

# *Nativity of Our Lady Catholic Church*

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## **MASS SCHEDULE:**

Saturday: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am

Weekdays:

5:30 pm (Tuesday and Thursday)

9:00 am (Wednesday) 6:30 am (Friday)

## **OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday: 9:00 am — 5:00 pm

Tuesday: 9:00 am — 5:00 pm

Wednesday: 9:30 am — 5:00 pm

Thursday: 9:00 am — 5:00 pm

Friday: 9:00 am — 12:00 pm

(Closed daily from 12:00 pm — 1:00 pm for Lunch)

## **PASTOR:**

*Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Romero*

## **SACRAMENTAL MINISTER:**

*Fr. Ed Degeyter*

## **BOOKKEEPER:**

*Linda L. Viator*

## **SECRETARY:**

*Polly Camacho*

## **DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:**

*Brenda Romero — 365-3759*

## **PASTORAL COUNCIL**

**PRESIDENT:** *Barbara Breaux*

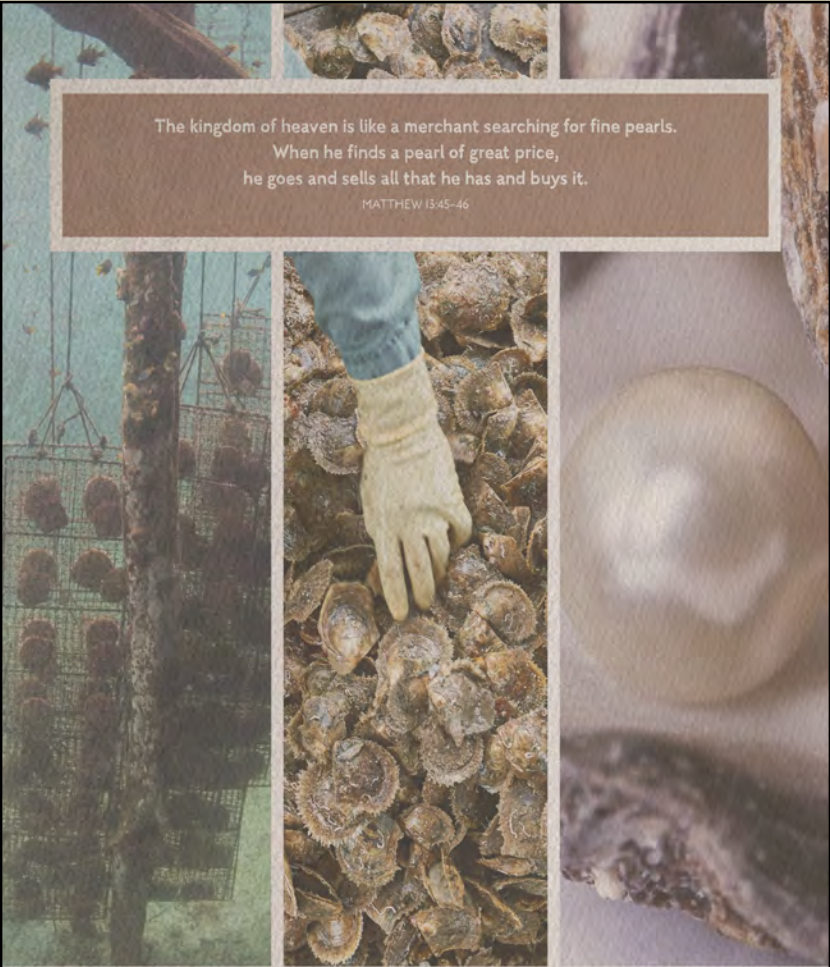
## **RECONCILIATION:**

Saturday: 3:00 pm — 3:45 pm and  
30 minutes before weekday Masses

## **ROSARY:**

Wednesday: 8:20 am (*Pro-Life*)

Thursday: 5:00 pm



The kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls.  
When he finds a pearl of great price,  
he goes and sells all that he has and buys it.  
MATTHEW 13:45-46

**SEVENTEENTH  
SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY  
TIME**

JULY 26  
2020

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## Mass Intentions for the Week

**Tuesday, July 28, 2020**

**5:30pm** Oris Gachassin (1yr ann of death)

**Wednesday, July 29, 2020**

**9:00am** Cecile & Robert Halphen, Sr.  
Quang V. Nguyen  
Patti Gagnard, Joseph Viator  
In Honor of St. Jude

**Thursday, July 30, 2020**

**5:30pm** Ernestine PetitJean

**Friday, July 31, 2020**

**6:30am** Jeanne Clifton

**Saturday, August 1, 2020 - First Saturday**

**9:00am** Brother & Claire LaBauve  
Quang V. Nguyen, Lillie Sapienza  
United States of America

**4:00pm** Memorial Book Intentions, Roy Flores  
Amelia Segura Selph, Lynward Ransonet  
Oris Gachassin, Dorothy "Dot" Escurieux  
Harvey & Joyce DeCourt, Warren Barras  
Vernice & A.J. Estilette  
Vera & Avery DeHart  
Jade Romero (liv)(bd)  
Carrol Romero Sr. (liv)(bd)

**Sunday, August 2, 2020**

**7:00am** Memorial Book Intentions, Charles Froisy  
Parishioners, Mona B. Simon  
Tan & Jean Dugas, Marlene T. Broussard

**9:00am** Memorial Book Intentions, Melvin Petry  
Msgr. H. J. Barsen, Agapito A. Castro  
Gerald "Bick" Girouard, Quang V. Nguyen  
Irene & O'Neil Simon  
Liv. & Dec. Fly of Warren & Sandra Gaspard

**11:00am** *Please note: time change*

Memorial Book Intentions, Dean Smith  
Fr. A.J. Boumans, Donna M. Lanza  
Donald Dooley (bd), Ronnie Ackal  
Theonie & Ernest Breaux, Kenny Byrom  
Aline & Asa Stewart

### Be on the lookout . . .

Faith formation registration forms have been mailed out in mid July. Students are not automatically registered, so please complete the registration form and parent/student contract and return both to Nativity Church. Call Brenda Romero with any questions, 365-3759

Bishop Deshotel has asked us to remind parishioners that **the wearing of masks or face covering continues to be strongly recommended** for Masses and all other church gatherings. This is important in the wake of the surge of COVID-19 cases in Acadiana.  
***Thank you for your cooperation.***

### 1 lb. Boiled Shrimp, Corn & Potato

Knights of Columbus

Council #12997 Fundraiser

**The fundraiser been postponed. Tickets purchased will be used for the rescheduled date.**

**If you have any questions, please contact Wayne Duhon, Sr. 337-339-1602.**



**We are a sacrificial giving Parish,  
giving of our Time, Talent and Treasure:**

OUR GIFTS TO GOD week ending July 19 <sup>th</sup>	
Loose.....	\$ 480.00
Envelopes .....	\$ 3,911.00
Total (collected).....	\$ 4,381.00
Online Giving offertory.....	\$ 667.00
Mailed in offertory.....	\$ 1,186.00
Total offertory (week) .....	\$ 6,244.00

**Thank you for your generosity!!!!**

With 5 altar servers graduating high school and our altar server program, we are in great need of altar servers. Altar servers must be at least going into the fourth grade and any grade level above that is welcome! We train all of our new servers and have two group practices per year. We try our best to accommodate everyone's schedules. Please call Andree Schlicher at 577-1414 for more information. We hope you prayerfully consider joining our Altar Server program!

**REFLECTIONS - Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time** - Do you really believe that all things will work for the good of those who have faith? When things are going well, it seems obvious; but when there are setbacks and problems, it is easy to doubt this truth. Discipleship is not an insurance policy that protects us from the problems and failures of life. It is a way of being - a mind-set - that keeps us focused on what is truly important. When we encounter life's downs and ups, we do not just passively accept them. Rather, we see them all as gifts that can teach us something that will deepen our love of God and neighbor. In that way, all things work for our good.

*"Let your kindness comfort me according to your promise to your servants." - Psalm 119:76*

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# Nativity of Our Lady Catholic Church

## August 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 Pray for Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI Memorial Book <i>Nativity Building Fund</i>	3 Pray for Bishop Douglas Deshotel Pick-up Faith Formation Make-up Work	4 Pray for Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell Pick-up Faith Formation Make-up Work	5 Pray for Fr. Gregory Usselmann Pro-Life Rosary Holy Hour 9:30am Pick-up Faith Formation Make-up Work	6 Pray for Fr. Jason Vidrine	7 Pray for Fr. Richard Vidrine First Friday	8 Pray for Fr. A. Vincent Thanaraj
9 Pray for Fr. Thomas Voorhies <i>Bishop's Service Appeal</i>	10 Pray for Fr. Thomas Vu	11 Pray for Fr. Augustine Wall	12 Pray for Fr. Derrick Weingartner Pro-Life Rosary K.C. & Ladies Aux. Dinner & Meeting	13 Pray for Fr. Kyle White Baptismal Class	14 Pray for Fr. Travis Abadie	15 Pray for Fr. Lawrence Abara Feast of the Assumption Mass 9am Baptisms
16 Pray for Fr. Ambrose Akalawu K.C. Ladies Auxiliary Blood Drive	17 Pray for Fr. Alexander Albert	18 Pray for Fr. Thainese Alphonse Fr. Ed's Birthday	19 Pray for Fr. Anthony Anala Pro-Life Rosary	20 Pray for Fr. Chester Arceneaux	21 Pray for Fr. Michael Arnaud	22 Pray for Fr. Borgia Aubespain
23 Pray for Fr. Emmanuel Aue <i>New Iberia Poor &amp; Needy</i>	24 Pray for Fr. Matthew Barzare	25 Pray for Fr. Herbert Bennerfield	26 Pray for Fr. Lloyd Benoit Pro-Life Rosary Confirmation Practice - 5:30pm - Church	27 Pray for Fr. Paul Bergeron Confirmation - 6:30pm - Church <b>No 5:30 Mass</b>	28 Pray for Fr. Donald Bernard	29 Pray for Fr. Conley Bertrand
30 Pray for Fr. Kenneth Bienvenu <i>Pontifical Mission Appeal</i>	31 Pray for Fr. Paul Bienvenu					

## PRAYER & SICK LIST



The names on our prayer list will stay on for 90 days. If you want to add or delete a name, please call the office

@ 364-8360: Rhonda Darden, Peggy Lancon, Mary Ann Babin, Clifton Babin, Cindy Trahan, Kay Bourreaux, Lynn Bodin, Harriet Fowler, Craig Daniels, Acey & Diana Frugé, Mercedes Turner, Lonnie Lavergne, Cheryl Lavergne, Rita Gary, Kurt Lambalino, Kressant Landry, Joy Mayer, Lori Aguilard, Dale Landry, Charles Gautreaux, Jason Walker, Peggy Miguez, Alvin Theriot, Rose Guilbeau, Peter & Bernadine Williams, Mike & Dolores Boutte, Jerome Reed, Carrol Romero, Jr., Hiroe Argobright, Neal Boutte, Christy Lannie, Sherry Darcey, Chandler Dore, Betty Duhon, Emile & Doris Barras, Kiersten Price, Dawn Broussard, Stephen Etienne, Michael & Linda Sundberg, Raphael Duplechain, Dr. Angela Langlinois, Myrna & Millard Poche, Jaquie Gondran, Ed McVey, Tammy Johnson, Celia Camacho, Carmen Merryman, Fran & Gilbert Jackson, David & Robin Viator family, Theresa Olmsted, Sheryl S. Bourque, Lloyd & Ronnie Landry, Elise C. Verret, Michael & Claire Landry Family, Dustin & Nicole V. Ortego family, Gloria Landry, Linda & Clint Trahan family, Stella & Kole Schouest, Gerald Viator, Brittany Marceaux, Hadley Babin, James Boudreaux, Heath Michael Boutte, Brent Buteaux, Gayle Hebert, Danny Segura, Ruby Seneca, Randy Breaux, Monique Martin McCarty, Sally Romero, Jason Goutierrez, Edward Hartwell, Caroline Dubois, Donald Poche, Debbie Clark, Gwen Meyers, Jim Upchurch, Irene Hebert, Janis Dugas, Alice Robicheaux, Thelma & Curtis Hulin, Dwayne Dugas, Emma Lou Doerle Segura, Abby Musselwhite, Tiffany Segura, Child of Antonio & Jaclyn Aleman, Tara Romero, Billy Slampa, Brenda & Larry Musselwhite, Corliss Ramirez, Dorothy McDonald, Ulysse Robicheaux, Margaret Richard, Brenda Castille, Chuck Estave, Ricky L. Lewis, Keisha Castille, Jerry Shuptrine, Randal Romero, Holly Hargett, Ava Campbell, Troy Bonin, Jean-Paul Marceaux, Beverly Dugas, Doris Broussard

Please also pray for those individuals who, although they are in need of your prayers, have requested that their names not be publicized for privacy reasons.

## **WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED Lighting Candles in Church**

**Q: Why do Catholics light candles in church?**

**A:** Candles have been part of the Church's worship from the earliest times. In the days before electricity, candles and oil lamps were the ways that people lighted buildings. Even today, we often still depend on candles during power outages, relying on their flickering flames to bring light into the dark.

Like our ancestors, we also light candles on special occasions. Think about a festive family meal or a romantic dinner for two — there will often be candles on the table, special objects for a special event. We light candles on birthday cakes and carry them in processions. We also place candles at makeshift memorials that appear when there has been an accident or act of violence. In these moments, their light casts aside a different kind of darkness — the darkness of grief, fear, and death.

The custom of the early Christians lighting candles and lamps at the tombs of the martyrs gave way to the practice of having candles at Mass, honoring the sacredness of the celebration.

As Christians decorated their worship spaces with statues and icons, they would burn candles in front of sacred images and the relics of the saints, basically “shining a light” on what they held to be sacred. When pilgrims would visit these shrines, they would often bring candles to light before the image or relic. These candles came to be a symbol of the person, and their prayer and the burning these candles came to be understood as an extension and continuation of the prayer that was offered. What began as a practical way to provide light has come to be a symbol of the hopes, desires, loves, losses, fears, and faith of everyday Christians offering their prayers to God and his saints.

Introducing Bishop Robert Barron's newest study program – ***THE SACRAMENTS***. The great sacraments of the Church – Baptism, Confirmation, the Eucharist, Reconciliation, the Anointing of the Sick, Matrimony, and Holy Orders – have endured for thousands of years and structured countless lives. Everything in the Church's life comes from and returns to them. But there is far more to these ancient rites than meets the eye.

In this follow-up to *The Mass*, Bishop Barron looks at the greatest sacraments of the Church in all their theological depth, spiritual effects, and pastoral promise. The Sacraments will help you understand these signs and channels of grace and discover the secret behind their persistence sown the ages: the presence and power of the Savior himself.

These sessions will be held on Tuesday morning at 9am or Thursday evening at 6:15pm beginning Tuesday, September 15<sup>th</sup> or Thursday, September 17<sup>th</sup> until the end of October. Call Benda Romero, 365-3759 to register.

## TODAY'S READINGS

**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
July 26, 2020**

**Reading I: 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12**

- As a young man and new king of Israel, Solomon asks the Lord for the gift of wisdom. How do you exercise the virtue of wisdom in your daily life?

**Reading II: Romans 8:28-30**

- How do you think St. Paul can assert with such certainty: "We know that all things work for good for those who love God"?

**Gospel: Matthew 13:44-52 or 13:44-46**

- Jesus offers several "end of the age" parables to the disciples: buried treasure and fine pearls (a priceless discovery) and the large catch of fish (an inclusive invitation). What do you think Jesus is teaching his disciples about the kingdom of heaven?

**SANCTUARY LIGHT:**

*In Honor Of:  
Thelma Hulin (liv)*



## CURRENT EVENTS

**Tuesday, July 28, 2020**

Mass at 5:30pm

**Wednesday, July 29, 2020**

Pro-Life Rosary - 8:20am with Mass at 9am

**Thursday, July 30, 2020**

Mass at 5:30pm

Pastoral Council Meeting - 6pm - Church Office

**Friday, July 31, 2020**

Mass at 6:30am

**Saturday, August 1, 2020 - First Saturday**

OLAS, K.C. Ladies Auxiliary & K.C. Members to attend 9am Mass

Mass at 4pm

**Sunday, August 2, 2020**

Nativity Building Fund Collection

Masses at:

**7am, 9am & 11am** - (10:30am Mass moved)

### Fr. Ed Degeyter Seminary Burse:

The Office of Vocations continues to collect for the Burse in Father Ed's honor. A seminary trust fund is to pay for the diocese's annual cost of seminary formation. Currently, the interest from the trust pays 20% of this expense, while the remainder is supplemented by funds raised during the BSA Campaign. The goal of the burse is \$15,000 which represented the total cost of a single seminarian when it was first established, although today the cost is \$200,000.

Please make the check payable to: Lafayette Diocese Office of Vocations/Fr. Ed Degeyter Burse # 455:

Seminary Burse - Diocese of Lafayette  
1408 Carmel Dr.  
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MASS SERVERS July 28 - August 2, 2020					
DAY DATE	TIME	CELEBRANT	READERS	LAY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	ALTAR SERVERS
Tuesday 7/28/20	5:30pm	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	Madeline Domingues	Percy Barrilleaux	Sacristan
Wednesday 7/29/20	9:00am	Fr. Ed Degeyter	Christine Halphen	Lisa Dooley, Barbara Breaux Willie & Cynthia Elmer	Sacristan
Thursday 7/30/20	5:30pm	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	Pete Aucoin	Bea Romero	Sacristan
Friday 7/31/20	6:30am	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	Keith Comeaux	Mike Degeyter	Sacristan
Saturday 8/1/20	9:00am	Fr. Ed Degeyter	<i>See Reader Schedule</i>	<i>See Lay Minister Schedule</i>	Lexi Anderson
	4:00pm	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	<i>See Reader Schedule</i>	<i>See Lay Minister Schedule</i>	Cohen Schlicher
Sunday 8/2/20	7:00am	Fr. Ed Degeyter	<i>See Reader Schedule</i>	<i>See Lay Minister Schedule</i>	Jesse Clay Sophia Comeaux
	9:00am	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	<i>See Reader Schedule</i>	<i>See Lay Minister Schedule</i>	Garrett Meaux Madalynn Salsman
	11:00am	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	<i>See Reader Schedule</i>	<i>See Lay Minister Schedule</i>	Autumn Trahan Ephraim Trahan

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