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Church of the Nativity

MASSES

Sundays 08:00, 09:30, 11:00 AM,
12:30 PM (traditional Latin Mass)

Saturdays 08:00 AM and 05:00 PM (Vigil)

Weekdays 07:30 AM and 05:30 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 09:00 AM - 10:00 AM

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

03:30 PM - 04:30 PM

(also by appointment)

BAPTISMS 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays of the month
(contact rectory 2 months in advance)

WEDDINGS Saturdays 11:00 AM and 02:00 PM
(contact rectory at least 6 months in advance)

24-HOUR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Mrs. Mary Ellen Peloso (650) 269-7794

PASTOR

Very Rev. Mark Doherty

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IN RESIDENCE

Rev. Michael Thomas, CSC

PERMANENT DEACONS

Rev. Mr. Dominick Peloso

Rev. Mr. Bob Andrews

SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Mrs. Noreen Browning

nbrowning@nativityschool.com



HEARING LOOP ENABLED

FIRST READING

His dominion shall be from sea to sea.
Zechariah 9: 9-10

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord lifts up all who are falling and
raises up all who are bowed down.
Psalms 145

SECOND READING

If by the Spirit you put to death the
deeds of the body, you will live.
Romans 8: 9, 11-13

GOSPEL

All things have been handed over to
Me by My Father.
Matthew 11: 25-30

The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

05 July 2026

You will find rest for yourselves.
For My yoke is easy, and My burden light.

Matthew 11: 30



CALENDAR

SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS WEEK OF 05-11 JUL

SAT:	05:00 PM	Priest's intentions
SUN:	Masses	Priest's intentions
MON:	07:30 AM	† Victor and Olivia Ortiz
	05:30 PM	† Des and Patrick and Vincent Grennan
TUE:	07:30 AM	† John and Virginia Conway
	05:30 PM	† Fernando Robles
WED:	07:30 AM	† Evelyn Otellini
	05:30 PM	† Holy Souls in Purgatory
THU:	07:30 AM	Jon and Elisa Schnur
	05:30 PM	† Ivica Milicevic; † Isidro and Elena Lim; † Robert Connelly; † Richard Runkel
FRI:	07:30 AM	† Nenita Weaver
	05:30 PM	† Zoila de Gonzalez
SAT:	08:00 AM	Anonymous intention; Vincenta Perez; † Larry Nakamura; † Maria Elena Nuñez and Alma Nieto; The Peloso and Munk families, living and deceased

SUN	07:00 PM	Holy Hour for Priests
MON-FRI	07:10 AM	Morning Prayer
MON-FRI	08:00 AM	Morning Rosary
MON-FRI	05:10 PM	Evening Prayer
MON	07:00 PM	Nativity Family Rosary
MON	07:00 PM	Medjugorje Prayer Group
TUE	06:00 PM	Cenacles of Life Rosary
WED	06:00 PM	Novena to Saint Joseph
THU	06:00 PM	Perpetual Help Novena
SAT	06:15 AM	Men's Prayer Group
SAT	07:40 AM	Morning Prayer
SAT	09:00 - 10:00 AM	Confessions (parish priest)
SAT	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Confessions (Opus Dei priest)
SAT	03:30 - 04:30 PM	Confessions (parish priest)

05 JUL	[Sunday]	
	12:30 PM	Traditional Latin Mass
06 JUL	[Monday]	
	08:00 AM	Legion of Mary
07 JUL	[Tuesday]	
	07:00 PM	Spanish Medjugorje Prayer Group
08 JUL	[Wednesday]	
	09:00 AM	Staff Retreat
	07:00 PM	Total Consecration to Jesus
09 JUL	[Thursday]	
	09:30 AM	Opus Dei Women's Group
10 JUL	[Friday]	
11 JUL	[Saturday]	
	09:30 AM	Baptism Class

NOVENA TO SAINT JOSEPH

Every **Wednesday** evening after the **05:30 PM** Mass there will be a novena to St. Joseph. This novena takes about 20 minutes. In addition to the novena, once a month the **05:30 PM** Mass will be in honor of St. Joseph. All are welcome to join in this celebration in honor of St. Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary.



Please pray for those in need of physical or spiritual healing

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

If you believe you are a victim of sexual abuse, please call our hotline at **415/614-5506**.



PARISH OFFERINGS

	WEEK OF
	13-14 JUN
	\$8,799
ADA Progress:	\$17,460
2026 ADA Goal:	\$152,365

SAINTS AND OBSERVANCES

SOLEMNITY, FEAST, MEMORIAL • OPTIONAL MEMORIAL • OTHER

11 JUL (Saturday):

SAINT BENEDICT, Abbot (480-543)

The “*Father of Western Monasticism*” was educated in Rome and, repelled by the vices of the world, decided to live the life of a hermit. He organized his many followers into 12 monasteries, including **Monte Cassino**, which became the birthplace of Western monasticism. The rule he wrote for his monks prescribed common sense, moderate asceticism, prayer, study, work and community life under one superior. It would serve as the model of monastic life in the West for centuries to come.



“Pray and Work.”

FATIMA CELEBRATION



On **Monday, 13 JUL 2026**, we will have our next **2026 Fatima Celebration**. It will include Holy Mass (at **07:00 PM**), Rosary Candlelight Procession, and Benediction. The celebration continues each month on or about the **13th** until **OCT**. Please join us as we pray especially for the intercession of the Blessed Mother in these difficult times. For questions, call **Deacon Dominick Peloso, 650/269-6279**.



Parish Office Hours
09:00 AM–04:00 PM
Monday–Friday

MINISTRY AND GROUP NEWS

TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS

Connect with a centuries-old tradition of the Church. The **12:30 PM** Mass each Sunday is celebrated in the Extraordinary Form (the Traditional Latin Mass), according to the 1962 Roman Rite Missal.



Next **Sunday, (12 JUL 2026: The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost)**, will be a Low Mass.

ROSARY OUTSIDE ABORTION CLINIC

If you would like to pray the Rosary during the week in front of the Planned Parenthood in Redwood City, please contact nativitymenlorespectlife@yahoo.com or **Jacqueline** at **510/697-9670** for more information. Additionally, every **First Saturday** of the month, a group of parishioners meets to pray there after going to the **08:00 AM** Mass and pray until about **10:00 AM**.

PREPARATION FOR THE CONSECRATION TO JESUS THROUGH MARY

This course is based on the Method of **St. Louis de Montfort** as described in his book *True Devotion to Mary*.

“Mary is the safest, easiest, shortest, and most perfect way of approaching Jesus” -- St. Louis de Montfort

WHAT: A 33-week course of study in preparation for the Total Consecration to Jesus Through Mary

WHERE: O’Hare Center (Guadalupe Room)

WHEN: every Wednesday, **until 15 JUL 2026** (07:00-08:30 PM)

CONTACT: Mauricio Montezuma (860/751-2203)

MORE DETAILS: For more info, visit bondsofmarianlove.net. Sponsored by the *Missionaries of Bonds of Marian Love*

CALL FOR SINGERS AND INSTRUMENTALISTS

At the **11:00 AM** Folk Mass we always welcome new musicians. If you sing or play an instrument, it’s a great way to serve, have fun, and meet other parishioners. We especially need singers, particularly those who can serve as cantors, as well as a bass player and a drummer (small footprint: cajon, djembe, or similar). All instruments are welcome. You do not need to know how to read music, but you do need to be able to learn songs by ear/YouTube. If you’re interested, please contact **Barbara Nelson** **650/464-2971**, bnelson1015@gmail.com, or see me after **11:00 AM** Mass.



Parish Office Hours
09:00 AM–04:00 PM (M–F)
closed 12:00–01:00 PM (lunch)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Nativity Church is open **24x7**. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for adoration and there is always someone present in prayer. Won’t you join us by signing up for a weekly Holy Hour? Jesus told an Irish priest (in our current century) that midnight adoration is as powerful as fasting.

Please consider the following hours as there is no one currently assigned to them (or pick an hour that works for you):

Sunday: **01:00 AM, 02:00 AM,**
03:00-05:00 AM (twice per month)

Tuesday: **01:00 AM**

Friday: **11:00 AM**

Saturday: **03:00 AM, 04:00 AM**

Call **Mary Ellen Peloso (650/269-7794)** to sign up.

You have never strayed too far for the Father’s forgiveness and grace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR PARISH FAMILY

Please keep all of our newest members in your prayers, as well as those who have preceded us to the Father.



BAPTISMS • **Mia Rose Chavez**, daughter of **Noe Chavez** and **Quenia Nebrillet**

FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY

Spend some time with your fellow parishioners after the **09:30 AM** Mass on the **1st, 2nd, 4th, and 5th Sundays** of each month!



The *Food and Fellowship Ministry* will be serving coffee and donuts. If you're interested in helping the *Food and Fellowship Ministry*, please sign up using the QR code or email liz.palla@gmail.com.



READERS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS NEEDED

We are currently seeking volunteers to serve as **Readers** and **Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist** for all Masses. This critical area of service to our parish is a wonderful way to add to your own weekly devotion while attending Mass. You can set your own preferences for whichever Mass you regularly attend, indicate dates when you are unavailable, and training is provided. If you think you can offer time in service, please contact the *Nativity Ministry Coordinator* at nativityministrycoordinators@gmail.com



Bringing animals inside the Church
**IS NOT ALLOWED
AT ANYTIME!**

IN THE COMMUNITY

SUMMER POTLUCK

The **Nativity Family Ministry** is having a summer potluck at *Stulsaft Park* in Redwood City on **Saturday, 18 JUL 2026** at **10:30 AM**. We will have picnic tables reserved near the playground and splash pad (picnic area #1, closest to the restrooms and playground). There will be a short prayer walk plus lots of playground time and splash time for the kids. Bring a side to share and join the group for a fun summer picnic lunch! We hope to see you there! Please email nativitychurchfamilyministry@gmail.com if you have any questions about the event or the Nativity Family Ministry.



SVdP VOLUNTEERING

Those attending one of Father Doherty's masses recently heard his inspiring call to "abide actively" in seeking to love God and our neighbors more completely. Father graciously recognized our parish's *St. Vincent de Paul Conference* as an opportunity for service to our neighbors. In response to our request for help retrieving food from Second Harvest, a number of parishioners volunteered. Emboldened by this success, we also want to make folks aware that we need assistance in our food deliveries. In particular, we are seeking volunteers to help deliver on **Thursday** or **Saturday** mornings. These deliveries entail about *3 hours* of work on a delivery day. If anyone can spare one or two days a month to assist other volunteers with these deliveries, we would love to hear from you. You can contact **Dan Winnike** – 650/714-4644, or **Cindy Zollinger** – 650/207-4398, or any of our other volunteers with whom you are familiar.

As always, we are very appreciative of the generous support from our parishioners.

OCIA AND FAITH FORMATION: 2026-27 PROGRAM

Do you know someone who is thinking about becoming Catholic? Do you have questions about our Catholic faith? All are welcome! We will meet weekly for study, prayer and discussion in preparation for the reception of the Sacraments of *Baptism*, *First Communion*, and *Confirmation* at the Easter Vigil Mass on **Saturday, 27 MAR 2027**.

WHAT: The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults
WHERE: O'Hare Center
WHEN: TBD
Information sessions: **SEP 2026**
Class topics: **Fall 2026**

MORE DETAILS: <https://www.nativitymenlo.org/OCIA>

There will be OCIA brochures in the back of the Church soon. Please contact **Mary Rudolph** (mem.rudolph@gmail.com), **Joan Desmond** (jfdesmond@aol.com), **Hal Fletcher** (hal.fletcher@gmail.com) or the Rectory (650/323-7914).

THURSDAY SENIOR GROUP: SUMMER BREAK



The **Thursday Senior Group** will be on a summer break throughout July and August. Gatherings will resume on **Thursday, 10 SEP 2026**, following the Labor Day holiday. We look forward to welcoming everyone back at that time. Wishing everyone a safe, joyful, and refreshing summer season; see you in the Fall!

Pregnant? Need Help? Please contact

• Birth and Beyond • (331/444-5433),

• The Gabriel Project • (800/910-0191),

or • San Juan Diego Centro por la Vida • at St. Francis (650/322-2152).

FROM THE HOLY SEE

Each month His Holiness asks for prayer intentions.
For **July 2026**, the Holy Father's intention is:

Intention: *For Respect for Human Life*

Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS



DID YOU KNOW?

ON-GOING PRAYER GROUPS AND DEVOTIONS

WEEKDAY MORNING ROSARY

A group meets every morning (**Mon-Fri**) in the church to pray the rosary at **08:00 AM**. They have been practicing this devotion since the 1970s. Perhaps you'd like to join them!

EVERY MONDAY AT 07:00 PM ...

Our Lady Queen of Peace Prayer Group meets for Rosary and the latest message from Medjugorje, now approved by the Vatican. All are welcome (in the **Guadalupe Room**).

CENACLES OF LIFE PRAYER GROUP

After the **05:30 PM** mass on **Tuesdays**, the *Nativity Cenacles of Life Prayer Group* pray two rosaries for the protection of all life and for the protection of religious liberty in the Church. They pray a decade or two in different languages. They welcome and enjoy this addition to their prayer; please come and join the group.

FRIDAY EVENING ROSARY

A group meets at **07:30 PM** every **Friday** at Vallombrosa, year-round at the Lourdes shrine, to pray the rosary. They have been practicing this devotion for 5 years. All are invited to join.

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP

Men have been meeting every week for the last 16 years to pray together and share experiences in spiritual growth. We meet at **06:15 AM** on **Saturdays** in the O'Hare (Parish) Center in back of the church. It has been a time of grace and strength for everyone who attends. You are welcome to join us. For questions, call **Deacon Dominick Peloso: 650/269-6279**

EVERY FIRST TUESDAY AT 07:00 PM ...

A **Spanish-language** prayer group, *Our Lady Queen of Peace*, meets for the Rosary and the latest message from Medjugorje. All are welcome in the Guadalupe Room. For more information, call **Aurora Abramson at 650/400-8911**.

EVERY FIRST FRIDAY AT 05:30 PM ...

An evening of adoration, prayer and reflection with *Our Lady Queen of Peace* starting at **05:30 PM** Mass followed at **06:00-08:00 PM** rosary, music, meditation and closing with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. All are welcome. (in the church).

CALENDAR OF NOVENAS

05 JUL (SUN)	FOURTH Day: Saint Benedict
06 JUL (MON)	FIFTH Day: Saint Benedict
07 JUL (TUE)	SIXTH Day: Saint Benedict FIRST Day: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
08 JUL (WED)	SEVENTH Day: Saint Benedict SECOND Day: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
09 JUL (THU)	EIGHTH Day: Saint Benedict THIRD Day: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
10 JUL (FRI)	NINTH Day: Saint Benedict FOURTH Day: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
11 JUL (SAT)	Feast of Saint Benedict FIFTH Day: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
12 JUL (SUN)	SIXTH Day: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
13 JUL (MON)	SEVENTH Day: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
14 JUL (TUE)	EIGHTH Day: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
15 JUL (WED)	NINTH Day: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
16 JUL (THU)	Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel
17 JUL (FRI)	
18 JUL (SAT)	

FIND THE NOVENA PRAYERS

Novena to Saint Benedict:

<https://www.ewtn.com/Devotionals/novena/benedict.htm>

Novena to Our Lady of Mount Carmel:

<https://www.ewtn.com/faith/carmel.htm>

NEED YOUR PRAYERS FOR PREGNANT MOTHERS

When pregnant mothers, scared and worried, come to Planned Parenthood, thinking they have no other option, pro-life volunteers are there with our resources, prayers and care.

Many women with abortion appointments will cancel when they encounter loving, compassionate people on the sidewalk who are praying for them and their unborn. Please consider joining us; God will bless you!

WHAT: Pro-life people praying there, led by members of *San Mateo Pro Life*

WHERE: Planned Parenthood sidewalk, 2907 El Camino Real, Redwood City

WHEN: Mornings, **Monday-Saturday 08:00-11:30 AM**

WHY: The more people present and praying, the more graces God grants to save precious babies! Many lives have in this way been spared!

CONTACT: For more information, visit www.sanmateoprolife.com or call **Erika at 650/283-5353**

Do you speak Spanish? Your help could be crucial in saving a life!



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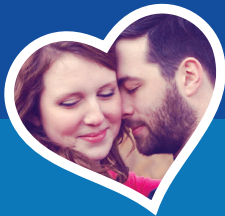
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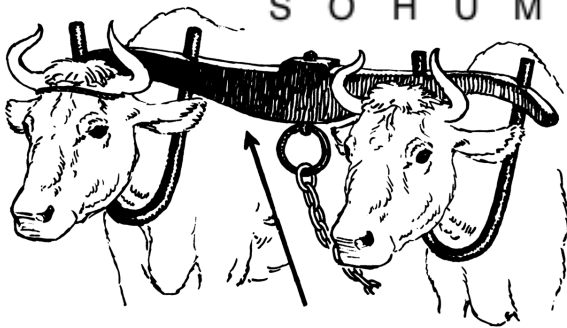
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PRAYER OF ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT

Our Lord revealed to St. Gertrude that the following prayer would release 1000 souls from Purgatory each time it was said.

"Eternal Father, I offer You the Most Precious Blood of Your Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the Universal Church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen."

THE WOODCUT ART FORM

An extremely popular and prolific form of art during the Renaissance, its greatest examples are the works of **Albrecht Dürer**, who was influenced by (and an influence upon) many of the greatest artists of the High Renaissance. He was in regular communication with **Raphael**, **Giovanni Bellini** and **Leonardo Da Vinci**. He undertook many major projects of primarily religious subjects, like his multiple woodcuts of *The Life of the Virgin*. He did a series of woodcuts of *The Great Passion*, of which *Jesus Bearing the Cross* is shown here. He is also well-known for carved altarpieces, but perhaps is best-known for a sketch he drew as a reference for an upcoming woodcut of the apostles. He needed a reference for the apostles' hands, and drew the now-very-famous sketch of *The Praying Hands*.



Albrecht Dürer

Imagine that Dürer and his assistants had to carve every single detail of this, including all the fine lines, into wood, often using fine carving tools like a *burin*.

Also, in order to make inked prints from a woodcut, they had to carve the entire thing *backwards* (i.e., as a mirror-image).



Search online for "durer woodcuts" - you will be amazed.