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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

PAROCHIAL VICAR

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



FIRST READING

The Lord stood with Moses there and proclaimed His Name, "Lord".

Exodus 34: 4-6, 8-9

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Blessed is Your holy and glorious Name.

Deuteronomy 3: 52-56

SECOND READING

Live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you.

2 Corinthians 13: 11-13

GOSPEL

God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life.

John 3: 16-18



The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

31 May 2026

Blessed are You on the throne of Your kingdom.

Deuteronomy 3: 54

CALENDAR

SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS WEEK OF 31 MAY - 06 JUN

SAT: 05:00 PM	Priest's intentions
SUN: Masses	Priest's intentions
MON: 07:30 AM	† Evelyn Otellini
05:30 PM	† Barbara Pauley
TUE: 07:30 AM	† Maria Cenni
05:30 PM	† Marta San Juan
WED: 07:30 AM	† Diane Masetti
05:30 PM	† Saint Joseph
THU: 07:30 AM	† Joseph Masuda
05:30 PM	ICF #351 living and deceased members
FRI: 07:30 AM	† John and Virginia Conway
05:30 PM	† Barbara Wynne;
	† Candido and Encarnacion Acluba;
	† Keith Bottoms;
	† Barbara Pauley
SAT: 08:00 AM	Brian and Cuc Lee and family; Alexander Perez; Jordan Peterson and family; The Wong-Diaz families, living and deceased; † Etelvina Peña

Please pray for those in need of physical or spiritual healing

BROWN BAG SUNDAY



This week the **St. Vincent de Paul Society** will be collecting donations after the Masses.



Electronic giving is offered through our website www.nativitymenlo.org or call the parish office for a paper form

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

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

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)

31 MAY	[Sunday]	SVdP Brown Bag Sunday
01 JUN	[Monday]	08:00 AM Legion of Mary
02 JUN	[Tuesday]	07:00 PM Medjugorje Prayer Group (Spanish)
03 JUN	[Wednesday]	09:00 AM Nativity End of School Mass
04 JUN	[Thursday]	12:00 PM Senior Thursday Group
		04:00 PM ICF #351 Meeting
05 JUN	[Friday]	05:00 PM <i>First Friday</i> ^{1st} First Friday Mass/Queen of Peace Novena
06 JUN	[Saturday]	08:00 AM <i>First Saturday</i> ^{1st} Genesis Retreat ADSF



PARISH OFFERINGS

	WEEK OF 16-17 MAY
FIGURES UNAVAILABLE AT TIME OF PUBLICATION	
ADA Progress:	\$14,410
2026 ADA Goal:	\$152,365

SAINTS AND OBSERVANCES

SOLEMNITY, FEAST, MEMORIAL • OPTIONAL MEMORIAL • OTHER

01 JUN (Thursday):

SAINT JUSTIN, Martyr (c. 100-165)

A pagan philosopher who converted at the age of 30 by reading the Scriptures and witnessing the faith of martyrs. Justin used his oratorical and philosophical skills to dispute with pagans and explain the faith, becoming one of the first great Christian apologists.

02 JUN (Friday):

SAINTS MARCELLINUS AND PETER, Martyrs (d. 304)

Marcellinus was a priest, and Peter (not to be confused with St. Peter the Apostle) was an exorcist in Rome. They were persecuted by Diocletian and martyred together. Their names are mentioned in the first Eucharistic prayer.

HAPPY NEWS

HISTORIC CONSECRATION OF THE UNITED STATES

On Friday, 12 JUN 2026, the USCCB will be consecrating the United States of America to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. To honor this momentous occasion, and the enable the participation of the faithful, the USCCB has published the following prayer, to be said by Catholics across the country on the day of the consecration. The Consecration will take place at *The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception* in Washington, D.C. on Friday, 12 JUN 2026 during the 05:15 PM Mass in the Crypt Church.

Read more here: <https://tinyurl.com/USCCBconsecration>

O Most Sacred Heart of Jesus:

You know the longings of our hearts, and You desire that we enjoy friendship with You.

From Your pierced side, You have poured out the wellspring of life, for which we thirst.

Your heart burns with a love for all people to return to a right relationship with You.

We celebrate the abundant gifts You have given this nation, founded on the self-evident truths that our Creator has endowed all people with the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

We make reparation for the offenses against You and against human dignity that have taken place in this nation.

May our hearts be united to Yours, so that our families and communities enjoy peace and happiness; may broken relationships be reconciled, injustices repaired, and the wounds of our land be healed.

May Your holy Catholic Church serve as a sign, pointing all people to Your infinite love.

O Desire of Nations and Center of History, we ask You to bless these United States of America.

Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

*Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us!
Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us!*



FATIMA CELEBRATION



On Friday, 12 JUN 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.

MINISTRY AND GROUP NEWS

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

FATHERS DAY CARDS

Father's Day is Sunday, 21 JUN 2026! What could be a better gift to your father, husband, father-in-law, grandfather, godfather, brother, brother-in-law, uncle, son, or friend than to be remembered in a novena of Masses in observance of Father's Day at the Church of the Nativity? Father's Day Cards are available at the entrances to the church. Put the name(s) of your loved ones who are fathers, living or deceased, on the larger envelope and return it to the parish office or put it into the collection. These names will be placed on the altar during June so that they will be remembered in a novena of Masses that will be said in their honor.

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.



MARRIAGES • **Brian James Hinkamp and Allyn Huntington Haynes**

LOST AND FOUND

A gift envelope has been turned into our Lost and Found. The rightful owner is asked to contact the rectory office to provide identifying details.

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.



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.

MOTHERS' DAY CARDS

Our shipment has arrived! More Mother's Day cards are available in the church vestibule. Although Mother's Day has passed, there is still time to give them that perfect card to celebrate the special moms in your life by giving them a spiritual bouquet gift. We still have beautiful Mother's Day cards available in the vestibule, so if you have not picked one up yet, you can still make her day extra special with a heartfelt message of love and appreciation.

IN THE COMMUNITY

CATHOLIC CHARITIES SUMMER CAMP

Catholic Charities CYO Summer Camp is part of the San Francisco Archdiocese and is located in beautiful Occidental, California (about an hour and a half north of the city) on 216 acres of redwood forest. We are honored to be celebrating our **80th** anniversary this year. Campers are between the ages of 8 and 17. We offer six different 7-day sessions to choose from and proudly offer financial assistance because we believe camp should be accessible.

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Phone: 707/874-0180

Website: <https://www.catholiccharitiessf.org/cyocamp>



REGISTER WITH THE PARISH

We welcome all visitors and invite those who are considering coming home to the Catholic Church to register. Church attendance alone does not make you or your family registered members. To register online, please go to www.nativitymenlo.org and fill out the *Parish Registration Form*. To obtain one in the mail, please call the rectory office **650/323-7914** during regular business hours.

Parish Office Hours

09:00 AM-04:00 PM (M-F)

closed 12:00-01:00 PM (lunch)



Bringing animals inside the Church

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AT ANY TIME!**



ARE YOU IN NEED OF A HOT MEAL OR CLOTHING?

We'd like to familiarize you with the services of **St. Anthony's Padua Dining Room**, 3500 Middlefield Road in Menlo Park. We provide a hot, nutritious meal **Monday** through **Saturday** from **11:00 AM** to **01:00 PM** and bread, fruit and vegetables to bring home to help with the evening meal. We also have a free Clothing Distribution Center which is open on **Wednesdays** from **10:00-11:00 AM** for women and children and on **Thursdays** from **10:00-11:00 AM**. In case of emergency, help is always available. All are welcome; no questions asked. Please pass the word to anyone you know who may need their services.

HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE GLUTEN-INTOLERANT

We now have available low-gluten altar bread for those who are gluten-intolerant. These hosts contain **less than 0.01%** gluten and are approved by the **U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops**. If you wish to receive Holy Communion with this special host please get at the end of the Communion line and let the priest know that you would like to receive the low-gluten host. If you have any questions please call the parish office, **650/323-7914**.



If you would like to learn more about this altar bread, visit

www.altarbreadsbspa.com/

A NEW TYPE OF DONATION: GOLD AND SILVER

Often we find things in church that people don't know what to do with, so they leave them here -- old medals (Sacred Heart, Miraculous Medal, etc.), broken bits of chain, broken rosaries. Often these objects are silver and do have some monetary value. If you have scrap silver or gold that you don't know what to do with, consider donating it to Nativity. Any money we receive will be given to the Altar Society to further their work in beautifying the Church. If you have any questions please call **650/323-7914**.

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 **May 2026**, the Holy Father's intention is:

Intention: *That Everyone Might Have Food*

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

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

31 MAY (SUN)	Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity THIRD Day: Corpus Christi
01 JUN (MON)	FOURTH Day: Corpus Christi
02 JUN (TUE)	FIFTH Day: Corpus Christi
03 JUN (WED)	SIXTH Day: Corpus Christi FIRST Day: Sacred Heart of Jesus
04 JUN (THU)	SEVENTH Day: Corpus Christi SECOND Day: Sacred Heart of Jesus FIRST Day: St. Anthony of Padua
05 JUN (FRI)	EIGHTH Day: Corpus Christi THIRD Day: Sacred Heart of Jesus SECOND Day: St. Anthony of Padua
06 JUN (SAT)	NINTH Day: Corpus Christi FOURTH Day: Sacred Heart of Jesus THIRD Day: St. Anthony of Padua
07 JUN (SUN)	Solemnity of Corpus Christi FIFTH Day: Sacred Heart of Jesus FOURTH Day: St. Anthony of Padua
08 JUN (MON)	SIXTH Day: Sacred Heart of Jesus FIFTH Day: St. Anthony of Padua
09 JUN (TUE)	SEVENTH Day: Sacred Heart of Jesus SIXTH Day: St. Anthony of Padua
10 JUN (WED)	EIGHTH Day: Sacred Heart of Jesus SEVENTH Day: St. Anthony of Padua
11 JUN (THU)	NINTH Day: Sacred Heart of Jesus EIGHTH Day: St. Anthony of Padua
12 JUN (FRI)	Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus NINTH Day: St. Anthony of Padua
13 JUN (SAT)	Feast of Saint Anthony of Padua

FIND THE NOVENA PRAYERS

Novena to the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi):
https://www.ewtn.com/Devotionals/novena/Corpus_Christi.htm

Novena to the Sacred Heart:
https://www.ewtn.com/Devotionals/heart/sh_novena.htm

Novena to Saint Anthony of Padua:
<http://www.ewtn.com/devotionals/novena/anthony.htm>

ST. CLARE'S RETREAT EVENTS

St. Clare's Silent Retreat

Sisters and Lay Women's 8-day Silent Retreat

Retreat Master: **Fr. Jim Sullivan**

26 JUN - 03 JUL 2026

2381 Laurel Glen Road, Soquel, CA 95073

831/423-8093

www.stclaresretreat.org

Retreat Center: Opus Angelorum

05-07 JUN 2026

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Preached by: **Fr. Wolfgang Seitz, ORC**

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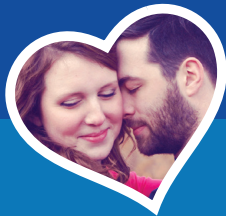
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 June 5th, 6th and 7th, 2026

CARNIVAL HOURS

05 JUN	FRI	05:00-10:00 PM
06 JUN	SAT	12:00-10:00 PM
07 JUN	SUN	12:00-06:00 PM

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

05 JUN	06:00-10:00 PM	Bell Brothers
06 JUN	01:00-05:00 PM	Mirage Band
	06:00-10:00 PM	Dutch Uncle
07 JUN	01:00-05:00 PM	Soul Practitioners

RAFFLE PRIZES

\$5000	1st Prize
\$3000	2nd Prize
\$1000	3rd Prize

RAFFLE TICKETS

suggested	donation
\$50	1 ticket
\$100	3 tickets



www.nativityschool.com/nativity-carnival

We have a few carnival rides left to sponsor! Get your family name, business, or in memory of someone on a ride at the 44th Nativity Carnival. For more information and to purchase, contact: admissions@nativityschool.com no later than Tuesday, May 26th.

PROMISE TO PROTECT



PLEDGE TO HEAL

REPORT ABUSE OR INAPPROPRIATE

BEHAVIOR WITH A MINOR OR VULNERABLE ADULT

IMMEDIATELY!

For any abuse of a minor, contact:

San Mateo County hotline for Child Protective Services
(650) 802-7922

You can also report abuse by contacting the Sheriff's Department:
(650) 363-4911

For any abuse of a vulnerable adult, contact:

San Mateo County hotline for Adult Protective Services
(844) 868-0938

If the abuser is a church minister or employee of the Archdiocese, also contact:

Archdiocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator,

Rocio Rodriguez
(415) 614-5506

(Reporting situations to the Archdiocese include, but are not limited to, incidences involving priests, deacons, volunteers, youth chaperones, and employees of a parish, school or of the Archdiocese of San Francisco)

PREVENTING • PROTECTING • REPORTING

The Office of Child and Youth Protection at the Archdiocese of San Francisco is responsible for creating a safe and compassionate environment for abuse victim-survivors to come forward. Every allegation is treated seriously and discreetly, and immediate steps are taken to protect the confidentiality and the rights of both victim-survivors and alleged abusers.

As a result of the diligent work and dedication of the staff and clergy who participate in the program, new cases of sexual abuse are rare today in the Archdiocese. Yet, we remain steadfast in our commitment to protect children, report allegations and remove perpetrators from ministry.

All those whose ministry or job involves interacting with minors must be fingerprinted and participate in a training course every three years on recognizing, preventing and reporting suspected abuse prior to beginning their employment or volunteer work. The Victim Assistance Coordinator supports and advocates for victim-survivors of sexual abuse through counseling and programs.



Deacon Fred Totah
 Director of Pastoral Ministry
 (415) 614-5505
Twyla Powers
 Safe Environment Coordinator Lay Adults
 (415) 614-5576
Karen Guglielmoni
 Safe Environment Coordinator (Youth)
 (415) 614-5578
Rocio Rodriguez
 Victim Assistance Coordinator
 (415) 614-5506



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children are taught safe environment lessons to assist them in personal safety, abuse recognition and prevention. The serves our parishes and schools by assisting with training and implementing our Safe Environment Program.



19,740

employees, educators and volunteers are fingerprinted and submit to background checks in compliance with the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People.



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priests, deacons and candidates for ordination are fingerprinted and submit to background checks in compliance with the USCCB charter.

Note: Statistics above were reported in annual audit documents of June 30, 2024

If child abuse is suspected, first call local authorities, then the Archdiocese Victim Assistance Coordinator at (415) 614-5506.

MARIN
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 Police Department Non-Emergency
 Number: (415) 553-0123

SAN MATEO
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 Hotline: (650) 802-7922 or (800) 632-4615
 Sheriff's Department Non-Emergency
 Number: (650) 363-4911