


# Nativity of Our Lord Catholic Church


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27th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Respect Life Sunday  
October 2, 2011

I came so that all might have *life*  
and have it to the full



RESPECT LIFE



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## Respect Life News

**October is Respect Life Month and today is Respect Life Sunday.** This year the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops is stressing a return to basics as the 2011-2012 Respect Life Program begins today. The issues of abortion, contraception, embryo research, love and marriage, people with disabilities, reproductive technologies, death penalty, and end of days call us to reflect upon how we as Catholics believe that all life is sacred. In 1995, Pope John Paul II championed the establishment of a "culture of life" to emphasize the value of all human life, defining the right to life as the foundation of all other human rights. The idea of the "seamless garment" has been used to describe the encompassing approach to respecting life. This term refers to the seamless tunic Jesus wore at his crucifixion that soldiers did not tear apart. The inherent symbolism prevails in that one part cannot be torn without the entire garment being torn and conversely that we cannot protect some life while disregarding others. This is keeping with the concept of a Consistent Life Ethic pioneered by Cardinal Bernadine in which the image of the seamless garment is used to promote that all life should be revered and protected. "When human life is considered 'cheap' or easily expendable in one area, eventually nothing is held as sacred and all lives are in jeopardy," he stated. So as we go forward into October, please reflect on these issues and how you can help because as a part of the universal catholic church we are a part of one seamless garment.

**Highland LifeCare Center 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Banquet** celebrating 10 years will be held on October 15<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Lumen Christi Catholic Church. Silent auction begins at 6:00 p.m. with dinner and drinks from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Tickets are \$40/piece or \$320/table of 8 seats. Guest speaker will be Mary Ann Kuharski, ProLife Across America founder. Call (651)695-0111 for more information or to RSVP.

**Hour of 1 Day of 40 Days for Life.** One hour is all you need to join a worldwide prolife movement of prayer and peaceful vigil. 40 Days for Life campaigns mirror Biblical history, in which God used 40-day periods to transform people and communities; seven campaigns have been held since 2007. This year from September 28 through November 6, people will mobilize in 250 cities across the globe. In the Twin Cities, 40 Days for Life will be held outside HealthPartners' Regions Hospital, which has a self-contained GYN Special Services unit that performs abortions (696 in 2009). Nativity has joined with the neighboring parishes of Lumen Christi and St. Mark's in pledging to provide at least two people to pray on-site each hour between 12:00 a.m. through 11:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 22. Parishioners who would like to participate can call Anna Gajdel (651) 699-0577 or register online at [www.40daysforlife.com/twincities](http://www.40daysforlife.com/twincities). If you register online, we would still appreciate a call so we know how many parishioners are participating and we can communicate with you.

## School News



### Academic Excellence at Nativity School

This past week our students in grades 4-8 completed our annual standardized testing. This is a week set aside to see how well our students have retained content specific material as well as comprehension and listening skills. It is an intensive week of concentration and focused learning as the students do their best to reflect their understanding of previously taught material and draw from their experiential knowledge.

The students took the Stanford 10 standardized test which compares their performance with other grade/age specific students across the nation. Our academic curriculum is guided by state and national content specific standards which are reflected and measured in these tests. As we tell our parents, standardized tests are just one measure of a student's academic performance. To develop a student's true academic profile we also look at daily performance, tests, quizzes, presentations and projects, and their study habits. Together with the data on the standardized tests, we are able to identify more clearly a student's strengths as a learner and identify their areas for growth. Our goal is to help each child work up to their potential and develop life long learning skills. This week of testing is an important step in that process.



**An evening of comfort and remembrance for the loss of a baby.** Have you experienced the loss of a baby before or after birth? Would you like to commemorate and honor your child's life in a beautiful, healing Mass? Whether your loss is recent or was years ago, you are warmly invited to attend the archdiocesan Mass of God's Children at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 11, 2011 at Nativity. Grandparents, siblings, other family members and friends are welcome. Please come early to sign your babies' names in our Book of Life. There also will be an opportunity to donate a memory box to a hospital in honor of your baby. This annual Mass is sponsored by Nativity parish and by God's Children, a ministry of the archdiocesan Office for Marriage, Family and Life. For more information or to volunteer, please call Cathy Clyde at (651) 642-9458.

## Nativity News

**Save the Date for Nativity's Blood Drive**—Thursday, October 27th, 1:00 to 7:00 p.m. in Steiner Hall. Please consider giving the gift of life by donating blood. Contact Julie Bauchle at (651) 644-1526 to schedule a time to donate or for more information. Sponsored by NCCW.

## Nativity Men's Club News



Get ready for the one, the only, **Nativity Men's Wreath Sale**. Wreath Kickoff is Friday, October 7, 2011. Get ready to be contacted by your favorite Nativity 3rd-8th grader to order this year's wreath, swag or garland. For more information go to: [http://www.nativitymen.org/Wreath\\_Sales.html](http://www.nativitymen.org/Wreath_Sales.html)

Congratulations to the September winners of the **Nativity Men's Club Raffle**: Rachel Piersdorf, \$300; David Tucci, \$200; Eric Morin, \$100; Terry Wolkerstorfer, \$100; Mary Saul, \$100. Thanks to everyone who bought tickets this year. The proceeds from the raffle are used to fund various projects and needs of the school. Your generosity is a great benefit to the children of our school. Remember to look for your name again next month. The October drawing will be the final one for this year's raffle. Good Luck! Pro Liberis!

## Pastoral Ministry News

**Nativity's Grief Group** will meet this Thursday, October 6th, 8:45 a.m. in Steiner Hall. All are invited to attend. For more information, contact Nancy Shatek-Suek at (651) 696-5444.

**Anointing Mass and Reception** is scheduled for Tuesday, October 11th at 2:00 p.m. Confessions will be heard from 1:15 to 1:50 p.m. A reception in Steiner Hall will follow the Mass. Please call the parish office at (651) 696-5401 to reserve your spot at the Mass. *The sacred anointing of the sick is a sacrament instituted by Christ to give spiritual aid and strength to individuals who are ill, facing serious illness or aging. It is our belief that through this sacrament Christ strengthens those that they might be at peace and filled with courage.*

**We are looking for volunteers to bake sweet treats for the reception following the Anointing Mass. If you are interested and able, please call Anne Ryan at (651) 695-8959.**

## From the Hip



A big thank you to all parishioners who assisted with the Nativity County Fair! It was a great weekend of fun and fellowship. As in the past, the success of the fair has been the people. I cannot thank everyone by name, but the Steering Committee needs special mention as they not only donate to the fair, but have been meeting and working behind the scenes since the conclusion of last year's County Fair. Steering Committee members are: Tom and Carol Thuente, Chairs, Joe and Kari Jaksha, Co-chairs, David and Katie Reeder, Co-chairs, Mike Wolf and Margaret McCarney, Tim and Beth Dietz, Burke and Molly Stucker, Paul and Tricia Middleton, Joe and Teresa Foley, Steve and Barb Proeschel, Brian and Kristie Lindell, Chairs Emeritis, Mark and Kathleen Sexton, Chairs Emeritis. *Thank you, one and all Nativity Members, for a job superbly done!*

This week you will find envelopes from the Cathedral Heritage Foundation in the church pews. It is a collection mandated by the archdiocese. If you wish to contribute to the restoration debt for the "Archdiocesan Church" you may do so. Please place the special envelopes in the regular collection on Sunday. If you are unable to contribute this weekend, you may put your donation in next weekend's collection basket or drop it off at the parish office. Thank you.

—Fr. Patrick

## Mass Intentions

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| <b>Oct 3</b> | <b>8:15 a.m.</b> —Ellen Nelson +<br><b>5:00 p.m.</b> —Mary Cleveland      |
| <b>Oct 4</b> | <b>8:15 a.m.</b> —William Hedges +<br><b>5:00 p.m.</b> —Ronald Jack +     |
| <b>Oct 5</b> | <b>8:15 a.m.</b> —Mary Hedges +<br><b>5:00 p.m.</b> —Dowhower Family      |
| <b>Oct 6</b> | <b>8:15 a.m.</b> —James Ritschel +<br><b>5:00 p.m.</b> —Joe Juelich +     |
| <b>Oct 7</b> | <b>8:15 a.m.</b> —Mary Eileen Swanson +<br><b>5:00 p.m.</b> —Tom Farrell+ |
| <b>Oct 8</b> | <b>8:15 a.m.</b> —Sarah Jack  |

## Weekly Scripture Readings

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| Oct 3: | Jon 1:1—2:2, 11; Lk 10:25-37                 |
| Oct 4: | Jon 3:1-10; Lk 10:38-42                      |
| Oct 5: | Jon 4:1-11; Lk 11:1-4                        |
| Oct 6: | Mal 3:13-20b; Lk 11:5-13                     |
| Oct 7: | Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Lk 11:15-26               |
| Oct 8: | Jl 4:12-21; Lk 11:27-28                      |
| Oct 9: | Is 25:6-10a; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14 |

## Altar Server & Lector Schedule

### **MONDAY, OCT 3 & TUESDAY, OCT 4**

**8:15 am:** Katie Berthiaume, Katie Cummings

**5:00 pm:** Julianne McKenna, Emma Hostetler

### **WEDNESDAY, OCT 5 & THURSDAY, OCT 6**

**8:15 am:** Eliza Harris, Jackie Blake

**5:00 pm:** Emma Maslow, Frances Regan

### **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7**

**8:15 am:** Izzy Rojas, Emily Conners

**5:00 pm:** Gwen Sullivan, Claire Hennessey

### **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8**

**8:15 am:** Izzy Rojas, Emily Conners

**5:00 pm:**

**Servers:** Murphy Pickett, Maggie Johnson, Devon Robinson, Shelby Robinson

**Lectors:** Larry Gallatin, Ty Silberhorn

### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9**

**7:00 am**

**Servers:** Jack Fitzpatrick, Ian Kies

**Lector:** Dave Seykora

**8:15 am**

**Servers:** Connor Keane, Andrew Laird, David Laird, Jack Ketchum

**Lectors:** John Jaschke, Joey Utvik

**9:30 am**

**Servers:** Joe Herbeck, Cliff Hopkinson

**Lectors:** Jamie Tracy, Sally Hopkinson

**11:00 am**

**Servers:** Erik Johnson, Peter Johnson, Joey Lawder, Steven Link, Danny Lumbar, Gino Marchio

**Lectors:** Arlene Leyden, Michael Rumpza

**5:00 pm**

**Lectors:** Jim Zenk, Ed Working

## Stewardship

September 25, 2011	Current	Fiscal YTD	Budget YTD
Stewardship Offering	22,353.00	—	—
Stewardship Offering— Electronic Funds Transfer	—	—	—
<b>Total Stewardship</b>	22,353.00	330,208.33	368,969.00
Plate	1,729.54	19,742.40	21,250.00
Hunger Box	129.53	2,049.89	2,500.00

## 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/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 Kathy Hunter and Joe Radcliffe who passed away recently. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

## Wedding Banns



The following couples are preparing for marriage.  
Please keep them in your prayers.

***Lauren Bisanz & Dan Ryan***  
***October 7, 2011***

***Ashley Tracy & Danny McMullen***  
***October 8, 2011***

***Molly Budzien & Adam Keim***  
***October 15, 2011***

# THE SAINT PAUL CATHOLIC SPEAKER SERIES

**HOLY SPIRIT LUMEN CHRISTI NATIVITY OF OUR LORD SAINT MARK**  
Seeking to build up a community of faith, hope, and love



**2011 - 2012**



**Peter Kreeft, "Angels and Demons"**

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**Saturday October 15, 2011 3:00 pm**

**Holy Spirit School Commons**



**Father John Paul Erickson, "And With Your Spirit:  
The History and Theology of  
the New Translation of the Mass"**

**Tuesday November 15, 2011 7:00 pm**

**Church of St. Mark**



**Father Jan Michael Joncas, "Suffering and Hope"**

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**Wednesday February 1, 2012 7:00 pm**

**Lumen Christi Community room**



**Katerina Zeno, "Theology of the Body"**

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**Saturday March 10, 2012 9:00 am-12:00 pm**

**Nativity Steiner Hall**

All talks are open to the public. \$5 donation is suggested.

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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

## Nativity Welcoming Committee

Sara & Patrick Cotter (612) 692-2552

## 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 & Liturgy

Patrick Henning 696-5430

## 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 McGie 696-5437

## Facilities Director

Bill Beltz 696-5434

## Bulletin

Molly Dressen ([bulletin@nativity-mn.org](mailto: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 · October 3~9, 2011

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	RCIA Lannan Center Conf. Room 7pm	Religious Ed Program School 6:45pm	Grief Group Steiner Hall 8:45am	Bisanz/Ryan Wedding Church 6pm	Tracy/McMullen Wedding Church 2pm	