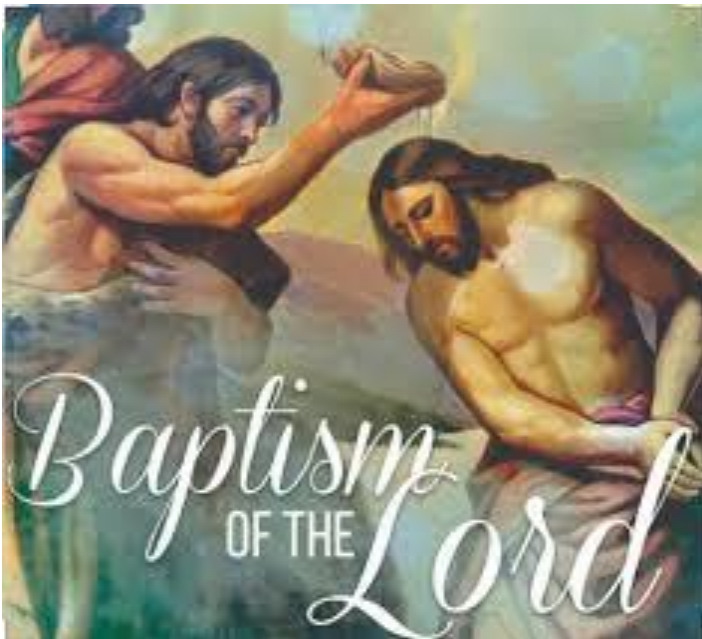


**Nativity B.V.M. JANUARY 10, 2021  
THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**



**MAY OUR LIVES ALWAYS REFLECT THE POWERFUL  
GRACE OF OUR BAPTISM**

God reveals the sacrament of baptism with dynamic power. The heavens are torn. The Spirit descends; the Father's voice is heard. Two brief verses paint a vivid picture depicting the unity of the Holy Trinity. Through our baptism, we are joined to the family of God and welcomed into the intimacy of the Trinity. Take hold of this gift.

*Almighty ever-living God, who, when Christ had been baptized in the River Jordan and as the Holy Spirit descended upon him, solemnly declared him your beloved Son, grant that your children by adoption, reborn of water and the Holy Spirit, may always be well pleasing to you. 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.*

**CATHEDRAL FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**

The quarterly Nativity Cathedral Finance Committee meeting will take place on Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. in the rectory dining room. Members of the committee are asked to be present.

**SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**

The Nativity BVM School Advisory Board Meeting for January will take place on Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. Members of the board are asked to be present.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Mon	Jan 11	Heb 1:1-6, Mk 1:14-20
Tues	Jan 12	Heb 2:5-12, Mk 1:21-28
Wed	Jan 13	Heb 2:14-18, Mk 1:29-39
Thu	Jan 14	Heb 3:7-14, Mk 1:40-45
Fri	Jan 15	Heb 4:1-5, 11, Mk 2:1-12
Sat	Jan 16	Heb 4:12-16, Mk 2:13-17
Sun	Jan 17	1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19, 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20, Jn 1:35-42



**YOUR SUNDAY TITHING AND CONTRIBUTIONS**

Regular Collections	\$	23,449.07
Maintenance	\$	476.00
Capital Improvement	\$	196.00
Infirm Priest	\$	677.00
<b>TOTAL COLLECTION</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>24,798.07</b>

**Thank you for your generous contribution!**

**NATIVITY CATHEDRAL GUIDELINES**

With the increase in numbers of Covid-19, we strongly recommend everyone to wear a mask while attending Mass at Nativity Cathedral. The masks are free and available at the front door. Thank you.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- TUES. JAN 12** MEN OF ST. JOSEPH 7:00 AM  
FINANCE COMMITTEE 4:00 PM  
BINGO MANIA, 5:30 PM
- WED. JAN 13** CLEANING TEAM D
- THU JAN 14** SCHOOL BOARD MEETING, 5:00 PM

**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.*

**A Prayer For Our Children:**

*Lord God, we praise you that you are our God  
and Ruler of all things. We pray you would protect our  
children. Keep them healthy and help them thrive. We  
thank you that you know every hair on their heads.  
You know exactly when they rise and when they fall.  
Watch over our children in every area of their life and  
keep them safe, we pray. AMEN*

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	LECTORS	
<b>Jan 16 4:00 pm</b> Helen Languirand	<b>Jan 16 4:00 pm</b> Jim Compton	
<b>Jan 17 7:00 am</b> Nancy Powell	<b>Jan 17 7:00 am</b> Joe Powell	
<b>9:00 am</b> Maggie Landry	<b>9:00 am</b> Maggie Landry	
<b>11:00 am</b> Deacon Johnny	<b>11:00 am</b> Peter Abide	
<b>5:30 pm</b> Teresa Ballinger	<b>5:30 pm</b> Tara Junkert	
	<b>CANTORS</b>	
	<b>Jan 16 4:00 pm</b> KC Arnold	
	<b>Jan 17 9:00 am</b> Sabree Puzs	
	<b>11:00 am</b> Phil Frisby	



**PLEASE KEEP OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Lois Reidy, Maureen Gruich, Janette Williams, Jackie Clark, Ivan Kovacevich, Tom Mason, Rocky Long, Harry Kostmayer, Sr., Peter Skrmetta, Kay Semski, Kevin Kavanagh, Carolyn Urbanoto, Phil Beining, Mable Viator, Buck O’Gea, Nick Pass, Sue and Gene Daudelin, Lesa Walker-Kirkman, Rose Collins, Lehwmon 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 all of our Homebound Parishioners.

**BINGO MANIA**

Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 12, 2021.. The following families are scheduled to work: Langford (Ryan & Haley), Lechner (Jeffrey & Lindsey), Leon (Miguel & Amy), Lyons (Patrick & Kimberly), Mabary (Kendra) and Malone (Anjanette & Fisher, Christopher). **REMEMBER! If you are unable to attend, it is your responsibility to secure a replacement.**

	6:30 AM	8:00 AM
<b>Mon Jan 11</b>	David/Rose Mary Henry (SI)	Greg/Debbie Zieman (SI)
<b>Tue Jan 12</b>	Josh Bozeman	Mercy Cross Six
<b>Wed Jan 13</b>	Bob/Penny Rogalin	(SI) For two brothers
<b>Thu Jan 14</b>	Norine Baltar	Holly Sherman
<b>Fri Jan 15</b>	Tucei Family	Sam J. Ardoline
<b>Sat Jan 16 8</b>	Betty Lou Callegari	<u>4</u> Ben Wimberly
<b>Sun Jan 17 7</b>	Mary Nell Emile	<u>9</u> FTP
	<b>11:00</b> – John David Vialot	<b>5:30</b> Christ/Monica Knight (SI)

**FROM THE MUSIC & FINE ARTS MINISTRY:**

**REMEMBER:** A complete Mass Order for each weekend’s Mass is posted on the Nativity BVM Cathedral website.

**Hymns/Sacred Songs for:**

**Saturday, January 9 TH – 4 pm & Sunday, January 10TH – 9 & 11 am Masses**

- Opening:** “When Jesus Comes To Be Baptized”
- Offertory:** “Come To The Water”
- Communion:** “I Have Loved You”
- Sending:** “Baptized In Water”

**CANTORS:**

- Saturday 4:00 pm:** KC Arnold
- Sunday 9:00 am:** Dennis Burke
- 11:00 am:** Phil Frisby

**NEXT NATIVITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (NES) MASS:**

Thursday, January 21st – 9 am – Peace In Our World Mass

**When Is a Christmas Carol “NOT” a Christmas Carol?**

When it’s “Good King Wenceslaus.” He “look’d out, on the feast of Stephen – when the snow lay all about – deep and crisp and even,” and that date (December 26th) was enough to enshrine this popular English carol of the last century as a Christmas favorite. The story, however, isn’t about the Christmas spirit, though set on the day after the Christmas feast – but about the spirit of Wenceslaus – doing the work of Christmas. The words were written by a 19th Century hymn writer to fit a 13th Century air – using a miracle attributed in Medieval legend to St. Wenceslaus.

Its 5 verses tell of the good king noticing a poor man – gathering fuel. Determining from a page who the man was and whence he came – the king said: “Bring me flesh, and bring me wine, bring me pine logs hither. Thou and I will see him dine, when we bear them thither.” Forth they went, against the bitter weather – page & King. On the way – the page’s heart failed – threatening his life as well as the mission of mercy. “Mark my footsteps, my good page, tread thou in them boldly: thou shalt find the winter’s rage freeze thy blood less coldly.” Its last verse earns its popular place in people’s hearts as a most worthy Christian – if not Christmas – carol: “In his master’s steps he trod, where the snow lay dinted. Heat was in the very sod which the saint had printed. Therefore, Christian men, be sure – wealth or rank possessing, Ye who now will bless the poor – shall yourselves find blessing.” (From the Catholic Source Book – Edited by Rev. Peter Klein)

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<b>CRITERIA</b>	Normal/low risk of infection	Moderate risk of infection/ Flu season/ Small number of outbreaks	Heightened risk of infection/ Flu season/Multiple outbreaks	Government-mandated capacity limits	Government-mandated school closure
<b>ARRIVAL &amp; DISMISSAL</b>	Proceed as usual	Temperature checks at the cars. Masks encouraged but not mandatory.	Level 2 plus masks may be required in hallways	Same as Level 3	School is temporarily closed
<b>CLASSROOM PROCEDURES</b>	Classroom/bathroom hard surfaces sanitized multiple times a day/Hand sanitizer in classrooms and common areas	Increased sanitation/ Seating distanced as space allows/ Water fountains turned off, but bottle fillers may be used/ No shared supplies/Frequent hand sanitation	Level 2 plus grade levels act as a “family” in order to avoid transmission	Level 3 plus maximum sanitation throughout school and between staggered group schedules	School is temporarily closed  Teachers at school in classrooms teaching virtually (Social distancing practiced among faculty/staff)
<b>SPECIAL CLASSES PE/Art/Music/Library/ Computer Lab</b>	Classes proceed as usual/Hard surfaces sanitized between classes	Classes proceed with increased sanitation between classes	Teachers of special classes go to the individual classrooms or hold class outside and teachers may be required to wear masks	Classes will be available on Distance Learning Platform with video lessons and activities for students	School is temporarily closed  Teachers at school in classrooms teaching virtually (Social distancing practiced among faculty/staff)
<b>CAFETERIA</b>	Hands sanitized upon entry and exit. Hard surfaces sanitized between lunch periods	Level 1 plus increased sanitation/Grade levels eat together apart from other classes	Classes will eat in their classrooms or outside away from other classes	Alternate schedule will be developed based upon capacity limits	School is temporarily closed
<b>RECESS</b>	Hand sanitation required upon entry and exit/Equipment will be disinfected between classes	Level 1 plus all sports equipment will be sanitized/Limited number of classes on playground at one time	Level 2 plus designated play areas and equipment for each grade level	Short brain breaks and recess breaks will be incorporated	School is temporarily closed
<b>MULTI-GRADE ASSEMBLIES/MASSES</b>	Proceed as usual with hand sanitization required upon entry and exit	Level 1 plus a rotating schedule for masses and assemblies to allow for maximum social distance	No multi-age assemblies/Mass is live streamed and grade levels will rotate in-person attendance	Mass live streamed as scheduled	Live stream morning prayer and pledge/Mass live streamed as scheduled
<b>VOLUNTEERS/VISITORS/ CONTRACTED PERSONNEL</b>	Allowed with normal office check-in	Only contracted personnel allowed/Temperature checks required	Only contracted personnel allowed with temperature checks and masks/shields required	Same as Level 3	School is temporarily closed

\*School Administration will have the discretion of alternating between levels as needed for the safety of our children.