

# Nativity of Our Lord Catholic Church

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Easter Sunday  
April 24, 2011





September  
16, 17 & 18

Make plans to join  
the fun!

Interested in advertising or  
sponsorship opportunities?

Great ideas for the Fair?

Comments/Questions?  
Please contact:

Carol and Tom Thuent  
at  
[2011ncf@gmail.com](mailto:2011ncf@gmail.com)

[www.nativitycountyfair.org](http://www.nativitycountyfair.org)

## Search for Treasure!

The Silent, Live and Online Auctions need you! We're looking for exceptional items so we can stock the Auctions with treasures. Do you, your neighbors, friends, co-workers or vendors have anything the Auctions might use?

Great sellers from past Auctions include:

- Furniture, paintings, piano, new toys, electronics, gift certificates and fun family vacations.
- Professional services such as decorating, photography, woodworking, or music lessons.
- Tickets to cultural or sporting events
- Gift Certificates to restaurants
- Frequent Flyer Miles, Airline vouchers or Hotel points
- Vacation/Condo property use
- Cash or Visa Cards
- Town/car and limo service

Go in with your neighbors and friends and donate:

- Fully stocked toolbox
- Gas grill
- Snow blower
- Sports equipment
- Electronic equipment
- Dollhouse
- Outdoor furniture or fire pit
- Themed baskets of goodies and treats
- Luxury kitchen items: mixers, Keurig coffee maker

Or, call us about making a cash donation and we'll do the shopping! Donations are now being accepted. We look forward to hearing from you.

Please contact the following couples to make donations or discuss your great ideas:

### Silent Auction chairs:

John and Sarah Aamodt  
(651)695-9574  
[sarah1329@hotmail.com](mailto:sarah1329@hotmail.com)

Gordon and Isabel Geist  
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Dan Gannon & Molly Barrett  
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Joe and Jill McKenna  
(651)698-5411  
[jteam05@gmail.com](mailto:jteam05@gmail.com)

## RCIA News

### Congratulations and Welcome to the Catholic Faith



We would like to extend our congratulations to our newly baptized and newly professed adult Catholics who came into the Church during our Easter Vigil this Saturday. **Don Hagan and his daughter, Jennifer Hagan**, received all three of the sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. **Nancy Hallett, Brittany Rogers, Darcy Tinnes and Jeff Wright** made their Profession of Faith in the Catholic Church, were Confirmed and received their First Holy Communion at the Easter Vigil. We commend these faithful candidates and their generous sponsors for steadfastly participating in the eight-month RCIA process of coming into the Church. Our prayers are with each of you as you begin the adventure of living the challenging life of a faithful Catholic.

## Nativity Early Learning Center

If you walk into the Parish offices you will hear the faint laughter of young children engaged in play and learning at our Nativity Early Learning Center. We are fortunate that Nativity Parish offers an extensive preschool and extended program for the children in our community. We are currently accepting registration for our Fall 2011-2012 school year. Contact Nicole Clausen, NELC Director, at (651)696-5437 or [nclausen@nativity-mn.org](mailto:nclausen@nativity-mn.org) for more information.



**2011 Nativity Early Learning Center Summer Camp: "Come Play and Explore with Us."** The Nativity Early Learning Center Summer Camp is a 12 week program designed to keep children from ages 33 months-6<sup>th</sup> grade involved in a fun educational atmosphere. Each week is filled with different and exciting themes, hands on activities, arts and crafts, field trips, gardening, trips to the park, and much more. It's an educating, fun filled way for your child to spend their summer! Some of our

field trips include: BBQ at the Highland Shelter, Science Museum, French Park, Pump it Up, Mike the Baker, Stepping Stone Theatre, Crystal Caves, Children's Museum, Highland and Downtown Libraries, Eagles Nest, Circus Juventas, Elm Creek Swimming Pond, Murphy's Landing, Twin's Game and Harriet Island. Contact Nicole Clausen, (651)696-5437 or [nclausen@nativity-mn.org](mailto:nclausen@nativity-mn.org) for more information.

## From the Hip

A Blessed Easter to all parishioners from the staff.

Nativity parishioners, as usual, have responded generously to the call for donations to the Food Shelf at Keystone. Between the school and parish initiatives over 5,000 lbs. of food was collected and \$3,760.00 was collected. This should help fortify the shelves for the coming summer months when demand grows. Thank you to each and every one of you who contributed.

As we know, Lent is a 40 day preparation for the Easter celebration. Over the years I have noticed that it is often easier for people to address our sins and fast during Lent than it is to celebrate the 50 days of the Easter season. After all, Easter is a mystery and the ancient feast calls for celebration. It is a forty day preparation for Easter. If the discipline of Lent were workable, then here is an Easter discipline that you might practice daily:

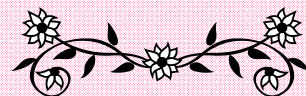
- Upon rising each day, say a short prayer (or psalm) of praise.
- During the day, when "marking time" (waiting for traffic, standing in line, etc.), turn your mind to God in praise.
- At a convenient time, set aside ten minutes each day solely for the purpose of thanking God and remembering His gifts.

These are simple suggestions. The really important thing for you to know is that our sins are far less important to God than His own love for us. If we know those things, we will live by them and our lives will be filled with His joy.

May you and your family have a joyous Easter!

—Fr. Patrick

## Mother's Day & Father's Day Tribute Nativity Scholarship Fund



Honor your mother and/or father this year  
with a gift to the Nativity Scholarship Fund.

Tribute cards and envelopes  
are at all the church entrances.

The deadline for submitting tributes is May 3rd.

## Altar Server & Lector Schedule

### MONDAY, APR 25 & TUESDAY, APR 26

**8:15 am:** Steven Link, John Stang, Danny Greenheck

**5:00 pm:** Luke Bishop, Kevin McQuillan, Logan Cunningham

### WEDNESDAY, APR 27 & THURSDAY, APR 28

**8:15 am:** Gino Marchio, Joe Mountain, Matthew Nicholson

**5:00 pm:** Joe Page, Dominick Blake, Shaymus O'Brien

### FRIDAY, APRIL 29

**8:15 am:** Philip Margarit, Danny Ryan, Billy Olander

**5:00 pm:** Steve Jay, Ethan Hyland, Bobby Hahn

### SATURDAY, APRIL 30

**8:15 am:** Philip Margarit, Danny Ryan, Billy Olander

**5:00 pm:**

**Servers:** Joey Schneider, Rudy Thomey, Alex Thonet, Charlie Thonet

**Lectors:** Ty Silberhorn, Tom Galligan

### SUNDAY, MAY 1

**7:00 am**

**Servers:** Erin Wetschka, Erin Keane

**Lector:** Meghan Kies

**8:15 am**

**Servers:** Emily Berthiaume, Maddie Blumberg, Kristin Hansen, Leah Feitl

**Lectors:** Joey Utvik, Rick Odgers

**9:30 am**

**Servers:** Lauren Schufman, Sarah Foley

**Lectors:** Midge Hernandez, Tim Sobocinski

**11:00 am**

**Servers:** Katie Boys, Meredith Duda, Kelly Cullen, Devon Robinson, Shelby Robinson, Hannah Gibbemeyer

**Lectors:** Jerry Alfveby, Dave Hrbacek

**5:00 pm**

**Lectors:** Meghan Brown, Steve Kuncio

## Stewardship

April 10, 2011	Current	Fiscal YTD	Budget YTD
Stewardship Offering	21,273.70	—	—
Total Stewardship	21,273.70	1,333,517.56	1,351,768.00
Plate	1,761.41	63,192.38	67,019.23
Hunger Box	205.84	7,457.43	8,278.85

## Adoration

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](http://Nativity-mn.org/parish) site/spiritual life/perpetual adoration.

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							

## Weekly Scripture Readings

Apr 25: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15  
 Apr 26: Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18  
 Apr 27: Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35  
 Apr 28: Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48  
 Apr 29: Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14  
 Apr 30: Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15  
 May 1: Acts 2:42-47; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

**The parish office will be closed on Easter Monday, April 25th. In the event of an emergency or death, please call (651) 696-5401 and press the number 1.**

## Nativity News



**NCCW welcomes all women of the parish to join us for the annual Madonna Dinner.**

This year's dinner will be held on Wednesday, May 18th beginning with 5:00 p.m. Mass, followed by dinner and our featured speaker in Steiner Hall. Entitled "No Time for Fear: Catholic & Confident in a Time of Change," Fr. Bill Baer will challenge us to live our Catholic values "out loud." Fr. Baer believes there is no time like the present to be proud of being Catholic. A commitment to living our faith in an exemplary way will profoundly influence others, and we must recognize the importance of passing on our values to those of the next generation. If you have not yet received your invitation, either in last week's bulletin or via email, please call Becky Devine at (651) 788-7052 or Mary Kay Devine at (651) 699-6939.

**NCCW Blood Drive a Huge Success!** Thank you to all who volunteered their time by donating blood at the recent Blood Drive. Nativity parishioners and neighbors donated 74 pints of blood to the American Red Cross—a new record for Nativity! Special thanks to Julie Bauchle and Annemarie McConville for all their efforts in coordinating this life saving event!

The tradition continues... Nativity's fifth graders will host their annual **Mary Shower** at all weekend Masses, May 14th & 15th. Baby gift items are collected for area pro-life centers. The students hope their tradition is your tradition too!



## Vacation Bible School



Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School which will be held **June 20-24, 2011**. The theme for this year is: "**PandaMania!.. Where God Is Wild about You!**" Once again, Gloria Dei Lutheran Church and Holy Spirit Catholic

Church, will be the host sites for this wonderful, week-long, opportunity for our children to spend time with one another growing in their faith journey and relationship with Jesus Christ. Lumen Christi Catholic Community and Nativity are co-sponsors of Vacation Bible School. This summer's program is shaping up to be an exciting, "spirit-filled" week of learning, fun, reflection, meeting new friends, games and activities, and meaningful stories about our Lord. Registration is now open and available on-line by going to [www.gloriadeistpaul.org/vbs](http://www.gloriadeistpaul.org/vbs). Registration closes on May 20th. Feel free to contact Randy Mueller, Nativity's Director of Faith Formation at (651) 696-5454 with questions.

## Pastoral Ministry News



**March Food Campaign**

This year Nativity's joint effort of the church and school produced one of the largest donations of food and money that Keystone Food Shelf received during the March Food Share Campaign. With the Girl Scouts assistance, the church collected over 2,700 pounds of food and the school over 2,500 pounds for a total of 5,200 pounds! This is seven times the amount collected last year. In addition to the food collected, \$3,760.00 in cash was donated, including a generous donation of \$1,000 in appreciation for the Girl Scouts promoting this year's food drive.

THANK YOU to all who donated or assisted in this year's campaign. Special thanks to Widmer's for donating two bales of grocery bags; our drivers, Judy Regnier, Joy Knopp and Jim Hassing who regularly transport our donations; and anyone who assisted with any aspect of the drive. Thank you also to the Nativity Girl Scouts, their leaders and parents, especially Jill Wallace for planning, organizing and implementing the Campaign at the church. All of their efforts truly made a difference in this year's successful drive. In the words of Dale, a Keystone driver, "Nativity did awesome!" Thank you so much for your generosity.

**Nativity Visiting Men's Ministry**

For a number of years, Nativity has been blessed to have parishioners who visit those in senior care facilities and are homebound. Most recently this has included Dick Grimes, Don Becker and Al Brill. Dick Grimes has recently decided to retire from this ministry. We thank him for his service to our community and for keeping pastoral care staff informed of changes. These men are a sincere blessing to Nativity and we wish Dick well as he retires yet again. May God abundantly bless these men and all our volunteers who help take care of Nativity's homebound and senior care residents.

## Mass Intentions

- Apr 25 8:15 a.m.**—Nancy Janssen +  
**5:00 p.m.**—Rick Senkler +  
**Apr 26 8:15 a.m.**—Tony Basta +  
**5:00 p.m.**—Frank Bauchle +  
**Apr 27 8:15 a.m.**—Peter J. Ritschel +  
**5:00 p.m.**—Joseph Travers +  
**Apr 28 8:15 a.m.**—Carl Victor Nelson +  
**5:00 p.m.**—Jim Kallas +  
**Apr 29 8:15 a.m.**—Gaylord Glarner +  
**5:00 p.m.**—Steve Doughty +  
**Apr 30 8:15 a.m.**—Katherine Choals

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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.

Hearing aid devices available in the sacristy for the hearing impaired.

## 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

## 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 · April 25~May 1, 2011

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
25	26	27	28	29	30	1
No School Parish Office Closed	RCIA Lannan Center Conf. Room 7pm	Religious Ed. Classes School 6:45pm			First Communion Nativity School 2nd Graders 10am  First Communion Religious Ed. 2nd Graders 2pm	Baptisms Upper Church 9:30am