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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon	May 25	Acts 19:1-8, Jn 16:29-33
Tues	May 26	Acts 20:17-27, Jn 17:1-11a, Phil 4:4-9, Jn 17:1-11a
Wed	May 27	Acts 20:28-38, Jn 17:11b-19
Thu	May 28	Acts 22:30; 23:6-11, Jn 17:20-26
Fri	May 29	Acts 25:13b-21, Jn 21:15-19
Sat	May 30	Acts 28:16-20, 30-31, Jn 21:20-25
Sun	May 31	Acts 2:1-11, 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13, Jn 20:19-23



GOD MAKES HIMSELF KNOWN TO US

Knowing God in a way that brings eternal life is no casual acquaintance, but an intimate friendship. When we know someone as a friend, we know likes and dislikes, character and personality. God knows us intimately and, amazingly, desires to be known, and makes himself known to those created in his image.

WELCOME BACK EVERYONE!!

It has been a long nine weeks as we have stayed at home, keep social distance, and observed all the regulations which have been given to us. By God’s good grace, we are back again—at least in a regulated form—to see each other, love each other as brothers and sisters, and pray together. Let us be grateful for this great gift we have received.

WELCOME DEACON TOMASZ POWROZNIK

Nativity Cathedral is fortunate to host a transitional deacon in preparation for his ordination to the priesthood. Deacon Tomasz will be with us through mid-October to begin his hands-on intern training. He will preach, baptize, marry young couples, and bury the dead. He will live work and pray in a parish rectory for the first time. He will care for the sick and home bound. In short Deacon Tomasz will be a member of our family. Please welcome him.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

When the pandemic started and we had to close down our church, I was worried about our parish income. However, the worry was for naught. I wish to thank each and everyone for you amazing and continued generosity even during the time we were not gathered. *What faith you have!!! What love of our parish you have!!!!*



YOUR SUNDAY TITHING AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Regular Collections	\$	7,335.00
Maintenance	\$	730.00
Capital Improvement	\$	546.00
Nativity Elem.	\$	85.00
TOTAL COLLECTION	\$	8,696.00

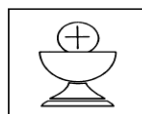
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PLEASE KEEP OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS

Elizabeth Moon Anderson, Rocky Long, Harry Kostmayer, 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 and our Homebound Parishioners.

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.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS
May 30 4:00 pm 1. Jim Shugart 2. Dale Dorcik 3. Kalin Lloyd	May 30 4:00 pm Jim Compton	
May 31 7:00 am 1. Joan Strayham 2. Colleen Kavanagh 3. Danny Kavanagh	May 31 7:00 am Joe Powell	
9:00 am 1. Vicki Howard 2. Marianne Sherman 3. John Sherman	9:00 am Steve Theobald	
11:00 am 1. Deacon Tomasz 2. Deacon Johnny 3. Sandy Steckler	11:00 am Don Marie	
5:30 pm 1. Teresa Ballinger 2. Kristy Arguelles 3. Elizabeth Becker	5:30 pm Kristi Arguelles	
	CANTORS	
	May 30 4:00 pm John Welter	
	May 31 9:00 am Dennis Burke	
	11:00 am Phil Frisby	

	6:30 AM	8:00 AM
Mon May 25	Collins/Sims Fly.	Chester Balias Fly.
Tue May 26	Thomas E. Connell	Mary Rosella McAuliffee
Wed May 27	Thu Bui	Wayne Leckich
Thu May 28	Vicki Gollotte Cobb	James Tanner
Fri May 29	Mary R. McAuliffee	Glenn/Joyce Pisarich
Sat May 30	8 Sr. Mary Jo Mike	4 Josephine Esposito Allen
Sun May 31	7 Collins/Sims Fly.	9 F.T.P
	11:00 – Chester Balias Fly.	5:30 Annette Luther (S.I.)

From the Music & Fine Arts Ministry:

All Music Ministry programming and rehearsals will resume in late August.

All couples planning for their wedding who are needing to discuss music plans for their special observance are welcome to contact Mr. Maddox by phone &/or email via the information provided below.

For more details regarding 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.

Hymns/Sacred Songs for:

Ascension/Seventh Sunday of Easter – May 23rd & 24th:

Opening: “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus” - Stanzas # 1 & 2

Offertory: “At the Lamb’s High Feast” - Stanza # 1

Communion: “Earthen Vessels” - ONLY

Sending: “Crown Him with Many Crowns” – Stanza # 1

CANTORS: Saturday – 4:00 p.m. - **K.C. Arnold**
 Sunday - 9:00 a.m. **Dennis Burke**
 11:00 a.m. - **Phil Frisby**

REMEMBER: THIS WEEKEND’S SONGS/HYMNS FOR WORSHIP ARE LISTED/POSTED ON OUR “NATIVITY BVM CATHEDRAL” WEBSITE.

NEEDED: Nativity BVM Elementary School (NES) is in need of a good, used piano. If anyone has a piano that they would like to donate to the School’s Music Program, please contact Terry Maddox or Mrs. Traci Kessler – NES Principal.

UPCOMING: Saturday, May 30th – 9 am: Nativity Cathedral’s CCD 1 st Communion Mass 11 a.m.: NES 1st Communion Mass



In observance of Memorial day, Nativity Cathedral Rectory will be closed on Monday, May 25, 2020. We will reopen at 9:00 am on Tuesday, May 26th.

A PRAYER DURING CORONAVIRUS

*O clement, O loving, O sweet Mother Mary,
 We, your children of every nation,
 Turn to you in this pandemic.
 Our troubles are numerous; our fears are great.
 Grant that we might deposit them at your feet,
 Take refuge in your Immaculate Heart,
 And obtain peace, healing, rescue,
 And timely help in all our needs.
 You are our Mother.
 Pray for us to your Son.
 Amen.*