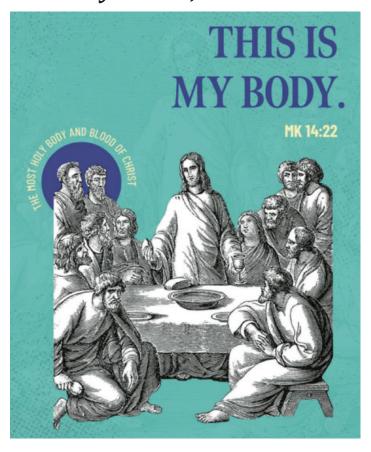
June 2, 2024



Showing up is Important

We all know that person, don't we? Hey, maybe we've even been that person. "I have a great relationship with God, but I don't go to church regularly. God and I are on good terms. I can talk to Him just fine on my own."

There isn't anything false in these statements. It's important for everyone to have an intimate, even conversational prayer relationship with God. But the problem with this attitude is that it implies that churches don't matter. Well, community worship does matter. Today, we are reminded exactly why that is so true. We need our parishes, our priests, each other... and the Eucharist.

The Body and Blood of Christ — this is what it's all about. If it's not about that, it's not about anything. If we don't have the Eucharist, we're just like the ancient priests, making sacrifices that don't have the power to redeem anybody.

Most of us receive the Body and Blood of Christ in our parishes. We gather before the altar of sacrifice as family. We become one with Christ in a very true and real way every time we attend. We remember Christ's gifts of redemption and the Eucharist which draws us ever closer to Him.

... adapted from Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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.

Mass Schedule This Week

Mon. through Fri. Saturday Vigil Mass

11:30 am Mass 5:30 pm

Sunday Mass 9:00 am and 11:30 am

Weekly Hour of Eucharistic Adoration 12:00 noon Thursday

Weekday Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet 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

Office Hours This Week

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

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/

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 until site renovations are completed.**

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 Mary Smith 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 place to connect with other people who are open to exploring life, faith, and meaning. Each weekly session includes a time to connect with others (over a free meal), presents a brief video on an element of the Christian faith, and provides an opportunity for each person to share their own thoughts and questions in a small group setting. 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 843-813-4238. 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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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.

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 June 8 — June 9

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

5:30 pm Saturday Vigil Mass

Greeters: Patrick Kelley & Kathy Wiley,

Tom & Marcia McNamee

Altar Servers: Savanna Owens, Daniel Salceda

Eucharistic Mary Bieda, Wendy Bergstrom,

Barbara Coddington, Patty Edwards,

Carolyn Smith

Lector: Ann Yonce

Ushers: Emmett Alphonse, Patrick Kelley, Leroy Holseberg, Lamar Watkins

9:00 am Sunday Mass

Greeters: Caughey Family, Cellars Family

Altar Servers: Mia Caughey, Jack Perry,

Connor Richey

Eucharistic Kristi Roberts, Daniel Suggs, Ministers: Tamme Suggs, Becky Warriner,

Gary Warriner

Lector: Jimmy Craven

Ushers: Richard Bragiel, Joe Dubois,

Walter Machowski, Steve Molony

11:30 am Sunday Mass

Greeters: Susan La Via, Natalie Zanolli
Altar Servers: Abram Delaney, Teddy Delaney,

Liam Manning

Eucharistic Jackie Doscher, Pam Everitt, **Ministers:** Christine Lewis, Scott Runyon

Lector: Betsy DesNoyer

Ushers: Lewis Doscher, Joe Ginn, Sheila Griner, Natalie Zanolli

Offerings May 20 — May 26

Collections at Mass (May 25—May 26)	\$ 8,801.00
Mail in Offerings (May 21—May 24)	\$ 3,245.00
myEoffering (May 21—May 24)	\$ 4,021.76
Budget (1 week)	\$ 16,557.69
Difference	\$ - 489.93
Registered Households	680
Envelopes Used (May 25—May 26)	159
Active myEoffering Families	189

Second Collections for June:

MyEoffering Family Donations (May 21—May 24)

June 16: Seminarians
June 30: Peter's Pence

Thank you for your Generosity.

Please use your envelopes.

If you need envelopes, please contact the parish office at 843 795-3821

If you do not use envelopes or you are unable to attend Mass, please consider contributing to the needs of the parish. Please place your offering in the collection baskets in the rear of the church,

Or mail your donation to the parish office or make a donation via your myEoffering account.

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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.

Let us continue to pray for: Allene Barans, Mary Bieda, Beverly Blevins, Ray Blevins, Leslie Boyer, Don Carcone, Anne Castelli, Ron Connick, Herman Connor, Arlene & Bill Crosby, Sharon Dale, Ed & Vi Defourneaux, William Doherty, Jake DuPree, Kathy Fowler, Angela Harbuta, Terry Harris, James Michael Huber, Dan & Mary Hughes, Myrtis Jenkins, Glenna Kornahrens, Mariano LaVia, Delores Lopez, Ruthie Mallard, Paul Madden, Katherine & William Manning, John Minaudo, Paul & Carole Moran, Charlie Organ, James Parker, Terry Parsons, Brenda Pearson, Ed Pop, Louis Richter, James Romero, Fran Taylor, Barbara Wade, Jerry Wade, Courtney Wilson, Sally Wojcik

For Members of our Community who have recently lost loved ones.

For our parishioners who daily struggle with chronic and/or life-threatening burdens.

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

Intentions

Mass: This Week

Sat.	1	5:30 pm	Jean M. Thompson+
Sun.	2	9:00 am	For the people of the Nativity
		11:30 am	Keith Tapscott+
Mon.	3	11:30 am	Keith Tapscott+
Tues.	4	11:30 am	Chris Fisher+
Wed.	5	11:30 am	Carolyn Nan Molony+
Thurs.	6	11:30 am	
Fri	7	11:30 am	Keith Tapscott +
Sat.	8	5:30 pm	John Timothy Byrnes +
Sun.	9	9:00 am	Keith Tapscott+
		11:30 am	•

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.

Nativity School is accepting applications for admittance for grades K4 through 8 for the 24—25 School Year.

To learn more about Enrollment please visit our website at www.nativity-school.com or our FaceBook page at www.facebook.com/NativitySchoolKnights.

or contact the School Office at 843-795-3975

The School Year is Finished. Have a Great Vacation!



Some of the K5 students celebrated their Graduation to 1st grade.



Start:
June 14 @ 7:30 pm

End:
June 16 @ 10:30 am

Cost:
\$85 - \$150

Event Category:
Young Adult Events

Website:
https://charlestondiocese.org/event/yaspringretreat24/

Organizer

Diocese of Charleston-Young Adult Ministry

Phone
843-670-2586

Email
msylvester@charlestondiocese.org

For more information or to register, please visit: https://charlestondiocese.configio.com/pd/427/ya-spring-retreat-2024



We extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of

Theresa Ann Pop

whose Mass of Christian Burial was held at Nativity on Tuesday, May 28th.

May she rest in peace.

Financial Resources Workshop James Island Outreach

Learn How to Better Manage Expenses

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Workshop is free and open to ALL in the community

Please call Matt Whipple to register for an upcoming workshop at James Island Outreach, 843–762–3653

James Island Outreach | 1860 Camp Road



Wednesday, June 12th| 10:30am - 12pm Thursday, June 27th| 6:30pm-8pm





Weekly Hour of Fucharistic Adoration Fvery Thursday at 12:00 noon

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.

This is a Great Opportunity to stop by and Talk with Jesus.





Theology on Tap For College Students And Young Adults

Join us for an evening of faith, food, and fellowship.

Theology is on Tap in Charleston on Wednesday, June 12 at 7:00 pm at

Tommy Condon's Irish Pub (Abbey Room)

This month's speaker is Fr. Paul Lacombe. He will speak for about 30 minutes. We have the room reserved until 10:00 pm, and dinner is provided! No RSVP necessary.

For more information about the Young Adult Ministry and our events, please contact Scott at shillbc93@gmail.com



We extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of

Kimberly Ann Lyon Kloss

whose Mass of Christian Burial was held at Nativity on Thursday, May 30th.

May she rest in peace.

THE WILD GOGE

Tuesday Bible Studies
Are taking a break
Will return June 11.



The Feast of Corpus Christi

Is also known as the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. The feast celebrates the Real Presence of the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus in the Eucharist.

The Story

The Eucharistic miracle of Bolsena, took place in 1263. A German priest, Peter of Prague, stopped at Bolsena while on a pilgrimage to Rome. He was pious, but he found it difficult to accept that Christ was actually present in the consecrated Host. While celebrating Holy Mass above the tomb of St. Christina, as Fr. Peter spoke the words of consecration, immediately Blood started to seep from the consecrated Host.

At first the priest tried to hide the Blood, but eventually he interrupted the Mass and asked to be taken to the neighboring city of Orvieto, where Pope Urban IV resided. The Pope sent emissaries to investigate and ordered that the Host and the linen cloth bearing the stains of Blood be brought to him. He had the relics placed in the cathedral. Since 1263, the linen bearing the spots of Blood is still being reverently exhibited in the Cathedral of Orvieto.

This Eucharistic Miracle confirmed the visions given to St. Juliana of Mont Cornillon in Belgium (1193-1258). St. Juliana was a nun and mystic who had a series of visions in which she was instructed by Our Lord to work to establish a liturgical feast for the Holy Eucharist, to which she had a great devotion.

Prompted by this miracle and the ongoing efforts of St. Juliana, Pope Urban IV instituted the feast of Corpus Christi in August 1264.





Nativity 8th Grade Graduates for 2024

Evan Caldwell Adrian, Colton Lee Bloomer, Sienna Jones Brasco, Leila Marie Curlett, Christina Nicole Dake, Caryn Sophia Hasenberg, Jorge Hernandez-Solano, Fabriola Isabel Romero-Toro, Darby Hughes Sheridan, Megumi Tran, William Baker Wallace.

Awards and Honors:

Values for Life Award: Caryn Sophia Hasenberg
The Sisters of Saints Cyril and Methodius Award: Megumi Tran
Honor Graduates: Sienna Jones Brasco, Christina Nicole Dake, Caryn Sophia Hasenberg,
Jorge Hernandez-Solano, Darby Hughes Sheridan, Megumi Tran



The Nativity Ladies Guild closed out their ministry year with a reception ad the Nativity parish Life Center on Saturday, May 25. Part of the festivities awarding this year's Jo Dennis Award to Sharon Dale. We all benefit throughout the year from the effort and various ministries of the Nativity Ladies Guild. Thank you for all the things you do for our community.

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