

# Nativity of Our Lord Catholic Church

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Third Sunday of Lent  
March 27, 2011

## 2011 Lenten Parish Mission

*"Through Him, With Him, In Him—  
The Liturgy of the Church  
and True Christian Holiness"*

Presented by Fr. John Paul Erickson



Monday, March 28 ~ *A Holy People, Set Apart—Why the Mass Matters*  
Tuesday, March 29 ~ *She Has Chosen the Better Part—Praying the Mass*  
Wednesday, March 30 ~ *When I Am Lifted Up—The Mystery of Suffering & the Mass*

7:00 to 8:15 p.m. in the Main Church

All are invited to join in this opportunity to deepen your Lenten journey.

## School News



### ***The Music Man is coming to Nativity!***

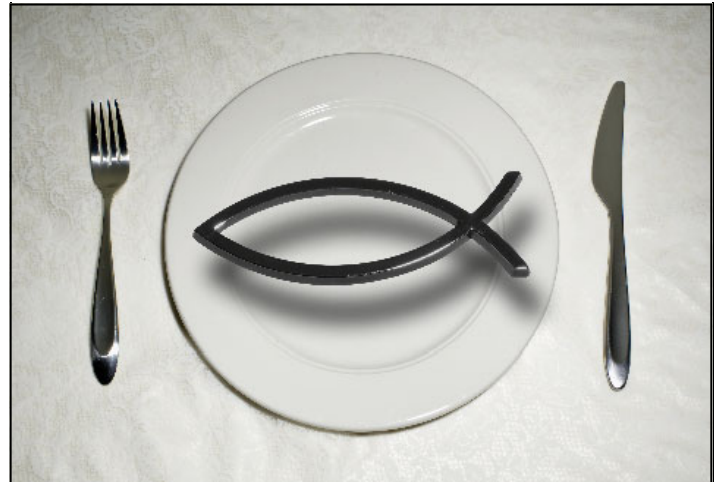
All are invited to this year's 7th and 8th grade production of *The Music Man*. Under the direction of Robert Galligan, the students have worked hard and are eager to have you enjoy this spectacular show with them. Show times are April 7, 8, 9 at 7:00 p.m. in the School Auditorium. Tickets are \$5.00/adults and \$3.00/students and are available at the door. Children under the age of 5 are free.

**We have a special invitation to the senior members of our parish community to join us for a "free sneak preview" of our presentation on Sunday, April 3rd at 1:00 p.m.** This will be the final dress rehearsal before opening night. We hope you can join us.

## Respect Life News

**Today! Midpoint prayer vigil for 40 Days for Life Twin Cities.** Join others at 3:00 p.m. TODAY, March 27, outside HealthPartners' Regions Hospital, for the midpoint of this Lenten campaign of prayer, peaceful vigil and community outreach to end abortion. Nativity has also joined with the Lumen Christi and St. Mark's parishes in pledging to provide at least two people to pray on-site Wednesday, April 13 each hour between 12:00 a.m. through midnight. To participate, register online at [www.40daysforlife.com/twincities](http://www.40daysforlife.com/twincities) or call Theresa Lauer at (651) 695-0124. If you register online, we would still appreciate a call so we know how many parishioners are participating and we can communicate with you. Regions Hospital has a self-contained unit--GYN Special Services--that performs abortions (696 in 2009). The first hospital in the Upper Midwest to be certified as a Level 1 Pediatric Trauma Center, Regions commits late-term abortions up to 20 weeks from conception and trains medical residents to perform them.

**The Minnesota Catholic Conference is the public policy voice of the Catholic Church in Minnesota.** Central to its mission is the principle that all life is sacred. The MCC advocates for public policies that promote and support life across the lifespan--from conception through natural death. Refer to [www.mncc.org](http://www.mncc.org), where you can join the Catholic Advocacy Network to receive e-mail alerts about issues and communicate easily with elected officials as part of a unified Catholic voice. The National Committee for a Human Life Amendment's objectives include educating citizens, developing pro-life networks, and offering programs in support of pro-life legislation. The NCHLA assists dioceses, state Catholic conferences, and Catholic lay groups. It also works closely with the Secretariat for Pro-Life Activities of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Refer to [www.nchla.org](http://www.nchla.org) for information about current issues.



### Nativity Fish Fry

Friday, April 1st ~ 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

School Cafeteria

(please use main school entrance on Wellesley Avenue)

\$9/adult; \$6/child; \$30/family

Drive-up/To-Go available along  
Wellesley Avenue side of school

*Sponsored by the Nativity Men's Club*

### Catholic Services Appeal Update

Nativity has received \$37,800 which is 28% of our parish financial goal for the Catholic Services Appeal. Thank you to those who have generously donated to the Appeal. Those who continue to prayerfully consider their gift, please remember that no gift is too small to support one another in faith and to help those in need.

## Nativity News

The NCCW is sponsoring a **Lenten Mission Rosary Making Social** on April 4 and 11 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in Steiner Hall. Supplies are provided and rosary makers will be available to help you learn how to assemble the rosaries. All the rosaries made are sent to missions. Attend one or all of the socials. Adults must accompany children under age 12. Call the parish office at (651) 696-5401 to register.



**Nativity Men's Club Raffle Tickets** were mailed out last week. Thanks to everyone who ordered tickets this year. If you want to purchase them, just fill out the information on the ticket stubs and return with your payment in the Sunday collection basket or mail them to the parish office. **Please return the stubs by Monday, April 11th.** Each ticket purchased gives you a chance at 30 cash prizes which we award starting in May. Didn't get tickets because you missed our call? Need more tickets? You can order tickets through [www.nativitymen.org](http://www.nativitymen.org) or by calling Tom Howard at (651) 274-5711. Pro Liberis!

**Nativity Moms' Club** upcoming events:

- March 31st, Kate Wollan presents, "Raising Responsible & Faith-filled Children," Steiner Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- April 11, Book Club, 8:00 p.m. at Aimee Gatti's house
- April 14, Easter Playdate, 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. in Steiner Hall.

Contact Aimee Gatti, (651) 699-4976, [threecats123@comcast.net](mailto:threecats123@comcast.net) or Jessica Quinn, (651) 659-0677, [Jessica.quinn50@gmail.com](mailto:Jessica.quinn50@gmail.com) for more information.

**First Friday Fellowship** is this week, Friday, April 1st. Join fellow parishioners in Steiner Hall following the 8:15 a.m. Mass this Friday for hospitality and fellowship.



**The Blood Drive** is less than a month away. On Monday, April 11th you will have the opportunity to give the gift of life by taking an hour out of your day and donating blood. The Blood Drive will be held in Steiner Hall from 1:00 to 7:00 p.m. Make your appointment today by calling Julie Bauchle at (651) 644-1526.

**Early Bulletin Deadlines for Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday.** The deadline for submitting articles for the April 17th, Palm Sunday bulletin is Noon on Tuesday, April 5th. The deadline for submitting articles for the April 24th, Easter Sunday bulletin is Noon on Tuesday, April 12th. Articles can be emailed to [bulletin@nativity-mn.org](mailto:bulletin@nativity-mn.org) or dropped off at the parish office.

## March Food Drive



Thank you to all who donated food and/or cash to the March Food Drive. If you forgot to bring a bag of non-perishable food with you to church today, Nativity collects food and cash for Keystone Community Food Shelf throughout the year. The first weekend of every month is Food Collection Sunday. Food donations can be dropped off in the vestibule of the church and cash donations can be dropped in the collection basket. Please make checks payable to Keystone and write "food shelf" in the memo section.

*"Make us worthy, Lord,  
to serve those throughout the world  
who live and die in poverty and hunger.  
Give them, through our hands,  
this day their daily bread;  
and by our understanding love,  
give peace and joy. Amen."*

*—Mother Teresa*

## Pastoral Ministry News

Choice Connections presents **Senior Parade of Homes**, Thursday, April 28th, 10:00 a.m. The Parade includes senior living communities in the Highland Park area that you can experience in a fun, entertaining way. The route will showcase independent living, assisted living, a residential home and memory care. Know your options should you ever need them. Choice Connections advocates for seniors to have independence and control in their home choice as they age. The cost for this Parade is \$15/person or \$25/couple (spouse or adult child) and includes transportation, mid-morning refreshments and lunch. It departs from the Jewish Community Center at 10:00 a.m. and returns mid-afternoon. Reservations required and can be made by calling (651) 261-5379. Individual tours can also be arranged.



## Altar Server & Lector Schedule

### MONDAY, MAR 28 & TUESDAY, MAR 29

**8:15 am:** Patrick Buehe, Kevin Hottinger

**5:00 pm:** Seamus Ryan, Joe Page

### WEDNESDAY, MAR 30 & THURSDAY, MAR 31

**8:15 am:** Peter Johnson, Joey Lawder

**5:00 pm:** Eric Ubel, Nolan Lauber

### FRIDAY, APRIL 1

**8:15 am:** Steve Jay, Philip Margarit

**5:00 pm:** John Oberst, Jack Wingerd

**7:00 pm Stations:** Joe Herbeck, Seamus Kelly, Connor Keane, Ian Kies

### SATURDAY, APRIL 2

**8:15 am:** Steve Jay, Philip Margarit

**5:00 pm**

**Servers:** Patrick Hennessey, Shane Hennessey, Nick Johnson, Tommy Johnson

**Lectors:** Anna Gajdel, Julie Balamut

### SUNDAY, APRIL 3

**7:00 am**

**Servers:** Erin Hynes, Meghan Kies

**Lector:** Tim Huberty

**8:15 am**

**Servers:** Annie Keough, Biff Keough, Lauren Kohlbeck, Jackie Link

**Lectors:** Rick Wilhoit, Diane Reisdorfer

**9:30 am**

**Servers:** Grace Howard, Hannah Howard

**Lectors:** Jim Zenk, Tony Vasquez

**11:00 am**

**Servers:** Risa Peine, Allie Lawder, Caitlin Leatherman, Kathleen LeFevour, Claire Lewis, Lindsey Mazzitello

**Lectors:** Arlene Leyden, Albert Wugaa

**5:00 pm**

**Lectors:** Pat McGuire, Meghan Brown

## Stewardship

March 20, 2011	Current	Fiscal YTD	Budget YTD
Stewardship Offering	19,403.43	—	—
Stewardship Offering— Electronic Funds Transfer	21,921.08	—	—
<b>Total Stewardship</b>	<b>41,324.51</b>	<b>1,240,245.33</b>	<b>1,245,661.00</b>
Plate	2,253.82	58,483.18	62,115.38
Hunger Box	258.50	6,828.69	7,673.08

## Adoration

“When we are before the Blessed Sacrament, let us open our heart; our good God will open His. We shall go to Him; He shall come to us...it will be like a breath from one to the other.”

—St. John Vianney

Ideally, two people are needed in the adoration chapel each hour. The yellow squares identify those times when only one person is spending time with our Lord. **The red squares indicates hours currently without Adorers.** If interested in spending a peaceful hour with Jesus, contact Jim McQuillan at [mcquillanj@rjfagencies.com](mailto:mcquillanj@rjfagencies.com) or (763) 746-8244 or sign-up through the Nativity website at [Nativity-mn.org/parish/site/spiritual life/perpetual adoration](http://Nativity-mn.org/parish/site/spiritual%20life/perpetual%20adoration).

Time	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
12 am-1am							
1 - 2 am							
2 - 3 am							
3 - 4 am							
4 - 5 am							
5 - 6 am							
6 - 7 am							
7 - 8 am							
9 - 10 am							
10 - 11am							
11 - noon							
12 - 1 pm							
1 - 2 pm							
2 - 3 pm							
3 - 4 pm							
4 - 5 pm							
5:30 pm							
6 - 7 pm							
7 - 8 pm							
8 - 9 pm							
9 - 10 pm							
10 - 11 pm							
11 - 12 am							

## Deaths

Please remember in your prayers the repose of the soul of Edward Thom and Jim Thuente who passed away recently. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

## Nativity Heroes



Below is a list of Nativity parish family members who are currently serving in the military. Please include these men and women and their families in your prayers.

**Major Kristin Aberg**, U.S. Army, Virginia  
**1st Lt. Justin T. Archer**, US Army, Afghanistan  
**SSG Gary Baccus**, US Army, Iraq  
**Capt. Adrian Bauer**, U. S. Army, Iraq  
**SGT Timothy Bode**, Marines, Afghanistan  
**CDR. Patricia May Burns**, Navy, Pearl Harbor  
**CPT Kate Thornton Buzicky**, US Army, 1st Cavalry, Iraq  
**Lt. Andrew Froistad**, U.S. Navy, San Diego, CA  
**Major Mark Hesse**, Air Force, Ramstine, Germany  
**Pfc. Thomas Kemp**, Army, Baghdad, Iraq  
**SPC Timothy Knippel**, U.S. Army, Fr. Stewart, GA  
**Capt. Brian Knutson**, U.S. Army, Kabul, Afghanistan  
**2nd Lt Michael Kracht**, Air Force, Vance AFB, Enid, OK  
**E5 Michael Mandler**, USN Seabees, Djibouti, Africa  
**PFC Andrew McGillivray**, Army, Fort Eustis, VA  
**Sgt. Saul Mellado**, Marines, Iraq  
**AT3 Daniel Meyers**, USN, Al Udeid, Qatar  
**SR John Minea**, Naval Reserve, San Diego, CA  
**CPL Tyler Murray**, Baghdad, Iraq  
**Capt. Daniel J. Nilsson**, Marines, Marjah, Afghanistan  
**Major Jeremy Olson**, Air Force, Vandenberg AFB  
**CDR. Stephen Perry**, Navy, SS Santa Fe  
**Sr. Airman Anthony Quinn**, Luke AFB, Arizona  
**Major Mark Reineke**, Air Force, Minot AFB, ND  
**Major Michael Reineke**, Army National Guard  
**Lt. Col. Myron Reineke**, U.S. Army, Wilzek, Germany  
**Sgt. Sam Root**, Army National Guard, Iraq  
**Capt Anna (Wieser) Shebesta**, U.S. Army, Ft. Bliss, El Paso, TX  
**1st Lt Timothy Shebesta**, U.S. Army, Iraq  
**ET1 (SW/AW) Matthew Skillrud**, U.S. Navy, NAS Brunswick, ME  
**Lt. Col. Thomas Sonnen**, U.S. Army, Pentagon, Washington DC  
**Maj. Gen. David Sprynczynatyk**, Army National Guard  
**LT Bryan Swintek**, U.S.Coast Guard, Milwaukee, WI  
**CPT Philip Swintek**, U.S. Army, Germany  
**PFC Phillip (Kenefick) Sze**, Marines, Camp Pendleton, CA  
**Lt. David Tancabel**, U.S. Navy, Washington, D.C.  
**CPL Matthew Weaver**, Marines, Camp Pendleton, CA  
**Commander Julie Working**, USN Patuxent River NAS, MD  
**MSGT Ken Working**, USAF, Oklahoma ANG, OKC  
**SMSGT Terri Working**, USAF, Oklahoma ANG, OKC

To add your family member's name to this list, contact Molly Dressen at [mdressen@nativity-mn.org](mailto:mdressen@nativity-mn.org) with the correct spelling, rank and branch of service and location.

## Weekly Scripture Readings

Mar 28: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Lk 4:24-30  
Mar 29: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Mt 18:21-35  
Mar 30: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19  
Mar 31: Jer 7:23-28; Lk 11:14-23  
Apr 1: Hos 14:2-10; Mk 12:28-34  
Apr 2: Hos 6:1-6; Lk 18:9-14  
Apr 3: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41

## Mass Intentions

**Mar 28 8:15 a.m.**—Gene Minea, Mary & Geo Bernier +  
**5:00 p.m.**—Colleen Miller +  
**Mar 29 8:15 a.m.**—Anna M. Ritschel +  
**5:00 p.m.**—Jean Eich +  
**Mar 30 8:15 a.m.**—Anne Foley +  
**5:00 p.m.**—Patricia Thornton +  
**Mar 31 8:15 a.m.**—Donald Klaers +  
**5:00 p.m.**—Paula Percic +  
**April 1 8:15 a.m.**—Anna Hanifan +  
**5:00 p.m.**—James Feeney +  
**April 2 8:15 a.m.**—Barbara McCarter +

## Community News

**Evening of Enrichment** with author Patrick Mader, Tuesday, March 29th, 6:45 p.m. at Holy Childhood Catholic Church. Patrick is the author of intergenerational children's books about love and sharing. \$5 donation. Call (651) 224-7102 for more information.

**Jim Towey to present "Mother Teresa: Reflections on Why Her Work is Just Beginning"** on Wednesday, March 30th, 7:30 p.m. at O'Shaughnessy Educational Center Auditorium, University of St. Thomas. Free and open to the public.

**Archdiocesan Women's Retreat**, Saturday, April 2nd, 8:30 a.m. to Noon at Holy Spirit Catholic Church. Fr. Peter Laird presents, "*Turning Away from Sin: Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving.*" Call (651) 291-4488 to register. Cost is \$10.

**"Striving to Be a Good and Faithful Servant,"** talk by Dr. Teresa Collett, Tuesday, April 5th, 7:00 p.m. at St. Joseph's Church, West St. Paul. Call (651) 457-2781 for more information.

**Keystone Senior Center** offers the following programs for senior citizens: **AARP Free Tax Assistance** on Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Must call (651) 645-7424 for an appointment. **Gym Walking and Senior Exercise Programs**, Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. to Noon at Merriam Park Community Center. **Free Blood Pressure Check** with an RN on the second Wednesday of each month from 10:45 to 11:45 a.m. No appointment necessary.

Each of you is precious to Christ.  
He knows you personally.  
He loves you tenderly,  
even when you are not aware of it.

—Pope John Paul II

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## Sunday Mass

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 p.m.  
 Sunday: 7:00, 8:15, 11:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.  
 Mass in Steiner Hall: 9:30 a.m.

## Daily Mass

Monday-Saturday: 8:15 a.m.  
 Monday-Friday: 5:00 p.m.

## Sacrament of Penance

Monday through Friday: 7:45 a.m. & 4:30 p.m.  
 Saturday: 3:30-4:30 p.m.

## Emergency Sick Calls

Any hour 696-5401 (press 1)

## Lannan Parish Center Office Hours:

Monday thru Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
 Friday 8:00 a.m. to Noon  
 1900 Wellesley Avenue 696-5401  
 Fax 696-5458

## School Office

1900 Stanford Avenue 699-1311

## Website:

[www.nativity-mn.org](http://www.nativity-mn.org)

## E-Mail:

[info@nativity-mn.org](mailto:info@nativity-mn.org)

## Parish Pastoral Council

George Murphy, Chair 698-5993

## Prayer Line Times:

9:00-11:00 a.m. & 6:00-7:00 p.m.  
 Mary Kay McQuade 454-7431  
 Bette Hoffman 699-8249

## To Register as a Parishioner:

Please contact the Lannan Parish Center 696-5401

## Pastor

Father Patrick Hipwell 696-5401

## Parochial Vicar

Father Joe Bambenek 696-5440

## Parish Business Administrator

Laura Barr 696-5423

## Parish Secretary/Assistant to Pastor

Carol Thuente 696-5401

## Faith Formation Director

Randy Mueller 696-5454

## Director of Music

Patrick Henning 696-5430

## Interim Youth Choir Director

Jean Olson 696-5407

## Director of Nativity Choir

Rob Pontious 653-3655

## Pastoral Care Coordinator

Nancy Shatek-Suek 696-5444

## Principal

Kate Wollan 699-1311

## Assistant Principal

Sandy Kane 699-1311

## Alumni Relations

Mary Jo Iverson 696-5411

## School Tuition

Mary Super 696-5441

## Early Learning Center Director

Nicole Clausen 696-5437

## Facilities Director

Bill Beltz 696-5434

## Bulletin

Molly Dressen (bulletin@nativity-mn.org) 696-5425

**Baptisms:** Baptisms are held the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 9:30 a.m. in the main church. For first-time parents, required baptismal classes are held the 4th Sunday of each month at 1:30 p.m. in the main church. Call Lannan Center to register.

**Weddings:** The bride or groom, or parent(s) must be an active registered parishioner for at least 6 months prior to scheduling a wedding at Nativity.

## Parish Calendar · March 28~April 3, 2011

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
Parish Mission Upper Church 7-8:15pm	Parish Mission Upper Church 7-8:15pm	Parish Mission Upper Church 7-8:15pm	Nativity Moms' Club Steiner Hall 6:30pm	First Friday Fellowship Steiner Hall 8:45am  School Stations Upper Church 2pm  Fish Fry Cafeteria 5:30-7:30pm  Stations Upper Church 7pm		Baptisms Upper Church 9:30am  Vespers Upper Church 6pm  Food Collection Weekend