



# The Herald

May 2024



## From the Senior Warden ...

Hello Nativity,

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First and foremost, I want to thank all of you for a wonderful Holy Week. I am thankful we all had the opportunity to take this journey together. I also want to thank everyone for stepping up and sharing the responsibilities needed to move Nativity forward. Our Volunteerism has increased, and I truly appreciate the added hands to do the work we have been given. Here are a few updates:

The Vestry has reviewed and updated our pricing for the rental of Wolfe Hall and the Bishop's room to align with the costs to the Church for the use of our facility. Our process has also changed. To reserve either of these two rooms, the requestor would contact the Office or use the "Contact Us" form on our website, nativitypsl.com. This allows us to ensure we are not double-booked and that the current rental agreement is utilized. \*\* Pricing is on page 2

The Flower Guild has prepared a form (see page 5) for those who wish to sponsor the altar Flowers and/or a rose on the pulpit. Please place the completed form in the offering plate or the Office. A member of the Flower Guild will then contact you to personalize your request. Please note that there has been a slight increase in the cost due to the current pricing of flowers, which is necessary to maintain the quality of our floral arrangements.

I hope you all have a Blessed week.

Deborah

### Worship Schedule

#### *Sunday Morning*

8:00 a.m.

and

10:30 a.m.

#### *Wednesday Prayer*

10:00 a.m.

#### Join us Online!

facebook.com/nativitypsl

or

youtube.com/nativitypsl

or

Instagram.com/Nativitypsl

### Drive-thru Communion

First Sunday Each Month

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

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## Our New Scout

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Our new Scout Charter Organization Representative is Al Skeete.

Al attends meetings and events with the Scouts. We appreciate his commitment and leadership to the youth in our community.



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## Updated Space Use Agreement

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We have updated our Space Use agreement to include our change in rental rates. The Vestry voted to increase our rates to offset the cost of supplies, electricity, and wear and tear. Our rates continue to be competitive and align with the expense of opening our doors. All rentals will be handled through the Office or by the Contact Us form on our website, nativitypsl.com.

### **RATES FOR SPACE USE/RENTALS**

**WOLFE HALL:** \$100.00/hour; Remember to include set up and clean up time.

**SANCTUARY:** \$150.00/hour; Limited to religious services only.

\*\* more than 4 hours \$500 per day

\*\*\* Non-Profit use rates determined on case by case basis.

**CLASSROOM/BISHOP'S ROOM:** \$100/hour including set up and clean up time.

*Security deposit of \$100.00 refunded if Space is returned to original condition.*

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## Thank you from the Said Family!

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Dear Debbie and the Nativity Gang,

Please know that we are extremely grateful for the help sending mom off in glory! Thank you so much for all the support, grace, and understanding.

Love,

Greg, Jim, and Debbie



Fr. Michael, *Supply Priest*



Rev. Mary, *Supply Priest*

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## May Ladies' Lunch was wonderful!

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There were 14 in attendance in May and a good time was had by all! The next ladies lunch will be on June 3, 2024 at 12:00 p.m. Check your email for more information.



*Hope to see you in June!*



- May 1: Joan Rogers
- May 2: Margaret Lewis
- May 5: Noel Gittens
- May 7: Marva Murray
- May 8: Greg Clem
- May 10: Frank Wood
- May 18: Marcel Hosein, Patricia Vaida
- May 19: Paula Hosein, Markell Jaboin
- May 20: Maryanne Asdal, Adela Sanabria
- May 21: Stanley Abrahams
- May 26: Susan Montgomery
- May 28: Joan Smithler
- May 29: Eugenie Grant
- May 30: Marley Roberts, Sonia Cummins



- May 1: Greg & Elaine Clem
- May 6: Ronald & Maureen Nickel
- May 13: Maxon & Yolene Joboin
- May 26: Rev. Robert & Phyllis Brandt

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## Men's Breakfast—May 25, 2024

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All men are invited to meet the last Saturday each month at 8:00 a.m. at Mission Kitchen, 6650 S. Federal Hwy 1, Port St. Lucie, FL 34952.



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## Vacation Bible School 2024

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Vacation Bible School will be held June 17 through June 21 from 1:30 PM – 4:30 PM for children ages 5 – 12 years old. We are using the same format and vendor as last year (Illustrated Ministry) Compassion Camp.



This year's theme is What Every Living Thing Needs. We will need many volunteers to ensure a fun and successful experience. For information regarding volunteering or donations, please contact Elaine Clem at [eg\\_clem@bellsouth.net](mailto:eg_clem@bellsouth.net). To register a camper, please call the church office at 772.343.0401 or [office@nativitypsl.com](mailto:office@nativitypsl.com).

### VBS 2024 Wish List:

- Capri Sun Juice Bags
- Individual packages of Gold Fish Crackers, Animal Crackers, Cheez-It Crackers, or Fruit Snacks (please no bulk snacks)
- Paper towel and toilet paper rolls
- Paper cups
- Plastic cups
- Pipe cleaners
- Cotton balls
- Craft (popsicle) sticks
- Double-sided tape
- Pom-Poms
- Aquarium gravel or pea gravel

## Flower Guild



As Matthew 6:28-33 says, "Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin, and yet I say to you, that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these."

Our Nativity Flower Guild has had a busy Lenten and Easter season providing flowers for the Celebration of Life for our beloved member Hyacinthe DeRoche as well as Ann Said, the loving wife of Bishop Said who served Nativity as a part-time priest in his retirement from the Diocese of South Florida. We also provided altar flowers for Easter and decorated the outside entrance cross with palms made with the loving hands of Roma Bramble for Palm Sunday.

Our mission is to provide natural flowers on the altar each Sunday as well as to, upon request, memorialize the loved ones in our parish. If you wish to give a donation of \$50.00 to the guild in memory or

celebration of loved ones or honor special events in your life, please complete the Altar Flower form (see page 5) so that it can be forwarded to Mary Mosley, Flower Guild Coordinator, at least ten days prior to your



designated altar arrangement. You may also give \$10.00 for a rose to be put on the altar with your special request made in the same way. We will do our best to provide arrangements that suit your needs.

Special requests for other celebrations should be made through the church office to Mary Mosley.



Some of our creations



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## REQUESTS FOR ALTAR FLOWERS

The Church of the Nativity Flower Guild is dedicated to providing natural flower arrangements on the altar each week to the Glory of God. We also honor special requests for birthdays, anniversaries, and in memory of loved ones. We are asking that you contribute \$50.00 towards an arrangement of your choice.

In addition, if you wish to give a Christmas poinsettia or an Easter lily in memory of loved ones, the cost for this donation will depend on the prices set for the season and advertised in the church bulletin. Requests for wedding or Celebration of Life flowers from the guild will be honored upon request with a negotiated price.

Please complete the form below as to your request and submit it to the church office at least 10 days prior to the date you wish to have altar flowers given in your name.

Name(s) of Donor(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Date Submitted: \_\_\_\_\_ +

Date Requested: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Number and/or email: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Instructions:

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A member of the Flower Guild assigned to your requested Sunday will contact you by phone and/or email. Other special requests should be submitted to Mary Mosley, Flower Guild Coordinator at [mosleym48@bellsouth.net](mailto:mosleym48@bellsouth.net) or 772 370-3498.

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## Outreach Ministry

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Happy May! Outreach would like to take a moment to say "Thank you!".



Thank you Nativity for your continuing generosity to our Outreach ministry, whether with food, financial donations, or your time. We will continue providing food to some families on a monthly basis and continuing food donations are always helpful. This month we could use some pasta sauce, jelly, canned fruit, cereal, green beans and boxed or dry milk.

In case you didn't hear ... Thank you for all your help with our February rummage sale! Whether it was for the donations of items, your commitment of time, helping sort, set up, pricing, cleaning up, and/or purchasing at our Annual Outreach Rummage Sale, you helped make it happen. We made over \$1,800 and it will be well used to continue our Outreach commitment to our church and our community.

Thank you for helping support thirty-seven (37) Families for our Easter Food Baskets and gift cards. The Council on Aging and St. Lucie School District are extremely appreciative of our support.

Thank you always, for your continuing

support for our Outreach Projects. It showcases the Stewardship of Nativity reaching out in so many important ways.

If you know someone who would benefit from our assistance, please contact the office or Mary Justice.

God Bless You!  
Outreach Ministry



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## Daughters of the King

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During the last six months we have said good-bye to two of our much loved members - Elsie Batista in December and Ann Said in April. Elsie became a member in April 2004 and Ann became a member in September 2005. They will be missed.

Several members attended the Fall Retreat in Winter Park. Over \$900 was collected for our yearly project, Family Renewal. During our meetings we are learning about various Christian women and it's interesting to hear how much each woman accomplished in a relatively short life time. Our meetings are held monthly on the second Tuesday, except for July and August, at 10:00 a.m. in Wolfe Hall. All ladies are welcome to join us for a cup of coffee and see what we are about.



Blessings,  
Dotti Johnson

Picture Church of the Nativity ...



Happy Mother's day Janice



Easter Egg Hunt



Flag Raising Ceremony with Scouts  
In Honor of Tuskegee Airmen by Neville Lake



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Easter Egg Hunt



Emily's Coffee Hour



Parents Night Out



Easter Egg Hunt



Holy Saturday Service



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Holy Saturday Service

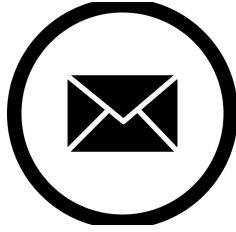
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## Weekly Emails

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We send a weekly email that includes a weekly calendar and announcements, and other important information.

If you would like to receive emails from Church of the Nativity, please submit your email address to [office@nativitypsl.com](mailto:office@nativitypsl.com).



Would you like to make a donation using a credit card? Please scan the QR Code to donate online!

*Did we miss your birthday or anniversary?*

*Help us update our records!*

*Please contact the church office at 772.343.0401*

*or [office@nativitypsl.com](mailto:office@nativitypsl.com)*



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### OUR MISSION:

UNITED BY GOD'S GRACE

Loving and Serving ALL People in Christ's Name

### OUR VISION:

As a Christ-centered oasis, the Church of the Nativity will be a place to experience acceptance and love. We will invite ALL people to come, be spiritually replenished, and leave eager to do the work God has called each of us to do. We will reflect God's love and limitless possibilities through our commitment to meaningful worship, spiritual formation, sweeping outreach, and robust growth.



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