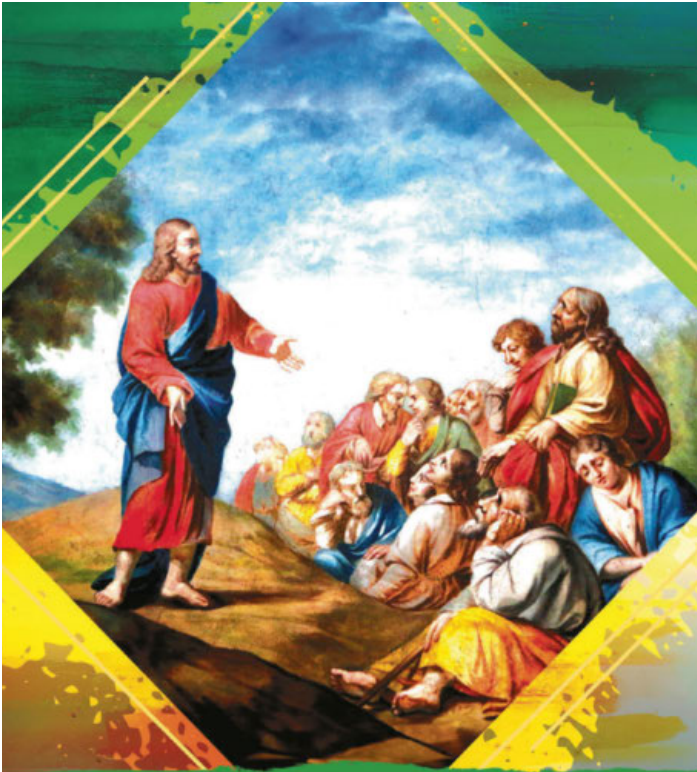


August 4, 2024

Catholic Diocese of Charleston



18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Amen, amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true bread from heaven." - Jn 6:32

The Bread of God Comes from Heaven and Gives Life to the World.

Jesus tells us that in order to accomplish the work of God, we have to believe in the one he sent. And to believe in Christ is to be filled with the spirit of truth — to do what is right because it is right, not because we want to be filled with good feelings.

What is the difference between doing what is right because you want to be a good Christian, and doing what is right because you believe in Christ?

It's the difference between eating manna and the Eucharist. One fills your stomach and keeps you alive. The other satisfies a hunger you might not have even known you had, or if you did know, you called it by another name — sadness, unfulfillment, fear. One achieves a corporeal goal, and that's the end of it. The other accomplishes something invisibly, secretly, silently, and though there is physical evidence of its work all around us, you have to be shrewd to recognize it.

There's nothing wrong doing what is right because we long for heaven, and there's nothing wrong with eating manna if you're starving. But that alone isn't enough. We must also long for the bread of heaven, the bread that gives life to the world.

...Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman



Church of the Nativity

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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.	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 and Divine Mercy Chaplet 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

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

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

*The Lord gave them
bread from heaven.*

...Today's Psalm PS 78

THINGS TO KNOW

Nursery

For children ages 6 wks to 4 yrs. old during the Sunday 9 AM Mass. It is located on the right side of the school's breezeway entrance. *Temporarily closed due to site renovations.*

Religious Education Programs

Nativity School serves students in grades K4 through 8. The Parish School of Religion (PSR) is offered for other parish children (K4-Gr 8), enrolled in non-parochial schools. For information, please contact the Director of Religious Education.

Safe Haven Training for Volunteers

All volunteers who minister in programs involving children at Nativity Parish or School are required to complete prevention education and a background check. To initiate the process and volunteer, please contact the Parish Office Administrator.

Baptism

To schedule a Baptism preparation class, a parent should be an active parishioner. Godparents for Baptism must be active parishioners of Nativity or another Catholic parish. For information, please contact the Director of Religious Education.

Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation

These sacraments require a 2-year preparation period. To receive First Reconciliation and First Eucharist in the 2nd grade, children must have participated in a 1st grade PSR or Catholic school program; to receive the sacrament of Confirmation in the 8th grade children must have participated in a 7th grade PSR or Catholic school program. For information, please contact the Director of Religious Education.

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples must contact the priest at least six months prior to the proposed marriage date. For inquiry, contact the Parish Office.

Ministry to the Sick and Homebound

This pastoral ministry provides compassionate presence, prayer, and sacraments to parishioners confined to their home, hospital, or nursing home. It includes Extraordinary Ministers to the Sick and Eucharistic Ministers who bring Holy Communion. To arrange a pastoral visit, please contact the Parish Office.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

This sacrament 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 sacrament; contact the Parish Office.

Alpha

"Alpha" is a time to connect in a small group with others who are open to exploring life, faith, and meaning. Weekly sessions include sharing a meal, a brief video on an element of the Christian faith, and an opportunity for sharing individual thoughts and questions. All are welcome and encouraged to participate. For information, please visit www.nativitycharleston.org/alpha. **Online option available.**

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

OCIA meets in a small group and online to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare adults to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. For information, please contact Vicki Vázquez, 843-813-4238.

FORMED.org

FORMED is an online resource for our parishioners to access video-based study programs, feature films, audio presentations, and eBooks from the Church's foremost presenters. An email is needed to access FORMED.org; no password is required.

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ocyp@charlestdiocese.org, 843-853-2130

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843-856-0748, 800-921-8122

Note from the Finance Council

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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 complete a "new parishioner form" from www.nativitycharleston.org or collect a form from the church

foyer. You can also scan this QR code for the same form here. You may email, mail, or drop off the form to the church office anytime, and please contact us for more information.

Please consider joining our parish!



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Liturgical Ministers for Aug 10 — Aug 11

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

5:30 pm Saturday Vigil Mass
Greeters: Caughey Family,
Tom & Marcia McNamee
Altar Servers: Rosalie Felix, Maisie Lewis
Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Bieda, Mike Bieda,
Wendy Bergstrom, Barbara Coddington,
Mary Smith
Lector: Mary Bieda
Ushers: Emmett Alphonse, Patrick Kelley,
Leroy Hulseberg, Lamar Watkins

9:00 am Sunday Mass
Greeters: Knight Family, Bonnie Nixon
Altar Servers: Eliza Cellars, Sully Cellars,
Matthew Hart
Eucharistic Ministers: Karen Cellars, Matthew Cellars,
Gary Hart, Hal Perry, Pat Perry
Lector: Amber C. Knight
Ushers: Richard Bragiel, Joe Dubois,
Walter Machowski, Steve Molony

11:30 am Sunday Mass
Greeters: Susan La Via, Natalie Zanolli
Altar Servers: Caryn Hasenberg, Jenna Hasenberg,
Kenji Tran
Eucharistic Ministers: Jackie Doscher, Brian Dougherty,
Pam Everitt, Christine Lewis, Phu Tran,
Scott Runyon
Lector: Pam Everitt, Christine Lewis, Phu Tran,
Scott Runyon
Ushers: Chuck Everitt, Joe Ginn,
Sheila Griner, Natalie Zanolli

Offerings July 22 — July 28

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.

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.

<https://members.myeoffering.com>

“A man who governs his passions is a master of his world. We must either command them or be enslaved by them, It is better to be a hammer than an anvil.”

... St Dominic de Guzman,
whose memorial is celebrated on August 8.

St. Dominic was a priest, worked many miracles and founded the Order of Friars Preachers (aka Dominicans) in 1215



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For more information, please contact the parish office.

Let Us Pray

For members of our community who have requested our prayers.

We pray for: Allene Barans, Beverly Blevins, Leslie Boyer, Phyllis Cafiero, Don Carcone, Anne Castelli, Ron Connick, Herman Connor, Arlene & Bill Crosby, Ed & Vi Defourneaux, William Doherty, Jake DuPree, Kathy Fowler, Angela Harbuta, Terry Harris, James Michael Huber, Dan Hughes, Myrtis Jenkins, Glenna Kornahrens, Tommy Lavelle, 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 our parishioners who daily struggle with chronic and/or life-threatening burdens.

For our leaders and officials throughout the world who bear great responsibilities.

To have someone added or removed from this prayer list, please contact the parish office administrator at Admin@NativityCharleston.org.

Intentions

Mass: This Week

Sat.	Aug. 3	5:30 pm	Don Easler†
Sun.	Aug. 4	9:00 am	
		11:30 am	Mary Lawler†
Mon.	Aug. 5	11:30 am	Edward P. Richards, Jr.†
Tues.	Aug. 6	11:30 am	
Wed.	Aug. 7	11:30 am	
Thurs.	Aug. 8	11:30 am	
Fri.	Aug. 9	11:30 am	Ray Blevins†
Sat.	Aug. 10	5:30 pm	Robert Blessing†
Sun.	Aug. 11	9:00 am	Mary Jo Ross†
		11:30 am	Edward P. Richards, Jr.†

Envelopes for Sanctuary Candle and Mass Intentions are at the church entrances. Please place them in the collection basket. Be sure to include your phone number or email in case of date changes or unavailability. Thank you!

Intention requests cannot be accepted more than 3 months in advance.



Nativity School—dedicated to the academic and spiritual growth of our students.

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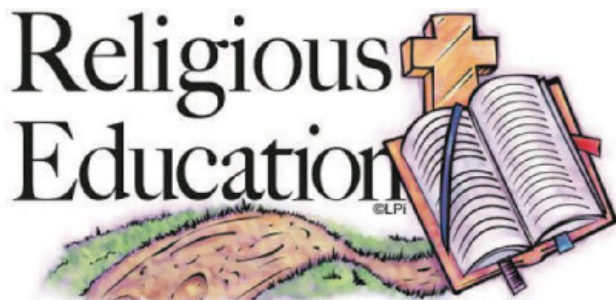
Look no further!



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

Teaching Values for Life!



Nativity Parish School of Religion

PSR is offered for parish children, grades K4 through 8, enrolled in non-parochial schools. Nativity PSR is accepting applications for the 24–25 School Year.

Registration packets are available at the church entrances and online at <https://nativitycharleston.com/formation/>

For more information, please contact Mary Smith at 843-795-3821 x 104.

Classes Begin Sunday September 8

Late Enrollment Fees now Apply

Sign Up Now!

Catechists Needed!

LOVE YOUR FAITH?
SHARE IT!

Specifically, we need more catechists in order to be able to offer the Nativity Parish School of Religion for the 2024-2025 school year. We need class teachers, substitute teachers and class assistants.

All of us are called to echo and share the Gospel message. Parents are the first and primary catechists in a child's life. But we also are important catechists in the lives of our coworkers, our spouses, our relatives and friends.

If you love your faith and would be willing to share that blessing with the children of our parish, please call Mary Smith at 795-3821 ext 4.

9:00 am Sunday Nursery Is Returning

Nativity Parish has not offered a nursery during the 9:00 am Sunday Mass since before Covid. Now that the school renovations have been completed, we are planning to rejuvenate the Nursery ministry this fall.

When the nursery closed, all the nursery furnishings and toys were donated. Now we need to re-facilitate. However, we need to do so with foresight because this space will need to serve multiple functions.

We are currently looking for 3 or 4 'child sized' tables with chairs (2 or 4 topper and one or 2 oval shaped 'coffee table' pieces (not more than 18 inches high, and with no sharp edges).

We also need children's board books, several 'large piece' puzzles, and toys appropriate for 1-4 year olds. These items should be packaged and sized so that they can be stored on book shelves when not in use. Note that toys that require batteries or that have small pieces are not appropriate for 1 to 4 year olds.

Please contact Mary Smith (dre@nativitycharleston.org) at the church office with any questions.

Please help us re-equip the Nursery.



Fellowship Weekend Returns August 10 and 11

Parish Potluck Meals will be hosted after all the weekend Masses by the OCIA.



Potluck
Everyone Brings Something to the Table.

Saturday, August 10, after the 5:30 Mass
Bring your favorite dinner dish to share.

Sunday, August 11, after the 9:00 Mass
Bring your favorite breakfast dish to share.

Sunday, August 11, after the 11:30 Mass
Bring your favorite lunch dish to share.

Drop off food at the PLC before all Masses.

This is a great Meet and Greet Opportunity for the OCIA Inquirers and the people of Nativity.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to participate.

Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD YOUR GOD goes with you, he will never leave you or forsake you. DEUT 31:6

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Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

So what is OCIA anyway?

Well, **RCIA** is no more! This program has been rebranded as **OCIA**, **Order of Christian Initiation for Adults**. New Name but the Same Goal! **OCIA** is a series of lessons aimed at explaining to adults what it means to be Catholic.

At Nativity this program offers an opportunity to come together in a welcoming and accepting setting. Participants are encouraged to engage in the process with their questions, their insights, and their faith story.

Individual Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of the Church. While most converts enter the Church at the Easter Vigil, this new structure acknowledges that converts could be baptized or welcomed into the Church at any point in the year, or even taking multiple years before making their final decision.

The **OCIA** classes are held from 10:00 am to 11:15 am on Sunday morning in the Parish Life Center Meeting Room.

This year's program begins Sunday, September 8th at 10:00 am

Also, there is an OCIA 'Meet and Greet' at the Fellowship Weekend meals on August 10 and 11.

For more information, please contact Vicki Vázquez at vivazgraphics@gmail.com or at 843-813-4238.



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, August 14 at 7:00 pm at

**Tommy Condon's Irish Pub
(Abbey Room)**

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

Summer Book Club The Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic,

by Matthew Kelly for our Summer Book Study.

The book study participants will gather on **August 7, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm in the Parish Life Center.**

For more information, please contact Andrea Gilliard (acgilliard@comcast.net) or Mary Smith (dre@nativitycharleston.org)

Please finish reading the book and participate in the discussion this Wednesday.



Mom's Prayer Group Returns MONDAY August 19

8:00 am to 9:00 am

Nativity Parish Live Center Meeting Room

We will be watching the Formed "Catholic Feminism" Series.

Coffee is provided and young children are welcome.

For more information, please text Vicki at 843-813-4238

Start the week in prayer, devotion and uplifting support.



LADIES GUILD SEWING GROUP

Returns with Renewed Energy and Boundless Enthusiasm

On Saturday Aug 10 and 24

From 9:00 to Noon in the Parish Life Center.

We will start this year's work by cutting materials for burp cloths and bibs for distribution in October.

During these first sessions we will be cutting only (no sewing or assembly). All materials will be provided. These are tasks that everyone can do. So bring you scissors and join in the fun.

For more information, please contact Marion Hoffman at nativityladiesguild@gmail.com or at 803-397-2681

NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED. JUST SHOW UP.



Chesterton Academy of St. Finbar is a Joyfully Catholic and Classical high school! You are invited to come September 21, 2024 and learn about the rich history of classical education, a curriculum aimed at developing the whole person, and why this could be the perfect fit for your child.

Meet the Head of School, Mrs. Michele McCoy, as she shares the importance of bringing CASF to Charleston. We will share our mission, vision, and plans for opening in the Fall of 2025. The celebration will take place at the Charleston Diocesan Chancery, located at 901 Orange Grove Road, from 7pm-9pm.

Due to limited space, kindly RSVP by **September 15th** at www.stfinbar.org/contact to ensure your name is added to the guest list. For questions, please text Laurel MacKinnon at 703-403-3010.

Tuesday Bible Studies

These Bible Study sessions are offered in person and online via ZOOM

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88988721703?pwd=OFdYRWZ5YzRWT2xiQkZndjFDhXlZQT09>

Meeting ID: 889 8872 1703 and the Passcode: Nativity

Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study is 12:30 pm to 2:00 pm.

Tuesday Evening Bible Study is 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm.

All meetings are in the Nativity Parish Life Center.

Tues. Aug 6 and 13

Two Session Video presentation by Brandt Pitre, titled "Wives Do What?". This study addresses St. Paul's teaching on spousal responsibilities and equality.

Tues. Aug 20 and 27

Two Session Video presentation by Brandt Pitre, titled "The Fourth Cup and the New Passover". This study addresses the Passover practices at the time of Christ and their meaning in terms of Christ's sacrifice.

For more information, please contact Ryckie Watkins at 843-795-4194 or at ryckie.watkins@gmail.com

All are Invited to Participate.



Baptism

Charles Dalton Vealey,

son of Lindsay Farris and Dalton Vealey was welcomed into our faith community on Sunday, July 28..

Congratulations to this new member of our church.



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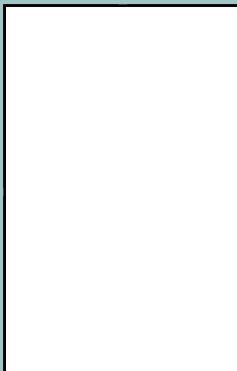
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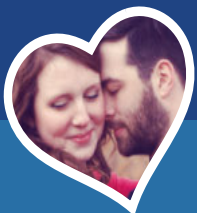



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