

GLORY TO THE FATHER,  
THE SON, AND HOLY SPIRIT;  
TO GOD WHO IS, WHO WAS,  
AND WHO IS TO COME.

REVELATION 1:8



## THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

JUNE 12, 2022

### Getting to Know the Trinity

As if his own life, his teachings about God's love, his miracles, his death and resurrection were not enough, Jesus told us something about God that we never would have imagined: There are three Persons in one God. It is also something we cannot completely comprehend. So instead of trying to explain it, let's look at what it means for us believers.

One thing it shows is that God wants to be known by us. In ancient times, people would expect their gods to be mysterious and hidden. Many cultures thought that you could control a spirit or god if you knew its name. God sees us not as a threat, but as beloved children. Just as a couple falling in love wants to know everything about each other, so God wants to be known by those whom God loves. That leads to my second point.

The Trinity also shows us that "God is love" (1 John 4:16) because the three Persons are united in one God. God calls us to be united in love with God and with each other. Remember that God knows us perfectly and still loves us. Yet knowing our weaknesses and our sins does not hurt God's love for us. On the contrary, our weaknesses allow God to help us by forgiving sins, or inspiring someone to come to our assistance. We may not be able to grasp the full meaning of the Holy Trinity, but knowing that God shares this with faithful people helps us to love God even more.

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Catholic Diocese of Charleston



## Church of the Nativity

1061 Folly Road  
Charleston, South Carolina 29412

### 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

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|-------------------|----------------------|
| 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  
Office: 843-795-3821 / Fax: 843-795-2714  
e-mail: [Office@NativityCharleston.org](mailto:Office@NativityCharleston.org)

### Stay in touch with us at Nativity

Sign up on our social media platform at FlockNote.  
<https://nativitfamily.flocknote.com/>



Visit us at

Web page: <https://nativitycharleston.com/>  
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and <https://www.facebook.com/groups/NativityFamily>  
Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/NativityCharleston/>

*O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!*

...Today's Psalm PS 8

## 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 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. **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 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 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](http://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.

## STAFF

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

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pdukes@nativity-school.com, 843-795-3975

**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](mailto: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  >>>

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



**Please consider joining our parish family!**

To advertise in our bulletin, please contact Eric Luoto at [LuotoE@jspaluch.com](mailto:LuotoE@jspaluch.com) or at 904-945-2425.  
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## Liturgical Ministers for Weekend Masses Jun 18—Jun 19

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

### 5:30 pm Mass

**Greeter:** Daniel Forsberg  
**Altar Server:** John & Meg Hoeft  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Nathanael Borick  
**Lector:** Eileen Easler,  
**Ushers:** Patty Edwards  
Lisa Zuraw  
Brendan Reed, Patrick Kelley,  
Leroy Holseberg, Lamar Watkins

### 9:00 am Mass

**Greeter:** Maureen Hinson  
**Altar Server:** Horner Family  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Charlie Morton  
**Lector:** Suzanne Decker,  
**Ushers:** Gary Hart  
Andrew Preston  
Richard Bragiel, Jimmy Craven,  
Walter Machowski, Steve Molony

### 11:30 am Mass

**Greeter:** June La Via  
**Altar Server:** Susan La Via  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Caryn Hasenberg  
**Lector:** Lynn Curry  
**Ushers:** Pam Everitt  
Tara Hasenberg  
Chuck Everitt, Joe Ginn,  
Gilbert O'Brien, Natalie Zanolli

## Offerings May 23 — May 29

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| Collections at Mass (May 28—May 29)          | \$ 9,277.00    |
| Mail in Offerings (May 23—May 27)            | \$ 3,195.00    |
| myEoffering (May 23—May 27)                  | \$ 4,322.70    |
| Budget (1 week)                              | \$ 13,668.46   |
| Difference                                   | \$+ \$3,126.24 |
| Registered Households                        | 653            |
| Envelopes Used (May 28—May 29)               | 162            |
| Active myEoffering Families                  | 188            |
| MyEoffering Family Donations (May 23—May 27) | 110            |

**Offerings for Catholic Communications:** \$460.00

### Second Collections for June

Seminary

Peter's Pence

## Offerings May 30 — Jun 5

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.**



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**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.

**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, 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](mailto:Office@NativityCharleston.org).

## Intentions

### Sanctuary Candle:

Jun 11 — Jun 17 William Reed+

### Mass: This Week

|        |    |          |                                  |
|--------|----|----------|----------------------------------|
| Sat.   | 11 | 5:30 pm  | Tina DiFiglio+                   |
|        | 12 | 9:00 am  | Muriel Eacock+                   |
|        |    | 11:30 am | Ann Ginn+                        |
| Mon    | 13 | 11:30 am | Shane Cooney (healing)           |
| Tues.  | 14 | 11:30 am | William Reed+                    |
| Wed.   | 15 | 11:30 am | Gilbert & Marion Molony O'Brien+ |
| Thurs. | 16 | 11:30 am |                                  |
| Fri.   | 17 | 11:30 am | Robert Kean+                     |
| Sat.   | 18 | 5:30 pm  | Arnold Bennett+                  |
|        | 19 | 9:00 am  | John Weston Massie+              |
|        |    | 11:30 am | For the people of Nativity       |

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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Nativity School is accepting applications for admittance for the 22–23 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.

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



### St Anthony of Padua (Feast is June 13th)

was born Fernando Martins in Lisbon, Portugal in 1195. His wealthy and noble family arranged for him to be instructed at the local cathedral school. At the age of fifteen, he entered the Augustinian Abbey of Saint Vincent on the outskirts of Lisbon. However, Fernando was strongly attracted to the simple, evangelical lifestyle of the friars. He eventually joined the Franciscan Order and took the name, Anthony.

Anthony was revered by his contemporaries for his forceful preaching, expert knowledge of scripture, and undying love and devotion to the poor and the sick.

So what makes a saint?

St. Anthony's life displays his openness and willingness to go where he felt God was calling him and do what he thought God was asking of him. He did not cling to his own ideas but let himself be carried wherever God's will was sending him.

But if Anthony was doing God's will, why did he seem to fail? We often like to believe that when we go where God sends us, when we follow God's will, good things will happen. But Jesus Himself taught us through His words and actions that obedience to God's will leads to the Cross. And this is what Anthony experienced.

Anthony was only 36 years old when he died on June 13, 1231. He was canonized about a year later by Pope Gregory IX and was declared a Doctor of the Church in 1946.

For more information, please visit:

<https://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/library/life-of-st-anthony-of-padua-5193>

### *Stewardship adage...*

*We often hear people say, "If I only had more...then I would share what I have." If you don't give of your time, talent and treasure with what you have, you most likely won't do it if you have more.*

### The Church of the Nativity Ladies Guild

Invites all ladies of the parish to a luncheon

Sunday August 7th  
12:45pm in the Parish Life Center

Join us for fellowship and learn more  
about our ministry

WHAT DO I SAY TO GOD'S GIFTS  
OF GRACE, HOPE, AND LOVE?  
KEEP POURING! KEEP POURING!



And hope does not disappoint,  
because the love of God has been poured out within our hearts  
through the Holy Spirit who was given to us. Rom 5:5

### Flowers

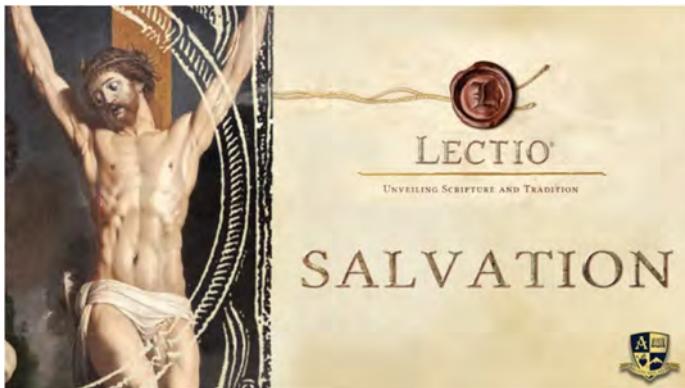
at the altar this weekend  
are in memory of

**Ann Ginn.**

**May she rest in peace.**



## 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>

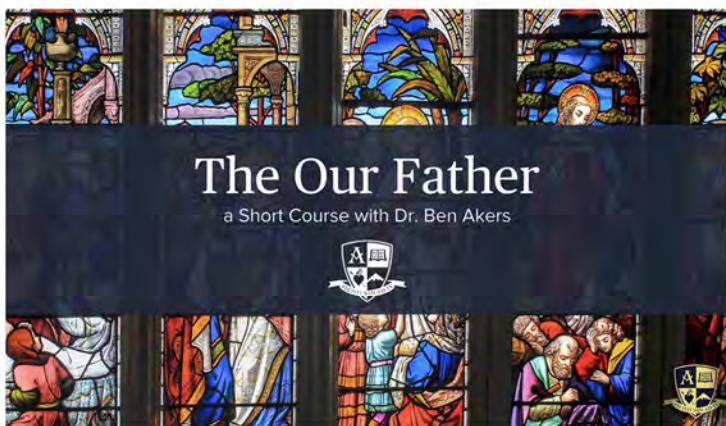
Meeting ID: 992 4392 2488 and the Passcode: Nativity

For more information, please contact Ryckie Watkins at 843-795-4194 or at [ryckiewatkins1329@comcast.net](mailto:ryckiewatkins1329@comcast.net).

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PICK OF THE WEEK

JUNE 12, 2022



### The Our Father

a Short Course with Dr. Ben Akers

### JESUS: THE MODEL AND MASTER OF PRAYER

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### Respect Life

**Monthly Rosary Sat. June 18:** from 8:00 to 9:00 am at the Charleston Planned Parenthood abortion facility (1312 Ashley River Road Hwy. 61). The organization, Priests for Life, has called for each Catholic to pray fervently for the closing of their local abortion facility. For information call Stephen Boyle at 763-0681.



**Pregnant? Need Help?**  
**Nationwide Toll Free:**

800-712-4357

<https://www.optionline.org/>

**Lowcountry Pregnancy Center**  
843-5553-3505 or

<https://lowcountrypregnancycenter.com/>

**Please Pray to End Abortion  
and the abuse of these women in distress.**

