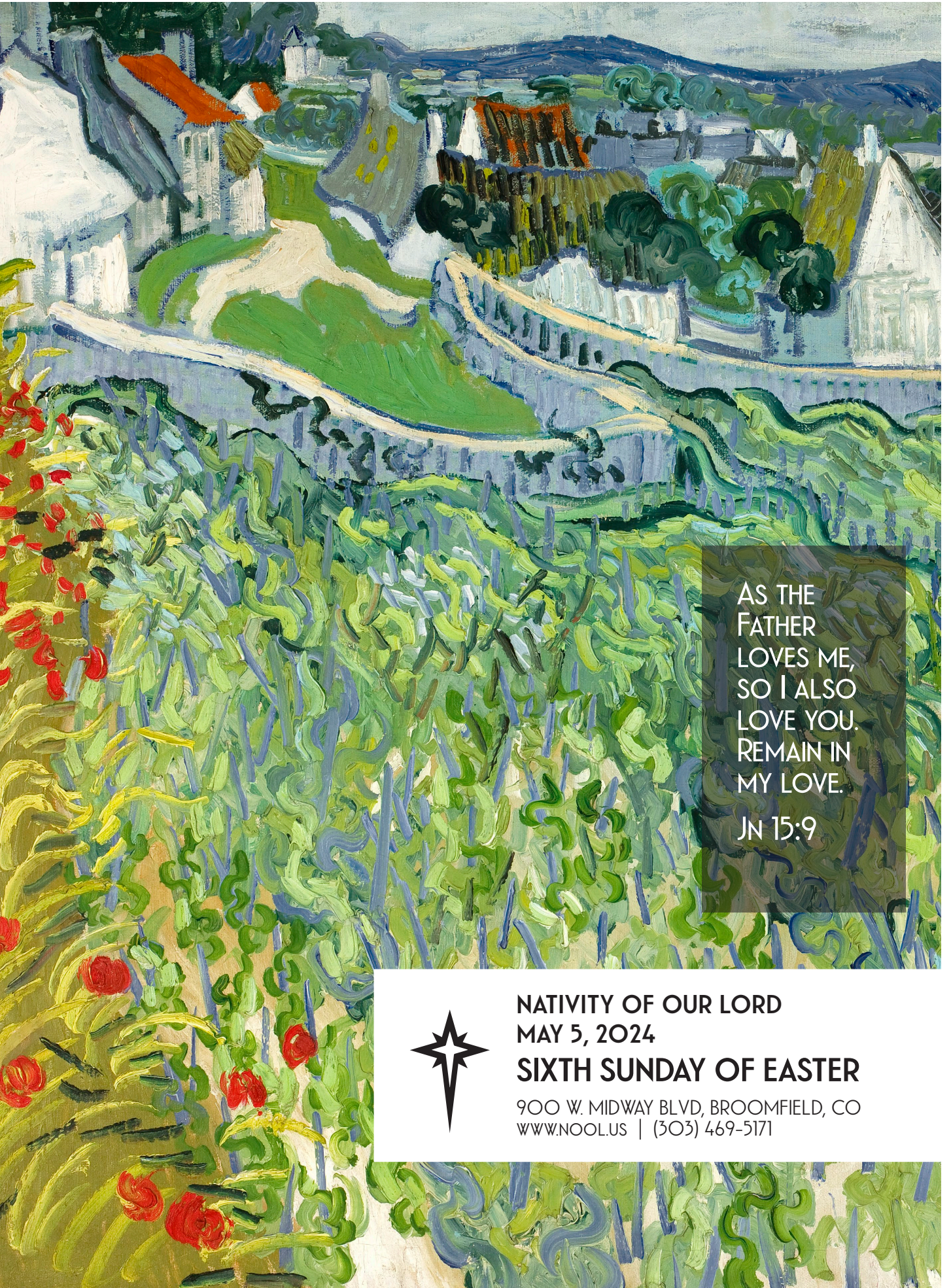


Vincent van Gogh, *Vineyards with a View of Auvers*, 1890, oil on canvas; Saint Louis Art Museum USPD



AS THE
FATHER
LOVES ME,
SO I ALSO
LOVE YOU.
REMAIN IN
MY LOVE.
JN 15:9



NATIVITY OF OUR LORD
MAY 5, 2024

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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MASS TIMES

MONDAY-FRIDAY

7:00 am
9:30 am (livestreamed)
School Mass: Wednesdays, 8:15 am

SATURDAY

9:30 am (livestreamed)

VIGIL MASS

4:30 pm

SUNDAY

7:30 am
9:30 am (livestreamed)
11:30 am
5:00 pm

CONFESSION

THURSDAY

5:00-6:00 pm

SATURDAY

8:00-9:30 am
3:00-4:30 pm

SUNDAY

30 min before Masses

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY-FRIDAY: 8 am-5 pm

FRONT DESK:

MONDAY-FRIDAY: 8 am-8 pm

SATURDAY: 8 am-3:30 pm

SACRISTY LAUNDRY

Cyndi Beckingham

COLLECTION COUNTERS

Mon, May 6 | 10 am

Ron Riedl
Pat Greene
Cathy Suppes
Tom Greene
Loretta Zahner

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

IN THE CHURCH:

THURSDAY

12:00-6:00 pm
SOLEMN HOLY HOUR:
5:00-6:00 pm with *Confession* and *Vespers*
Benediction: 5:55 pm

IN THE CHAPEL:

FOR SCHEDULED ADORERS,
SEE AVAILABLE HOURS AND SIGN UP AT

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OR SCAN QR CODE

OPEN FOR WALK-INS

MONDAY-FRIDAY

8:00 am-5:00 pm



VISITING THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Do you know or do you have someone in your family who is sick or homebound, cannot attend Sunday Mass regularly, and desires to receive sacraments of penance and Eucharist? Please do not hesitate to contact Nativity to schedule a visit with a priest or Eucharistic minister at (303) 469-5171 Ext 101.

GOING TO THE HOSPITAL

If you are going to the hospital and need a visit from a priest or deacon, please call the front desk at (303) 469-5171.

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you have any prayer requests, please contact Joanne Farver at (303) 466-8859 or at joannefarver@comcast.net.

PRAY THE

ROSARY

WITH US IN MAY

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, MAY 4

9:30 am † Don Larson
by Joan & Bob Atkin
4:30 pm † Sally & Teddy Topolski
by Hermes Family

SUNDAY, MAY 5

7:30 am Souls in Purgatory
by Alma Cordova
9:30 am People of the Parish
11:30 am Estela Avendano
5:00 pm Willy Smith Birthday Blessings
by Mom

MONDAY, MAY 6

7:00 am † Jack Spano
by Appelhanz Family
9:30 am † Don Larson by Donna Farrell

TUESDAY, MAY 7

7:00 am † Lena Lombardi
by Appelhanz Family
9:30 am James Jerkatis by
Jerkatis & Thompson Families

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8

7:00 am † Andy Ochoa by Scott Hudson
9:30 am † Ron Jones by Ron Kaiser

THURSDAY, MAY 9

7:00 am Susan Walker
by Knights of Columbus
9:30 am † John Samora by Jackie Schuster

FRIDAY, MAY 10

7:00 am † Vicki Weaver
by Sharon Torczynski
9:30 am Kevin Blanco

SATURDAY, MAY 11

9:30 am Souls in Purgatory
by Alma Cordova
4:30 pm † Raymond Kennedy Jr.
by Hermes Family

SUNDAY, MAY 12

7:30 am † Alberta Esmajer by Kort
9:30 am People of the Parish
11:30 am † Frances Blazon and Viola
Mestas by Jerome Blazon
5:00 pm Alexia Manzaneres
from Grandparents by Denise
and Jim Orenic

MONDAY-FRIDAY

AFTER 7 & 9:30 AM MASSES

SATURDAY, 8:50 AM

SUNDAY, 11 AM



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WHERE STUDYING IS AN ACT OF LOVE

Study is the adventure of learning that Truth that everything points to: this was the discovery of a group of college students in the United States

By Fr. Stefano Zamagni, F.S.C.B.



Photo: Preparation for the games during the summer vacation of the University Students of Communion and Liberation (CLU), Estes Park, Colorado

“Father, yesterday evening you told us that knowledge and love ultimately coincide. What does this mean? I don’t like English literature, and yet I need to study it to pass my exams.”

This question posed by Tommy is a litmus test for the claim of the Christian companionship to be able to sustain the life of the students in a university campus and to change it from within, that is, in the reason for which one studies and in the way he studies. And within this question of Tommy lies the reason why twenty students decided to spend the weekend before exams in a cottage in the forests of Virginia.

Here at Catholic University in Washington, D.C., the last week of the semester is dedicated to final exams. The short amount of time available between the end of lessons and the beginning of exams (just a weekend!) makes it such that most of the students spend the last hours of the semester memorizing notions, instead of seeking to understand how the texts examined in their classes might contribute to engaging and going deeper into the fundamental question of the course. There is no time to stay in front of the question when there is only time to assimilate the right answer that allows you to pass the quiz.

With this overwhelming preoccupation, study becomes organized in an essentially quantitative way so that a student can read or write the greatest number of pages in the shortest time possible. [...] Not even prayer and friendship are spared this subtle veil of utilitarianism: prayers are for passing grades on the tests and studying together helps one stay on the books for more than just two hours at a time. In the long term, this measure becomes suffocating. The only alternative is to ask oneself what it means to study, if the nature of such a judgment is only quantitative or else above all qualitative.

A Christian companionship that is true inevitably finds itself challenging every efficiency-based criterion. Indeed, Christian companionship testifies that the knowledge of truth is a communal experience capable of giving unity to life. Christian companionship shows that only love moves one towards knowledge of the other and that the more one knows the other the more one loves him or her. Christian companionship generates an integrated person in whom the affective dimension is not sentimentally reduced to what one likes or dislikes and the intellectual dimension is not reduced to how much information one knows or does not know. The desire to know the truth of self and the world orders all aspects of the individual person. The same desire creates communion among different people. Christian companionship is the place where truth is revealed in its

origin and end: the divine Word making itself present in Jesus Christ.

Studying is the adventure of knowing that Truth of which everything else is a sign.

Studying then is not so much a question of assimilating and repeating a set of notions, as much as knowing the love that gives form to reality and defines the truth of everything. For this reason, the twenty-odd students that decided to drive together to Williamsburg, to cook pasta, to sit at the table and share about their lives, to take care of the beauty of the place, to pray in the morning and in the evening, to sing around the fire did so not because they simply desire to study but rather because they desire to study well. Because studying becomes the adventure of knowing that Truth of which everything else is a sign, because studying is part of the drama of responding to that Love that calls all of us to know Him and to stay with Him. At the end of the weekend, Tommy returned home proud to have studied much and well. “It’s a miracle,” his mother immediately exclaimed. It is the miracle of a companionship in which the Truth is a person and knowledge is that relationship from which no one can escape, because it is what makes us truly human. ■

PARISH CALENDAR

SATURDAY, MAY 4

8:00 am | Marian Movement
of Priests Cenacle
8:15 am | School of Community (CL)*
8:50 am | Pro-Life Rosary
11:00 am | Restored Order Mass #2

SUNDAY, MAY 5

8:30 am | School of Community (CL)*
11:00 am | Parishioners' Rosary
6:00 pm | GS/High School Youth Group
6:15 pm | Catholic Young Adults

MONDAY, MAY 6

10:00 am | School of Community (CL)*
11:00 am | ENDOW
3:30 pm | GS Diakonia (CL)*
6:30 pm | Catechetical School Class
6:30 pm | Spanish Prayer Group
7:30 pm | St. Joseph Men's Group
7:45 pm | CL* Choir Rehearsal

TUESDAY, MAY 7

1:00 pm | Adult Bible Study: *The Lamb's Supper: The Mass as Heaven on Earth*
4:00 pm | Children's Choir Rehearsal
6:00 pm | Young Adults Pickup Volleyball
6:00 pm | Catechist Dinner
6:30 pm | Venturers of the Star
(Middle School Youth Group)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8

5:30 am | St. Joseph Men's Group
8:15 am | ENDOW
10:30 am | Book Club
6:00 pm | Boy Scouts Troop 766
6:30 pm | Healing from Divorce Workshop
7:30 pm | University Students (CLU)*
School of Community

THURSDAY, MAY 9

12:00 pm | Eucharistic Adoration
begins in the church
12:30 pm | Staff School
of Community (CL)*
6:00 pm | CGS End of Year BBQ
6:00 pm | Music Ministry Rehearsal
6:00 pm | Stephen Ministry
7:30 pm | School of Community (CL)*

FRIDAY, MAY 10

7:30 am | Men of Emmaus
7:30 am | Men's Group w/ Antony Pougnet
9:00 am | ENDOW
10:00 am | Friends in All Times (FIAT)
Gathering
6:00 pm | American Heritage Girls

SATURDAY, MAY 11

8:00 am | Marian Movement
of Priests Cenacle
8:15 am | School of Community (CL)*
8:50 am | Pro-Life Rosary

SUNDAY, MAY 12

8:30 am | School of Community (CL)*
11:00 am | Parishioners' Rosary
6:00 pm | GS/High School Youth Group
6:15 pm | Catholic Young Adults

*(CL, CLU) Communion & Liberation

DAILY READINGS

SATURDAY, MAY 4

Reading 1: Acts 16:1-10
Psalm: 100:1b-2, 3, 5
Gospel: Jn 15:18-21

SUNDAY, MAY 5

Reading 1: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48
Psalm: 98:1, 2-3, 3-4
Reading 2: 1 Jn 4:7-10
Gospel: Jn 15:9-17

MONDAY, MAY 6

Reading 1: Acts 16:11-15
Psalm: 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b
Gospel: Jn 15:26-16:4a

TUESDAY, MAY 7

Reading 1: Acts 16:22-34
Psalm: 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8
Gospel: Jn 16:5-11

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8

Reading 1: Acts 17:15, 22-18:1
Psalm: 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14
Gospel: Jn 16:12-15

THURSDAY, MAY 9

Reading 1: Acts 18:1-8
Psalm: 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4
Gospel: Jn 16:16-20

FRIDAY, MAY 10

Reading 1: Acts 18:9-18
Psalm: 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7
Gospel: Jn 16:20-23

SATURDAY, MAY 11

Reading 1: Acts 18:23-28
Psalm: 47:2-3, 8-9, 10
Gospel: Jn 16:23b-28

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formation at Nativity, visit:

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ARCHBISHOP'S
CATHOLIC APPEAL

Many gifts to the Archbishop's Catholic Appeal are immediately invested in works of mercy, education, and charity. "Whoever comes to me shall not hunger and whoever believes in me shall never thirst." (John 6:35) To make an immediate impact on our faith community visit

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or call 303-867-0614.

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RELIGIOUS ARTICLES FROM THE HOLY LAND

THIS WEEKEND:

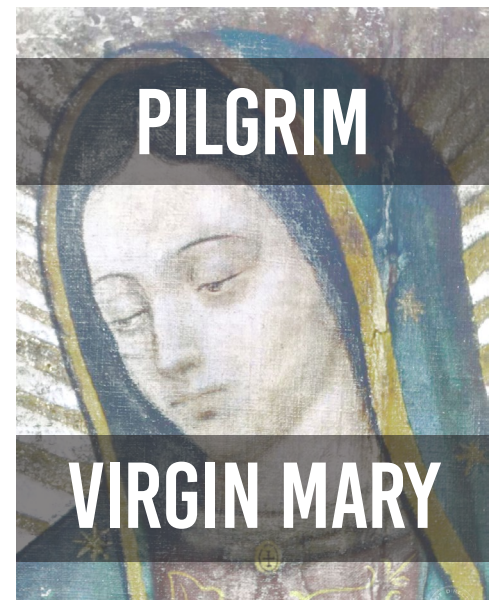
MAY 4-5, 2024

FOLLOWING ALL MASSES

Bethlehem Handicrafts will showcase a collection of olive wood carvings & gifts from the Holy Land following each Mass on May 4-5. Our goal is to pass our faith on to generations of Christians through beautiful statues, crosses, rosaries, and other artistic displays, ensuring that our faith is alive and well in the Holy Land. By buying our art pieces, you help give Christian families from the Holy Land a livelihood and dignity to endure difficult times. By purchasing our items, you are directly supporting the presence and future of Christians in the Holy Land!

For more information and to view available products, please visit:

www.bethlehemhandicrafts.com



The Missionary Sisters are continuing their tradition of bringing the "Pilgrim Virgin Mary" icon into parishioners' homes during the evenings of May. They will pray the Rosary with your family and friends and leave the icon in your house until the following day for veneration.

If you would like to open your home for this special visitation, please sign up at the parish front desk.

QUESTIONS?

Call the front desk at (303) 469-5171 or talk to the Sisters directly.



MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBRANCE MONDAY, MAY 27, 2024 FOLLOWING 9:30 AM MASS

On Memorial Day, Nativity and the Knights of Columbus will hold a ceremony in honor of all deceased military veterans who were immediate family members of our current parishioners. If there are any family members you would like recognized, please complete the form by scanning the QR code below or at www.nool.us/upcoming-events by Monday, May 20, 2024.

QUESTIONS? Please contact Steven Peixoto at stevepex@gmail.com.

GO TO FORM

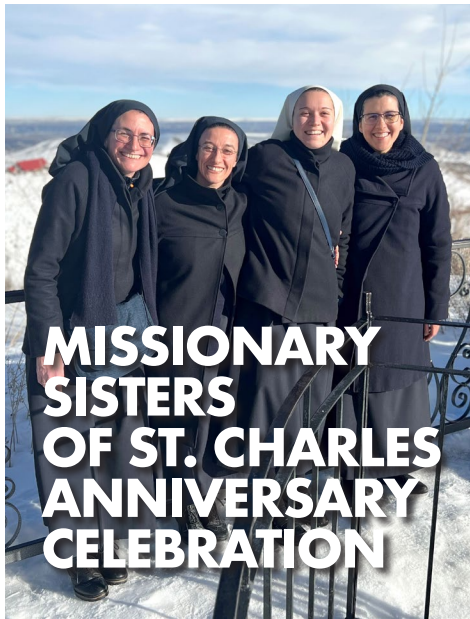


NATIVITY WOMEN'S GUILD LAST MEETING OF 2023/24 MONDAY, MAY 13, 2024 10:30 AM | BRUNCH POTLUCK

New members are invited! The guild promotes fellowship among the women of the parish. There are several committees under the Guild which provide specific services. QUESTIONS? Contact: Nicki Battista, 303-469-0670, paul.battista@comcast.net.

NEXT: PRAYER IN THE SQUARE

SAT, JUNE 1, 10:15 AM
N. MIDWAY PARK



MISSIONARY SISTERS OF ST. CHARLES ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

NEW DATE:
FRIDAY, MAY 24, 2024
6:30-8:30 PM
NATIVITY CABRINI HALL

PLEASE SIGN UP

Missionary Sisters of St. Charles will have their annual anniversary celebration on May 24. All parishioners are invited to join them for a joyful evening.

Light refreshments and desserts will be served. Please sign up at the front desk, or call 303-469-5171 so the sisters know how much food to prepare. There is no cost.

The Missionary Sisters of St. Charles were born from the desire of several young women to share the ideals of the Priestly Fraternity of the Missionaries of St. Charles Borromeo. The mission of the Sisters is to bear witness to the beauty, truth, and freedom they experience in their encounter with Christ and familiarity with Him. They are available for all tasks and professions that can serve this purpose and where their presence is required. One of the aspects of Sisters' life is being called to establish new places where they can live the relationship with God—and from this experience—be open to dialogue with the whole world.



VENTURERS MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH SUMMER VACATION JUNE 3-7, 2024 YMCA OF THE ROCKIES ESTES PARK

The vacation is open to anyone entering grades 6-9 in the fall of 2024.

COST: \$550

More information:

www.nool.us/middle-school

REGISTER



SAVE THE DATE:
THU-SUN
SEPTEMBER
5-8

Nativity Days is an annual parish festival which is a gift to the parishioners for their active service, steadfast dedication, and love toward the parish and the universal Church. At Nativity Days, we come together to experience family activities, games, meals, presentations, exhibits, and friendship for an entire weekend. To learn more, please visit:

www.nool.us/nativity-days

The 2024 program will be available soon.

“How good and how pleasant it is when brothers dwell together as one!”
Psalm 133:1

WELCOME TO NATIVITY!

36 NEW FAMILIES IN FEBRUARY, MARCH, AND APRIL, 2024

Trung, Hana, Lynn
Brian, Lisa, Nora
Rachel
Connor, Lianna, Thomas, Weston, Cody
Sean, Monica
Alfonso
Joshua, Lori, Julieta
Courtney
Ken, Becky, Luke
Brandon, Dana
Nate, Allison
Dave, Charlie, J.J., William, Clara

John, Catherine
Brendan, Erika
Carlos, Meagan, Eva
Janet
Noreen
Nick, Carly, Forrest
Laurence
James, Brianne, Elizabeth, Olivia
Gustavo, Alicia, Issac, Jacob, Lorenzo
Patrick, Vanessa, Thaddeus
Jeremy, Gabrielle
Maria
Giovanna
Stacey
Vanessa, Nevaeh
Clay, Eliana
Chris, Jenni, Harper, Maddie
Mario, Maria, Gimena, Mateo
Tommy, Katie
Matthew
Michael, Jessica, Ethan, Lexie, Braydon
Mercedes
Pamela, Nicole
Logan

REGISTER AS A NATIVITY PARISHIONER

Go to:
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WHY BELONG TO A FAITH COMMUNITY?

"Our identity is one of belonging. To say 'I am Christian' means to say: 'I belong to the Church. I belong to this People with whom God established an ancient alliance that is always faithful.'"
—Pope Francis



BEGIN PREPARING FOR THE NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

MAY 20, 6 PM–8 PM
JPII CENTER FOR THE NEW EVANGELIZATION
BONFILS HALL
1300 S STEELE ST.
DENVER, CO 80210



◀ Scan to RSVP

Come gather with other parishioners who are traveling to the National Eucharistic Congress, July 17-21.

This will be a time to:

- Meet and get to know other Denver parishioners attending the Congress
- Get to know the Archdiocese of Denver's vision for the Congress
- Get a breakdown of the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage Events coming this June
- An orientation to the Congress' schedule and logistics
- A time for discernment prayer



A 7-WEEK GRIEF WORKSHOP FOR THOSE WHO LOST THEIR LOVED ONES

Open to everyone, especially anyone who has taken the grief workshop at any point in the past. There is NO cost! Based on the Seven Intentions of Mourning. As one contemplates each intention, one is encouraged to consider a Corporal or Spiritual Act of Mercy to honor the loved one and—at the same time—help someone else. There will be a video to watch each time and then a discussion to help look at the particular intention in more depth.

2024 DATES:
JUNE 1, 22, 29
JULY 6, 13, 20, 27
10 AM–12 PM
NEWMAN ROOM

REGISTER





TOTUS TUUS



YOUNG ADULTS PICKUP VOLLEYBALL TUESDAYS | 6-8 PM APRIL 9-SEPTEMBER 24 NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

Please join Nativity's Young Adults Group for Pickup Volleyball every Tuesday through the summer at Nativity of Our Lord, just by the basketball courts. It is absolutely free. Just show up, have fun, and join us for fellowship afterwards.

QUESTIONS?

Please feel free to contact Fr. John or Miguel at northcatsdenver@gmail.com.



GRADES 7-12

Sun-Thu, June 9-13 | 7:00-9:00 pm

GRADES 1-6

Mon-Fri, June 10-14 | 9:00 am-2:30 pm

QUESTIONS?

Contact Diane Irby at d.irby@nool.us, 303-731-0425

www.nool.us/totus-tuus

TOTUS TUUS is a summer program dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic faith through catechesis, fellowship, faith witness, and Eucharist, and it is to help young people develop their intimate friendship with Jesus Christ.



REGISTER

FROM ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

May is a month many families look forward to. We enjoy being outside again as well as taking up activities such as gardening and enjoying nature. There are also new beginnings. Graduations and weddings as well as first Communions usher in celebrations. Mother's Day and Memorial Day also highlight the calendar.

This May we will also see the beginnings of the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage. There are four pilgrimage routes across the United States that will "converge" on Indianapolis, Indiana on July 16, 2024 for the 10th National Eucharistic Congress that will begin on July 17. The St. Junipero Serra west route will begin in San Francisco, California, covering over 2,200 miles, and will pass through Colorado. See www.eucharisticcongress.org.

As we say prayers for the success of this pilgrimage and gathering in Indianapolis, we continue to be reminded of how important it is to help our neighbors in need. A Broomfield Enterprise article by Corbett Stevenson titled "Broomfield FISH helped more residents in 2023" published on April 21, 2024 notes that Broomfield FISH which serves as both a "food bank and resource center saw the highest need for assistance it has seen in its 60 years of operation."

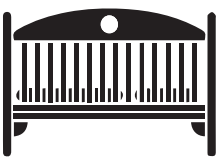
At the St. Vincent de Paul Society we are also aware of the needs of our neighbors, particularly with high rental costs and overall inflation. Your support continues to make a difference in helping us encourage and lend a helping hand to those who could use some additional financial assistance.

For more information on how our local St. Vincent de Paul chapter helps the poor, see our Flocknote site at nool.flocknote.com/svdpvol.

Donate to Nativity SVdP using the QR code



NATIVITY ANNUAL BABY SHOWER MAY 12-JUNE 16, 2024



Nativity's annual baby shower for local pregnancy centers and homes for mothers will

begin in one week. We will be collecting donations from Mother's Day, May 12 through Father's Day, June 16. You may drop your donations off at the crib in the gathering area. We will donate to Boulder Pregnancy Resource Center, Marisol Health in Denver and Marisol Family, and The Little Flower Maternity Home in Louisville. Thank you for your generous participation in this event!

BABY SHOWER REQUESTS:

Diapers, sizes: newborn - 3, 4, 5, and 6. Pull-ups, sizes 4-6T. Wipes (unscented/sensitive skin). Baby lotions, shampoos,

washes. Baby bath towels, wash cloths. Diaper rash products. Newborn nasal aspirators. Baby thermometers. Nail clippers. Pacifiers. Bibs. Knit caps. Booties/shoes/socks (NB - age 2). Bottles. Enfamil Formula. Burp cloths. Blankets. Swaddling/receiving blankets. Nursing pads. Nursing pillows (Boppy brand). Diaper bags. Baby clothes (boys & girls, NB-2T), specific request for summer. Toddler clothing up to size 5T (high need for these). Boys clothing size 2 & 3. Socks: boys and girls. Gently used baby clothing & children's clothing up to size 5T, especially toddler clothing 2T-5T. Children's books. Books: *What to Expect When You Are Expecting* and *What to Expect the First Year* (used is fine). Maternity clothes, new or gently used. Larger size maternity leggings. Men's gifts, like socks, shampoos, deodorants, beef jerky, combs. Gift cards (\$5-\$10).

QUESTIONS?

Please contact Janet Carpenter, janetacarpenter@comcast.net.

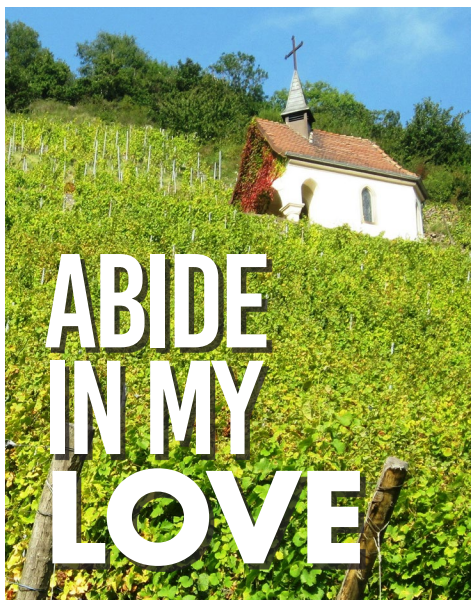
NATIVITY COFFEE & DONUTS

Served every Sunday after the 7:30 am, 9:30 am, and 11:30 am Masses.



ABIDE IN ME

In the photos: Nativity parents bring their children to Nativity Nights centered on Eucharistic Adoration and the Sacrament of Reconciliation, to live our desire to abide in the Lord as He abides in us.



POPE FRANCIS | REGINA CAELI
Sunday, May 9, 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In this Sunday’s Gospel passage (Jn 15:9-17) after having compared himself to the vine and us to the branches, Jesus, explains what *fruit* is borne by those who remain united to him: this fruit is *love*. He again repeats the key-verb: *abide*. He invites us to abide in his love so that his joy may be in us and our joy may be full (vv. 9-11). To abide in Jesus’ love.

Let us ask ourselves: what is this love in which Jesus tells us to abide to have his joy? What is this love? It is the love that originates *in the Father*, because “God is love” (1 Jn 4:8). This love of God, of the Father, flows like a river in his Son Jesus and through him comes to us, his creatures. Indeed, he says: “As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you” (Jn 15:9). The love Jesus gives us is the same with which the Father loves him: pure unconditional love, freely given love. It cannot be bought, it is free. By giving it to us, Jesus treats us like friends—with this love—letting us know the Father; and he involves us in his same mission for the life of the world.

And then, we can ask ourselves the question, how do we abide in this love? Jesus says: “If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love” (v. 10). Jesus summarized his commandments in a single one, this: “that you love one another as I have loved you” (v. 12). To love *as* Jesus Christ means to offer yourself in service, at the service of your brothers and sisters, as he did

in washing the feet of the disciples. It also means going outside of ourselves, detaching ourselves from our own human certainties, from earthly comforts, in order to open ourselves up to others, especially those in greater need. It means making ourselves available, as we are and with what we have. This means to love not in word but in deeds.

To love like Christ means saying ‘no’ to other ‘loves’ that the world offers us: love of money—those who love money do not love as Jesus loves—love of success, of vanity, of power... These deceptive paths of “love” distance us from the Lord’s love and lead us to become more and more selfish, narcissistic and overbearing. And being overbearing leads to a degeneration of love, to the abuse of others, to making our loved ones suffer. I am thinking of the unhealthy love that turns into violence—and how many women are victims of violence these days. This is not love. To love as the Lord loves us means to appreciate the people beside us, to respect their freedom, to love them as they are, not as we want them to be; as they are, gratuitously. Ultimately, Jesus asks us to abide in his love, to dwell in his love, not in our ideas, not in our own self-worship. Those who dwell in self-worship live in the mirror: always looking at themselves. He asks us to overcome the ambition to control and manage others. Not controlling, serving them. Opening our heart to others, this is love, to be trusting, giving ourselves to others.

Dear brothers and sisters, where does this abiding in the Lord’s love lead? Where does it lead us? Jesus told us: “That my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full” (v. 11). And the Lord wants that the joy he possesses, because he is in complete communion with the Father, also be in us insofar as we are united to him. The joy of knowing we are loved by God despite our infidelities enables us to face the trials of life confidently, makes us live through crises so as to emerge from them better. Our being true witnesses consists in living this joy, because joy is the distinctive sign of a true Christian. True Christians are not sad; they always have that joy inside, even in difficult moments.

May the Virgin Mary help us to *abide in Jesus’ love* and to grow in love for everyone, witnessing to the joy of the Risen Lord.

Source: www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/angelus/2021/documents/papa-francesco_regina-caeli_20210509.html



2024-2025 ENROLLMENT IS OPEN PRESCHOOL THROUGH 8TH GRADE

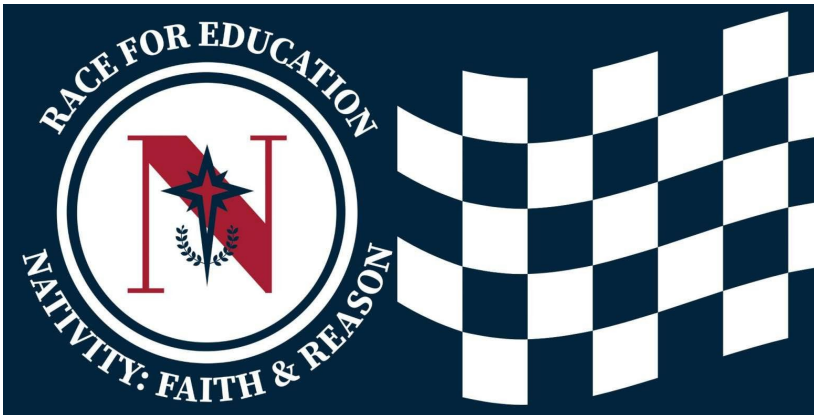
We are accepting new students for the 2024-2025 School Year. Please share this news with your friends, family, and neighbors who are looking for a high-quality education rooted in Catholic values. Nativity: Faith & Reason is the primary ministry of our parish. Serving students in preschool, elementary, and middle school, Nativity: Faith & Reason proposes the fullness of faith within an integrated curriculum, striving for academic, spiritual, artistic, and athletic excellence.

school.nool.us/enroll

CALL TODAY
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With questions about admission or to schedule a tour, contact
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