

Catholic Diocese of Charleston



Church of the Nativity

1061 Folly Road
Charleston, South Carolina 29412

Second Sunday of Easter April 19, 2020

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.

Masses and other Services in the Church

All are Cancelled until further notice.

Church is open Daily for Private Prayer and Devotion.

**Weekdays and Saturday: 12:00 noon to 5:00 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am to 12:00 noon.**

For Sacrament of Reconciliation

By appointment only.

Parish Office Hours

**The parish office remains open but
many of the staff are working remotely.
Please call before you visit to make sure
someone is available to assist you.**

Monday - Friday: 8:00 am to 3:00 pm
Office: 843-795-3821 / Fax: 843-795-2714
e-mail: Office@NativityCharleston.org

Nativity Parish Website:
www.nativitycharleston.org
Nativity You Tube Channel:

sick and the love to help the needy? The answer is the third example--prayer. In the first reading we hear how "they devoted themselves... to the breaking of the bread" (Acts 2:42, 46)--their name for the Eucharist. They also went to the temple to pray, because at that time most disciples were Jewish Christians. As they heard the Hebrew scriptures, they saw how God's promises were fulfilled in Christ. All of these practices helped unite them to Christ and to each other.

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By property, I mean sharing what you have with those in need. Many disciples were moved to sell their goods and share them with the poor, and word of that must have spread. If you are not called to sell all your goods and become a monk or a nun, you can still tithe to your church or the poor, tutor disadvantaged kids, or help build or repair houses in poor areas. The point is that followers of Christ are not just individual do-gooders. They are a community of believers who care about each other and also care about the non-believers who need help of any kind.

So where did these first disciples get the faith to cure the
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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 5th 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 104.

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 x 104.

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 104.

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 2nd grade, must also have participated in a 1st grade PSR or Catholic school program. Children planning to receive the sacrament of Confirmation in the 8th grade must also have participated in a 7th grade PSR or Catholic school program. For more information please contact Mary Smith at 843-795-3821 x 104

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.

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.

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.

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.

STAFF

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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.

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!

Be Grateful

Give thanks to the Lord for He is good,
His love is everlasting.

...Today's Psalm: PS 118

To advertise in our bulletin, please contact Pat Falco at falcop@jspaluch.com or at 910-200-8383.
Please support our Advertisers whose funding makes this bulletin possible.

Offerings

The offerings information was not available before the publishing deadline for this week's bulletin. The Offerings information will be provided in a future bulletin.

**All scheduled church services have been cancelled until further notice
But our needs continue.**

Please consider making your regular offerings by mail in or online (myEoffering).

Thank you for your Generosity.

Liturgical Ministers

**All Masses are Cancelled
Until further notice.**

**Minister lists will be provided when appropriate.
We will restart the list in accordance with the schedule that was emailed to the ministers.**

Intentions

Mass: This Week

**All Masses are Cancelled
until further notice.**

Mass intentions will be rescheduled.

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.**

Things you should know during this period!

Bishop Guglielmone has cancelled all Masses and scheduled services in the Diocese of Charleston until further notice.

this period, Nativity Church remains open for private prayer and devotion.

Weekdays and Saturday: 12:00 noon to 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am to 12:00 noon

When visiting the church, please abide by the recommended guidelines for social distancing and remember that no more than 10 people should be in the church at the same time.

Classes at Nativity School have been cancelled through April 30.

Recent copies of the Nativity Bulletins are always available at the Nativity Website.

www.nativitycharleston.org

New bulletins are usually posted on the Nativity Website on Tuesday afternoon.

or

You can have the bulletin emailed to you weekly. Just visit the website

<https://ebulletins.jspaluch.com/#/parish-bulletin/17Js5BrYrd?pid=> and Enter your email address.

Voila, you will receive the bulletin in your inbox every Saturday!

How cool is that?



Now available online at
www.nativitycharleston.org

For immediate access, just scan this QR code with your smart phone ----->



**Don't forget to update your account
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: Chet Nowak

From previous months: Allene Barans, Arnold Bennett, Clydie Bevis, Beverly Blevins, Britt Lamarr Boswell, Joe Caraviello, Herman Connor, John Cordray, Jake DuPree, Jo Ann Frederick, Ellen Pate Futrell, Ruby Inez Germroth, Malcolm Hale, Linda Hames, Angela Harbuta, Terry Harris, James Michael Huber, Ronnie & Myrtis Jenkins, Brenda Kennerty, Fred Kornahrens, Teresa LaTorre, Tommy Lavelle, 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, Kyle Souza, Fran Taylor, Inge Thornley, Rachel Villeponteaux, Courtney Wilson, Sally Wojcik

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?



Look no further!

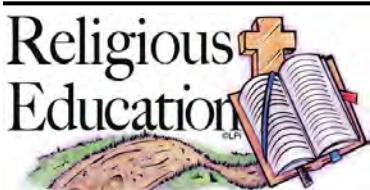
Discover Nativity School, James Island's best kept secret for K4-8 grades.

Nativity School is accepting applications for the 2020-2021 school year.

For more information, please visit us at www.facebook.com/NativitySchoolKnights or call us at 843-795-3975.

The school teachers and staff send out student instruction materials and status updates to school families. You can also keep up with school activities by visiting the Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/NativitySchoolKnights/>

Nativity School remains closed through April 30.



Mary Smith, Director of Religious Education, has posted work sheets on line for the use of parents and young children. These lessons talk about the Sunday Mass readings for the next few weeks. Here is the link:

shorturl.at/bfNRV

Note: links like this are 'case sensitive'. Please copy/paste or type exactly as shown.

Parents are encouraged to use these aids to help you teach religion to your children.

Devotional Resources to Consider

during this period of Church Service Cancellations and Social Distancing

This list is certainly not an 'all inclusive' but offers some great options.

Adoration

There are many perpetual adoration chapels around the world who livestream for devotion. Pick a chapel and spend some quiet time with Jesus.

<https://virtualadoration.home.blog/>

Eternal Word Television Network

Mass is broadcast daily on its television network. Check the schedule for your local times.

<https://www.ewtn.com/tv/schedule>

Daily Mass at EWTN

<https://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/daily-readings>

Mass-Online

Daily Mass is broadcast live, in English, throughout the day from many different churches around the world.

<https://mass-online.org>

and click on the

Holy Mass online in English link

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Live Streamed Liturgies and other devotional and informational resources.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCReSxFBVn0pBj2Y0aOapQ/videos>

Can not watch at the scheduled time? No Problem! You see, the internet is a huge video recorder and most of the videos are available on demand after the initial presentation. So time shift at will!

Communal church activities are temporarily cancelled but God is always available.

This is a period of trial and change. So please try to use some new tools to strengthen and deepen your personal relationship with Our God. You will be glad you did!

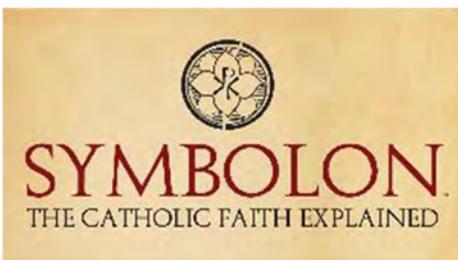


The **Nativity Ladies Guild**, wrapped up their project to collect Grocery Gift Cards for Neighborhood House. The members of Nativity donated \$1000 to this effort.

Thank you for your generosity to our hungry neighbors!

FORMED is a digital platform that gives the parish access to video-based study programs, feature films, audio presentations, and eBooks from the Church's foremost presenters. You can access FORMED anytime, anywhere on your smart phone, tablet, laptop or computer.

To sign up visit <https://formed.org/>. Click on "Sign up" and on the next page select "*I belong to a Parish*". Enter the zip code (20412) in the "Find your Parish" box. Select "Church of the Nativity". On the next page, your name and e-mail address and you are in. You will receive a link in your e-mail. For your convenience, the Formed.Org app is available for smart phones at the and the Apple App Store.



Online Bible Study Mondays 6:30 to 8:30 pm

We will be viewing a series called Symbolon: The Catholic Faith Explained.
<https://watch.formed.org/symbolon-the-catholic-faith-explained>

In this series, there are deeper discipleship questions that help us reignite our passion for our Faith. It's also a great study for those seeking the Catholic Faith. To Sign Up by please send an email to office@nativitycharleston.org to get added to the Google Classroom and Google Hangout.

Stay informed

This situation is very dynamic and print media is always 'behind the times'. Also, some things you may see on the internet and other media sources may not be correct. Here are some tools that will provide accurate and timely information regarding our diocese and parish.



The latest messages and updates from the Diocese of Charleston are available at:

<https://charlestondiocese.org/covid-19-response/>

and

<https://www.facebook.com/DioceseChas/>



The latest messages and updates from the Church of the Nativity are available at:

The Nativity webpage: <https://nativitycharleston.com/>

and on the Nativity Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/NativityCharleston/>

and on the Nativity You Tube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2Rc2HbRmKgHJO5yLI8QtnQ?>

The Church of the Nativity also sends frequent email updates to the members of Nativity Parish.

To receive these email updates, please send your email address to

office@nativitycharleston.org



Bishop Guglielmone celebrated the annual Chrism Mass on April 7, 2020.

We have received the newly blessed oils and they have been placed in our church's Ambry.



The 3 oils are:

Oil of the Sick/Infirm used in the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

Oil of Catechumens used in the Sacrament of Baptism.

Sacred Chrism used in the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Orders.

Want to do online contributions to Nativity but don't know how to get started? Well, this is your lucky day!

To Start, please visit the Nativity Website
www.NativityCharleston.org and click the
ONLINE DONATIONS button.

It is located on the right side of the Nativity home page. If you are a new user, the first thing you need to do is register. This is where you create your account



New users click REGISTER.

At this point, all you need to do is provide your name, your email address and a password. (more than 7 characters and include upper and lower case letters, numbers and at least one symbol).

Create a new account

First and Last Name

Email

Password

Confirm Password

Cancel X **Register ✓**

Click the REGISTER button and then check your email.

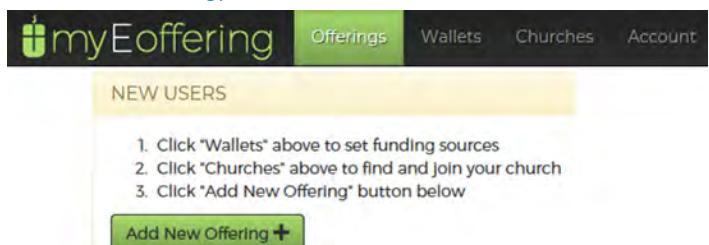
Success

Your signup was successful. Please check your email for the link to activate so you can login.

✓ Okay

The first time you use this service, you will need to tell myEoffering a few things like

- What church do you want to receive your donation (Join a Church)
- What bank account or credit card do you want to use for payment (Create a Wallet)
- How much and how often do you want to donate. (Add New Offering)



The Wallet and Church items are relatively self explanatory. But here are a few suggestion regarding the offering options.

To make sure that your donations do not stop, please check the "Schedule Offering Indefinitely" box

New Offering

Give offering to

Church of the Nativity

How often do you want to give?

monthly

How many monthly offerings do you want to schedule?

Schedule offering indefinitely

When do you want the offering to start?



The periodic donation process is automatic. However, you may find it helpful to receive an email every time a donation is processed. You may also want to know when your automatic donations are about to expire so that you can restart the process. Please check the boxes appropriate to your needs.

New Offering

Which funding source do you want to use?

Check Account

Add a new Wallet +

Pick the fund(s) and amount(s) you wish to give to monthly

Sunday Regular Collection

Add Another Fund +

Yes, add \$0.30 to cover transaction fees

Yes, send me an email receipt monthly

Yes, send me an email when my offering is going to expire

Total offering monthly:

Cancel X

Previous <

Next >

Add a new wallet

Wallet name

Checking account Credit card

Checking account details

YOUR NAME	No. 1582
PAY TO THE ORDER OF:	DATE:
	\$
FOR:	DOLLARS
180557142 802481780 01582	

The routing number is always 9 digits and between the two boxes.
The account number comes after the routing number, but may be switched with the check number. Don't use this.

Routing number

Account number

Join a new church

Search for a church and choose from the list below:

Church Name

City

State

Church of the Nativity

1061 Folly Road

Charleston, SC 29412

Add a new wallet

Wallet name

Checking account Credit card

Credit card details



Card number

Expiration

Security Code (CVC)

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in accordance with communications with Marybeth Viccione on May 24, 2019.