

RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT.
WHOSE SINS YOU FORGIVE
ARE FORGIVEN THEM,
AND WHOSE SINS YOU RETAIN
ARE RETAINED.

JOHN 20:22-23

PENTECOST SUNDAY

JUNE 5, 2022

Teach and Remind

I'm not very good at telling jokes. I like them, but after I hear one and laugh at it, I let it go and forget it. I suspect this doesn't just apply to jokes. The Gospel today hints that the disciples may have had the same weakness when Jesus says the Spirit will "teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you" (John 14:26).

Jesus spent three years teaching his disciples and showing them how much God loves them and how to love their neighbor. He used parables as examples and miracles as signs of the Father's love. He answered their questions and explained things privately. Knowing that this would still not be enough, he promised to send the Spirit after he had risen. You have to experience some things to understand them. And that is what the disciples would do.

When they received the Spirit after Jesus' resurrection, they also began to do the things Jesus talked about. They fed the poor and healed the sick. Thus they began to experience Jesus in those around them. They would remember what Jesus had taught them and apply it in their lives. They even accepted suffering for their faith.

We too can receive that promise from Jesus to have the Spirit teach and remind us. As we share our faith with others, we begin to experience Jesus in them. As we listen to the Lord in prayer, we are reminded of passages in the Bible and we begin to understand how they apply in our lives. May the Holy Spirit teach and remind us of the signs of God's love.

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Catholic Diocese of Charleston



Church of the Nativity

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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

Thursday	9:30 School Mass
Mon. through Fri.	11:30 am
Saturday Vigil	5:30 pm
Sunday	9:00 am and 11:30 am

Church is open Daily for Private Prayer and Devotion

Weekdays: 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

Regular Office Hours

Monday - Friday: 8:00 am to 3:00 pm
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e-mail: Office@NativityCharleston.org

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<https://nativityfamily.flocknote.com/>

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and <https://www.facebook.com/groups/NativityFamily>

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*Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the
face of the earth. ...Today's Psalm PS 67*

THINGS TO KNOW

Nursery: Is offered to 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. **The Nursery is temporarily closed while the school is under construction.**

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. **This ministry is currently unavailable as we assess space and volunteer needs.**

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, enrolled in non-parochial schools. For more information, 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 express your own thoughts and 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. **Online option available.**

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): is an opportunity to come together in a small group online to learn more about our faith with sessions focused on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare adults to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. To inquire, please contact Vicki Vázquez at 843-795-3821. **Online option available.**

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 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. To request this sacrament, contact the parish office at 843-795-3821.

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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  >>>

For more information, please call the parish office at 843-795-3821.



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Liturgical Ministers for Weekend Masses Jun 11—Jun 12

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

5:30 pm Mass

Greeter: Tom & Marcia McNamee
Altar Server: Timothy & Carolyn Smith
Eucharistic Ministers: Daniel Salceda
Lector: Mary Smith
Ushers: John Warren
Claire Bergstrom
Emmett Alphonse, Brendan Reed,
Patrick Kelley, Randall Lannie

9:00 am Mass

Greeter: Caughey Family
Altar Server: Decker Family
Eucharistic Ministers: Wyatt Knight
Judy Daughomah
Lector: Joe Dubois
Ushers: Kathy Murphy
Richard Bragiel, Jimmy Craven,
Walter Machowski, Steve Molony

11:30 am Mass

Greeter: Sheila Griner
Altar Server: Natalie Zanolli
Eucharistic Ministers: Gavin Gilreath
Christine Lewis
Lector: Vicki Vazquez
Ushers: Pam Everitt
Lewis Doscher, Larry Fisk,
Sheila Griner, Natalie Zanolli

Offerings May 23 — May 29

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

Thank you for your Generosity.

If you do not use envelopes and want to contribute to the needs of the parish, please place your check in the collection baskets in the rear of the church, mail your donation to the parish office or make a donation via your myEoffering account.

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Let Us Pray

For members of our community who have requested our prayers.

From previous months: Norman Ballo, Allene Barans, Irene Bennett, Clydie Bevis, Beverly Blevins, Ray Blevins, Britt Lamarr Boswell, Joe Caraviello, Anne Castelli, Wendy Craven, Herman Connor, Vi Defourneaux, Jake DuPree, Jo Ann Frederick, Darcy Hill, Ellen Pate Futrell, Malcolm Hale, Angela Harbuta, Terry Harris, James Michael Huber, Myrtis Jenkins, Fred Kornahrens, Teresa LaTorre, Delores Lopez, Paul & Carole Moran, Suzette Nowak, Charlie Organ, Brenda Pearson, Ed and Terry Pop, James Romero, Rosemary Saari, Kyle Souza, Fran Taylor, Inge Thornley, Courtney Wilson, Sally Wojcik

For members of our community who have requested our prayers

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

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

Intentions

Sanctuary Candle:

Jun 11 — Jun 17 William Reed+

Mass: This Week

Sat.	4	5:30 pm	Kay Reynolds+
	5	9:00 am	For the people of Nativity
		11:30 am	20th Anniversary of Buddy and Linda Milligan

Mon.	6	11:30 am	
Tues.	7	11:30 am	
Wed.	8	11:30 am	One Year Death Anniversary of Ann Ginn+

Thurs.	9	11:30 am	Diane Richards Waddell+
Fri.	10	11:30 am	One Year Death Anniversary of Helen Gaskin+

Sat.	11	5:30 pm	For the people of Nativity
	12	9:00 am	Muriel Eacock+
		11:30 am	Ann Ginn+

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

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

This school year has been completed. Have a great Summer...



Installation of the 2022-2023 Ladies Guild Board was held May 29 during the 11:30 Mass. Pictured above: Sharon Dale (Vice President); Marian Hoffman (President); Jackie Doscher (Treasurer); Joanne Gottschall (Secretary); and Kristi Roberts (Past President). We truly appreciate the services and acts of kindness that the Nativity Ladies Guild bestow on our community.



What's that you say?

Have difficulty hearing well in church?

Nativity's **personal listening devices** work well and have been well received by the community. You might want to try one out for yourself. Just ask one of the ushers before Mass.

Please be sure to return it after Mass.



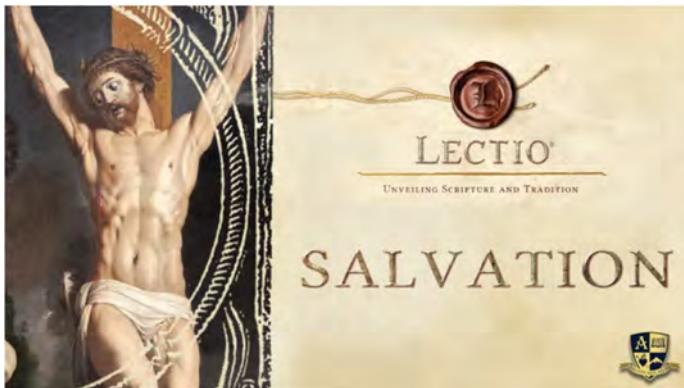
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Jesus said, "But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you." Acts 1:8



Thursday Evening Bible Study Summer Session Begins June 16



This is a 10 session study presented by Dr. Michael Barber.

At every Sunday Mass, Catholics confess that Jesus came down from heaven "for us men and for our salvation." But what does "salvation" mean? In this 10 part video series, Dr. Michael Barber provides a thorough deeply Catholic, and deeply biblical, answer. "Salvation" is a topic many talk about, but few understand.

Sessions are Online only, on Thursday evening from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm.

Via ZOOM: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/99243922488?pwd=OFRGSHBTUmVMamZzdmZWMnF5NXIxdz09>

Meeting ID: 992 4392 2488 and the Passcode: Nativity

For more information, please contact Ryckie Watkins at 843-795-4194 or at ryckiewatkins1329@comcast.net.

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PICK OF THE WEEK

June 5, 2022

FORMED NOW! DOES FAITH TAKE A VACATION?



As many of us embark on sunny vacations, it's important to make sure our faith remains front and center in our lives. Since it's easy for us to be distracted by the excitement of the summer rhythm, Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Scott Hefelfinger discuss what we can do to make sure we don't let the spiritual life take a back seat.

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Pentecost Q and A

What is Pentecost?

On the Feast of Pentecost, Christians commemorate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles, gathered around the Mother of the Lord (Acts chapter 2). The feast is celebrated on the 50th and final day of the Easter season.

What is the story of Pentecost?

The 11 remaining Apostles returned to Jerusalem after the Ascension of Jesus into Heaven. "All these, with one accord, devoted themselves to prayer, together with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brethren." (Acts 1:14). After nine days of prayer, the Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples. They heard a sound like a "mighty wind," and "tongues as of fire" were resting on their heads.

Who is the Holy Spirit?

The Holy Spirit is the Third Person of the Most Blessed Trinity. God the Father is the First Person, and God the Son (Jesus) is the Second Person of the Holy Trinity. The Catechism says: "Knowledge of faith is possible only in the Holy Spirit: to be in touch with Christ, we must first have been touched by the Holy Spirit. He comes to meet us and kindle faith in us" (CCC, 683).

Why is Pentecost important to Christians today?

Jesus said, "The Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you" (John 14:26). Thus, Pentecost is not only an historical event (as the fulfillment of Jesus' promise), it continues to bear fruit in the Church today, especially in the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation.

Why is Pentecost known as the birthday of the Church?

When the Holy Spirit descended on the disciples, they immediately began proclaiming the Gospel. In fact, three thousand people were baptized that day. The disciples, through the gift of the Holy Spirit, were answering Jesus' call to "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" (Matthew 28:19). The Holy Spirit is vital in the mission and witness of the Church, so we consider Pentecost the birthday of the Church.

What are the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit?

The Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit are wisdom, understanding, knowledge, counsel, fortitude, piety, and fear of the Lord (Is. 11:2-4).

For more information please visit <https://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/seasons-and-feast-days/pentecost-14355>



Nativity School K5 Graduation Class of 2022.



SERRA Essay

Contest Winners 2022: (left to right)

1st Place- Patrick Williams

2nd Place- Josie Nance

3rd Place- Dominic Bordallo

Each year our Catholic 7th grade students who are in the 1st year of Confirmation Prep participate in a Serra Club Essay Contest which encourage students to think about vocations and discernment



Congratulations to the 8th Grade Graduates of Nativity School for 2022:
Emily Carapia Alvardo, Victoria Lee Nguyen, Perrin McKoy Parper, Jack
William Perry, Sadie Ann Roberts and Loc Thien Tran.

**May the Holy Spirit continue to guide you
on your journey of faith and knowledge.**

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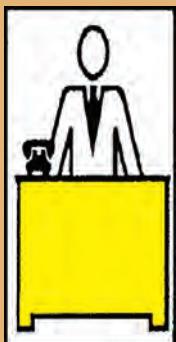
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