

## Jesus, Remember Me

The man who hung on the cross next to Jesus asks him to "remember me when you come into your kingdom." Of all the people who took part in the crucifixion of Jesus, only this man sincerely acknowledges Jesus as King. Only he receives the promise of joining Jesus in paradise that very day. I wonder if he knew what Jesus' kingdom meant?

The second reading gives us a better idea of the extent of that kingdom. Paul uses images of things visible and invisible, of dominions, principalities, and powers. While the latter terms refer to types of angels, we can stretch our imagination even further. Notice one short phrase that appears six times in that reading: "all things." So do we really believe that Jesus is King of all things?

Some astronomers say that the universe is infinite. At first I thought, "That couldn't be right; only God is infinite." But it occurred to me that an infinite God would want the universe to be a sign of divine glory, so why couldn't God make an infinite universe? So Jesus is King of that universe. While that sounds impressive, it might tempt us to forget about things closer to home.

If Christ is King of all things, that includes our possessions. We might keep that in mind, not only when deciding how much we give to the poor or to the Church, but also how we use the things we own. The things we watch on TV, the foods we eat, the books we read—all

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Catholic Diocese of Charleston



## Church of the Nativity

1061 Folly Road  
Charleston, South Carolina 29412

### Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 24, 2019

#### Mission Statement

We strive to be a faith-centered, Catholic community. By virtue of Baptism, we are called forth to minister to one another the Gospel message of Jesus Christ through education, evangelization, social justice and ecumenism. We reach out in love, respect and support for all as we seek to do the will of God.

#### Weekly Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil	5:30 pm
Sunday	9:00 and 11:30 am
Mon. Tues., Wed.,	4:15 pm

**Thursday (Thanksgiving Day) 10:00 am**

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:15 to 5:00 pm and by Appointment

#### Weekday Rosary in the Church

Mon, Tues, Wed 3:50 pm

#### Regular Office Hours

Monday - Friday: 8:00 am to 3:00 pm  
Office: 843-795-3821 / Fax: 843-795-2714  
website: [www.nativitycharleston.org](http://www.nativitycharleston.org)

are under Jesus' kingship. Our own bodies belong not just to us, but also to Christ. I might even drive more carefully if I remember that my car belongs to the Lord.

Even our life is under his reign. That can remind us to trust Jesus more, as well as to ask for the guidance of his Spirit in our decisions. If we let the Lord guide our lives, we know that anything that happens to us is either God's will or something that Jesus can lead us through, on our way to paradise.

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*Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.*

~ Today's Psalm PS 122

## THINGS TO KNOW

**Nursery:** Is available for children age 6 weeks to 4 yrs. old during the Sunday 9:00 am Mass. It is located on the right side of the school's breezeway entrance. For more information or to volunteer to help, please contact Vicki Vázquez at admin@nativitycharleston.org or at 843-795-3821.

**Children's Liturgy of the Word:** Is offered to children age 4 years through 5<sup>th</sup> grade during the 9:00 am Mass on Sundays. The children are dismissed after the opening prayers and re-join their family for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

**Religious Education Programs:** Nativity School serves students in grades K4 through 8. The Parish School of Religion (PSR) is offered for other parish children, grades K4 through 8. PSR classes are held in the School Building from 10:00 to 11:15 am on Sunday mornings during the school year. To register, please contact Mary Smith at 843-795-3821 x 24.

**Creating Safe Environments:** All volunteers who minister in programs involving children at Nativity Parish or School are required to complete the Safe-Haven Online Abuse Prevention Training program. To complete this program, please visit <http://charleston.CMGconnect.org>. For more information please contact Vicki Vázquez at 843-795-3821.

**Baptism:** To schedule a Baptism preparation class, a parent should be an active parishioner. For more information please contact Mary Smith at 843-795-3821 x 24.

**Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation:** A two year preparation period is required for these sacraments. Children planning to receive First Reconciliation and First Eucharist in the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, must also have participated in a 1<sup>st</sup> grade PSR or Catholic school program. Children planning to receive the sacrament of Confirmation in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade must also have participated in a 7<sup>th</sup> grade PSR or Catholic school program. For more information please contact Mary Smith at 843-795-3821 x 24

**Alpha:** is a series of sessions that explore the Christian faith. These sessions provide an opportunity to explore life's big questions, to say what you think and to hear other people's points of view. Each session considers a different question of our faith via a video presentation and interactive discussion designed to create conversation. All are welcome and encouraged to participate. For more information and/or to sign up, please visit [www.nativitycharleston.org/alpha](http://www.nativitycharleston.org/alpha).

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):** is a program to prepare adults for entry into the Catholic Church. For information or to register please contact Vicki Vázquez at 843-795-3821.

**FORMED.org:** is a digital platform that gives our parish access to video-based study programs, feature films, audio presentations, and eBooks from the Church's foremost presenters. You just need an e-mail to sign in. No password.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Couples need to contact the priest at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date. Please contact the parish office at 843-795-3821 x 27.

**Care of the Sick and Homebound:** We care about you. To arrange for a pastoral visit, please contact the parish office at 843-795-3821 x 21

**Sacrament of the Sick:** Anointing of the Sick is the sacrament that is received by those who are suffering from a potentially life-threatening illness, those planning to have serious surgery and those in advanced years. Please do not wait until the 'last minute' to request the Anointing of the Sick. For more information or to request this sacrament, contact the parish office at 843-795-3821 x 21.

## STAFF

**Pastor:** Rev. Thomas Kingsley  
Pastor@NativityCharleston.org, 843-795-3821 x 105

**Director of Administration:** Mrs. Vicki Vázquez  
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Music@NativityCharleston.org, 843-795-3821 x 103

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**Diocesan Office of Child Protection Services:**  
843-853-2130 x 209

**Diocesan Victim Assistance Minister:**  
800-921-8122

### Note from the Finance Council

You can provide for the needs of future generations of Catholics by remembering Nativity in your will. You may also choose to make a gift through a charitable trust or an annuity. For more information about joining the newly established Catholic Heritage Society or to learn more about legacy gifts, please contact Carrie Mummert at (843) 261-0435 or email cmummert@catholic-doc.org.

All inquiries are handled in confidence.

### An Active Parishioner

- is registered with the parish for at least 3 months,
- attends liturgies weekly
- makes regular and identifiable contributions by using parish envelopes or myEoffering.

These criteria are used to verify parishioner status for Weddings, Sacramental Preparation, Parish School of Religion enrollment, Sponsor Certificates for Baptism and Confirmation, and to receive parishioner tuition rates at Catholic schools. An extended time with no activity will place a person or family on inactive status.

### Please be an active parishioner



### New to Our Community?

To register in our parish, please fill out a registration form on our web site: [www.NativityCharleston.org](http://www.NativityCharleston.org).

Forms are available at the church entrances. However, for immediate access, just scan this image with your smart phone  
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For more information, please call the parish office at 843-795-3821.



### Please consider joining our parish family!

#### The King

The Lord sits as King forever.  
The Lord will bless His people with peace.  
... Today's Communion Antiphon, PS 28: 10-11

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## Stewardship

*"Let the person with two coats give to the person who has none." (Luke 3:11)*

### Offerings November 11—17

Collections at Mass (Nov 16 - Nov 17)	\$ 10,469.00
Mail in Offerings (Nov 11- Nov 15)	\$ 494.00
myEoffering (Nov 11- Nov 15)	\$ 2,444.78
Budget (1 week)	\$ 14,326.92
Difference	\$ - 919.14
Registered Households	655
Envelopes Used (Nov 16 – Nov 17)	248
Active myEoffering Families	100
MyEoffering Family Donations (Nov 11 - Nov 15)	63

**Thank you for your Generosity.**

**Please use your envelopes.**

If you need envelopes, call the parish office.  
at 843 795-3821.

### Liturgical Ministers for Nov. 30—Dec. 1

Please arrange for a substitute if you are unable to fulfill  
your ministry as scheduled

#### 5:30 pm Mass

<b>Greeters:</b>	Terry Harris
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	Patrick Kelley & Kathy Wiley
	Nathanael Borick, Jake Hoeft,
	Alexandra Lannie
<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b>	Paula Ballo, Claire Bergstrom, Patty Edwards, Gene McDermott, Carolyn Smith, Mary Smith, Alice Veyera
<b>Lector:</b>	Carl Borick
<b>Ushers:</b>	Emmett Alphonse, Patrick Kelley, Leroy Holseberg, Randall Lannie

#### 9:00 am Mass

<b>Greeters:</b>	Maureen & Joshua Begley, Buffington Family
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	Wyatt Knight, Connor Martel, Logan Smith
<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b>	Judy Daugomah, Suzanne Decker, Hal Perry, Pat Perry, Kristi Roberts, Daniel Suggs, Tamme Suggs,
<b>Lector:</b>	Conrad Tuza
<b>Ushers:</b>	Jim Anderson, Richard Bragiel, Larry Fisk, Walter Machowski

#### 11:30 am Mass

<b>Greeters:</b>	June La Via
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	Kenji Tran, Megumi Tran, Tomi Tran
<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b>	Karen Cellars, Lynn Curry, Sharon Doniphian, Jackie Doscher, Kathy Hepner, Mariano La Via, Liisa Machowski, Phu Tran
<b>Lector:</b>	Sheila Elsey
<b>Ushers:</b>	Chuck Everitt, Joe Ginn, Sheila Griner, Gilbert O'Brien



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with your current credit card expiration date.**

For more information, please contact the parish office.

## Let Us Pray

**For members of our community who have  
requested our prayers**

### Recently Added: Tommy Lavelle

**From previous months:** Allene Barans, Arnold Bennett, Clydie Bevis, Beverly Blevins, Britt Lamarr Boswell, Joe Caraviello, Cathy Clarey, Herman Connor, Jake DuPree, Jo Ann Frederick, Ellen Pate Futrell, Ruby Inez Germroth, Malcolm Hale, Angela Harbuta, Terry Harris, James Michael Huber, Ronnie & Myrtis Jenkins, Fred Kornahrens, Teresa LaTorre, Delores Lopez, Paul Madden, Paul & Carole Moran, Suzette Nowak, Charlie Organ, Irene Parmenter, Brenda Pearson, Ed and Terry Pop, Betty Ann Quinn, James Romero, Rosemary Saari, Michael Scarborough, Kyle Souza, Fran Taylor, Inge Thornley, Lois Ulichnie, Rachel Villeponteaux, Courtney Wilson, Sally Wojcik

**For our service men and women and their  
families throughout the world.**

**For Members of our Community who have  
recently lost loved ones.**

To have names added or removed from these lists,  
please contact the parish office at 843-795-3821  
or at [Office@NativityCharleston.org](mailto:Office@NativityCharleston.org).

## Intentions

### Mass: This Week

Sat	23	5:30 pm	Alberto Bargos+
Sun	24	9:00 am	Gilbert & Marion Molony O'Brien+
		11:30 am	Genevieve G. Sheerin+
Mon	25	4:15 pm	
Tues	26	4:15 pm	
Wed	27	4:15 pm	
Thurs	28	10:00 am	
Sat	30	5:30 pm	Michael LaTorre+
Sun	1	9:00 am	Robert Joseph Wilkie+
		11:30 am	Robert Wiser+

Envelopes for Sanctuary Candle and Mass Intentions are  
at the church entrances. Please fill one out and put it in  
the collection basket. Please include your telephone  
number in case your requested date is unavailable.

**Intention requests cannot be accepted  
more than 3 months in advance.**

## Nativity School—dedicated to the academic and spiritual growth of our students



Do you dream of a school where each child is accepted, included, and valued? Are you looking for a school that stands as the model of academic excellence, moral ideals, and spirituality? Have you searched for a values-based education in the Catholic tradition?

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Discover Nativity School, James Island's best kept secret for K4-8 grades.

Nativity School is accepting applications for the 2019-2020 school year.

For more information, please visit us at [www.facebook.com/NativitySchoolKnights](https://www.facebook.com/NativitySchoolKnights) or call us at 843-795-3975.

**Don't miss this great Catholic Education opportunity for your children.**



**Friday, November 29 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm  
In the Nativity School Hall.**

This event is offered for all the K4 through 6th grade children of Nativity parish. Participants need not be students at Nativity School. The attractions include pizza, snacks, movie, games and other activities.

The price is \$40 for the one child and \$15 each additional child of the same family.

For more information or to sign up, please contact Lisa Giuliani at [lisagiuliani5@gmail.com](mailto:lisagiuliani5@gmail.com)

**Make your reservations NOW!**



### **Jr. High Youth Rally**

Sixteen of our Nativity youth travelled to White Oak Conference Center on Nov 2 along with chaperones Carolyn Smith and Mary Smith.

The theme of the Rally was "Be Courageous!" based on the scripture from 1Cor 16:13- 14 "Be on your guard, stand firm in the faith, be courageous, be strong. Your every act should be done with love." Our youth participated in a fun filled day of talks, skits, music and games.

We even brought home a prize ribbon along with our friends and teammates from Blessed Sacrament.

**The next Diocesan sponsored youth event that we will participate in is the SC Youth March for Life on Jan 11. This event is open to 6-12 grade students. Please see upcoming bulletins for details and registration.**

If you have a middle or high school youth and are not receiving e-mail blasts about youth event opportunities, please contact Mary Smith in the church office to be added to the e-mail group.



### **The Supper of the Lord.**

Please refrain from bringing food and beverages to Mass out of respect for other worshipers, reverence for the Eucharist and stewardship for our sanctuary.



**Thank you for your consideration.**

### **South Carolina Catholic Youth Rally for Life- Saturday, January 11, 2020**

9:45 am to approximately 8:00 pm in Columbia SC. More information will be provided in upcoming bulletins.

**Just Mark Your Calendars  
And Plan to Attend.**

**Memorial Service**  
This Sunday, November 24  
At 2:00 pm at Holy Cross Cemetery  
Father Kingsley will lead the community in prayer and Eucharistic Adoration.

**All are invited to attend.**



## Nativity Ladies Guild November Monthly Meeting!

The Ladies Guild November meeting will be on Mon. Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> with Food and Fellowship at 6:30 pm followed by the meeting at 7:00 pm. We will be putting together the Thanksgiving baskets during the meeting. Please join us and please bring a basket to fill with Thanksgiving cheer for our homebound neighbors.

For more information please contact Jackie Doscher at 843-276-5002 or at jackiedoscher@bellsouth.net



### Coffee and Donuts

Next Sunday (December 1) in the School Hall after the 9:00 am Mass.  
There is no charge but your donations are greatly appreciated.

Stop by and talk with us about our activities!



## Ladies Guild 5th Annual Crèche Display



Sunday, December 1 after the 9:00 and 11:30 Masses in the Nativity School Hall

The Nativity Ladies Guild welcomes and encourages your participation. A Crèche of any kind would be appreciated for our display. If not a Crèche maybe a tradition, a special Christmas Story, etc. Items for display will need to be delivered and set up at the Nativity School Hall between 2:00 pm and 3:30 pm on Saturday, November 30th.

For more information please contact Jackie Doscher at 843-276-5002 or at jackiedoscher@bellsouth.net

*Ladies' Guild* November 16, 2019





*Come ye thankful people come . . .*

The James Island Outreach  
Community Thanksgiving Service  
James Island Presbyterian Church  
1632 Fort Johnson Road

**This Sunday, November 24, 2019**  
Prelude 4:50 pm, Service 5:00 p.m.  
Reception following Service

**Special Music Provided By:**

Harborview Presbyterian Church Choir,  
James Island Presbyterian Church Choir  
Nativity Catholic Church Choir,  
The Parish Choir of Saint James Church,  
True Vine Tabernacle Choir,  
St James Presbyterian Church Choir

Residents of James Island and Folly Beach are urged to attend as we celebrate our 30th anniversary and hear what the volunteers and supporters of James Island Outreach have accomplished in our fight against hunger in 2019 and what we hope to accomplish together in 2020.

**Please bring a box, bag, or can of food**  
to donate in the name of your church, organization, or school. Cash donations are also welcome.  
Top donors will be recognized on the James Island Outreach website: [www.jioutreach.org](http://www.jioutreach.org)

**Come early - seating is limited.**



**Thanksgiving Day Mass**

Thursday, November 28 at 10:00 am.

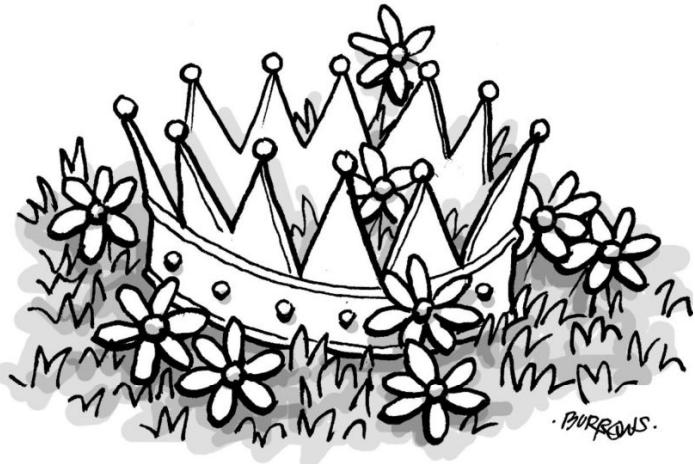
Father Kingsley will be accepting your gifts of non-perishable food for the James Island Outreach food pantry.

**Please remember our Hungry Neighbors**

**The Nativity Parish Office  
will be closed**

**from Nov 27th through Dec 1st.**

For emergency assistance, please call 843-795-3821.



# Lectors

The Workbooks for the 2020 Liturgical Year (Year A) have arrived. These are available in the Nativity Church sacristy.

We will start using these on the weekend of November 30—December 1.

**Please pick up your new workbook  
at your earliest convenience.**

Then he said,

“Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.”

Jesus replied to him, “Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.” Lk 23:42-43

# Parish Life Center



## Strategic End of Year Giving

As we approach the end of the year, please be reminded that an excellent tax-advantaged way to support the Parish Life Center is through the contribution of Appreciated Stock or through gifting your **2019** IRA Required Minimum Distribution.

### *Donating appreciated stock:*

If you own stock as a long-term investment, you may be holding shares with substantial capital gains. As you prepare your year-end tax planning, you may wish to consider contributing stock to the Parish Life Center. If you donate shares of a stock you have owned for more than 12 months to a qualified charity such as the Church of the Nativity, then you may get a double tax benefit, depending on your circumstances. If you itemize, then you can deduct the current fair market value of the stock AND you can avoid paying the capital gains tax on that stock if you were to sell it. As everyone's tax situation is different, please consult your tax advisor. Please contact Father Kingsley at Pastor@nativitycharleston.org or call the office at 843-795-3821 for information about how to donate stock to the campaign for the Parish Life Center.



### *IRA Required Minimum Distribution:*

Your broker can assign a portion of your minimum required distribution directly to the Parish Life Center Campaign. By so doing, your distribution is removed from your annual income calculation for tax purposes.

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**As of November 11, 2019**

Cash on Hand	\$1,672,788.16
Pledges to be Paid	<b>\$174,102.77</b>
Total	\$1,846,890.93
Goal	\$2,000,000.00
Balance to reach our goal	<b>\$153,109.07</b>

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