

May  
24,  
2026

# St. Mary Nativity Catholic Parish Holy Cross Mission

*Deeply Committed. Christ at Heart.*




## PENTECOST SUNDAY


“Let anyone who thirsts come to me and drink.”  
- Jn 7:37b

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 Monday-Thursday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm  
Friday 8:00—3:00pm

 <https://stmarynativityholycross.com>

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 [www.facebook.com/SMNandHC/](http://www.facebook.com/SMNandHC/)

## Welcome!



Mass  
Schedule

### St. Mary Nativity Church

Saturday - 4:00 pm  
Sunday - 7:00 am  
11:00 am 12:30 pm  
5:30 pm  
Weekday -  
Tuesday 8:30am  
Wednesday (School Mass)  
8:30am  
Thursday 8:30am

### Holy Cross Church

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

St. Mary Nativity  
and Holy Cross Confessions:

Saturdays  
3:15pm to 3:45pm  
or by Appointment.

Also 30 minutes before all  
Polish Masses at Holy Cross



***“All of us have been baptized into one  
and the same Spirit and live by that same Spirit.”***

***(1Cor 12,13)***

Dear Family and Friends,

**Happy Pentecost to you!** ...and Happy Birthday Church! We are grateful that the Holy Spirit continues to renew and rejuvenate our Church.

Every birthday deserves a cake and best wishes for the next year. We have a plan here at St. Mary Nativity Parish and Holy Cross Mission to help stabilize our operational budget.

Every week, we take up monetary collections of the church that supports the daily upkeep and operations of our beloved communities SMN and HC. My sincere gratitude to all of you who sacrifice time and talent to support this critical function and mission. Your sacrifices don't go unnoticed, especially in these hard times. I know some of us are hurting financially, and it makes it even more special that we continue to give despite our limitations. It tells me that we believe in the mission of Jesus right here on Broadway Street and Elizabeth Street in Joliet!

The operational upkeep funds ensure the future posterity of both our communities of faith and their strength discourages over dependence on our bequest fund. Last year, we introduced **the 53<sup>rd</sup> Sunday offertory**. We had a very generous response to the first-time appeal, which brought in an additional **\$12,000** from both SMN and HC. That was 73% additional increase from SMN and 121% from HC, in just one weekend appeal! One parishioner even gave \$1000. Thank you for your support and kindness!

I am again appealing to you for this endeavor. This is where the 53<sup>rd</sup> Sunday comes in. On **June 13/14<sup>th</sup> weekend**, two weeks before the end of the current fiscal year, I am requesting and inviting you to prayerfully consider **doubling your offertory gift** for that Sunday only. If you normally give \$100, consider doubling it to \$200. If \$50, give \$100. If it is \$20, make it \$40. If it is \$10, make it \$20 etc. In this way, we will be able to raise a collection for an extra Sunday that will go towards offsetting our budget deficit which is currently strained by inflation and school operations.

Consider this as a gift to your Church at Pentecost! Will you join me in this endeavor? I hope you do!  
Happy Birthday Church! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

God's Blessings to you and your loved ones! †

Fr. Clive



st. MARY NATIVITY  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Dear Family and Friends,

**„Wszyscyśmy bowiem w jednym Duchu zostali ochrzczeni,  
aby stanowić jedno Ciało” (1 Kor 12,13)**

## **Droga Rodzino Parafialna i Drodzy Przyjaciele!**

**Szczęśliwych Zielonych Świąt!** ... A także: Wszystkiego najlepszego z okazji urodzin, Kościele Święty! Jesteśmy wdzięczni, że Duch Święty nieustannie odnawia i odmładza nasz Kościół.

Każde urodziny zasługują na tort oraz najlepsze życzenia na kolejny rok. Tutaj, w parafii Narodzenia NMP (St. Mary Nativity) oraz w Polskiej Misji Świętego Krzyża (Holy Cross), przygotowaliśmy plan, który pomoże nam ustabilizować nasz budżet operacyjny.

**W** każdym tygodniu przeprowadzamy zbiórki pieniężne na rzecz Kościoła, wspierające codzienne utrzymanie i bieżącą działalność naszych ukochanych wspólnot – SMN i HC. Wyrażam moją szczerą wdzięczność wszystkim, którzy poświęcają swój czas i talenty, aby wspierać tę kluczową funkcję i misję. Wasze ofiary nie pozostają niezauważone – zwłaszcza w tych trudnych czasach. Wiem, że niektórzy z nas zmagają się z trudnościami finansowymi, co sprawia, że nasza ofiarność – mimo tych ograniczeń – nabiera jeszcze bardziej wyjątkowego znaczenia. Świadczy to o tym, że wierzymy w misję Jezusa realizowaną właśnie tutaj: przy Broadway Street i Elizabeth Street w Joliet!

**Ś**rodki na bieżące utrzymanie zapewniają przyszłą pomyślność obu naszych wspólnot wiary, a ich wysokość pozwala uniknąć nadmiernego uzależnienia od naszego funduszu spadkowego. W ubiegłym roku wprowadziliśmy zbiórkę ofiar na symboliczną „53. niedzielę”. Nasz pierwszy apel spotkał się z niezwykle hojnym odzewem, przynosząc dodatkowe 12 000 dolarów od obu wspólnot – SMN i HC. Oznaczało to wzrost wpływów o 73% w przypadku SMN oraz o 121% w przypadku HC – i to w trakcie zaledwie jednej weekendowej zbiórki! Pewien parafianin ofiarował nawet 1000 dolarów. Dziękujemy Wam za wsparcie i życzliwość!

**P**onownie zwracam się do Was z apelem w sprawie takiego przedsięwzięcia. W tym właśnie miejscu powraca idea „53. Niedzieli”. W weekend 13–14 czerwca – na dwa tygodnie przed zakończeniem bieżącego roku fiskalnego – proszę i zachęcam Was, abyście w duchu modlitwy rozważyli podwojenie swojej ofiary składanej na tacę - wyłącznie w tę jedną niedzielę. Jeśli zazwyczaj ofiarujecie 100 dolarów, rozważcie podwojenie tej kwoty do 200 dolarów. Jeśli 50 dolarów – ofiarujcie 100. Jeśli 20 dolarów – niech będzie to 40. Jeśli 10 dolarów – niech będzie to 20, itd. W ten sposób uda nam się zebrać dodatkową ofiarę – odpowiadającą wpływom z umownej „dodatkowej niedzieli” – która posłuży pokryciu naszego deficytu w budżecie, obecnie mocno obciążonego przez inflację oraz koszty funkcjonowania szkoły.

**P**otraktujcie to jako dar dla Waszego Kościoła z okazji Uroczystości Zestania Ducha Świętego! Czy przyłączycie się do mnie w tym przedsięwzięciu? Mam nadzieję, że tak! Jeszcze raz: Wszystkiego najlepszego z okazji urodzin, Kościele Święty! Alleluja! Alleluja! Alleluja!

Szczęść Boże Wam i Waszym bliskim!

*Ks. Clive*



**In His Love we are saved,  
In His Light we are guided,  
In Him We are One.**

## Mass Intentions

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### Saturday - May 23

#### **4:00 pm Mass (HC)**

- † † Raymond & Margaret Smith by Linda Friedrich
- † Mary Lojeski by The Dan Lajcin Family
- † Candida Franco by Patricia Romero

#### **4:00 pm Mass (SMN)**

- † Norma G. Strahanoski by Dolores Pavich
- † Jerry Lakota by Wife, Kids & Grandkids
- † Judy Georgantas by Jean & Marge Zanella

#### **7:00 pm Mass (HC) Polish**

- † ks. Józef Dudziak SChr (1. rocznica śmierci)

### Sunday - May 24

#### **7:00 am Mass (SMN)**

- † † Bonnie & Leo Ardaugh by Family

#### **9:00 am Mass (HC)**

- † Ronald Klen by The Dan Lajcin Family

#### **10:30 am Mass (HC)**

O Boże błogosławieństwo i potrzebne łaski dla Małgorzaty z okazji urodzin

O Boże błogosławieństwo dla Victorii z okazji urodzin

- † Danuta Mąka

- † Jerzy Nowak

- † Tadeusz Gotard

#### **11:00 am Mass (SMN)**

The living and deceased mothers of our Parishes

- † William K. Skadow by Albert R. Hochevar

- † George MacZura IV "Anniversary" by Family

#### **12:30 pm Mass (SMN)**

For the People of the Parishes

#### **5:30 pm Mass (SMN)**

- † † Frank & Rita LaBuda by Frank LaBuda & Daughter, Caryn

### Monday - May 25

#### **8:30 am Mass (HC)**

- † Kevin Hansen by Elizabeth A. Hansen

#### **7:00 pm Mass (HC) Polish**

W Panu Bogu wiadomej intencji

### Tuesday - May 26

#### **8:30 am Mass (SMN)**

- † Colleen Gray by Pat Lepacek

#### **8:30 am Mass (HC) Polish**

- † ks. Michał Kamiński SChr (zmarł w Polsce, 91 lat)

### Wednesday - May 27

#### **8:30 am Mass (SMN)**

- † Mathew T. Mammosser by Family

#### **7:00 pm Mass (HC) Polish**

- † Jolanta Mucha (rocznica urodzin)

### Thursday - May 28

#### **8:30 am Mass (SMN)**

- † Frank LaBuda by Caryn LaBuda

#### **7:00 pm Mass (HC) Polish**

- † Igor Grela

### Friday - May 29

#### **8:30 am Mass (HC)**

- † Steven Bogathy by Friend

- † Phillip Torres by Fred and Diane Hafner

#### **7:00 pm Mass (HC) Polish**

- † Jolanta Mucha

### Saturday - May 30

#### **4:00 pm Mass (HC)**

- † Jerry Lakota by the Dan Lajcin Family

#### **4:00 pm Mass (SMN)**

- † John R. Depratt by Family

Grace MacZura "9th Birthday" by Family

- † Judy Georgantas by Mary & Sue

#### **7:00 pm Mass (HC) Polish**

O pokój dla Ukrainy, Iranu, Libanu i Ziemi Świętej

### Sunday - May 31

#### **7:00 am Mass (SMN)**

- † † Robert M. Lambert "10th Anniversary" by Family

#### **9:00 am Mass (HC)**

- † Ronald Robinson Sr. by Laurie and Larry Pottorff

#### **10:30 am Mass (HC)**

O Boże błogosławieństwo dla Maximiliana z okazji urodzin

Dziękczynna za otrzymane łaski i z prośbą o dar macierzyństwa dla Luby i Mikołaja

O zdrowie i Boże błogosławieństwo dla Danuty z okazji urodzin

- † Natalia Skiba (1. rocznica śmierci)

- † Mariusz Mucha

#### **11:00 am Mass (SMN)**

The living and deceased mothers of our Parishes

- † Richard W. Serdar by Janet and John Brandolino

- † Gary Mahalik by The Lawrence Mahalik Family

#### **12:30 pm Mass (SMN)**

For the people of the Parishes

#### **5:30 pm Mass (SMN)**

For the people of the Parishes

**Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May the souls of the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.  
Amen.**



## May - The Month of Mary

“It is fitting that we should dedicate to Mary, the most beautiful month of the year, for she is the most beautiful of God’s creatures.

We should offer this month to Mary, by increasing our love for her.

Let us examine ourselves in front of Our Lady’s Altar, by comparing our weakness with her magnificence of soul. We can spend everyday of this month, digging out those weeds in the garden of our soul, which, our passions and the influence of the devil have helped to flourish. Let us plant and bring to perfection in their place, the flowers of Christian virtue.”

**Antonio Cardinal Bacci**



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

Each year on December 25th 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 ‘Spiritual Adoption’ program. Each month we will be keeping you up to date with the development of your baby.

## THE SECOND MONTH – MAY 25 to JUNE 25

Faith-filled Joseph, believing the revelation that he is to be the protector of the Messiah, bravely stands by Mary’s side, offering his strength and sense of mission as her body begins to accommodate her child. How many fathers have abandoned the mothers of their children? Indeed, how many fathers who have treasured a child never know of its existence or of its terrible end? Babies denied life who can at this stage hear, open and close their lips, hiccup and suck their thumbs. At three inches, the baby now begins to kick, curl and fan toes, make a fist, and practice breathing. Pray for all fathers that they may use the awesome power of life-giving to be a true protector.

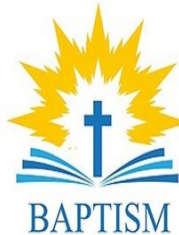


On Monday - May 25th  
Parish Office will be closed!  
(NO 8:30am Mass at either church)  
Memorial Day Mass will  
be at 10:00 am at

**St. Mary Nativity Cemetery**  
Caton Farm Rd. & Oakland Av., Crest Hill  
(Please bring lawn chairs)

In case of inclement weather, the mass  
will be moved to St. Mary Nativity.

## Congratulations To Our Newly Baptized!



*Dominic Torres  
Milania Lynn Lombardo*

*at St. Mary Nativity Church  
May 16th & 17th, 2026*

May Jesus, who loves all children, bless them  
with His love and grace as they grow close to  
Our Lord throughout their lives.



## Please Keep in Your Prayers Those Serving in the Military

Pfc. Paul Roder, USMC  
Sgt. FC Jay R. Martin, Army  
Jacob Gregurich, USMC  
Kathleen Sullivan, Navy  
Lt. Alex Aguilera, USMC  
SRA Michael Wilson Arellano  
2nd Lt Kevin A’Hearn  
CPL. Christopher Wesley  
Captain Marcos Aguilera, USMC  
Alexander Gregurich, PFC  
First Sgt. Christina Romero, USMC  
Justyn Moot  
Cpt. Anthony Gutierrez, USMC  
Brent Moot  
Jeremy M. Close, Army  
Pfc. Michael McCallister, Army  
David Walters, Army  
Joe Miller, USMC Sgt  
Tommy Hanks, USMC  
Sgt. Christina Hanks, USMC  
Jonathon Schroll, USMC Special Forces  
Petty Officer 1st Class Tyler Hintzsche, Navy  
Airman Jack Maurer, Air Force



## Heavenly Father, we pray for...

Ann	Janet Horvath	Parnell
Bill	Jacqueline H.	James Partak
Mary Bellos	Violet Hyndman	Patricia Phinney
Vietta Bews	Harriet Kazlauskas	Phyllis Popek
Sheri Bokholdt	Cathy Koenig	Ronald Pruss
Christopher Borsom	James Kozar	Armando Rodriguez
Denise Boudreau	Dan Kramerich	Father Pete Rossa
Stephanie Cavanagh	Bernadette (Lajcin)	Kimberly Schlegel
Tyler Centorbi	Marilyn Lajcin	Steve Senisais
Dianne Cerpen-Verlare	Don Legerski	Terri Shepherd
Bob DeLach	Kathleen Lepacek	Ashly Smith
Anthony Deredita	Darlene Likar	Scott & Adam
John Drnek	Ann Marie Linko	Elizabeth Mary Sobolak
Gerald Drobick	George MacZura	Mary Suarez
Linda Eck	Phil May	Thomure Family
Dosseh Houseaj Elise	Alex McKeel	Joseph Trubich
Kelly G.	Charlene Molnar	Jim Thompson
Anthony Gregory	Robert Nasenbenny	Margaret Thompson
Anthony Harmes	Raymond John Nickel	Sister Elaine Teders
Alba Hensley	Paul Norris	Tommy Turner
Janet	Gliceria Nunez	Susan Ward

Need prayers or know someone who does, please call  
Pat Weiskop 815-723-7141



**St. Mary Nativity  
Vacation Bible School**



**Send your kids on an icy expedition!**

**At Everest VBS,  
kids embark on the coolest adventure  
of the summer!**



**Only \$30/child  
entering prek-5th grade  
(Child must be toilet independent)**



**Teen and Adult  
Volunteers  
Are Needed!**

**Embrace the Expedition  
Challenge!**

**Join the Everest VBS as a Crew  
Leader/Volunteer**

**If you are interested in being an Everest Volunteer sign-up below  
and return to Faith Formation Office.**

- Start your adventure at a staff training meeting (we will make it fun)
- Hike to Everest VBS each Day June 15-19 (that will be great fun)
- Gear up and participate in fun activities while building relationships with a group of Kids.
- Arrive 20 min. early to greet kids (your Crew) each day

**Faith Formation  
Catholic Kids Column**

**Pentecost**

Pentecost Sunday is the celebration of the Holy Spirit coming to the followers of Jesus. It is a feast that reminds us of how God's Spirit gives life, courage, and strength. Today's readings show how God's power works in many ways, from creation to the birth of the Church.

The day that the Holy Spirit descended on the disciples is often called the birthday of the Church. The Spirit came with wind and fire, filling the disciples with new energy. They spoke in many languages, showing that the message of Jesus is for all people. What was once scattered is now brought together. A reversal of the Tower of Babel: where people could not understand each others' languages and people scattered across the earth.

The gift of the Spirit is not only for the first disciples but for us today. Today's readings tell us that God's Holy Spirit is always at work. Yes, in big ways throughout the world and in us if we let Him. The Holy Spirit guides us, helps us pray, and unites us as one body in Christ. This special feast calls us to live in the Spirit each day.

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in Faith**

St. Mary Nativity

**Religious Education**

**Register Now For 2026-2027**



Classes meet from September thru April.

Early registration rate in effect through May 31.

Info and Registration is online at

[www.stmarynativityholycross.com](http://www.stmarynativityholycross.com)



# 7 Stewardship



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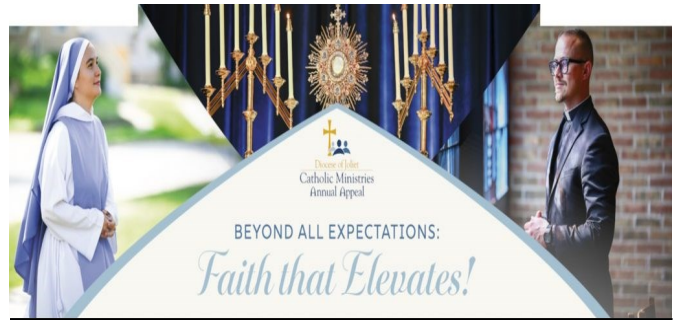
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With the simple click of a button from your computer or smart device, you can securely set-up one-time or recurring donations.

You can also donate by visiting our website at <https://stmarynativityholycross.com>

May 17, 2026	St. Mary Nativity	Holy Cross
Sunday Offertory	\$10,664	\$2,622
Sunday Offertory Budget Need	\$9,020	\$2,745
YTD Sunday Offertory	\$381,447	\$119,917
YTD Budget Need	\$405,900	\$123,525
<b>Overage/(Shortage) Amount</b>	<b>(\$24,453)</b>	<b>(\$3,608)</b>
Annual Budget <i>(July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026)</i>	\$460,000	\$140,000

*Thank you for attending. Thank you for serving.  
Thank you for giving.  
Thank you for growing with us.*



Saint Mary Nativity		Thank YOU	Once our parishes reach their goal in paid pledges, 70% of the amount over goal will be returned to the parishes.
2025 Goal	\$39,800		
Amount Pledged	\$36,415		
Amount Paid	\$30,174		
Balance Due	\$ 6,241		
Donor Count	133		
2025 Rebate	\$0		
Holy Cross			
2025 Goal	\$13,700		
Amount Pledged	\$15,828		
Amount Paid	\$13,608		
Balance Due	\$ 2,220		
Donor Count	51		
2025 Rebate	\$0		

**Our Grand Sweepstakes tickets are here! If you would like to enter the drawing, please call or stop by the Parish Office to purchase your tickets. Deadline to purchase tickets is June 4th.**

\*25 per ticket or 5 Tickets for \$100 **Only 2000 tickets sold!**

**Grand Prize Drawing will be June 5, 2026**

**GRAND PRIZE**  
40% of Total Revenue

2nd Prize ..... 5% of Total Revenue  
3rd Prize ..... 1% of Total Revenue  
4th Prize ..... 1% of Total Revenue  
5th Prize ..... 1% of Total Revenue

**PLUS**

Early Bird Drawing ..... \$1000 (5/8/2026)  
Seller of Winning Ticket . 1% of Total Revenue  
Seller of Most Tickets .... 1% of Total Revenue

**Get your chances for the Grand Prize on June 5th.**

**Current Grand Prize is \$3,500**

**Tickets available at the Rectory.**

**Congratulations to our Early Bird Winner!!**

**Vic & Donna Biasetti**

**\$1,000**

O God, eternal shepherd, who govern your flock with unfailing care, grant in your boundless fatherly love a pastor for your Church of Joliet who will please you by his holiness and to us show watchful care.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**DONATE TODAY**



**Healing From the Inside Out**

Your support of the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal funds counseling services at Daybreak, Catholic Charities' shelter for those experiencing homelessness. In two years, nearly 200 clients have received therapy, coping skills, and the compassionate care they need to heal — and hold on to — a stable home.



Watch the video and see the good your donation to the CMAA brings to our community

# Upcoming Events

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## The Week Ahead

### Monday, May 25

No 8:30am Mass at either church  
10:00am Memorial Day Mass - SMN Cemetery

### Tuesday, May 26

Preschool/Kindergarten End of Year Program - SMN SCHOOL

9:30am Bible Study - SMN Nativity Room

1:00pm Rosary - SMN Church

6:30pm St. Vincent de Paul Meeting - SMN Nativity Room

### Wednesday, May 27 Last Day of School

8:30am Mass - St. Mary Nativity (School Mass)

10:30am Dismissal - SMN SCHOOL

### Thursday, May 28

1:00pm Rosary in Spanish - SMN Church

### Friday, May 29

12:00pm Eucharistic Adoration - SMN Church

**Saturday, May 30** Holy Pilgrim Tours - SMN Church

**Sunday, May 31** Holy Pilgrim Tours - SMN Church



## PRAYER GROUP



Join us every Thursday morning for coffee and donuts after the 8:30am mass in the Nativity Room.

All Are Welcome



## SPEND TIME WITH JESUS

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

Both regular adorers and substitutes are needed for these times.

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



Parish Office Summer Hours:

Monday through Thursday

8:00am to 3:00pm

Fridays - CLOSED

From June 1 thru August 14

Church will be open for Personal Prayer on Fridays from 8:00am to 3:00pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Eucharistic Adoration will continue on Fridays from 12:00pm - 3:00pm throughout the Summer months.

### Holy Cross Celebrating 125 Years of the Dedication of the New Church

We are looking for pictures of the church or various events that took place through the years at Holy Cross Church as we celebrate this milestone this year. Contact the Parish Office with any questions. All pictures can be dropped off at the Parish Office.

Save the Date - September 13, 2026

Sunday, June 14th in the Nativity Room after the morning masses.



And when he said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit." Let the Holy Spirit infuse your marriage with increased trust and intimacy by participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on June 12-14 at Holiday Inn Express NW in Arlington Heights or July 10-12 at St. John Neumann in St. Charles (2 day non-residential).

For more info go to: [wwme.org](http://wwme.org) or call (888) 574-5653



If you like to sing, then we invite you to consider joining the St. Mary Nativity Choir. The choir meets for rehearsal every Sunday from 10am to right before the 11am Mass which is the Choir Mass.

The Choir also sings for special and Holy Day Liturgies. We meet from the First Sunday of September to the Last Sunday of May and break for the months of June, July and August. We currently have approximately 12 members and would like to double that to about 20. If you are interested in joining, please contact **Tony Brandolino at 815-531-9257.**



Non Perishable items may be dropped off at St. Mary Nativity Church vestibule on June 6th & 7th Thank you!

**ST. MARY NATIVITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL**  
Preschool - 8<sup>th</sup> grade

## REGISTER NOW



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## ZAPISY NA NOWY ROK SZKOLNY 2026/2027



Rozpoczynamy zapisy na nowy rok szkolny 2026/2027

Nasza szkoła od 20 lat uczy i cieszy się językiem polskim, przekazuje wiedzę z literatury i kultury polskiej jak również z historii i geografii

Oferujemy zajęcia w małych grupach dla dzieci w wieku od przedszkola do liceum. Indywidualne podejście do ucznia oraz wykwalifikowana i z pasją kadra pedagogiczna pozwala na unikalny rozwój każdego dziecka. Przygotowujemy do sakramentów świętych – I Komunii oraz Bierzmowania

**Polska Katolicka Szkoła im. Świętego Krzyża**

Holy Cross Polish School

**815 630 6190**

[polskaszkołajoliet@gmail.com](mailto:polskaszkołajoliet@gmail.com)

<https://www.polskaszkołajoliet.com/>

## PHOTOGRAPHY DATES

Saturday, June 6 | **3:00-7:00 PM**

Sunday, June 7 | **9:45 AM-1:45 PM**

Contact Information

NICOLE KULON

815-212-4910

[HOLYCROSS125TH@GMAIL.COM](mailto:HOLYCROSS125TH@GMAIL.COM)

Location: Gymnasium at St. Mary Nativity

### Save the date!!

**Holy Cross Polish Mission  
125th Anniversary  
September 13, 2026**

Having your photo taken, you are helping preserve the legacy of Holy Cross Catholic Church, not just for today, but for generations yet to come.

We warmly invite and encourage all parishioners to take part. Let us show together what 125 years of faith looks like.

Reserve your spot today!

## TERMINY SESJI ZDJĘCIOWYCH

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For Baptisms at St. Mary Nativity Church, please call the Faith Formation Office for more information. Baptisms are scheduled on the third Sunday of the month after the 12:30 PM Mass. Baptism preparation classes are scheduled upon need.

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Please call the Parish Office before setting a date for your wedding. The diocese requires a six month preparation prior to the wedding.



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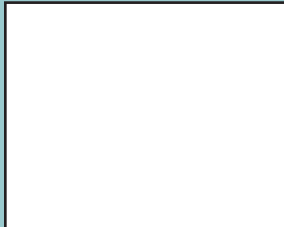

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