

Holy Nativity Catholic Church

"Knowledge, love and service to God."

Weekly Schedule

Monday Mass: Noon

"I will offer to You, O Lord, the sacrifice of thanksgiving."

Tuesday Mass: Noon

"My heart exults in the Lord, my savior."

Wednesday Mass 10 am

"Behold, I come, Lord, to do Your will."

Thursday Mass: Noon

"Deliver us, O Lord, for the sake of Your merciful love."

Friday Mass: Noon

"I will sing of Your mercies, O Lord, for ever."

Saturday No Mass

Sunday Mass: 10 am

Followed by fellowship in the parish hall

Confession: one hour before every mass and as requested. *Don't hesitate!*

Holy Hour: The Holy Eucharist will be unveiled for adoration one hour before each of the weekday masses.

Announcements

MEN'S GROUP MEETING WEDNESDAY

The Holy Nativity Men's Group meets this Wednesday, January 15, 6-8pm, in the Parish Hall ! Dan Utz will offer pictures and talk on his Camino de Santiago pilgrimage--The "Way of St. James"-- a 225-mile walk between France and Spain. Dan will share his experiences of the walk he took in April 2019. Don't miss! The meeting is open to all Catholic men, of any age!

March For Life, Saturday, 10am at Sawmill Theater, screening of "Unplanned" 12pm to 2pm March for Life in lot south of Post Office.

Financial Report to the Parish

	Income	Expense	Parish Reserve Fund
Nov	5031	3866	Target 100,000
Dec	8917	4480	Balance 56,652

1414 North Easy Street, Payson, Arizona 85541

The Most Rev. Steven J Lopes—Bishop

The Rev. Fr. Joseph F Vieira—Pastor

The Rev Mr. Tom Fox —Deacon

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A Catholic Church under the Ordinariate of the Chair of St. Peter



BAPTISM OF THE LORD

JANUARY 12, 2020

SUNDAY, 10:00 AM

Baptism of the Lord

January 12, 2020

Rev. Fr. Joseph F. Vieira, Celebrant

Responsorial Psalm

“May the Lord bless His people with peace.”

Hymns

278 -- On Jordan's Bank

333 -- Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

692 -- I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

Communion is taken by intinction

The Host is dipped in the Precious Blood and placed on the tongue.

If you wish NOT to receive the Precious Blood, place your finger over your lips.

When the Priest comes to you, he will give you the Host only.

Prayer Requests

For all members of the Armed Forces Deployed in harm's way.

To place requests call Fr. Vieira at 512-815-4760

or email at frviera.holynativity@gmail.com

Prayer to St. Michael

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Please join us for coffee and fellowship following Mass in the parish hall.

A message from Father Vieira.....

This is My Beloved Son, with Whom I am well pleased. I cannot think of any child young or old who would not desire to have these words spoken of them. With these words the Father spoke in affirmation of the behavior of His son Jesus. If we are to imitate the Son of God and prove ourselves to be His children, it is important to know what was happening.

Turning the clock back a few minutes in the course of events related in Matthew chapter three shows that John the Baptist was receiving the people who were preparing for the coming of the kingdom of Heaven. They came confessing their sins and receiving baptism to demonstrate their commitment to a new life.

We also are called to come to the waters of baptism to be cleansed of our sins. We are called to do so in obedience to the Divine directive at the end of Matthew in which our Lord instructed that people be baptized in the “name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.” Jesus continued the instruction, “. . .teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. . .”. By living in obedience, we show that we are worthy to be called “Christians”, “little Christs”.

This obedience was demonstrated by Jesus first. When He came to the Jordan, He had no sin to be confessed or forgiven. He came to show His unity with humanity, and His obedience to the Father. He came to show that He is fully human, and fully divine. I state the human nature of Christ in the present tense because He is still as fully human in Heaven today as He was on the banks of the Jordan so long ago. John recognized Jesus' sinless nature by being the one to confess, “I have need to be baptized by You”. Jesus' humble response demonstrated that God's love will do what is necessary for our salvation.

Today, as we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord, let us rejoice that He came gently to seek the lost. To unite His Divine nature with our Human nature and so create the bond with humanity for our salvation. His loving obedience to the Father was found to be pleasing. Let us also seek to please the Father by our loving obedience through accepting the gift of Salvation and sharing it with others.

Who Are We?!

Holy Nativity Catholic Church is a member of an administrative structure [“ordinariate”] under the Roman Catholic Church offering one of three forms of the Mass in the Latin Rite. With guidance and encouragement of Pope Benedict XVI, we were formed to accommodate the traditions of the Anglican communities as they entered in the Catholic Church, in full communion with Rome. All Catholics are welcome!

