

# 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 Degeyer*

## BOOKKEEPER:

*Linda L. Viator*

## SECRETARY:

*Polly Camacho*

## DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION

*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

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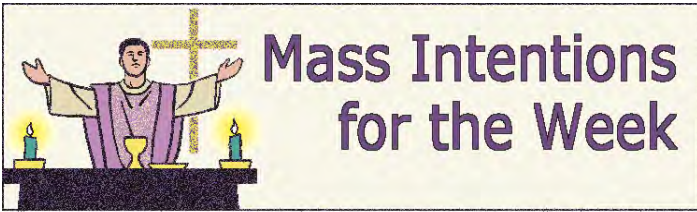


THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to his disciples,  
“And then they will see  
‘the Son of Man  
coming in the clouds’  
with great power and glory.”

MARK 13:26

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**Tuesday, November 16, 2021**

**5:30pm** Randy Delcambre, Terry Domingue

**Wednesday, November 17, 2021**

**9:00am** James Boudreaux, Anne B. Delcambre  
 Quang V. Nguyen, Helen D. Courrege  
 Mitch & Bertha P. Delcambre  
 Patty Babineaux Fontenot, Joseph Viator  
 Terry Bourque & Fly, Mona Simon (bd)  
 Patti Gagnard, Harry Delahoussaye  
 Paul & Celia Camacho Fly  
 Emma Grace Trahan (liv)(bd)

**Thursday, November 18, 2021**

**5:30pm** Nicholas & Elise D. Viator

**Friday, November 19, 2021**

**6:30am** Celia Camacho  
 In Reparation to the Holy Face of Jesus  
 and in Honor of Our Lady of Mount  
 Carmel & St. Joseph

**Saturday, November 20, 2021**

**4:00pm** Lynward Ransonet, Charlene S. Boudreaux  
 Harvey & Joyce DeCourt, Roy Flores  
 James Boudreaux, Bill Ramirez  
 Earline & Carroll J. Navarre, Sr.  
 Ira P. LeFevre, Frederick "Matt" LeFevre  
 Andrew Dupuis, Howard & Dustin McCoy  
 Donald Dupuis, Antoine & Marie Judice  
 Sharon H. Goelzer, Jerry Dooley  
 Larry J. Romero

**Sunday, November 21, 2021**

**7:00am** Parishioners, Mona B. Simon  
 Kimberly Ann Clements, Charles Froisy

**9:00am** Msgr. H. J. Barsen, Agapito A. Castro  
 Gerald "Bick" Girouard, Quang V. Nguyen  
 Melvin Petry, Robert Baisden  
 Bertha P. & Mitch Delcambre  
 Lawrence Jake Bernard

**11:00am** Fr. A.J. Boumans, Donna M. Lanza  
 Prejean & Anslem Flys  
 Liv. & Dec. U.S. Service Men & Women

**SANCTUARY LIGHT:**

*In Memory of:  
 Roy & Mitchell Seneca*



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

**OUR GIFTS TO GOD October 31<sup>st</sup>**

Loose .....	\$ 1,954.38
Envelopes .....	\$ 3,608.00
Total (collected).....	\$ 5,564.38
Online Giving offertory.....	\$ 650.00
Mailed in offertory.....	\$ 405.00
Total offertory (week).....	\$ 6,619.38

**OUR GIFTS TO GOD November 7<sup>th</sup>**

Loose .....	\$ 1,375.36
Envelopes .....	\$ 2,857.00
Total (collected).....	\$ 4,232.36
Online Giving offertory.....	\$ 943.00
Mailed in offertory.....	\$ 630.00
Total offertory (week).....	\$ 5,805.36
Nativity Building Fund .....	\$ 1,248.57

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

**Update on the Mass count of October 2021**

The Mass count gives us an average attendance per weekend of 494 parishioners. Before the pandemic, the Mass count of October 2019 gave us an average attendance per weekend of 904. This indicates we still have parishioners who are sickly and cannot attend Mass in our parish. We ask that everyone please pray for these parishioners. We invite parishioners to reach out to each other in love and care so that we can help each other be faithful to our call of holiness. Especially, those of us who are able to participate at Mass, let us in our offering of the bread and wine at Mass, offer these parishioners who are not with us. We pray they can love and trust in Jesus. *"O Jesus, King of Love, I put my trust in your merciful goodness."* (Yvonne Beauvais)



**K. C. Ladies Auxiliary &  
 Nativity of Our Lady  
 Blood Drive  
 (The Gift of Life)**

Sunday, November 14, 2021  
 7:30 AM-10:30am  
 Church Parking Lot

**REFLECTIONS** **Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time** - We need to be observant and read the signs of our times. However, tomorrow's possibilities should not so disturb us that we fail to tend to realities facing us now. Consider how much time you spend worrying about the future. Reflect on your past. Did such worrying bring any benefit? Ask the Spirit to help you see what needs to be done now and trust the future to God.

*"I set the Lord ever before me;  
 with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed." - Psalm 16:8  
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## **Praying for our Deceased**

There are different ways we can pray for our deceased. We can pray for them at anytime we pray, we can pray for them when we visit their remains in the cemetery, and we can pray for them at Mass. At mass, in the quiet time before mass [remember the Instructions to the Roman Missal asks us to be in our pew five minutes before mass to prepare for meeting the Lord] we can make an intention that we offer our participation of the mass for the happy repose of N. We can also as we are participating at mass, make an intention of asking God to grant happy repose to N after the “Let us pray”, in the quiet time before the Collect Prayer at the beginning of mass. We can during the Universal Prayer of Mass, when we provide time for us to pray in our heart for an intention - pray for the happy repose of N. We can also have an intention for the priest who is the celebrant of the mass to include in his intentions of the mass, the happy repose of N. Remember St. Monica’s words to her sons of which St. Augustine was one: “Bury my body wherever you will; let not care of it cause you any concern. One thing only I ask you, that you remember me at the altar of the Lord wherever you may be.” We pray for all our faithful departed at every mass and we can pray for a singular faithful departed at any mass, as the mass is the one sacrifice of Jesus Christ.

## **Mass Intentions Book for 2022** **and Mass Intentions**

**The Mass Intentions Book for 2022** is opened for parishioners to schedule mass intentions for the priest of the mass. Some may be confused according to the system of mass intentions used in the Diocese of Lafayette. Let me summarize these: There are three ways of accepting mass intentions. The pastor of the parish decides which one to use. **These three are: (1) Individual Intentions, (2) Collective Intentions, and (3) Group Intentions.** For Individual Intentions, a single intention is accepted for each mass said in the parish. For Collective Intentions, a single intention is said for each mass except two masses of the week where many intentions are collected together. In the case of Collective Intentions, the total amount of mass offerings exceeding a single intention is sent to the diocese for the assistance of needy parishes. For Group Intentions, intentions are collected in a group. In this case, the total amount of mass offerings exceeding a single intention is sent to other priests either retired who are in need of intentions or priests in mission lands who are in need of intentions. These mass intentions sent are said for the intentions of the donors. The number of these masses said equals the offerings exceeding a single intention.

In keeping with the decision of former pastors, we use **the Group Intentions** for mass intentions for the priest here at Nativity of Our Lady. So to make it clearer let me review in dollars what happens in Group Intentions. The donation for mass intentions in the Diocese of Lafayette is five (5) dollars per mass per intention. In group intentions, let us say that three intentions are given for a mass. These could be Edward Smith, Mary Jones, and Edith Henry. At five dollars an intention, fifteen dollars were donated ( $3 \times \$5 = \$15$ ). Five dollars stays in the parish and is paid to the celebrant of the mass, ten dollars is forwarded to a priest (retired or not retired) who is in need of mass intentions or is in mission lands where mass intentions are needed. This way, for every five dollars donated, a mass is said.

Please remember, this is one intention per five dollars donated. Examples may help: One intention is Edward Smith, or Mr. and Mrs. Edward Smith, or the Edward Smith Family. One intention is not Edward, Jane, Brent, and Sarah Smith. One intention is not Edward Smith, David Block, and Anna Dugas. One intention is not Mr. and Mrs. Edward Smith and Michael.

The priest can only receive mass offerings for one mass a day. If he says more than one mass a day, then the offerings for more than one mass a day are sent to the diocese to be deposited in the needy parishes’ fund. Also the offerings for the intention for one mass a day are part of the celebrant’s compensation. He pays federal and state income tax on it and he pays self-employment [FICA] tax on it.

We can only receive mass intention offerings for what can be said within a year. Since the Council of Trent, the general rule in the church is one intention per mass. The systems of Collective Intentions and of Group Intentions are exceptions to the rule of the church. These exceptions can be suppressed. One intention per mass is the rule of the church. The Collective Intentions system is an exception given by a 1991 Decree of the Congregation for the Clergy. The Group Intentions system is an exception given by the Bishops of Lafayette. Regardless of which system we use - within each system, the offering for one intention is used.

## 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: Barbara Breaux, Coty Lynn Romero, Rhonda Darden, Peggy Lancon, Art & Carmen Merryman, Nicole Guilbeau & Fly, Deacon John & Linda Sarkies, Fr. Eugene Tremie, Lester Simon, Gene Gonsoulin, Celia-Kate Williams, Jane Schaubert, Alexis Bourque, Alvin LeBlanc, Evan Garbarino, Stephanie Kelly, Harry Buteaux, Jovi Racca, Stephanie Trahan, Amber Gaspard, Rosetta Mouton, Keisha Castille, Irene Hebert, Tricia Estave, Christine Jumonville, Max Borres, Clifton Babin, Norvelle Belaire, Ace, Jenny & Jersii Mayeaux, J.R. Romero, Sr., Donna Snoddy, Raywood & Virginia Buteaux, Ernest Sylvester, Eric Simeon, Betty Romero, Juliette Dubois, Sarah Tabor Collette, Linda Bernard, Margaret Peltier, Xander Menard, Ellis Labat, Luis Aguilar, Lori Aguilar, Martha Lewis, Mardell Broussard, Fran Jackson, David & Robin Viator family, Theresa Olmsted, Sheryl S. Bourque, Ronnie Landry, Elise C. Verret, Michael & Claire Landry Family, Dustin & Nicole V. Ortego family, Gloria Landry, Linda & Clint Trahan family, Josephine Delcambre

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

**Q: Why do some sacraments leave a character or mark on the soul? Don't all sacraments affect the soul?**

**A:** All sacraments mediate grace and connect us to Christ and to the Church. Some sustain us in our faith journey, while others help us heal from the effects of sin. Each one offers a share in God's life, giving us what we need to be faithful followers of Jesus. But some sacraments change us in ways that are irreversible. The three sacraments that leave a character are Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Orders. We are literally different people because of the effect of the grace of those sacraments. We are changed at the core of our being in such a fundamental way that we can not go back to what we once were.

In Baptism, we are freed from original sin, initiated into the Body of Christ as adopted sons and daughters. In Confirmation, we are given the fullness of God's Spirit, sealed in his grace and gifted with what we need to live a Christian life. In Holy Orders, a priest is marked as an 'alter Christus,' another Christ, and is once and forever a priest who offers sacrifice, forgives sin, and acts in the person of Christ. In these three sacraments, we are conformed more closely to Christ, reflecting his love and truth.

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## Nativity Youth Group's Thanksgiving Basket Drive

Nativity Youth Group is holding its annual Thanksgiving Basket Drive, and we are in need of non-perishable foods to fill our baskets. The Youth Group will deliver the baskets during Thanksgiving week to those in our church parish who are in need. \*\*Please check expiration dates.

When: Now through November 23

Where: Can be dropped off in the boxes at each of the entrances of the church. If you have any questions, or would like to speak with someone about making a donation, please call Macie Monté 337-967-9543 or email

[nativityoffourladyyouthgroup@gmail.com](mailto:nativityoffourladyyouthgroup@gmail.com)

## THANKSGIVING BASKET SIGN-UP

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of people in family \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Member of Nativity Parish?  Yes  No

## TODAY'S READINGS

**Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
November 14, 2021

**Reading I: Daniel 12:1-3**

- The prophet Daniel foresees a time of “unsurpassed distress” where all receive divine judgement of either everlasting life or everlasting disgrace. Do thoughts of the end times bring you comfort or concern?

**Reading II: Hebrews 10:11-14, 18**

- The author of Hebrews continues to emphasize Jesus’ death as the definitive and final sacrificial offering for sins. Why do you think this is a central theme in the Letter to the Hebrews?

**Gospel: Mark 13:24-32**

- Jesus speaks of his Second Coming at the end of time and warns his disciples: “Be watchful! Be alert!” How are you preparing for judgment day?

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**Our Lady’s Altar Society will be having a Sweet Sale on the weekend of November 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>. Donations are appreciated.**

## CURRENT EVENTS

**Monday, November 15, 2021**

Faith Formation Grades 9, 10 & 11 - 6:30pm

**Tuesday, November 16, 2021**

Mass at 5:30pm

Faith Formation Grades 5, 6, 7 & 8 - 6:30pm

**Wednesday, November 17, 2021**

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

Faith Formation Grades 1, 2, 3 & 4 - 5:30pm

**Thursday, November 18, 2021**

Mass at 5:30pm

Our Lady’s Altar Society Meeting - 6pm - Office

**Friday, November 19, 2021**

Mass at 6:30am

**Saturday, November 20, 2021**

Mass at 4pm

Our Lady’s Altar Society Sweet Sale

**Sunday, November 21, 2021**

Masses at: 7am, 9am & 11am

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection - Catholic Campaign for

Human Development

Our Lady’s Altar Society Sweet Sale

### 2022 Mass Intentions:

The Mass Intention Book for the 2022 year is now open for parishioners to schedule Masses. Please allow 10 business days if possible, before the requested Mass. Come by the church office to schedule Masses. Call the church office with any questions, 364-8360.

MASS SERVERS November 16 - 21, 2021					
DAY DATE	TIME	CELEBRANT	READERS	LAY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	ALTAR SERVERS
Tuesday 11/16/21	5:30pm	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	Pete Aucoin	Percy Barrilleaux	Sacristan
Wednesday 11/17/21	9:00am	Fr. Ed Degeyter	Christine Halphen	Linda Viator, Bea Romero Brenda Romero	Sacristan
Thursday 11/18/21	5:30pm	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	Madeline Domingues	Percy Barrilleaux	Sacristan
Friday 11/19/21	6:30am	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	Keith Comeaux	Mike Degeyter	Sacristan
Saturday 11/20/21	4:00pm	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	Lloyd Verret	Lionel & Doris Louviere	Judith Schlicher Sophia Comeaux
Sunday 11/21/21	7:00am	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	Paul Broussard	Percy Barrilleaux Ross Landry	Luke Salsman Serena Bedia
	9:00am	Fr. Ed Degeyter	Margo LeBlanc	Karl & Sarah Boudreaux Wayne Duhon	Ryan Gonsoulin
	11:00am	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	Karl Boudreaux	Mike & Brenda Comeaux	Lexi Anderson

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