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Diocese of Charleston

Church of the Nativity

1061 Folly Road
Charleston, South Carolina 29412

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

NOVEMBER 8, 2009

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:

Saturday Vigil:	5:30 pm
Sunday:	9:00 and 11:30 am
Weekdays: (Mon, Tues, Wed)	5:15 pm
(Thurs)	9:30 am
(First Sat)	9:00 am

Confessions: (Sat) 4:15 - 5:00 pm or by appt.

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Office: 843-795-3821 / Fax: 843-795-2714

e-mail: nativityc@bellsouth.net

website: www.nativitycharleston.org

Emergencies requiring a Priest:

843-724-6593

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tues 17 6:30 pm Finance Council Meeting

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 07 9:00 am Deceased Members of Ladies Guild
5:30 pm John McGinnigle+
2nd Anniversary

Sun 08 9:00 am For the People
11:30 am Philip Noe+

Mon 09 5:15 pm Kay Reynolds
Special Intention

Tues 10 5:15 pm Puckett and Jacobi Families
Special Intention

Wed 11 5:15 pm Icard and LeMer Families+

Thur 12 9:30 am For the Family

Sat 14 5:30 pm Betty Strickland+

OFFERINGS

NOVEMBER 1, 2009

Collection \$ 12,063.00
Budget \$ 10,936.00
+/- \$ +1,127.00
Children's \$ 25.50



Registered Households: 712
Envelopes used: 230

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Please use your envelopes. If you need envelopes, call the parish office, 795-3821. An active parishioner is one who has registered with the parish, attends Mass regularly, and uses parish envelopes to make regular contributions for at **least 3 months**.

New Parishioner Registration Form / Address Change

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

**Please drop this information into
the Offertory Basket**

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to our parish family! Please call the church office, 795-3821 to register or fill out a registration form located in the church vestibule and place it in the collection basket when completed.

NURSERY

Nursery is available during the 9:00 am Mass. It's located at the right hand side of the school's breezeway entrance. For more information or to volunteer in the Nursery Ministry, please contact Amy Gilsenan, 406-0237 or agilsenan@gmail.com.

BAPTISM

Contact Mary Smith, 795-3821 ext. 24 to schedule a Baptism preparation class. A parent should be an active parishioner.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples must contact the priest at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date.

(RCIA) RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

This program is for adults who wish to become Catholics. For information or to register for RCIA, call the church office, 795-3821.

CARE OF THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Please notify the parish office, 795-3821 if you wish to have a pastoral visit. We care about you.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Nativity School serves students in grades K4 thru 8. The Parish School of Religion (PSR) for other parish children, grades K3 through 8, is offered during the school year on Sunday mornings in the School Building from 10:00 to 11:15 am. To register, call Mary Smith, 795-3821, ext 24.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

This is offered to 4 year olds - 5th graders during the 9:00 am Mass. Children are dismissed after the opening prayers and re-join their parents for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

SACRAMENTS OF FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST EUCHARIST, AND CONFIRMATION

There is a two year preparation period required for these sacraments. If you would like to have your child receive sacraments in the 2nd grade, they must have participated in a 1st grade PSR or Catholic school program. If you plan to have your child receive the sacrament of Confirmation in the 8th grade, that child must also have participated in a 7th grade PSR or Catholic school program. Please contact Mary Smith, 795-3821 ext.24 with any questions.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES NOVEMBER 14-15, 2009

GREETERS (Side Door)

5:30 pm - JoAnn Frederick

9:00 am - Marion O'Brien

11:30 am - Susie DeLorme

GREETERS (Main Door)

5:30 pm - Terry Harris

9:00 am - Pat Palmer

11:30 am - Alfreda Hawkins

ALTAR SERVERS

5:30 pm - Brian Hlavac, John Powers, Jr.,
Mary Beth Trenaman

9:00 am - Victoria Savage, Christine and Robbie
Wilson

11:30 am - Carly and Ian Duffy, Anna Fuseler

E.M.

5:30 pm - Ernest Bergstrom, Eileen Easler, Ed
Frederick, Terry Harris, Sister Julia,
David Knab, Martha Mays

9:00 am - Jimmy Craven, David Savage, Daniel
and Tamme Suggs, Fran Taylor,
Delores Wrenn, Cindy Yianopoulos

11:30 am - Ed Defourneaux, Susie DeLorme,
Pam Everitt, Patty Edwards, Ann Ginn,
Abel Girault, Kathy Hepner

LECTORS

5:30 pm - Claire Bergstrom

9:00 am - Amber Knight

11:30 am - Frank DiFiglio

USHERS

5:30 pm - Emmett Alphonse, Jon Benthall, Donald
Blevins, Leroy Hulseberg

9:00 am - Jim Anderson, Richard Bragieli,
Walter Machowski, Austin Taylor

11:30 am - Frank DiFiglio, Chuck Everitt, Joe Ginn,
Barry Lingenfelter

STAFF EMAIL / PHONE NUMBERS

ADMINISTRATOR:

Rev. Thomas Kingsley
pastor_nativity@bellsouth.net, 795-3821

PARISH SECRETARY:

Mrs. Terry Harris
nativityc@bellsouth.net, 795-3821 x 21

FINANCIAL SECRETARY:

Mrs. Cindy Salters
finance_nativity@bellsouth.net, 795-3821 x 22

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mary_nativity@bellsouth.net, 795-3821 x 24

MUSIC MINISTRIES:

Ms. Janet Jones
jjones_nativity@bellsouth.net ,
795-3821 x 23 or 343-4093-cell

SCHOOL PRINCIPAL:

Mrs. Patti Dukes
pdukes@nativity-school.com, 795-3975

SCHOOL EDP DIRECTOR:

Ms. Darice Norton, 762-2469

Diocesan Office of Child Protection Services:

843-853-2130 x 209

Diocesan Victim Assistance Minister:

800-921-8122

REMEMBER OUR TROOPS: Please continue to pray for our service men and women and their families throughout our nation. Members of the Armed Services include the Navy, Marines, Army, Air Force, Coast Guard and Merchant Marine: **Col. Joseph Anderson, M.D.; SSGT Michael Brifnek, USAF; Sgt. Major James H. Dennis; Jeremy Dixon, Specialist; Col. Peter B. Edmonds; Jason S. Falcone, 1st Lt., Army; AE3 Karl Grantham; ISC Patricia Grantham; Sgt. Jesse Johnson; Pvt. Luke Johnson; Lt. Col. Kelly Kanapaux; Michael R. McKenna, 2nd Lt., USAF; Capt. Benjamin Pardieck; PVT. Daniel W. Parker, Jr. Army; Capt. Zach Probst; MST3 Tim A. Ross, USCG; Col. Michael Rowland, MD; Seaman Recruit Daniel Wade Suggs, Jr.; Pvt. Samantha Williams; 2nd Lt. Rachel Young.**

Please call the parish office, 795-3821 with names of your loved ones who are serving in the military.

WEBSITE: Our parish bulletin can now be viewed on-line under the News & Events section on our parish website: www.nativitycharleston.org.

MUSIC

NATIVITY MUSIC MINISTRY

*All choirs meet this week in church.
New members are welcome in all groups.*

THE PARISH CHOIR, (*adults and teens*), meets on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm in the church and sings for the 9:00 am Mass on Sundays.

THE 11:30 AM TEEN GROUP meets at 11:00 am on Sundays and is open to all middle and high school students. Special practice times may be scheduled by the group. Group members may also practice with the Parish Choir on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm.

Children's Choirs: All children in the parish are encouraged to participate. Practices begin at 3:00 pm, but schedules can be adapted to include children who cannot arrive here at 3:00.

THE JR. CHOIR for all children in the parish in 3rd Grade or older meets on Wednesdays after school. (3:00 – 4:00 pm or later for those unable to arrive at 3:00). The children will sing occasionally for the 9:00 am and 5:30 pm Masses and for special events.

PRIMARY CHOIR for children in **K5, 1st and 2nd Grades** meets on Thursday after school, (3:00 – 3:45 pm – adapted as needed), and will sing occasionally for the 9:00 am Mass and for special events.

CANTORS AND INSTRUMENTALISTS – singers and any instruments – band, guitar, organ, piano – please talk to the Music Director and find out what you can do to contribute to the music ministry at Nativity.

For more information about music at Nativity, please contact the Music Director, Janet Jones, at church, jjones_nativity@bellsouth.net or 343-4093. Paluch Co., Inc.

FLOWERS



FLOWERS on the altar this weekend in loving memory of Chuck Wrenn.

BULLETIN E-MAIL ADDRESS

All notices for the bulletin MUST be submitted to the parish office in writing no later than Monday before 12:00 noon of each week. You can email them to finance_nativity@bellsouth.net.

50th ANNIVERSARY

Please join us as we celebrate our

50th
Anniversary

Sunday, November 8, 2009

*The celebration begins at 3:00 pm
in the Church with a presentation
by Nativity's Choirs. of
Fifty Years of Music
in the Catholic Church.*

*At 4:00 we'll gather in the
Parish Hall for food, drink and a
walk down memory lane.*

PRAYER LIST

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS: Woody Aydlette, Eleanor Bartasek, Kimberly Benn, RoseMary Bouvette, Sarah Bryant, Vera Buckland, Libby Conway, Doreen D'Aramo, Bill Dronen, Ed Frederick, Sam Gentile, Ruby Inez Germroth, Jay Ginn, Marilyn Grafton, Lula Grice, Bill Groffel, Marjorie Guarisco, Joseph Hand, Angela Harbuta, Donna Hiers, Sandy Honan, Martin Houghton, Vicki Joye, Rachele Lavelle, Joe Lucie, Albert and Jero Lutrario, Sister Stella Maris, John Minton, Marjorie O'Brien, Jackie O'Shaughnessy, Richard Plummer, Caroline Ramsey, Kay Reynolds, Armine Richardson, Sylvia Richardson, Marie Smith, Ashley Starkey, Charlene Teague, Billy Thomas, Tracy Tindal, Jimmy Wells, Grady Williams, Delores Wrenn.

Please call the church office, 795-3821 to add/delete your name to/from the prayer list.

PARISH NEWS

BIG LUNCHEON FOR SMALL CHURCH COMMUNITIES! A luncheon will be held on **November 15th at 1pm** in the church hall for all Small Church Community members and those exploring the possibility of becoming a member. The main entree will be provided and members are asked to bring the covered dishes assigned to their groups. We look forward to an afternoon of great food and outstanding fellowship. Remember... a true friend reaches for your hand and touches your heart. Please join us! Call Jim Pierson at 609-6076 for more information.

ALTAR SERVERS: If you feel your child is ready and they would like to become an altar server, there will be training for students in the 3rd through 8th grades in the church on **Sunday November 15th at 10am** (immediately following the 9am Mass).



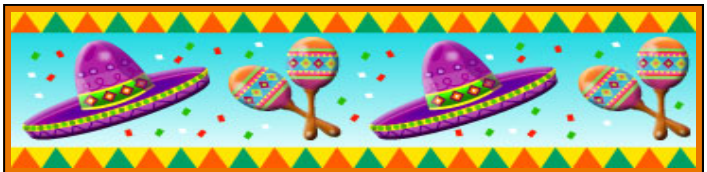
PSR students who wish to serve and attend this training will receive an excused absence.

SCHOOL NEWS

CAR MAGNETS: The PTO is selling Nativity School car magnets. They are \$5.00 each or 2 for \$9.00. If interested, please come by and pick one up at the school office. Thank you for your continued support.

STATE OF THE SCHOOL ADDRESS 3rd Annual State of the School Address Wednesday, November 18th 6:30pm in the main hall

It is vital to have every school family represented at this meeting. The state of Nativity School will be discussed, including ITBS scores, the budget and the Annual Fund Drive. We welcome your questions and input at this very important meeting. Limited space is available for child care if needed.



HISPANIC CELEBRATION

Date: Saturday, November 14th
Time: 6:30 – 8:30 pm
Place: Nativity School Hall

Dinner will be served from 6:30–7:45 pm with entertainment following from 7:45 – 8:30 pm. To go orders are taken also.

There will be two types of meals that will be sold and will include: Tostadas, Tamales, Tacos, and Burritos – **All food will be prepared by our Hispanic families, and proceeds will be donated to the Nativity School PTO.**

•**Adult Plate:** 2 of any of the above (except taco only plates will have 4 tacos); rice; salad, dessert and a drink (soda or traditional Hispanic drink) - \$6.00 or \$7.00.

•**Child's Plate:** 1 of any of the above; rice; dessert and a drink (as above) - \$4.00.

Items can also be bought a la carte – 2 of the above or 4 tacos - \$3.00 and soda - \$1.00.



VIRTUS TRAINING: All volunteers who work with youth, and parents wishing to participate with field trips must be VIRTUS trained. To register for a class you must go to the www.virtusonline.org website to register. Go to the website and look on the left side, click on registration. This will bring up two options. Click on register now. It will ask you to indicate diocese – scroll down to Charleston- Click. The classes are listed by date. Find a time and location that suits you and follow the directions to register. You will be asked to come up with an ID and password. Write these down. You may need them in the future. Follow prompts to register. Once you have completed the training session, you must provide the parish/school with a copy of your Certificate of Attendance.

RESPECT LIFE

HEALTH CARE REFORM: “The Catholic Bishops of the United States have issued an urgent Call to Action regarding the health care reform debate that is currently underway in the United States Congress. The Bishops have concluded that the three bills under consideration are seriously flawed in the following areas: 1) mandating the use of federal funds to pay for abortions (which is contrary to our current federal law), 2) forcing health care workers and Catholic medical institutions to perform medical procedures in violation of their religious conscience and 3) providing adequate access to health care for the poor and immigrants. Please contact your representatives immediately by phone, fax or email. To send a pre-written, instant e-mail to Congress go to www.usccb.org/action. Call the U.S. Capitol switchboard at: 202-224-3121, or call your Members’ local offices. Full contact info can be found on Members’ web sites at www.house.gov and www.senate.gov.” *Kathy Schmutge, Assistant Director of Family Life, Diocese of Charleston*

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: Most recent reports indicate that at least 534 babies and their mothers were saved from abortion during this 40 days of prayer and fasting. At least 3 babies were saved here in Charleston. At least 8 employees have left the abortion facilities to find new jobs during this 40 days. Thank you to all who participated. *If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.” 2 Chronicles 7:14.*

ROSARIES FOR LIFE: Please place your final Rosary count in the baskets located in the back of church. Thank you for coming together prayerfully to end the assaults on the vulnerable.

ROSARY AT ABORTION FACILITY: Rev. Dennis B. Willey, Pastor at Sacred Heart Parish and Christ the Divine Teacher Parish will lead the Rosary and prayers at the West Ashley abortion facility, the Charleston Women's Medical Center, 1312 Ashley River Road (corner of Hwy. 61 and Fuseler) on Saturday, November 21, from 8-9 am. Come be a voice for God's littlest ones and their mothers. For information call Stephen Boyle, 763-0681.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD IN SPANISH: A Rachel's Vineyard retreat will be held in Spanish at the Oratory in Rock Hill, SC the weekend of November 20-22. These retreats are held throughout the US and internationally for the healing of anyone touched by the spiritual and emotional pain of abortion. Come experience the mercy and compassion of God. Contact Christy, 803-554-6088 or graceforhealing@gmail.com; Kathy, 803-546-6010 or postabortionhealing@gmail.com. All calls are confidential. This is a ministry of Priest for Life and the Catholic Diocese of Charleston. www.rachelsvineyard.org.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING empowers couples to accurately identify their days of fertility and infertility either to achieve or to avoid pregnancy. **Fertility Care Practitioner:** Karen Provost, RN, CFCP: 745-0740, or Amy Withers, PT, FCPI: 709-9080; **Couple to Couple League:** Joseph and Michelle Shahid: 881-2451 or Kevin and Jennifer Welsh: 569-3612.

PREGNANT? NEED HELP?

LOWCOUNTRY PREGNANCY CENTER

225-3010 IN WEST ASHLEY or
553-3505 IN NORTH CHARLESTON

BIRTHRIGHT: 556-4403

NATIONWIDE TOLL FREE

1-800-395-HELP

www.pregnancycenters.org

COMMUNITY NEWS

THE 'TRI-COUNTY CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP GROUP' is for Catholic singles 40+ for the purpose of socials, community work and faith enhancement. We will be having our Christmas party at the 'Victorian House' in Summerville on **December 12th from 7:00 to 10:00 pm**. Please call Cathy at 851-1084 for more information.

SOUTH CAROLINA WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:

In today's First Reading it says, "The jar of flour shall not go empty, nor the jug of oil run dry". Your love for your spouse can last forever, too. The next weekend is planned for **February 5-7, 2010** in Columbia. For more information visit our South Carolina website at <http://sc.wwme.org/> or contact Bart and Laurie Huffman at 864-575-4951/ lahuffman@prtcnet.com or our registration couple Steve and Nydia Burdick 803-798-8296/ scwwme@gmail.com.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #704,

located in downtown Charleston, will hold its 32nd Annual Turkey Day Run & Gobble Wobble on Thursday, November 26th, Thanksgiving morning. The 5K run and walk begins at 9 am and the Children's Fun Run starts at 10 am. Proceeds from this race are donated to local charities including Birthright, Neighborhood House and St. Vincent de Paul. Please plan to register early for this year's race. Volunteers are also needed. For more information or to register online, go to www.turkeydayrun.com. If you'd like to volunteer, e-mail Ed at blackdogs39849@att.net. You may also call (843) 276-9339.