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MASS SCHEDULE:
Saturday: 4:00 pm
Sunday: 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am
Weekdays:
5:30 pm (Tuesday and Thursday)
9:00 am (Wednesday) 6:30 am (Friday)

OFFICE HOURS:
Monday: 9:00 am — 5:00 pm
Tuesday: 9:00 am — 5:00 pm
Wednesday: 9:30 am — 5:00 pm
Thursday: 9:00 am — 5:00 pm
Friday: 9:00 am — 12:00 pm
(Closed daily from 12:00 pm — 1:00 pm for Lunch)

PASTOR:
Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Romero

SACRAMENTAL MINISTER:
Fr. Ed Degeyter

BOOKKEEPER:
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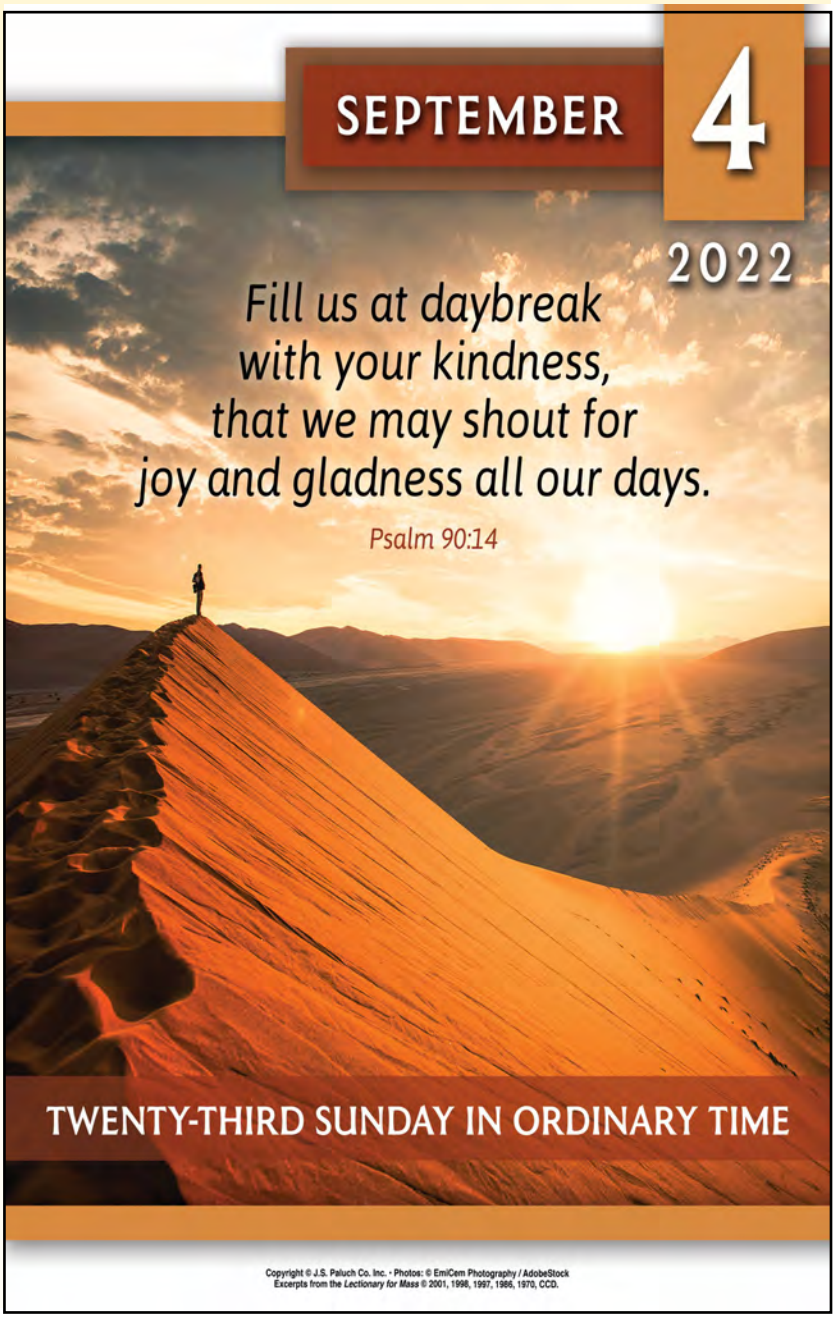
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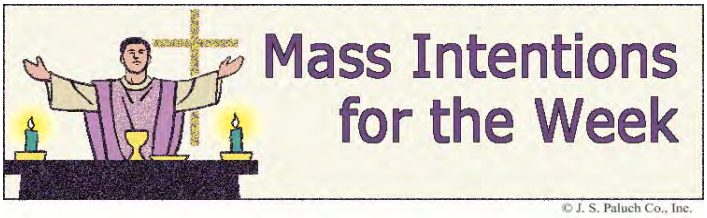
DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION
Janet Viator – 365-3759

PASTORAL COUNCIL PRESIDENT: *Barbara Breaux*

RECONCILIATION:
Saturday: 3:00 pm — 3:45 pm and
30 minutes before weekday Masses

ROSARY:
Wednesday: 8:20 am *(Pro-Life)*
Thursday: 5:00 pm





Tuesday, September 6, 2022
5:30pm Dalton Saltzman (1yr ann of death)
Wednesday, September 7, 2022
9:00am Patty Babineaux Fontenot, Joseph Viator
Delta Sapienza (2yr ann of death)
Victor Bernard, Jr., Patti Gagnard
Philip Saltzman
Thursday, September 8, 2022
5:30pm Mickey Champagne
Friday, September 9, 2022
6:30am Kimberly Ann Clements (bd)
Saturday, September 10, 2022
4:00pm Harvey & Joyce DeCourt, Roy Flores
Lynward Ransonet, Prejean & Anslem Fly
Allen Dupre, Carol J. Desormeaux
Ralph & Lorraine Breaux
Emmet & Marguerite Conery
Sunday, September 11, 2022
7:00am Parishioners, Charles Froisy
Mrs. Terry Borel, Patricia Picard
United States of America
9:00am Msgr. H. J. Barsen, Agapito A. Castro
Melvin Petry, Kimberly Ann Clements
Gerald "Bick" Girouard, Quang V. Nguyen
Larry John Romero, L.J. & Edna Begnaud
Loretta Trahan, L.E. & Barbara Dugas
Carl Joseph Toups, Sr. (bd)
11:00am Fr. A.J. Boumans, Donna M. Lanza
Dave. J. Cavalier, Jr., Roland Romero

Our Lady of the Oaks, Grand Coteau
Upcoming Retreats:
Married Couples Retreats:
October 7-9, 2022 - 2 day weekend
Weekend Retreats for Women:
September 29-October 2, 2022 - 3 day Weekend
For more information, please contact Our Lady of the Oaks Retreat House in Grand Coteau at (337) 662-5410 or visit the website at www.ourladyoftheoaks.com.

Faith Formation registration forms have been mailed. Students are not automatically registered, so please complete the registration form and return it to Nativity of Our Lady Church. Call Janet Viator with any questions, 365-3759.

BBQ DINNER FUNDRAISER
Knights of Columbus Council #12997

Sunday, September 11, 2022
Dinner includes: BBQ Pork Chop, Rice Dressing & Beans
Pickup is under the Carport behind the Church Office (behind Church) from 10AM - 1PM

Tickets are $15.00 each, Tickets will be sold after each weekend Mass and available from any KC member.

Also, the Ladies K.C. Auxiliary members will be selling brownies.

Call Wayne Duhon at 337-339-1602 for more info.

Note of Thanks from Father Ed. . .

It was a great joy to have so many of you, Nativity Parishioners and our guests, present for my Birthday Mass and reception. My sincere thanks to all of those who took part in any way in the celebration. Please know how special all of you are to me, and be assured of my continued prayers and remembrance. May God's choicest blessings be with you, and may our Mother Mary's prayers and intercessions for you support and strengthen you.

Fr. Ed

SANCTUARY LIGHT:
In Memory Of:
Don Taylor



REFLECTIONS **Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time -** Human beings always like pat answers. We want things to go according to an orderly plan - preferably one we have designed. We like to think we know exactly what God wants of ourselves and others. The problem is that God doesn't work within our rules. Things seldom work out just as we intended. We need to trust that they are still part of God's plan. Reflect on how much you try to control your world and how willing you are to let God be in control. Can you recall a time when you were able to admit you could not control things and put yourself in God's hands? What can you do to learn to trust God more?

"Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart." - Psalm 90:12

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MEMORIAL BOOK

The weekend of the first Sunday of every month the "Memorial Book" is placed in the sanctuary as a reminder that we pray for all those who have been enrolled. You can enroll any deceased person by making a donation to Our Lady's Altar Society (minimum $5.00) This money stays with the Altar Society to assist the parish with Altar needs. Call Virginia Molbert @ 364-0349.

IS GOD CALLING?

Is He calling **You?**
His children need to be taught.
The benefits are "out of this world"!
Teacher needed for:
5th Grade - Wednesday 5:30 - 6:30pm
Please call Janet Viator
@ 365-3759 for more information.

Eucharistic Revival - September 4, 2022

From the ancient document entitled "The Teaching of the Twelve Apostles" (Nn. 9,1-10,6:14,1-3: Funk 2,19-22,26)

The Eucharist: Celebrate the Eucharist as follows: Say over the cup: "we give you thanks, Father, for the holy vine of David, your servant, which you made known to us through Jesus your servant. To you be glory for ever."

Over the broken bread say: "we give you thanks, Father, for the life and the knowledge which you have revealed to us through Jesus your servant. To you be glory for ever. As this broken bread scattered on the mountains was gathered and became one, so too, may your Church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom. For glory and power are yours through Jesus Christ for ever."

Do not let anyone eat or drink of your eucharist except those who have been baptized in the name of the Lord. For the statement of the Lord applies here also: ***Do not give to dogs what is holy.***

When you finish the meal, offer thanks in this manner: "We thank you, holy Father, for your name which you enshrined in our hearts. We thank you for the knowledge and faith and immortality which you revealed to us through your servant Jesus. To you be glory for ever. Almighty ruler, you created all things for the sake of your name; you gave men food and drink to enjoy so that they might give you thanks. Now you have favored us through Jesus your servant with spiritual food and drink as well as with eternal life. Above all we thank you because you are mighty. To you be glory for ever.

"Remember, Lord, your Church and deliver her from all evil. Perfect her in your love; and, once she has been sanctified, gather her together from the four winds into the kingdom which you have prepared for her. For power and glory are yours for ever.

"May grace come and this world pass away! Hosanna to the God of David. If anyone is holy, let him come. If anyone is not, let him repent. Maranatha. Amen."

On the Lord's day, when you have been gathered together, break bread and celebrate the Eucharist. But first confess your sins so that your offering may be pure. If anyone has a quarrel with his neighbor, that person should not join you until he has been reconciled. Your sacrifice must not be defiled. In this regard, the Lord has said: ***In every place and time offer me a pure sacrifice. I am a great king, says the Lord, and my name is great among the nations.*** [**SOURCE:** OFFICE OF READINGS FOR WEDNESDAY OF THE FOURTEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME]

PRAYER & SICK LIST



The names on our prayer list will stay on for 90 days. If you want to add or delete a name, please call the office @ 364-8360: Coty Lynn Romero, Rhonda Darden, Peggy Lancon, Art & Carmen Merryman, Nicole Guilbeau & Fly, Deacon John & Linda Sarkies, Fr. Eugene Tremie, Gene Gonsoulin, Celia-Kate Williams, Jane Schaubert, Alexis Bourque, Alvin LeBlanc, Evan Garbarino, Stephanie Kelly, Harry Buteaux, Jovi Racca, Stephanie Trahan, Amber Gaspard, Rosetta Mouton, Keisha Castille, Tricia Estave, Christine Jumonville, Max Borres, Clifton Babin, Norvelle Belaire, Ace, Jenny & Jersii Mayeaux, Donna Snoddy, Raywood & Virginia Buteaux, Eric Simeon, Betty Romero, Juliette Dubois, Sarah Tabor Collette, Linda Bernard, Margaret Peltier, Xander Menard, Ellis Labat, Luis Aguilar, Lori Aguilar, Martha Lewis, Mardell Broussard, Fran Jackson, David & Robin Viator family, Sheryl S. Bourque, Ronnie Landry, Elise C. Verret, Michael & Claire Landry Family, Dustin & Nicole V. Ortego family, Gloria Landry, Linda & Clint Trahan family, Josephine Delcambre, Abby Musselwhite, Timmie Trahan, Alice Robicheaux, Enola Benoit, Jean -Paul Marceaux, Corliss Ramirez, John Ray, Farina Guidry, Glenn Mason, Mary Saltzman, Rachel Romero, Peyton Norwood, Nicholas Andrus, Neal Seago, Steven Meyers, Terry & Mary Broussard, Ruth Bernard, Sirena Rogers, Johnny Dore, Enrique Escoto, Darlene Boutte, Jason Goutierrez, Sue Hartwell, Ted Habetz, Gayle Hebert, Shelton "Boo" Hebert, Patricia McGinn, Scotty McGinn, Karen Guilbeau, Rita Gary, Rosie Fermathal, Caroline Dubois, Hadley Babin, Ronald Fino, Amye Bellot, Dale Landry, Michael Vincent, Collin Doxey, Ellen Garacci, Daphne Lopez, Lilly Sowell, Michelle Longman Dugas, Myrna Poche, Hardy Jenkins, Carrol Romero, Jr., Boo & Brenda Derouen, Tina Thibodeaux

Please also pray for those individuals who, although they are in need of your prayers, have requested that their names not be publicized for privacy reasons.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Q: As Catholics, we talk a lot about "redemptive suffering" and "carrying your cross." What does that mean practically in daily life?

A: When Jesus spoke these words, they would have sounded quite intense to his hearers. "Pick up your cross daily and follow me." At the time, Jesus hadn't yet been crucified. A cross was a Roman torture instrument. "Pick up the thing that tortures you the most," Jesus seemed to say. Unfortunately, most of us have no real shortage of these in our life. To take up the cross isn't to seek out new sufferings in our life. It's to accept the life we have.

Of course, unjust or unhealthy circumstances should be rectified when possible. But there are always circumstances that remain out of our immediate control. It could be pain management, the defiance of our teenage child, or an unhealthy work environment ... but you need the paycheck to pay the bills. In difficult circumstances, it can be easier to blame, complain, or daydream our way out of it. None of these are real solutions, since none of them accept the reality of the situation at hand. Those options only add to our suffering, since they damage relationships, fixate on the problem, or set up unrealistic expectations.

Instead, Jesus invites us to take up our cross - to look at the uncomfortable situation square in the eyes, take a deep breath, and do our best to be present to God's grace in the moment - to love those in our path, to take things one step at a time.

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BIBLE STUDY

THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE EPHESIANS is a bible study that will be presented in September. It is a 10 week bible study And 1 week for the introduction making it 11 weeks long that will be held from the week of September 6 through November 15. The sessions will be held on Tuesday or Thursday.

In this detailed 6-chapter exegesis, rather than shying away from the great "mystery of Christ" that defines the letter, Scott Hahn and Mark Shea expertly lead you to contemplate what it means for you to share in Christ's Body.

Fr. Matthew Kauth also urges you to accept this challenge as you learn in 10 lessons:

- What "new thing under the sun" God has done for us
- How the relationship between husband and wife points to Christ and His Church

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To sign up for this phenomenal bible study call Janet Viator at 365-3759.

TODAY'S READINGS

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 4, 2022

Reading I: Wisdom 9:13-18b

- How does your prayer and faith life nurture wisdom?

Reading II: Philemon 9-11, 12-17

- Paul advocates to Philemon for the runaway slave, Onesimus, who has now come to believe in Christ. How do you imagine Philemon reacted to Paul's request?

Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

- Jesus taught the crowds that the renunciation of all possessions is required for true discipleship. How do you try to live out this command?

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CURRENT EVENTS

Monday, September 5, 2022 - Labor Day
Nativity Church Office Closed
Tuesday, September 6, 2022
Mass at 5:30pm
Wednesday, September 7, 2022
Pro-Life Rosary - 8:20am - Mass - 9am
Eucharistic Adoration Holy Hour -
9:30am - 10:30am - Church
Thursday, September 8, 2022
Mass at 5:30pm
Baptismal Class - 6:30pm - Office
Friday, September 9, 2022
Mass at 6:30am
Saturday, September 10, 2022
Mass at 4pm
Sunday, September 11, 2022
Masses at:**7am, 9am & 11am**
2nd Collection - Nativity Building Fund
K.C. BBQ Fundraiser Dinner Pickup
10am - 1pm - Behind Church Office
Confirmation Meeting - 5pm - Parish Hall

IS RCIA FOR YOU?

Have you been searching for a Church home, and would like to learn more about the Catholic Church? Or, for whatever reason, you did not receive your First Communion or Confirmation when you were younger? The R.C.I.A. Program, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, would be the place for you. The R.C.I.A. is a process of catechesis (instructions in the principles of Christianity) and community building. This program is open to all non-baptized adults seeking to join the Catholic Church, as well as those willing to convert from another faith, those baptized Catholics who would like to enter into full membership in the Church, and even those who would like to review our faith at a deeper level and an adult level. If you would like more information please contact Msgr. Romero at the church office - 364-8360.

		MASS SERVERS September 6 - 11, 2022			
DAY DATE	**TIME**	**CELEBRANT**	**READERS**	**LAY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**	**ALTAR SERVERS**
Tuesday 9/6/22	***5:30pm***	Fr. Ed Degeyter	***See Reader Schedule***	***See Signup Sheet Inside Church***	Sacristan
Wednesday 9/7/22	***9:00am***	Fr. Ed Degeyter	***See Reader Schedule***	***See Signup Sheet Inside Church***	Sacristan
Thursday 9/8/22	***5:30pm***	Fr. Ed Degeyter	***See Reader Schedule***	***See Signup Sheet Inside Church***	Sacristan
Friday 9/9/22	***6:30am***	Fr. Ed Degeyter	***See Reader Schedule***	***See Signup Sheet Inside Church***	Sacristan
Saturday 9/10/22	***4:00pm***	Fr. Ed Degeyter	***See Reader Schedule***	***See Signup Sheet Inside Church***	***See Altar Server Schedule***
Sunday 9/11/22	***7:00am***	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	***See Reader Schedule***	***See Signup Sheet Inside Church***	***See Altar Server Schedule***
	9:00am	Fr. Ed Degeyter	***See Reader Schedule***	***See Signup Sheet Inside Church***	***See Altar Server Schedule***
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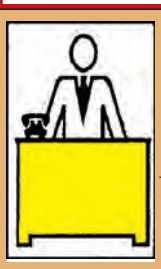
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