

“But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?”

Luke 18:8



TWENTY-NINTH  
SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 16, 2022

### Perseverance

In today's Gospel, Jesus gives a clever example of why we are to persevere in praying, even if we think the prayer is not being heard. The crooked judge just wanted to get that widow off his back. So we can pray to God with even more confidence, because we know that God loves us and will answer our prayers.

St. Paul carries that theme of perseverance even further. He is not just talking about prayer here; he encourages Timothy to persevere in proclaiming God's word as well. That command we may find more challenging than prayer. He tells Timothy (and us!) to “convince, reprimand and encourage through all patience and teaching” (2 Timothy 4:2). How can we do that?

“Convince” reminds me that our faith should be reasonable. Jesus' command to love one another, for instance, can be taught much more convincingly by giving examples of love. A mother who hugs her child when he is hurt and encourages him when he feels lost is teaching that command in a way that will be remembered much longer than just telling him to love people.

Paul also talks about reprimanding each other. Most people find it difficult to reprimand someone they are in charge of, much less one who is equal in status. That's where patience comes in. A reprimand can be made patiently and gently, as a sign of concern rather than authority.

Paul lastly mentions teaching. Parents can do their part by teaching the stories from the Bible, helping children to see God in creation, teaching them to pray, and being good examples of God's love for them. If you send your children to religion classes or the parish school, do what you can to support the teachers so that what the children learn at school is practiced at home.

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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

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

### Weekly Hour of Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday	12:00 noon
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### Weekday Rosary in the Church

Mon. through Fri.	12:00 noon
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### 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

### Stay in touch with us at Nativity

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

Visit us at

Web page: <https://nativitycharleston.com/>

You Tube: <https://www.youtube.com/ChurchoftheNativity>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/NativityCharleston>

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

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/NativityCharleston/>

*Our help is from the Lord,  
who made heaven and earth.*

...Today's Psalm PS 121

## 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  
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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](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.



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## Liturgical Ministers for Weekend Masses Oct. 22—Oct. 23

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

**5:30 pm Mass**  
**Greeters:** Daniel Forsberg Family  
 Tom & Marcia McNamee  
**Altar Servers:** Emma Grace Turner, Daniel Salceda  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Meg Hoefl  
**Ministers:** Mary Smith  
**Lector:** Mary Bieda  
**Ushers:** Emmett Alphonse, Leroy Holseberg  
 Randall Lannie, Lamar Watkins

**9:00 am Mass**  
**Greeters:** Knight Family,  
 Becky Warriner  
**Altar Servers:** Eliza Cellars, Jacob Perry  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Gary Hart  
 Mark Hollifield  
**Lector:** Amber C. Knight  
**Ushers:** Richard Bragiell, Walter Machowski,  
 Steve Molony, Joe Dubois

**11:30 am Mass**  
**Greeters:** June La Via,  
 Susan La Via  
**Altar Servers:** Rosalie Felix, Megumi Tran  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Kathy Hepner  
 Christine Lewis  
**Lector:** Sheila Elsey  
**Ushers:** Chuck Everitt, Sheila Griner  
 Gilbert O'Brien, Natalie Zanolli

## Offerings Oct 3 — Oct 9

Collections at Mass (Oct 8—Oct 9)	\$	7,387.00
Mail in Offerings (Oct 3—Oct 7)	\$	5,640.00
myEoffering (Oct 3—Oct 7)	\$	3,144.55
Budget (1 week)	\$	16,367.31
Offerings versus budget	\$	+ 254.24
Registered Households		627
Envelopes Used (Oct 8—Oct 9)		N/A
Active myEoffering Families		184
MyEoffering Family Donations (Oct 3—Oct 7)		100

**Second Collections for October are:**

**October 22—23: World Mission Sunday**

**Thank you for your Generosity.**

**Please use your envelopes.**

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

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.

If you are unable to attend Mass, please consider making your regular offerings by mail or online (myEoffering).



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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.**

### Recently Added: Ron Connick

**From previous months:** Allene Barans, Clydie Bevis, Beverly Blevins, Ray Blevins, Britt Lamarr Boswell, Joe Caraviello, Anne Castelli, Wendy Craven, Herman Connor, Vi Defourneaux, Jake DuPree, Jo Ann Frederick, Angela Harbuta, Terry Harris, Darcy Hill, James Michael Huber, Dan & Mary Hughes, Myrtis Jenkins, Fred Kornahrens, Teresa LaTorre, Delores Lopez, Paul & Carole Moran, Suzette Nowak, Charlie Organ, James Parker, 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:

Oct 15—Oct 21 John E Craven+

### Mass: This Week

Sat.	15	5:30 pm	Leslie McDermott+
Sun.	16	9:00 am	Scott Mallard+
		11:30 am	For the people of Nativity
Mon	17	11:30 am	Margaret Szwest (healing)
Tues.	18	11:30 am	Malcolm Hale+
Wed.	19	11:30 am	Margaret Szwest (healing)
Thurs.	20	11:30 am	Donald Nolta+
Fri.	21	11:30 am	Arnold Bennett+
Sat.	22	5:30 pm	Vincent Lannie+
Sun.	23	9:00 am	Catherine Style+
		11:30 am	Gene Santos+

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 admittance for the 22—23 School Year.

To learn more about Enrollment and the School Year Start Up activities please visit our website at [www.nativity-school.com](http://www.nativity-school.com) or our FaceBook page at [www.facebook.com/NativitySchoolKnights](https://www.facebook.com/NativitySchoolKnights) or contact the School Office at 843-795-3975

**The Fall Semester is underway. Best wishes to our Students.**



# NATIVITY SCHOOL'S FALL CARNIVAL

11/04/22 • 3:30-8:30



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND PLAN TO ATTEND—YOU MAY EVEN WANT TO BE A SPONSOR!!**



### Our Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of

**Charles Rickard,**

whose funeral was held at Nativity on Tuesday, October 11th.

**May he rest in peace.**



*Flowers*

at the altar this weekend are in memory of

*Scott Mallard.*

*May He Rest in Peace.*



Nativity Ladies Guild  
Monthly General Meeting  
Mon Oct. 24 in the  
Nativity Parish Life Center

6:30 pm Fellowship; 7:00 pm Meeting.

All Women of Nativity are Encouraged to Participate.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 6250 OFFICERS MEETING  
THURSDAY, OCT. 20 AT 7:00 PM**

at American Legion Post 147 (968 Folly Road)



## Nativity "Baby Everything" Drive

Throughout the month of October, The Nativity Ladies Guild and Respect Life Committee will be collecting items that a new mother needs in order to care for her new baby. **Donations of all New or Gently Used baby items are appropriate.** Preferred clothing and diaper sizes are for infants and toddlers 10 to 30 pounds.

Place your items in the containers at the church entrances when you come to weekend Mass or you can bring them with you to any Ladies Guild activity.

Your donations will assist clients of the Lowcountry Pregnancy Center and Birthright of Charleston.

For more information, please contact Marion Hoffman at [m.hoffman@earthlink.net](mailto:m.hoffman@earthlink.net)

**Thank you for caring for these new mothers and their babies.**

October is  
respect life  
month *called to serve  
moms in need*

In October, the Catholic Church in the United States celebrates Respect Life Month to help Catholics understand and value the gift of human life and help build a culture that cherishes and protects it.

### 40 Days for Life Fall Campaign Local Events

**Wed. Sep 28 through Sun. Nov. 6 from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm**  
**Daily Prayer Vigil at Planned Parenthood**  
Charleston Health Center (1312 Ashley River Road Hwy. 61).

**Fri. Oct 21 from 7:00 am to 9:00 am: Pro-Life Bridges Day**  
At the Aviation Ave and I-26 overpass. For more information, please contact Malcolm Brennan at [mbprolife@gmail.com](mailto:mbprolife@gmail.com)

**Sat. Oct 22 at 9:30 am: Mid-Way Rally at Planned Parenthood**  
Charleston Health Center (1312 Ashley River Road Hwy. 61).

**Sun. Nov 13 at 1:00 pm: Victory Celebration (Location TBD)**  
For more information, please contact Malcolm Brennan at [mbprolife@gmail.com](mailto:mbprolife@gmail.com)

**For more information regarding local 40 Days for Life Events, please visit :**  
<https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/charleston>

Join Lowcountry Pregnancy Center & DAZZ for the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual  
**Lowcountry Walk for Life**  
Saturday | Nov 05, 2022 | 10:00am  
at Wannamaker County Park  
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<https://www.lpcfriends.com/events>



For more information, please contact Christine Lewis at [lewischristined@att.net](mailto:lewischristined@att.net)



## Blessing of Expectant Parents

Your witness to our faith community is a wonderful Celebration of Life.

We appreciate the opportunity to extend our blessing during a weekend Mass. During this ceremony, the Nativity Respect Life ministry will also present you with a small prayer book.

Please let us share in this Celebration of Life with you.

To make arrangements, just contact Vicki at [Office@NativityCharleston.org](mailto:Office@NativityCharleston.org) or at 843-795-3821.

**We need to see each child as a gift  
to be welcomed and cherished.**

... Pope Francis



Members of the Nativity Ladies Guild made Baptismal Garments at a sewing session on October 8.

Thank you for your effort and care of New Christians.

...Photo submitted

## Learn about our Faith

### The RCIA process (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Classes are Sunday from 10:00 am to 11:15 am in the Nativity Parish Life Center.  
For more information, please contact Vicki Vázquez at [admin@nativitycharleston.org](mailto:admin@nativitycharleston.org) or at 843-795-3821

### Alpha—A series of sessions that explore the Christian faith

Sessions are Tuesday from 6:15 pm to 8:00 pm in the Nativity Parish Life Center.  
For more information please contact Vicki Vázquez at [alpha@nativitycharleston.org](mailto:alpha@nativitycharleston.org) or at 843-795-3821.

### Wednesday Evening Bible Study—Romans: the Gospel of Salvation

Sessions are Wednesday at 5:45 pm in the Nativity Parish Life Center.  
For more information, please contact Andrea Gilliard at [acgiilliard@comcast.net](mailto:acgiilliard@comcast.net) or at 843-696-2161

### Thursday Evening Bible Study—The Bible and the Church Fathers

Sessions are Thursday at 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm in the Nativity Parish Life Center and  
via ZOOM: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/99243922488?pwd=OFRGSHBTUmVMamZzdmZWmNf5NXIxdz09>  
The Zoom Meeting ID is: 992 4392 2488 and the Passcode is: Nativity  
For more information, please contact Ryckie Watkins at is 843-795-4194 or at [ryckiewatkins1329@comcast.net](mailto:ryckiewatkins1329@comcast.net).

Please give these Soul Foods a try.

## Church of the Nativity Rectory A quick peek inside!





## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

# CHRISTMAS WREATH SALE



A Holiday Tradition, these beautiful 25 inch wreaths are made fresh in North Carolina of Fraser Fir and are treated to last throughout the Christmas season.

**The price is \$25 and the proceeds will support Seminarians.**

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Just click this link if you are viewing an electronic version of this announcement.

**Order wreaths for yourself and order more for all your friends.**

Pick up your wreaths at the Nativity Church parking lot on Saturday, Nov. 26 between 9:00 am and noon.  
For more information, please contact Steve Molony at molonyplumbing@gmail.com



## Keep Christ in Christmas Car/Refrigerator Magnets

(about 5 by 5.5 inches)

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**Pick yours up at any Knights of Columbus activity.**

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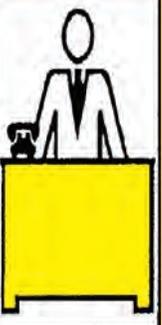
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