



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

Weekday Rosary in the Church

Mon. through Fri. 12:00 noon

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

Stay in touch with us at Nativity



Sign up on our social media platform at FlockNote.
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Web page: <https://nativitycharleston.com/>

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

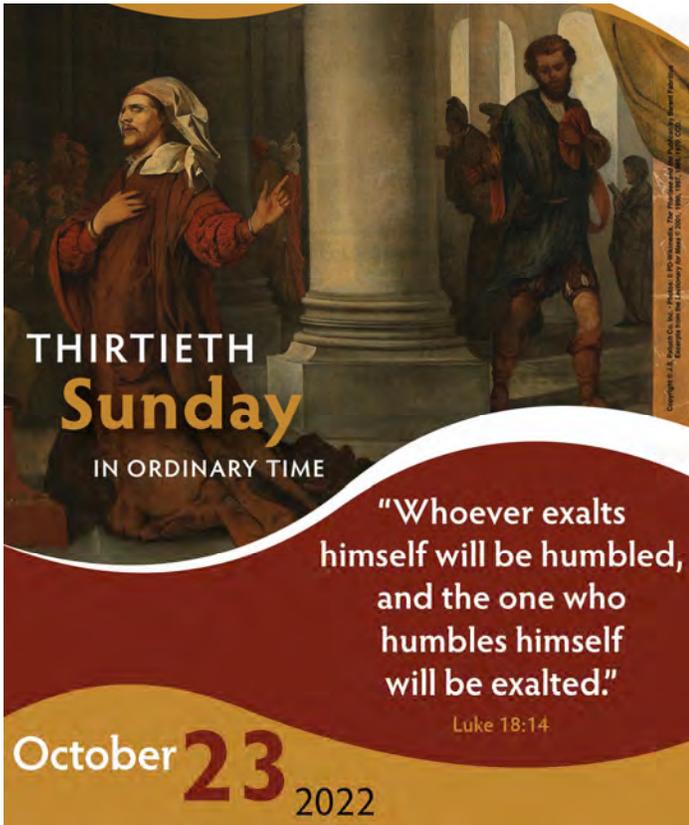
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The Lord hears the cry of the poor

...Today's Psalm PS 24



To Boast or Not to Boast

The Gospel makes it pretty clear that exalting yourself is not the way into the Kingdom. So it might sound strange to hear Paul saying he expects the winner's crown. So why is he any different from the Pharisee in the Gospel?

The Pharisee fasted and tithed, was not greedy or adulterous, but he misses the point. He thinks that being right with God comes from a person's accomplishments. He feels no need to ask for God's mercy. Yet if he relied on that mercy, he wouldn't boast about his good deeds. Instead, he would ask for God's mercy and then thank God by doing good or being generous. In other words, he thinks that God is waiting to be bribed with good deeds so that he can be justified. "After all," thinks the Pharisee, "what else are good deeds for if not to make me look good?"

St. Paul, on the other hand, looks at his life as a Pharisee and is amazed that God forgave his "good works" of keeping the law and persecuting Christians. His boasting is not about what he has done for God; it's more about what God has done through him.

Maybe you have examples of what God has done in your life: the people God sent to love you, the talents or abilities God gave you, the times God forgave your sins. Are you so grateful for what God has done that you want to do more for God? Or do you go to church, put your offering in the collection, and work a booth at the parish picnic so that God will be grateful to you? Remember that God loved St. Paul while he was still persecuting Christians, loved him enough not only to forgive him but to make him into a great apostle. Why waste your time trying to earn that love, when you could be doing whatever you can to thank God for it?

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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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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 ———>>>>

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



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Liturgical Ministers for Weekend Masses Oct. 29—Oct. 30

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

5:30 pm Mass
Greeters: John & Meg Hoeft
 Patrick Kelley & Kathy Wiley
Altar Server: Jake Hoeft
Eucharistic Ministers: Eileen Easler
 Patty Edwards
Lector: Carl Borick
Ushers: Emmett Alphonse, Brendan Reed
 Patrick Kelley, Leroy Hulseberg

9:00 am Mass
Greeters: Caughey Family,
 Decker Family
Altar Server: Anna Tillman, Lillie Zolman
Eucharistic Ministers: Liisa Machowski
 Kathy Murphy
Lector: Andrew Preston
Ushers: Richard Bragiell, Walter Machowski,
 Steve Molony, Joe Dubois

11:30 am Mass
Greeters: Sheila Griner,
 Natalie Zanolli
Altar Server: Zoe Cuzmar, Tomi Tran
Eucharistic Ministers: Phu Tran,
 Vicki Vázquez
Lector: Pam Everitt
Ushers: Lewis Doscher, Chuck Everitt,
 Joe Ginn, Gilbert O'Brien

Offerings Oct 10 — Oct 16

Collections at Mass (Oct 15—Oct 16)	\$	8,239.00
Mail in Offerings (Oct 10—Oct 14)	\$	1,610.00
myEoffering (Oct 10—Oct 14)	\$	5,098.71
Budget (1 week)	\$	16,367.31
Offerings versus budget	\$ -	1,419.60
Registered Households		627
Envelopes Used (Oct 15—Oct 16)		155
Active myEoffering Families		184
MyEoffering Family Donations (Oct 19—Oct 14)		104

Second Collections for October are:
October 22—23: World Mission Sunday
Thank you for your Generosity.



October Monthly 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.



**Now available online at
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.**

From previous months: Allene Barans, Clydie Bevis, Beverly Blevins, Ray Blevins, Britt Lamarr Boswell, Joe Caraviello, Anne Castelli, Ron Connick, Herman Connor, Wendy Craven, 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.

Intentions

Mass: This Week

Sat.	22	5:30 pm	Vincent Lannie+
Sun.	23	9:00 am	Catherine Seyle+
		11:30 am	Gene Santos+
Mon.	24	11:30 am	Mary Lucille Niesslein+
Tues.	25	11:30 am	Ann Puchir+
Wed.	26	11:30 am	Ronald Jenkins+
Thurs.	27	11:30 am	Margaret Scwast (Healing)
Fri.	28	11:30 am	Margaret Scwast (Healing)
Sat.	29	5:30 pm	Jerome Hellman+
Sun.	30	9:00 am	Gerald Scardino+
		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.**

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RIDES

GAMES

INFLATABLES

INTERNATIONAL FOODS

KID-FRIENDLY FOODS



NATIVITY SCHOOL

1125 Pittsford Circle

Friday, November 4, 2022

3:30-8:30



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

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

Sun. Nov 13 at 1:00 pm: Victory Celebration

For more information, please contact Malcolm Brennan at 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 15th Annual
Lowcountry Walk for Life
Saturday | Nov 05, 2022 | 10:00am
at Wannamaker County Park
To Register please visit:
<https://www.lpcfriends.com/events>



For more information, please contact Christine Lewis at 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 or at 843-795-3821.

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

... Pope Francis

Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat

is a supportive, confidential, nonjudgmental weekend retreat for women and men who have had an abortion experience. The retreat offers an opportunity to find healing and peace.

**Our next retreat in South Carolina is
December 9—11 (Charleston, SC).**

For more information or registration please contact Christy at 803 554 6088 or Kathy at 803 546 6010 or email us at Grace4healing@gmail.com



Holy City Mobile Pregnancy Center

Come and speak with our compassionate staff. **Free pregnancy testing. Ultrasound scans are provided as needed.** Call (843) 966-6060.

The Mobile Pregnancy Center visits James Island every Friday from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at 1231 Folly Rd. (Walmart parking lot)

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 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 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 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 843-795-4194 or at ryckiewatkins1329@comcast.net.

Please give these Soul Foods a try.



Weekly Hour of Eucharistic Adoration 12:00 Noon On Thursday.

U.S. Bishops launched a 3-year Eucharistic Revival. The intent is to nudge Catholics toward a deeper personal relationship with Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. The revival will include eucharistic processions and other events of adoration and prayer around the country. It will continue for three years; until the 2024 National Eucharistic Congress on July 17, 2024.

*This is another Great Opportunity
to stop by and have a Little Talk with Jesus.*



Flowers

at the altar this weekend are in memory of
Pat & Chris Rowland & Dr. Michael Rowland.

May They Rest in Peace

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration At Blessed Sacrament Church



Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church has been blessed with Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration in their chapel for over 30 years. If you have been one of our dedicated adorers in the past, we invite you back. We also need new adorers who want to nurture their relationship with Christ.

If you can commit to giving one hour per week in the chapel, please email Patti Brassington at pattibrassington@gmail.com.

Sign Up at the Nativity Church Entrances after the Masses this weekend. Ministers will be available to answer questions.



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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.

Order/Prepay for wreaths after the weekend Masses (Oct. 30) or from any Knight you know.

Better yet, you can order them online at <https://tinyurl.com/23jz932f>

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

Pick up your wreaths at the Nativity Church parking lot on Saturday, Dec. 3 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)

These are offered by K of C Council 6250 for
A generous donation that will help support seminarians.

Pick yours up at any Knights of Columbus activity.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING SEMINARIANS.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 5TH SUNDAY ROSARY NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30TH AFTER THE 9:00 MASS.

Please join the men of Council 6250 as we pray the Rosary.

All are welcome and encouraged to participate!



Prospective students for grades 9, 10 or 11 and parents
are cordially invited to attend an

Open House

Thursday, November 3, 2022

Activities fair, campus tours, and departmental stations - 6:00 to 7:05 pm

Special presentations: Fine arts program presentation - 6:30 to 6:45 pm

Sports program presentation - 6:50 to 7:05 pm

Main program in the Performing Arts Center - 7:15 to 7:50 pm

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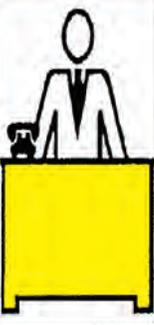
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