

Tough Love

The first reading tells us that the God of all the universe is a merciful God who loves all creatures, not just enough to keep them in existence, but enough to give sinners the chance to repent. God, who made all things, has the right to punish our transgressions. Instead, God gives us warnings and reminders to lead us to repentance.

Warnings are found in God's word, in the scriptures, and in Jesus. Besides the Ten Commandments, we also have the books of the law, which can be warnings that even the smallest of sins need to be repented. White lies, for example, are usually told to keep from hurting someone's feelings. When we get used to telling white lies, however, we can be inclined to tell other lies, such as those told to protect ourselves. Those lies not only make it harder for people to trust us, they also keep us from facing our faults and taking responsibility for our actions.

Jesus also warns us about sin, both in his teaching and when he forgives sinners. In today's Gospel Jesus has dinner with the tax collector, who demonstrates his repentance by offering to repay those he has extorted. Jesus tells Zachaeus and the bystanders that he came to save the lost. But part of being saved is the intention not to get lost again.

And what about "reminders" — the results of sin that usually catch up with us? The sin of arrogance can lead a driver to think he can ignore the speed limit. But when he has to pay a speeding ticket, that is the reminder that his arrogance, not the speeding, was a sin. If we ignore those reminders, we may suffer eternal consequences. If we think of the results of sin as God's "tough love," perhaps they will remind us to sin no 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.

Daily Mass Options—This Week Only

Changes are due to All Saints Holy Day on Tuesday, November 1 and the All Souls Memorial Mass at Holy Cross Cemetery on Wednesday, November 2.

Mon. Oct. 30. 11:30 am Regular Weekday Mass

Tuesday, Nov. 1 All Saints Day

Note that All Saints is Holy Day of Obligation and all Catholics are required to attend Mass.

9:30 am School Mass

All are welcome and invited to attend.

Attendees who are not affiliated with Nativity School are requested to please sit toward the back of the church and away from the students.

11:30 am Holy Day Mass

6:30 pm Holy Day Mass

Wednesday, Nov. 2 All Souls Day

10:30 am Memorial Mass

This Mass will be celebrated at Holy Cross Cemetery by Bishop Jacques Fabre-Jeune.

Everyone is encouraged to attend!

No Mass will be celebrated at Nativity on Wednesday, Nov. 2.

Thurs. Nov 3. 11:30 am Regular Weekday Mass

This Mass will be followed by an Hour of Eucharistic Adoration.

Fri. Nov 4. 11:30 am Regular Weekday Mass

Sat. Nov 5. 5:30 pm Saturday Vigil Mass

Sun. Nov 6. 9:00 and 11:30 am Sunday Mass.

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 Nov. 5—Nov. 6

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

5:30 pm Mass
Greeters: Daniel Forsberg
 Timothy & Carolyn Smith
Altar Servers: Emma Grace Turner, Daniel Salceda
Eucharistic Ministers: Meg Hoefl
Lector: Lisa Zuraw
Ushers: Emmett Alphonse, Brendan Reed
 Randall Lannie, Lamar Watkins

9:00 am Mass
Greeters: Maureen Hinson,
 Horner Family
Altar Servers: Eliza Cellars, Wyatt Knight,
 Lillie Zolman
Eucharistic Ministers: Hal Perry
 Pat Perry
Lector: Andrew Preston
Ushers: Richard Bragiel, Walter Machowski,
 Steve Molony, Joe Dubois

11:30 am Mass
Greeters: Sheila Griner,
 June La Via
Altar Servers: Rosalie Felix, Caryn Hasenberg
Eucharistic Ministers: Lynn Curry
 Ed Defourneaux
Lector: David Knab
Ushers: Chuck Everitt, Joe Ginn,
 Sheila Griner, Gilbert O'Brien

Offerings Oct 17 — Oct 23

Collections at Mass (Oct 22—Oct 23)	\$	7,917.00
Mail in Offerings (Oct 17—Oct 21)	\$	2,820.00
myEoffering (Oct 17—Oct 21)	\$	3,002.67
Budget (1 week)	\$	16,367.31
Offerings versus budget	\$ -	2,627.64
Registered Households		627
Envelopes Used (Oct 22—Oct 23)		168
Active myEoffering Families		184
MyEoffering Family Donations (Oct 17—Oct 21)		96

Offerings for World Missions Sunday: \$864.00

Thank you for your Generosity.

Please use your envelopes.

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

**The Nativity Ladies Guild is providing
 Coffee and Donuts in the Parish Life
 Center Next Sunday (Nov 6)
 after the 9:00 Mass**



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.**

Recently Added: Katherine and William Manning

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, 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.	29	5:30 pm	Jerome Hellman+
Sun.	30	9:00 am	Gerald Scardino+
		11:30 am	For the people of Nativity
Mon.	31	11:30 am	Deceased members of Maresca Family
Tues.	1	9:30 am	For the Nativity School Students
		11:30 am	Fr. Frank Hanley+
		6:30 pm	Deceased members of Nativity
Wed.	2	11:30 am	No Mass
Thurs.	3	11:30 am	
Fri.	4	11:30 am	For the people of Nativity
Sat.	5	5:30 pm	John McGinnigle+
Sun.	6	9:00 am	Deceased members of Nativity Ladies Guild
		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.

CARNIVAL

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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

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=OFRGSHBTUmVMamZzdmZWmnF5NXlxdz09>
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 past weekend were in memory of

*Deceased Members of the
Maresca Family.
May They Rest in Peace.*

*Lunchtime Conversations
at the Pauline Bookstore
243 King St, Charleston, SC
On Wednesdays from noon to 1:15 pm*

**The Eucharist
(Nov 2, 9 and 16)**

**Walking through Advent with Mary
(Nov 30, Dec 7 and 14)**

Please bring your lunch and a beverage.

The discussion facilitator is Sister Kathy Adamski, OSF, Director of the Office of Spirituality of the Diocese of Charleston. For more information, please contact Sr. Kathy at kadamski@charlestondiocese.org.



Nativity "Baby Everything" Drive Ends Today

Place your items in the containers at the church entrances THIS WEEKEND or you can deliver them to the Nativity Parish Office.

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

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



BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Traditionally the month of November is a time when we remember in prayer all who have died. Throughout November, a Book of Remembrance will be placed in the back of church. Parishioners are invited to add names of deceased loved ones to this list. If a name is already in the book it is not necessary to re-enter a name.

...THE SOULS OF THE JUST ARE IN THE HAND OF GOD.



ALL
SAINTS

Tuesday, November 1 is All Saints Day.

Please join us for Mass as we remember the Saints the Church has canonized and all those who have lived lives of holiness.

Nativity Mass Times for All Saints Day:

9:30 am School Mass

All are welcome and invited to attend.

Attendees who are not affiliated with Nativity School are requested to sit toward the back of the church and away from the students.

11:30 am Holy Day Mass

6:30 pm Holy Day Mass

All Saints Day is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Holy days of obligation are feast days on which Catholics are required to attend Mass and to avoid (to the extent that they are able) servile work.

Nativity School Cookie Dough Customersr

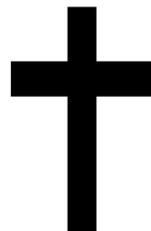
Great News! Your Dough will be available for pick up after the 9:00 Mass on Next Sunday in the PLC.

If you cannot pick up your order on Sunday, please contact Victoria at admin@nativitycharleston.org
To arrange a time to get your order at the Nativity Parish Office.

The results are in:

- 576 packs of cookie dough sold
- \$386 cash donations received
- Estimated net income: about \$5,025.

**Thank you for Supporting
Nativity School.**



Memorial Mass at Holy Cross Cemetery Wed. Nov, 2nd at 10:30 AM

This Mass will be a Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed. Death does not sever any of the bonds that unite us in Christ. That is why it is a fitting practice to pray for the dead and to ask them to pray for us. Just as we do that for each other when we are alive, so, too, do we continue that bond and concern for each other even beyond death.

**The Mass will be celebrated by
Bishop Jacques Fabre-Jeune.**

All are invited to attend.

Please note that there will be no Mass at Nativity on Wednesday, November 2nd at 11:30 am.

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.

**K of C Council 6250
25th Annual
Low Country Trout Tournament
Sat. Nov. 12**

Entrance Fee is \$40 per angler
Cash prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place

Sponsorships are still available.
For more details please see the flyers
at the church Entrances.





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.

Order/Prepay for wreaths after the weekend Masses (Oct. 30)
or See us at the School Carnival this Friday (Nov 4).

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

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

Or you can scan this QR code with your smart phone —————>>>>



**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.

*Ladies
Guild*

5th Sunday Rosary

This Sunday, October 30th after the 9:00 Mass.
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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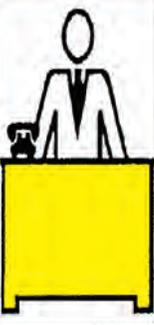
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