

FIRST READING

With the consolation of the Holy Spirit it grew in numbers.

Acts 9: 26-31

PSALM

Proclaim to a people yet to be born the justice He has shown.

Psalms 22

SECOND READING

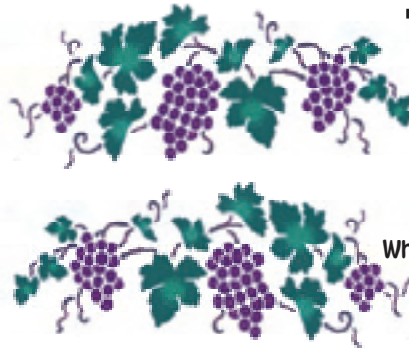
Let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth.

1 John 3: 18-24

GOSPEL

I am the vine, you are the branches.

John 15: 1-8



THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

10 MAY 2009

Whoever remains in Me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without Me you can do nothing.

John 15: 5

CALENDAR

SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS WEEK OF 10-16 MAY

SAT	05:00 PM	Priest's intentions
SUN	Masses	Priest's intentions
MON	07:30 AM	All mothers
	05:30 PM	† Marie Firenze
TUE	07:30 AM	† Elenita De Castellanos
	05:30 PM	Elyse Barca
WED	07:30 AM	Benefactors of the parish
	05:30 PM	ICF branch #351 living and deceased members
	07:30 PM	The Eismann and Stoltman families
THU	07:30 AM	All mothers
	12:00 PM	† Sebastiano Tona
	05:30 PM	† Adolph Firenze
FRI	07:30 AM	† Carmelita Lenz
	05:30 PM	The Simonds family
SAT	08:00 AM	All mothers

MEETINGS AND SPECIAL EVENTS

MON-FRI	07:10 AM	Morning Prayer
MON-FRI	05:10 PM	Evening Prayer
SAT	07:40 AM	Morning Prayer
10 MAY	(Sunday)	<i>Mothers Day (Roses Sale)</i>
	07:30 PM	Holy Hour
11 MAY	(Monday)	
	09:00 AM	Bible Group
	06:30 PM	RCIA
	07:30 PM	Legion of Mary
12 MAY	(Tuesday)	
	06:00 PM	Cenacles of Life Rosary
	07:30 PM	Theology of the Body
13 MAY	(Wednesday)	
	07:30 PM	Fatima Mass and Celebration
14 MAY	(Thursday)	
	11:00 AM	The Thursday Group
	06:00 PM	Perpetual Help Novena
15 MAY	(Friday)	
	10:00 AM	Book Club
16 MAY	(Saturday)	
	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Confessions (<i>Opus Dei priest</i>)
	02:00 PM - 04:00 PM	Confessions (<i>parish priest</i>)
	06:00 PM	Men's Club Barbeque

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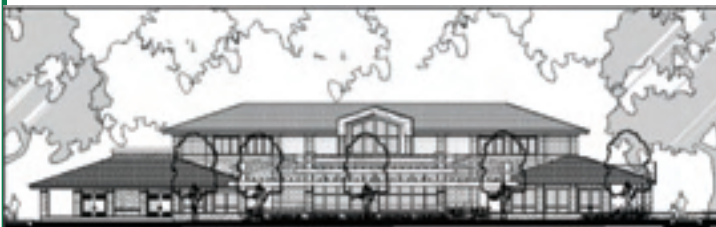
SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a **second collection** at all Masses next week for the **Catholic Communication Campaign**.



NATIVITY PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PHASE I

MULTI-PURPOSE PAVILION AND KINDERGARTEN



FUNDING TO DATE: \$7.597M



PARISH OFFERINGS

WEEKEND OF 25-26 APR

TOTAL:	\$	9,503
Catholic Home Missions:	\$	2,279
Annual Appeal Progress:	\$	19,530
2009 Annual Appeal Goal:	\$	123,300

SAINTS AND OBSERVANCES

SOLEMNITY, FEAST, MEMORIAL • OPTIONAL MEMORIAL • OTHER

12 MAY (Tuesday):

SAINT NEREUS AND SAINT ACHILEUS (d. 98)

These brothers were soldiers in the imperial Roman army, and members of the Praetorian Guard. They were converts to Christianity and baptized by **St. Peter**. They were exiled and martyred by beheading.

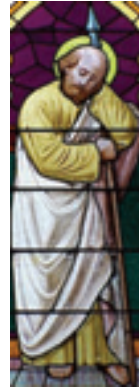
SAINT PANCRAS

This orphan was brought to Rome by his uncle, **St. Dionysius**. He was a convert to Christianity, and was martyred along with **Saints Nereus, Achileus, and Domitilla** for publicly proclaiming his faith.

13 MAY (Wednesday):

OUR LADY OF FATIMA

Between **13 May** and **13 October 1917**, three Portuguese children received apparitions of Our Lady at **Cova da Iria**, near **Fatima**, a city 110 miles north of **Lisbon**. Mary asked the children to pray the rosary for world peace, for the end of World War I, for sinners and for the conversion of Russia.



14 MAY (Thursday):

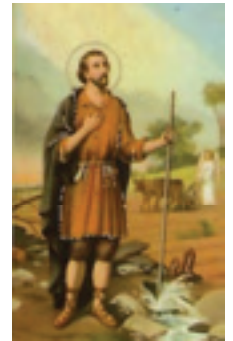
SAINT MATTHIAS, Apostle

Matthias was “one of the men who accompanied us the whole time the Lord Jesus came and went among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day on which He was taken up from us, become with us a witness to His resurrection” (*Acts 1:21-22*). Matthias was chosen by Peter and the apostles to replace Judas Iscariot.

15 MAY (Friday):

SAINT ISADORE THE FARMER (1070-1130)

Spanish mystic who labored on a farm outside Madrid. Patron of the U.S. National Rural Life Conference. A poor day-laborer, Isadore attended daily Mass before beginning his work. Angels would come and help him with his labors, and many miracles have been attributed to this saint and his wife, **Santa Maria de la Cabeza**.



MINISTRY AND GROUP NEWS

FATIMA CELEBRATION

On **Wednesday, 13 May 2009**, we will start our monthly Fatima celebration. It begins with Holy Mass at **07:30 PM**, followed by a talk on the appearance, rosary procession, and Eucharistic healing service. Please join us. For questions, contact **Deacon Dominick** or **Mary Ellen Peloso** at **650/322-3013**.



CRASH COURSE: THEOLOGY OF THE BODY

How to teach your children about sex and sexuality. Starting **Tuesday, 21 April 2009**, **Deacon Dominick Peloso** will be giving four talks on Christ’s teaching on sex, sexuality, and marriage. *The Theology of the Body*, written by Pope John Paul II, has become the most popular teaching for Catholics to explain the beauty of our sexuality to others. The four classes will be given on consecutive Tuesdays nights **21 April - 12 May 2009** in the **O’Hare Center**, beginning at **07:30 PM**. For more information, contact **Deacon Dominick Peloso** at **650/269-6279**.

SPRING BBQ RIB FEAST

The Nativity Men’s Club proudly presents their Spring BBQ Rib Feast on **16 May 2009** at **06:00 PM** at Nativity School. Only \$10.00 per person and \$5.00 for kids 12 and under. There will be hot dogs for those little ones not wanting ribs and a nominal charge for beer and wine. Please RSVP by **08 May 2009**. Reservation forms and money may be turned into the church rectory or Nativity School. Forms are available in the vestibule of the church. For more information contact **Paul Hernandez** at **650/670-7513** or **paulh@pro-bel.ca**.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Please come to visit our Lord during the week, as the church is open 24x7 and He awaits you. Also, everyone is encouraged to sign up for one hour. This will ensure your weekly meeting with Jesus. You may sign up for any hour. Please consider the following hours which currently have no one assigned:



**FRI: 10:00 AM, 02:00 PM,
01:00-03:00 AM (twice monthly),
03:00-05:00 AM (twice monthly)**

SAT: 12:00 PM (noon)

Please call **650/322-3013** for more information or to sign up.

Pregnant? Need Help? Please contact First Resort (888/252-1822), the Juan Diego Society (408/258-2008) or the Gabriel Project (800/910-0191).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR PARISH FAMILY

Please welcome the newest member of our Christian community:



- **Riley Katherine** daughter of **Alexander** and **Andrea Rudolf**
- **Anika Gay** daughter of **Ben** and **Carolyn Carpenter**
- **Eleanor Catherine** daughter of **Gary** and **Tina Goldman**
- **Camille Louise** daughter of **Resa Jones**
- **Mackenzie Jordan** son of **Ivan Morales** and **Andrea Brant**

May this family grow in holiness daily in response to their baptismal calling.

Nativity welcomes our newest parishioners:

- **Brenda M. Hann (Ryan)**
- **Amber** and **Erwan Rivet (Jacques)**
- **Joan Murphy**



SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Next weekend there will be a second collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Through your generous donations, CCC is able to spread the Gospel message in our community and all over the world. CCC funds the development of traditional and news media programs that inspire and minister to their audiences.

Visit www.catholiccommunicationcampaign.org.

Checks for all special collections should be made out to the **Church of the Nativity**. In the memo line write the appropriate reference for your donation, for example: *Catholic Communication Campaign*.

MOTHERS DAY FUNDRAISER . . .

... to benefit New Creation Home in East Palo Alto and Juan Diego Society in San Jose.

Please visit the tables outside Mass this weekend and support the Mother's Day Fundraiser. Proceeds will support the **New Creation Home (NCH)** (www.newcreationhome.org) and **Juan Diego Society (JDS)**. NCH is a Christian organization which supports pregnant mothers with housing, parenting classes, and life skills training. Residents work and attend college or trade school and work with the Resident Manager to develop long-range employment, financial and housing plans. JDS provides pregnancy and post-abortion counseling, assists mothers in finding medical and financial help needed during their pregnancies, provides referrals for medical and psychological support, and provides material (cribs, car seats, etc.) and emotional support.



EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS AND LECTORS

The new schedules are out. If you did not receive one, extra copies are available in the flower sacristy. Also, commissioning/re-commissioning of all lectors and extraordinary ministers will be done at the **08:00AM Mass on Sunday, 24 May 2009**.

DO SOMETHING BEAUTIFUL FOR GOD

A meeting for all lectors and extraordinary ministers and anyone interested in volunteering for service will be held in the O'Hare Center from **10:30AM - 02:00PM** on **Saturday, 30 May 2009**. For details contact **Judy Moloney** at **650/322-7458**, jmoloney28@yahoo.com or **Lisa Garono** at **650/964-4343**, lgarono@yahoo.com

"All that I am, or hope to be, I owe to my angel mother." -- Abraham Lincoln

IN THE COMMUNITY

NATIVITY CARNIVAL

Get set for the best carnival in the Bay Area. Nativity's 29th Annual Carnival is **12-14 June 2009**. Check out our new and improved web-site for all the details and activities at www.nativitycarnival.org. Purchase your car raffle tickets after all the Masses on Saturdays and Sundays leading up to the drawing on **Sunday, 14 June 2009** at **05:00 PM**. You could drive home in a new 2009 Toyota Prius or receive \$15,000.00 in cash—your choice. Tickets are \$50.00 per ticket, 3 tickets for \$100.00, or 7 tickets for \$200.00. It is fun for the whole family, 13 thrilling carnival rides, musical entertainment, silent auction, Bingo (new this year), B-B-QUE dinners, and so much more. Plan now to attend this parish fund raising event. For carnival sponsorships please contact **John Conway** at **650/868-1837** or e-mail conwayj@pacbell.net.

ART EXHIBIT AT ST. PATRICKS SEMINARY (MAY THROUGH AUGUST 2009)

Therefore I Have Hope:

Contemplative Prayer and the Photographic Image.

Photography and Concept: **Charlene Dorman**

Prayer: **Amy Carmichael**

Icon and Calligraphy: **Judith Brown**

The exhibit is open **M-F 09:00AM - 04:00PM**. There will be an Artists' Reception on **Sunday evening, 31 May 2009 04:00 - 07:00PM**. Everyone is welcome to view the exhibit and to attend the reception. Any photographs sold will benefit St. Patrick Seminary's expansion program. St. Patrick's Seminary, 320 Middlefield Rd., Menlo Park.



You are never too far gone for the Father's forgiveness and grace.

FROM THE HOLY SEE



THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

Each month **His Holiness Benedict XVI** asks for general and missionary prayer intentions.

For **May 2009**, the Holy Father's prayer intentions are:

General: That the laity and the Christian communities may be responsible promoters of priestly and religious vocations.

Missionary: That the recently founded Catholic Churches, grateful to the Lord for the gift of faith, may be ready to share in the universal mission of the Church, offering their availability to preach the Gospel throughout the world.



PAULINE YEAR PRAYER

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and God of all encouragement."

Lord, Who blessed Your Church through the zealous ministry of Saint Paul the Apostle, help us in our day to hear Your Word anew:

Let love be sincere; hate what is evil, hold on to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; anticipate one another in showing honor.

Do not grow slack in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, endure in affliction, persevere in prayer.

Contribute to the needs of the holy ones, exercise hospitality. Bless those who persecute you, bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep.

Have the same regard for one another; do not be haughty but associate with the lowly; do not be wise in your own estimation.

Do not repay anyone evil for evil; be concerned for what is noble in the sight of all. If possible, on your part, live at peace with all.

Beloved do not look for revenge but leave room for the wrath; for it is written, "Vengeance is Mine, I will repay, says the Lord." Rather, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink..."

Do not be conquered by evil but conquer evil with good.

On Thursday, 23 April 2009, fifty-two people were confirmed by the Most Reverend George H. Niederauer, Archbishop of San Francisco, at Nativity. Please pray for them.

Gretchen Bahr	Kristen DiGioia	Catherine Marron	Cynthia Solorza
Thomas Bank	Ashley Fajardo	Heather Melendez	Nicolas Spindola
Janessa Barragan	Regina Fennie	Gretchen Olsen	Sura Tewolde
Philip Basnage	Benjamin Ferkol	Nichollette Palacios-Harrison	James Thordsen
Rachel Becker	James Gage	Marcos Pedreiro	Alec Torres
Anthony Billet	Steven Glassmoyer	Nicolas Piper	Marco Antonia Ureno
Matthew Boland	Anna Gutsell	Michael Gregory Ramos	Monica Vasquez
Joseph Bolous	Sara Hansen	Christian Rence	Tiffany Vasquez
Andrew Botto	Samantha Hoag	Donovan Rios	Yasary Villalobos
Rod Carew	Kathryn Hoy	Lucio Ruiz	Sara Vitale
Nicholas Cisneros	Colton Huynh	Daniella Sanchez	Ethan Williams
Diana Contreras	Samuel Irwin	Kayla Satzger	Manuel Aviles Barrera
Jazmin Contreras	Kira Lober	Daniel Serrano	Rosalinda Angela Castaneda

WORD SEARCH

Can you find the names of these mothers from the Bible?



EVE
ESTHER
ABIGAIL
SARAH
RACHEL

NAOMI
ANN
ELIZABETH
HANNAH
RUTH

MARY
JOCHEBED
REBEKAH
BATHSHEBA



On this Mothers Day, remember to honor the greatest of all mothers, the Mother of God. Mary is the patroness of the United States of America, and she is also greatly honored in other countries (she is Queen of Poland, by royal decree and parliamentary vote in 1655, Queen of Africa and patroness of many Central and South American countries).

The Children's Prayer to Mary:

Dear Mother of Jesus, look down upon me
As I say my prayers slowly
at my mother's knee.

I love thee, O Lady and please
willest thou bring
All little children
To Jesus our King.