

THINGS TO KNOW

Nursery

For children ages 6 wks to 4 yrs. old during the Sunday 9 AM Mass. It is located on the right side of the school's breezeway entrance. **Closed until number of volunteers are reached. Please Contact Mary Smith, DRE or Parish Office to volunteer.*

Baptism

To schedule a Baptism preparation class, a parent should be an active parishioner. Godparents for Baptism must be active parishioners of Nativity or another Catholic parish. For information, please contact the Director of Religious Education.

Religious Education Programs

Nativity School serves students in grades K4 through 8. The Parish School of Religion (PSR) is offered for other parish children (K4-Gr 8), enrolled in non-parochial schools. For information, please contact the Director of Religious Education.

Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation

These sacraments require a 2-year preparation period. To receive First Reconciliation and First Eucharist in the 2nd grade, children must have participated in a 1st grade PSR or Catholic school program; to receive the sacrament of Confirmation in the 8th grade children must have participated in a 7th grade PSR or Catholic school program. For information, please contact the Director of Religious Education.

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples must contact the priest at least six months prior to the proposed marriage date. For inquiry, contact the Parish Office.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

OCIA meets in a small group online to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare adults to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. For information, please contact the Director of Religious Education.

Ministry to the Sick and Homebound

This pastoral ministry provides compassionate presence, prayer, and sacraments to parishioners confined to their home, hospital, or nursing home. It includes Extraordinary Ministers to the Sick and Eucharistic Ministers who bring Holy Communion. To arrange a pastoral visit, please contact the Parish Office.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

This sacrament is received by those suffering from a potentially life-threatening illness, those planning to have serious surgery, and those in advanced years. Please do not wait until the 'last minute' to request the sacrament; contact the Parish Office.

FORMED.org

FORMED is an online resource for our parishioners to access video-based study programs, feature films, audio presentations, and eBooks from the Church's foremost presenters. An email is needed to access FORMED.org; no password is required.

An Active Parishioner

- attends liturgies weekly,
- is registered with the parish for at least 3 months, and
- makes regular and identifiable contributions (parish envelopes, myEoffering, parishioner ID)

These criteria are used to verify parishioner status for Weddings, Sacramental Preparation, Parish School of Religion enrollment, Sponsor Certificates for Baptism and Confirmation, and to receive parishioner tuition rates at Catholic schools. An extended time with no activity will place a person or family on inactive status. Please be an active parishioner.

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass	5:30 pm
Sunday Mass	9 am & 11:30 am
	11:30 am (M, Tu, W, *, Fr)
Weekday Mass	Rosary follows 9:30 am (Th) Adoration follows (Th) to 1 pm
Reconciliation	4:15-5 pm & by Appointment
Office Hours Weekdays	8:30-3:30 & by Appointment

Volunteers

All regular volunteers at Nativity School and Parish must register with the Parish Office using Virtus. All requirements are done online: codes of conduct agreements, educational training, and background screening. Individual computer appointments can be made at the office, for any volunteer needing assistance. Our parish is blessed with your service.



New to Nativity?

Please consider joining the parish!
To register, **text: NATIVITYCHAS**
to **84576** or return a new parishioner form found
in the church foyer. Please contact the office
with any questions. Welcome!



Note from the Finance Council

You can provide for the needs of future generations of Catholics by making a legacy gift: by remembering Nativity in your will, trust, retirement plan, or an annuity. For more information about joining the Catholic Heritage Society and legacy gifts, please contact Carrie Mummert: 843-261-0435, cmummert@charlestdiocese.org.

All inquiries are handled in confidence.