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FORMED Daily**Your daily dose of truth, beauty
and goodness.Improve your day with clips from the most dynamic and
trusted figures in the Church today, sent right to your
inbox!**ROSARY RALLEY**

The Annual Rosary Rally will take place here at Nativity Cathedral on Sunday, January 19, 2020. The Rally will begin at 2:00 p.m. with a rosary, followed by Mass. After Mass we will process from the Cathedral to the Light House supporting our Catholic pro-life stance. Come and participate in this important event.

GOODBYE AND BLESSINGS TO FR. COLTEN

How fortunate we at Nativity were to have Fr. Colten Symmes with us! For over two years we watched this talented, young priest relate so well to our young people. We saw his reverent approach to the celebration of the sacraments, and we enjoyed his well-crafted homilies. We were grateful for his enthusiastic implementation of new ideas and new approaches. We will miss Fr. Colten and his big dog Cruz. So, let us gather to express our farewell to Fr. Colten and to pray for his success in his new parish, this Sunday, January 5, 2020 at the 11:00 a.m. Mass followed by a going-away reception for him in the Sacred Heart Center.

CCD

CCD classes will resume on Wednesday, January 8. CCD classes, for K-5th grades, are held in the Sacred Heart Center, behind the Cathedral, on Wednesday evenings from 5:30-6:30 pm. If you need to register your child, please come any Wednesday during class time. If you need additional information or have any questions please call, text or email Barbara Ziz, [228-918-9778](tel:228-918-9778), barbaraziz19@gmail.com.

RCIA

This week the RCIA class will be learning about Confirmation with Father Colten, the first three Commandments with Deacon Johnny Williams, and Summer Canon will be leading our Prayer Service. Please pray for the Catechumens, Candidates and Sponsors as we approach the Easter Sacraments and they continue their journey of faith together. If you would like further information, please contact Greg or Penny Payne 228-365-6348.

COMMUNION VISITATION

Jesus says of you and me, "You are the salt of the earth". No one should be deprived of the Most Holy Eucharist because they are homebound, elderly, have no means of getting

to Mass and/or sick in their home. Sister Jackie Tarrant, RSM will gladly bring the Eucharist to you in your home. Together we can be "salt of the earth". Sister can be reached at the rectory at 228-374-1717.

NATIVITY BVM SCHOOL NEWS!

School resumes January 6, 2020. We look forward to seeing all of our saints! Please mark your calendars for Nativity Elementary Open House. It will take place on January 26th from 10:30-1:00 in the school gym. We will have school tours, information about the school and the extracurricular activities we offer, as well as performances from some of our groups. Please spread the word to your family, friends, and neighbors. The gift of a Catholic education is priceless for a child.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon	Jan 06	1 Jn 3:22—4:6, Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tues	Jan 07	1 Jn 4:7-10, Mk 6:34-44
Wed	Jan 08	1 Jn 4:11-18, Mk 6:45-52
Thu	Jan 09	1 Jn 4:19—5:4, Lk 4:14-22a
Fri	Jan 10	1 Jn 5:5-13, Lk 5:12-16
Sat	Jan 11	1 Jn 5:14-21, Jn 3:22-30
Sun	Jan 12	Is 42:1-4, 6-7, Acts 10:34-38, Mt 3:13-17

**YOUR SUNDAY TITHING AND CONTRIBUTIONS**

Regular Collections	\$	7,719.71
Maintenance	\$	1,503.00
Capital Improvement	\$	163.00
Christmas Flowers	\$	108.00
Christmas	\$	25,793.00
TOTAL COLLECTION	\$	35,286.71

Thank you for your generous contributions!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan 06	Women of Mary, 5:30 pm
Jan 07	Men of St. Joseph 7:00 a.m. SHC Bingo Mania, 5:30 pm RCIA, SHC, 6:00 pm
Jan 08	Cleaning Team "A" CCD, SHC, 5:30 pm



Do you have trouble hearing the Mass? Our cathedral has the hearing loop system for use by all persons with hearing problems, who wear hearing aids or use cochlear implants. Pick up a receiver in the back of the church and be

surprised at how clearly you can hear.

BINGO MANIA:

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday. The following families are scheduled for January 7th, 2020: Cvitanovich (Dominick & Henning, Caitlin), Dagenais (Amanda), Davis (Reed & Jacqueline), Davis (Warren & Susie), Ellis (Jeffery & Dallas) and Fountain (Brent & Bonnie). **REMEMBER! If you are unable to attend, it is your responsibility to secure a replacement.**

VOLUNTEER NEEDED FOR SUNDAY LIVESTREAMING

We need a volunteer to occasionally assist in running the live streaming from the Cathedral Church for Sunday Masses. We have one volunteer; however, we need an additional one as well. Most of the time, the live streaming will occur at the 11:00 a.m. Mass. However, there may be occasional weekends when it takes place at other Cathedral Sunday/Vigil Masses. A simple understanding of operating a windows-based laptop computer is needed. It requires a generalized understanding of the parts of the Mass. A tutorial will be given to the volunteer. If interested, please call Fr. Dennis at the rectory at 228-374-1717.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS
Jan 11 4:00 pm 1. Deacon Johnny 2. Liz Joachim 3. Jim Shugart 4. Kathleen Coskey 5. Helen Languirand	Jan 11 4:00 pm Michael Bruffey	Jan 11 4:00 pm Sam Burke
Jan 12 7:00 am 1. Deacon Johnny 2. Colleen Kavanagh 3. Danny Kavanagh	Jan 12 7:00 am Corri Gulino	Jan 12 7:00 am Clayton Stodard Ava Stoddard
9:00 am 1. Deacon Johnny 2. Jim Compton 3. Maggie Landry 4. Traci Kessler 5. Michael Kessler	9:00 am Maggie Landry	9:00 am Aiden Tarrant Brennan Tarrant Annabelle Tarrant Bailey Joy Tarrant
11:00 am 1. Deacon Johnny 2. Judy Steckler 3. Sandy Steckler 4. Edith Richardson 5. Robert Moniot	11:00 am Peter Abide	11:00 am Blake Walli Kendall Walli
5:30 pm 1. Deacon Johnny 2. Teresa Ballinger 3. Kristy Arguelles	5:30 pm Patrick Hall	5:30 pm Taylor Yasar Dylan Mitchell
	CANTORS Jan 11 4:00 pm Dennis Burke Jan 12 9:00 am Peter Abide CATHEDRAL CHOIR 11:00 am Elizabeth Cobb	

	6:30 AM	8:00 AM
Mon Jan 06	Mary Rosella McAuliffée	Robert E. McAuliffée
Tue Jan 07	Thomas E. Connell	Stanley Dellenger
Wed Jan 08	Liam. Pitalo	Eileen McAuliffée
Thu Jan 09	Maurice A. McAuliffée	Barbara Maynard
Fri Jan 10	Cora Bell McGrath	Gaspar/Mary Pesarich
Sat Jan 11	8 Bishop Roger Morin	4 A Special Intention
Sun Jan 12	7 Josh Bozeman	9 F.T.P
	11:00 – Michelle Phillips	5:30 Mercy Cross Six

PLEASE KEEP OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS

Lionel Sentell, Harry Kostmayer, Sr., Nolan Broussard, Sr., Peter Skrmetta, Kay Semski, Kevin Kavanagh, Carolyn Urbanoto, Heather Boudreaux, Phil Beining, Mable Viator, Buck O’Gea, Nick Pass, Sue and Gene Daudelin, Lesa Walker-Kirkman, Rose Collins, Lehmon Skrmetti, Annette Luther, Macklyn Holloway, Mary Wimberly, Candy Widener, Tiffany Whitehead, Holly Hill, Georgia Bellais Dominick, Mickey Bradley, Gwen Gollott, Greg Hotaling, Jack Joachim, Jr., Michael Zorich.

From the Music & Fine Arts Ministry:

CHILDREN’S CHOIR:

The NES Children’s Choir will share in the 9 a.m. Mass for January 26th in celebration of Catholic Schools Week.

ADULT CHORAL MINISTRY:

“Gloria In Excelsis” – “GIE” – the Cathedral’s Choral Society will resume their rehearsals on Tuesday, January 14th at 7:00 p.m. Any interested individuals who would like to join us are welcome!

“Cathedral Choir” – The Cathedral Choir will resume their rehearsals on Wednesday, January 8th at 7:00 p.m. Any interested individuals who would like to join us are welcome! The Cathedral Choir will share in the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, January 5th Mass and then at the 11 a.m. Mass on January 12th.

THANK YOU FR. COLTEN & GOD BLESS!

The Music & Fine Arts Ministry wishes to express our deep and heartfelt gratitude to Father Colten Symmes and his ministry for the last two and a half years. Father Colten has expressed to the Children & Cathedral Choirs his appreciation and encouragement on many occasions. He has shared prayers and blessings on our singers and our ministry. His spirit of positive, spiritual energy and enthusiasm for the work of the ministries of the church and his love for our God and our Lord Jesus is infectious and tireless. We will miss his presence among us! We will pray for God’s continued hand and blessing upon him and his work/ministry. May he go to his next call strengthened by our love and appreciation for him and our continued prayers for his success!

For more information regarding any of these program/event offerings or any other aspect of our Music & Fine Arts Ministry Program - please contact: Terry D. Maddox, M.M. – terrydalemaddox@gmail.com &/or 251 406-1454.

MUSIC FOR THIS WEEKEND

ENTRANCE HYMN	# 103
OFFERTORY	# 104
COMMUNION	# 110
SENDING	# 99

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED

Have you ever thought of assisting our cathedral parish by becoming an Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister? It is both a joy and an honor in this much needed assistance during our weekly celebration of the Sunday Eucharist. Doing this small act of kindness literally brings Jesus Christ into the lives of many hundreds of people. Please consider becoming an Intentional Disciple of Jesus by helping our parish. Please email or call Fr. Dennis at dcarver@biloxidiocese.org or (228) 374-1717.

BE A CALLER!!!

Over the past few years our Bingo Mania has yielded well ver \$90,000.00. 100% of these funds are designated to benefit or Nativity BVM Elementary School. Would you consider volunteering as a Bingo Caller once a month? It’s fun! All it entails is about 3 hours once a month on a Tuesday evening. Would you help us help our school?

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The SVdP provides assistance each Tuesday from 9-11:00 a.m. For those wishing to make regular contributions, envelopes are located in the vestibule. We also value your one time gift! Your continued support helps to ensure SVdP is able to provide support for those in need.

MEN OF ST. JOSEPH’S CLUB

The St. Joseph’s Club meets every Tuesday morning at 7:00 a.m. The Gospel for the following Sunday’s Mass is read and discussed. This gives us a heads-up on the Homily which will be delivered at Sunday Mass. The meetings usually are completed by 7:30 a.m. We urge men to join us as often as possible.