death comes, he would have to pass over you, for you have the strength to pass over into eternal life. In Holy Communion, you feed on the Body of Christ; the Body of the Lamb of God becomes your food for the journey to heaven. We who live in the valley of the shadow of death have been granted entrance into the kingdom of eternal life! Thanks be to God! All this happens each time our Catholic family gathers around the table of the Mass to share the food of the Eucharist. Here, too, we find the basic elements: people, table, food.

God has given himself to you, to us! Thanks to God should be a constant prayer, rising from this earth to heaven. The Jewish people should thank him for his ongoing love for them. All Christian people should thank God: from this Jewish family, the Messiah, the Christ was born. All Catholic people should thank God that the fullness of his revelation is preserved in his Catholic church. This treasure of the Lamb of God, Jesus in the Holy Eucharist, has been entrusted to our care. May we always be inviting people to this invitation that comes from God himself. We pray that those who do not know the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit would come to know him in this family we call the Catholic Church to share this one food at the one table.

We here in the United States have the blessing of celebrating the sacraments in freedom on this Thanksgiving day. So even our earthly meals can be an act of Thanksgiving. 'Grace builds on nature,' as the theologians say. It is through our earthly life that God meets us and prepares us for our heavenly life. Let us all make sure our national holiday is filled with people gathered around a table to share food. But let us make sure we also share prayers of thanks to God.

With my prayers,

Fr. Jerome

St. Mary Nativity and Holy Cross

The Week Ahead

Monday, November 20

3:30pm HC Parish Council/Finance
Council Mtg.— SMN Nativity Room
7:00pm Baptism Meeting - SMN Nativity Room

Tuesday, November 21

Parent/Teacher Conferences

9:30am Bible Study - SMN Nativity Room
11:00am Early Dismissal—SMN School
1:00pm Rosary - SMN Church

Wednesday, November 22

Thanksgiving Break - No School

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal – SMN Church

Thursday, November 23 Thanksgiving Day

No School & Rectory Office Closed

9:00am Mass Holy Cross
9:00am Mass St. Mary Nativity

Friday, November 24

No School & Rectory Office Closed

12:00pm Eucharistic Adoration
SMN Church

5:00pm Light Up the Holidays
Parade - Downtown Joliet

Saturday, November 25

Feast Day of St. Catherine of Alexandria



SMN Food Collection

December 2nd and 3rd

Drop off **NON-PERISHABLE**
items in the blue marked
containers in the vestibule.
Thanks for making a difference
to many families!

Thanksgiving Mass

9am St. Mary Nativity
9am Holy Cross (Polish)



Bible Study

Please Join Us
Tuesday mornings from
9:30 am until 11 am
Nativity Room

let's pray

IF GOD IS ALL YOU HAVE,
you have all you need
JOHN 14:8

St. Mary Nativity's Tuesday Prayer Group

1:00—The Holy Rosary

1:20—The Chaplet of Divine Mercy

1:30—The Sorrowful Mother Novena



As we prepare for the coming
of our Lord at Christmas,
please consider attending a
Day of Recollection for
Women on Friday,
December 1st from
10:00am to 12:00pm
at St. Mary Nativity.

The recollection, led by
Fr. Jerome Kish,
will include several
short talks,
Eucharistic Adoration,
and the opportunity for
the sacrament of
reconciliation.

All of the women in the
parishes are invited and
bring a friend!

Happy Thanksgiving

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his
love endures forever. Psalm 107:1



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Stewardship

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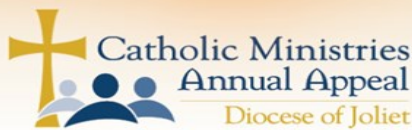
Due to early bulletin submission, the Parish weekly collection for November 12th, 2023 will be posted later.

Thank you for attending.

Thank you for serving.

Thank you for giving.

Thank you for growing with us.



Saint Mary Nativity

2023 Goal	\$40,900
Amount Pledged	\$44,885
Amount Paid	\$43,939
Balance Due	\$ 947
Donor Count	189
2023 Rebate	\$2,127

Holy Cross

2023 Goal	\$12,100
Amount Pledged	\$17,276
Amount Paid	\$16,791
Balance Due	\$ 485
Donor Count	53
2023 Rebate	\$3,283

**Thank
You**

St. Mary Nativity (SMN) and Holy Cross (HC) Advent and Christmas Schedule 2023

First Sunday of Advent: December 2 and 3 Regular Sunday schedule

School Christmas Program - December 6 at 6:00 pm in SMN Church

Immaculate Conception: Obligatory

Vigil, Thursday, December 7: SMN - 7pm

HC - 4pm English and 7pm Polish

Feast Day, Friday, December 8: SMN- 8:30am (School Mass) and 4pm

HC - 12pm English and 7:00pm (Polish)

Second Sunday of Advent: December 9 and 10 Regular Sunday schedule

Tuesday, December 12: Our Lady of Guadalupe:

Regular daily Mass schedule.

Extra Mass at 5pm with SMN Family Faith Formation.

Fiesta after in SMN Cafeteria.

Third Sunday of Advent: December 16 and 17 Regular Sunday schedule

Regular Confessions are heard 30 minutes before the weekly daily Masses.

Please see front for Daily Mass times

Additional Confessions:

- ♦ Tuesday, December 19 at 5pm: Reconciliation Service at SMN
- ♦ Wednesday, December 20: SMN 4pm to 6pm, HC 5:30pm to 6:50pm and after 7pm Polish Mass if needed until 8:30pm
- ♦ Thursday, December 21: HC 5:30 to 6:50pm and after 7pm Polish Mass if needed until 8:30pm
- ♦ Friday, December 22 at St. Raymond Cathedral 3pm to 7pm. HC 5:30 to 6:50pm and after 7pm Polish Mass if needed until 8:30pm

Saturday - December 23

Fourth Sunday of Advent: SMN- 4pm, HC- 4pm, and 5:30pm Polish

Sunday - December 24

Fourth Sunday of Advent:

SMN- 7am and 11am

HC- 9am and 10:30am Polish

Christmas Vigil:

SMN- 3pm, 11pm

HC- 3pm

Monday - December 25— Christmas Day:

SMN- 7am, 11am and 12:30pm

HC- 12am Polish Pasterka Midnight Mass, 9am English, 10:30am Polish

December 30 and 31: Holy Family: Regular Sunday Schedule

January 1: Mary, Mother of God: not obligatory Regular Daily Schedule

January 6 and 7: Epiphany: Regular Sunday schedule

Saturday - January 6 Family Oplatek Ball Crystal Grand Banquets, Lemont

Monday, January 8: Baptism of the Lord. Christmas season ends.



Mass Intentions



Mass Schedule

St. Mary Nativity Church

Saturday 4:00 pm
 Sunday 7:00 am, 11:00 am,
 12:30 pm and 5:30 pm
 Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday 8:30 am

Holy Cross Church

Saturday 4:00 pm English and 5:30 pm Polish
 Sunday 9:00 am English and 10:30 am Polish
 Monday and Friday 8:30 am English
 Tuesday 8:30 am Polish
 Monday/Wednesday/Thursday/Friday 7:00 pm Polish

Saturday - November 18

4:00 pm Mass (HC)

For the People of the Parishes

4:00 pm Mass (SMN)

- † Norma & Gloria Borman by Family
- † Mike Ludwick by Family

5:30 pm Mass (HC)

O Boże błogosławieństwo dla Romana Sielickiego z okazji imienin
 Za dusze w czyśćcu cierpiące

- † Andrzej Wróbel
- † Helena i Józef Waliczek
- † Józef i Anna Kasperek oraz ++ Józef i Zofia Walkosz

Sunday - November 19

7:00 am Mass (SMN)

For the People of our Parishes

9:00 am Mass (HC)

- † For all the Souls in Purgatory

10:30 am Mass (HC)

Dziękczynna za dar nowego życia i Boże błogosławieństwo
 dla dziecka (Zosi) i mamy Natalii

- † Jan Zając (3. rocznica śmierci)
- 11:00 am Mass (SMN)**
- † Bob Tierney by Bob Heinzel
- † Al & Katie Gruber by Family
- † Jim Flanery "Anniversary" by Family

12:30 pm Mass (SMN)

- † Luis Velazquez by Joyce Traina

5:30 pm Mass (SMN)

For the People of our Parishes

Monday - November 20

8:30 am Mass (HC)

- † Nancy O'Reilly by Family

7:00 pm Mass (HC)

- † Piotr Chowaniec

Tuesday - November 21

8:30 am Mass (SMN)

- † Marilyn Campus by Family

8:30 am Mass (HC)

Za biskupów i kapłanów w Polsce i na świecie

Wednesday - November 22

8:30 am Mass (SMN)

- † Cecilia Wolf by Marianne

7:00 pm Mass (HC)

- † Władysław Wilczek (9. rocznica śmierci) oraz
- † żona Helena i córka Janina

Thursday - November 23

9:00 am Mass (SMN)

- † George & Catherine Kozubek by Edward & Deborah Marso

9:00 pm Mass (HC)

- † Ewa, Helena i Wacław Sędaccy

Friday - November 24

8:30 am Mass (HC)

- † Karl Sicinski by Carol & Family

7:00 pm Mass (HC)

O zdrowie i Boże błogosławieństwo
 dla Marii i Stanisława Tylków

Saturday - November 25

4:00 pm Mass (HC)

For the People of the Parishes

4:00 pm Mass (SMN)

- † Karl Sicinski "Birthday" by Your Family
- † Dolores Bebej by Andrea & Andy McIntosh
- † Celia & George Osterberger by Barb & Tom Hinz

5:30 pm Mass (HC)

W pewnej intencji

Sunday - November 26

7:00 am Mass (SMN)

- † Willard Perkins by Family

9:00 am Mass (HC)

- † Casmir & Felix Burzawa by Family

10:30 am Mass (HC)

- † Mariusz Mucha (5. rocznica śmierci)
- † Helena Piorun

11:00 am Mass (SMN)

- † Jim Policandriotes "Birthday" by Family
- † Richard Shaw by Malinowski Family

12:30 pm Mass (SMN)

- † Daniel Wulsch & Family

5:30 pm Mass (SMN)

For the People of the Parishes

*Mass Intentions are available for
 November and December 2024.*

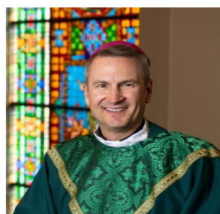
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Bishop Hicks' Column

November 2023

LAUNCHING OUR 75TH JUBILEE



A "JUBILEE" IS A SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY, marking a certain time period. For example, a twenty-fifth anniversary is universally recognized as a silver jubilee, whereas the fiftieth is known as the golden jubilee. This month, we are officially launching the 75th Anniversary of the Diocese of

Joliet, or the celebration of our diamond jubilee.

As they say, "diamonds are forever." This celebration gives us the opportunity to honor our past, commemorate our present, and look forward to the future with hope. Our year-long celebration will officially begin in December 2023 and end in December 2024. However, we have a few things happening in November that I would like to share with you and encourage your participation.

On Monday, November 6, 2023, we launched the first episode of a 14-part podcast series produced specifically for our 75th anniversary. In our pilot episode, Fr. Tom Paul, the chair of the Jubilee planning committee, and I talked about different ways that you can participate in our anniversary celebration. If you are a podcast aficionado, just listen on your favorite app by searching "Faith Into Action." Or you may try watching it on the diocesan YouTube channel. Either way, the links can always be found in the 75th Anniversary section of our website, diojoliet.org/75th, which can be read in English, Spanish, and Polish.

As we celebrate with great faith, hope, and love, I want to make sure we have many opportunities to pray together. A nine-day novena will begin on November 25, the Saturday after Thanksgiving. This Novena of Grace is based on the writings of the patron saint of our diocese, St. Francis Xavier. For daily prayers and devotions, visit the website or see your Sunday bulletin.

The novena concludes on December 3, 2023. On that same day we will host an event at the Blanchette Catholic Center at 1 p.m., where I will bless a new statue of St. Francis Xavier. He will beautifully welcome employees and visitors at the main entrance to our diocesan offices to remind us of our missionary call to share our faith with all people.

Then, for an entire year we will celebrate in ways that highlight my vision of catechesis, evangelization, and faith into action:

1. We will promote **catechesis** through faith formation to help the next generations *know about* Jesus and the Church. Through novenas, prayer cards, and lesson plans, we will grow the knowledge of our faith for all ages. We are blessed that our celebration is occurring in harmony with the three-year National Eucharistic Revival, which reminds us how the Eucharist is the source and summit of our lives.
2. We will also continue to **evangelize**, which is needed to truly know Jesus and *love* Him. True evangelization is realized when we believe in our minds, hearts, and souls that Jesus is real: He loves us, and we love Him. Through liturgies, prayers, media posts, podcasts, printed calendars, and commemorative books, we will actively **share** our faith and love of Jesus, who gives us eternal life through His life, suffering, death, and resurrection.
3. With catechesis and evangelization as our foundation, we will continue to put our **faith into action**. As Catholics, we *serve* the poor, the needy, and the marginalized. We speak for the unborn, the stranger, the abandoned, and those who are in most need of our care. As part of the 75th anniversary, I encourage all parishes to establish a day of service in the fall of 2024, responding to the various needs of each distinct community.

Jesus gave us such an incredible gift in the Church, and as baptized Christians, we are called to pass our faith on to the next generations. No one wants to belong to a Church that is merely surviving. Instead, we should have a burning desire to be a thriving Church that truly reflects God's light and God's love.

I encourage you to participate in some aspect of our 75th Jubilee during this next year. There is truly something for everyone, and I want each of you to know that YOU are a vital part of our celebration. So, together, rooted in Christ, let's live out the theme of our 75th anniversary: founded in faith, called to witness, and sent forth to serve!



From podcasts and youth events to service and prayer cards, scan the QR code or visit diojoliet.org/75th for the full list of events and activities surrounding the 75th anniversary.

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St. Mary Nativity and Holy Cross

Get Your Tickets!

Call the parish office at 815-726-4031.

Calendar Raffle Tickets will make a great Christmas gift
to friends or stocking stuffers for the family!

All proceeds support St. Mary Nativity Catholic School!

St. Mary Nativity Catholic School 151 DAYS OF WINNING CALENDAR RAFFLE ~ January to May 2024

\$11,500
in Total Payouts

All Tickets Can Win More Than Once

Every Weekday	\$20
Every Saturday	\$40
Every Sunday	\$150
1st Day of the Month	\$200
Last Day of the Month	\$200

Special Days

4 Winners \$240 ea.
Feb. 29th - Leap Year

Jan. 1st New Year's Day	\$500	Mar. 28th Holy Thursday	\$150
Jan. 6th Epiphany	\$50	Mar. 30th Holy Saturday	\$200
Jan. 15th MLK Jr. Day	\$50	Mar. 31st Easter Sunday	\$500
Feb. 2nd Groundhog Day	\$50	Apr. 1st April Fool's Day	\$500
Feb. 14th Ash Wednesday	\$50	Apr. 2nd Spring Break	\$30
Feb. 14th Valentine's Day	\$500	Apr. 3rd Spring Break	\$30
Feb. 19th President's Day	\$50	May 5th Cinco de Mayo	\$200
Mar. 14th Father. Jerome's Birthday	\$250	May 12th Mother's Day	\$250
Mar. 19th St. Joseph Day	\$50	May 24th Last Day of School	\$40
Mar. 24th Palm Sunday	\$300	May 27th Memorial Day	\$500

Tickets drawn daily*

*Weekends and holidays will be drawn the next business day.
There will be no drawing on 3/29/2024 Good Friday

\$20
per Ticket

St. Mary Nativity School will be participating in the
Light Up the Holidays Parade on November 24.
All are welcomed to attend!

CELEBRATE THE START OF THE
HOLIDAY SEASON WITH USF AT JOLIET'S
**Light Up the
Holidays Parade**
Friday, November 24, 2023
Downtown Joliet

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Please make direct phone calls
to your representatives and ask
them to Co-Sponsor
HB 4194 to save
scholarships for our families.

You can also visit www.savemyscholarship.org to
email the below local lawmakers to do right by
our families and school communities.

Joliet Area State Legislators

Assistant Majority Leader
Rep. Natalie Manley (815) 725-2741
Sen. Meg Loughran Cappel (815) 267-6119
Sen. Rachel Ventura (331)-290-0443
Rep. Harry Benton (815) 254-0000
Rep. Dagmara Avelar (815) 372-0085
Rep. Larry Walsh (217) 782-8090

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Saint Mary Nativity currently has
3 students left on the waitlist
for this school year.

Please consider making a
donation to Empower Illinois
designating your funds to
Saint Mary Nativity School.
The deadline is November 30.
It would be awesome
to clear our waitlist.
Thank you in advance!

'Tis the Season to Shop

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St. Mary
Nativity
Gym**

**Nov 18
11:30 am
5:30 pm
Nov 19
8 am
5:30 pm**

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SPENDING TIME WITH JESUS



Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
at Saint Mary Nativity
every Friday Noon to 3:00 pm
All are welcome!

Both regular adorers and substitutes are needed for these times. Please contact Laurie at (815) 370-4533 to sign up.

The church is open for personal prayer
Monday – Thursday 8am to 4:30 pm
and Friday 8 am to 3:00 pm.



The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
November 21st

O Mary! Teach us the life of adoration! Teach us to see, as thou didst, all the mysteries and all

the graces in the Eucharist; to live over again the Gospel story and to read it in the light of the Eucharistic Life of Jesus. Remember, O our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament, that thou art the Mother of all adorers of the Holy Eucharist.

St. Peter Julian Eymard



We all enjoyed that extra hour of sleep, Be thankful to Jesus, for He is our shepherd, and we are His sheep. As we count our blessings one by one, Though great or little they may be, Understand that without the help of Jesus Not one will ever be. Always thank Him for the blessings as you awake each day!



All who participated in the "All Souls Day Memorial Ceremony" and Mass are invited to take home their memorial candle. Candles are available for pick up in the Nativity Room.



THE NINE MONTHS OF THE CHILD JESUS IN THE WOMB OF MARY

Each year on December 25, we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ. For centuries the Church has also celebrated his conception on March 25, the Feast of the Annunciation. Our parishes have once again begun our beautiful "Spiritual Adoption" program. Each month we will be keeping you up to date with the development of your baby.

THE SEVENTH MONTH OCTOBER 25 TO NOVEMBER 25

Mary's pregnancy is nearing its completion. The crib and baby clothing are ready. But the best laid plans are sometimes turned upside down. The village is abuzz with the news that those of the House of David will be called shortly to Bethlehem to be counted among this princely dynasty.

In Mary's eighth month, the Infant Jesus' skin begins to thicken and layers of fat are stored underneath for insulation and nourishment. Antibodies are building up. Jesus' quarters are getting cramped; chin on chest, his knees, arms and legs are bent. Mary twins are born in the eighth month.

Pray for physicians and health care providers to foster the reverence for life.



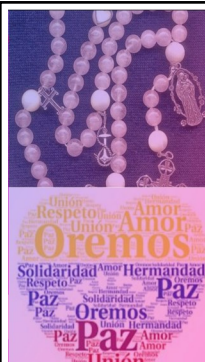
Pro-Life Rosary Every Month Third Sunday **Holy Cross** before the 9 am Mass, starting at 8:35 am

St. Mary Nativity before the 11 am Mass,
starting at 10:35 am.

The next meeting of the St. Mary Nativity Pro-Life Committee:

Sunday, December 1st, at 10:00 am at the Church. Exact location to be determined. We will not be meeting with the St. Joseph's Committee again. We are thankful for your continued help and look forward to your participation in our events from now until that date.

For questions or for more information, contact Mike Hansen at 815-212-3661 or mikehansen@mikehansenlaw.com



¡NECESITAMOS PERSONAS QUE PARTICIPEN SEMANALMENTE! USTED ES IMPORTANTE Y LO NECESITAMOS. INFORMES CON CECILIA MARTINEZ AL (815) 348-0837.

Grupo de Oracion en Español ROSARIO DE SANACION Y DEVOCION DE LOS CIEN REQUIEM
ACOMPANENOS, JUEVES, 1:00 PM
EN LA IGLESIA PRESENCIALMENTE O
POR FACEBOOK LIVE

<http://www.facebook.com/SIMNandHC/>

LOS INVITAMOS A ORAR Y UNIDOS PODEMOS HACER UNA DIFERENCIA PARA NUESTRA PARRAQUIA.

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This is a wonderful opportunity to help local families in need by providing a little something extra during the Christmas season!

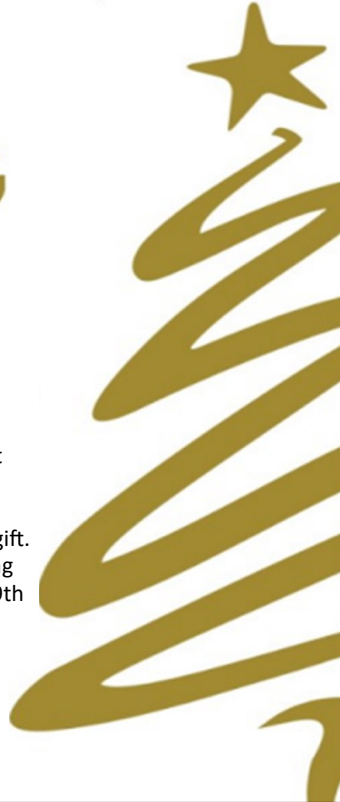
THE GIVING TREE

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:

1. Remove tag from the Giving Tree, located in church.
2. Go shopping!
3. Place purchased items in a gift bag. Please DO NOT wrap with wrapping paper!
4. Attach the original tag to the gift.
5. Place your gift under the Giving Tree the weekend of December 9th & 10th.

QUESTIONS?

Contact Laurie Knick at
815-600-0819 or at
laurie.knick@comcast.net



St. Mary Nativity

PANCAKE BREAKFAST



WHEN: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3RD
TIME: 7:30 AM-NOON
WHERE: ST. MARY NATIVITY CAFETERIA
COST: \$8.00 PER BREAKFAST

BREAKFAST INCLUDES PANCAKES,
SAUSAGE, EGGS, HASHBROWN,
AND A DRINK.

TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED
AT THE DOOR (CASH ONLY).
CARRYOUT AVAILABLE!
TICKETS FOR RAFFLE BASKETS
WILL ALSO BE OFFERED
AT THE EVENT!

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE
ST. MARY NATIVITY 8TH GRADE TRIP.
THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

QUESTIONS? CONTACT JENNI AT 815-715-3974.



*The Catholic Education Foundation
of the Diocese of Joliet is pleased to award*

37 CEF Scholars

*to St. Mary Nativity Catholic School in the amount of
\$49,750
for School Year 2023-24*

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James J. Quaid, Ph.D.
Superintendent of Catholic Schools
Diocese of Joliet



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Executive Director
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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday
8:30 am to 4:30 pm
Friday 8:30 am to 3:00 pm



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Visit us at www.stmarynativityholycross.org

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St. Mary Nativity and Holy Cross
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Barbara Szuba, Polish School Principal

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**DON'T MISS
THE DEADLINE**

**Submit Bulletin
Articles by Mondays
No Later than 2 pm.**

Please send all articles for the bulletin to
Fr. Jerome first for approval.

frkish@outlook.com

Thank you for your cooperation!



Welcome! In Baptism, the child, freed from original sin, becomes an heir to the Kingdom of God, receiving the theological virtues of faith, hope, and charity, and the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit. Through Baptism, the child becomes a member of the Body of Christ and has access to the other sacraments. Please contact the Parish Office at (815) 726-4031.



Prayer Request



Ann

Bill

Mary Bellos

John Block

Vietta Bews

Sheri Bokholdt

Christopher Borsom

Denise Boudreau

Tyler Centorbi

Dianne Cerpen-Verlare

John Drnek

Gerald Drobick

Bob Eberhard

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