



The Herald

June 2024



From the Senior Warden ...

Greetings Nativity,

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It is hard to believe that summer, aka Hurricane Season, is almost here. The school year is ending, and families are planning their vacations. With this said, there will be some updates to our schedules, worship, and meetings.

JUNE

- The Choir begins their summer break. We look forward to their return on September 8, 2024.



Nativity's Choir

JULY AND AUGUST

- The Vestry will take a meeting break and will stay in contact for any votes, decisions, etc., that may come up during this time.
- Parents Night Out will take a break, returning in September.
- Children's Church will take a break returning in September.
- The Church Office will be open Monday and Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. Regular hours will resume in September.
- Coffee Hour will resume on September 8, 2024.

Our current Worship schedules and Wednesday Morning Prayer will remain the same.

I want to thank everyone for their Leadership and commitment to Nativity.

Blessings,

Deborah Benway, *Senior Warden*

Worship Schedule

Sunday Morning

8:00 a.m.
and
10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Morning Prayer

10:00 a.m.

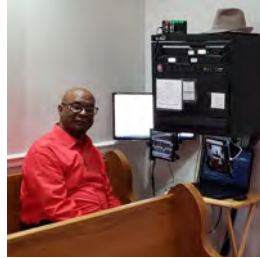
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Meet Our IT Team



Jonathan is our IT Leader. Vasco and Ron are on site to run the system for our Worship services.



Vasco has created a great "How To" manual as a backup. Thank you, Vasco!



Speaking of Backups we are looking to add volunteers to run the system during each service. If you would like more information about this vital ministry, please contact the Office or talk with Ron or Vasco.



Children's Church



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Vacation Bible School 2024

Vacation Bible School will be held June 17 – June 21 from 1:30 PM to 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: What Every Living Thing Needs*.



We will need many volunteers to ensure a fun and successful experience. For more information regarding volunteering or donations, please contact Elaine Clem at eg_clem@bellsouth.net. To register a camper, please call the church office at 772.343.0401 or office@nativitypsl.com.

Volunteers will be invited to a planning meeting on Thursday, June 13, at 7:30 PM via ZOOM.

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



June Birthdays and Anniversaries



- June 1: Nilcia Diaz
- June 3: Tyler Cox
- June 3: Doug Warren
- June 3: Elizabeth Brooks
- June 4: Glenn Chadbourne
- June 5: Xenia Beckford
- June 7: Richard Fryatt
- June 9: Audrey Coombs
- June 10: Dotti Johnson
- June 11: Gladys siekierka
- June 14: Les Mesecher
- June 18: Evie Dugger
- June 20: Jascent Gobern
- June 22: Bob Carey
- June 28: William Corners, Jr.
- June 30: Al Skeete



- June 7: Kenneth & Joyce Hamilton
- June 7: Karl & Maureen Wallace
- June 11: Pete & Celia Szelwach
- June 20: Al & Rose Skeete
- June 23: John & Susan Montgomery
- June 30: Glen & Karen Pender

June Ladies' Lunch

Join the ladies of Nativity for lunch and fellowship on June 3, 2024 at 12:00 p.m. at Cracker Barrel, 4101 Federal Hwy., Jensen Beach. 772-692-6934.



We look forward to seeing you!



Men's Breakfast - June 29, 2024



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



Our counters are committed and work together to keep our Banking current.



Nativity Polo Shirts for Sale \$35

Contact Rose Skeete,
Co-chair Fundraising
Committee
at 718-753-3555
for more information
or to
purchase your shirt!



Nativity T-shirts for Sale \$25

Memorial Garden Update

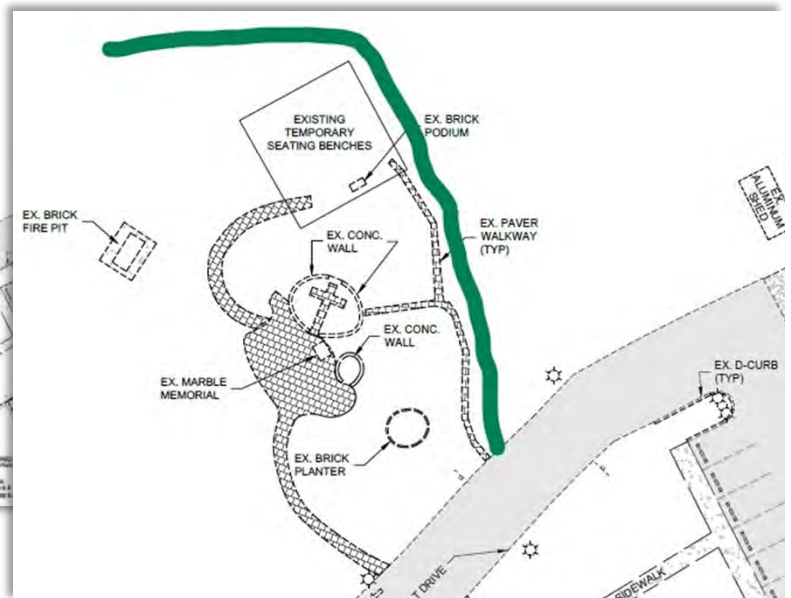
As most of you are aware, the City directed late last year that we needed to revise our site plan due to all the changes that have occurred in the Memorial Garden since 1997, when Nativity was established. We have retained EDC Engineering to do the following:

1. Verify/update our boundary survey.
2. Document all improvements on site (as-built drawings).
3. Delineate a .735-acre Preserve (never developed) with a management plan (per the stipulations in 1997).
4. Revise the site's landscape plan, including new planting around the garden.

This work was completed, and on April 23, 2024, the Planning Board approved our revised site plan with a few conditions! Besides removing non-native plants from the Preserve, they requested that we update our landscape plan for the ENTIRE site! Revising the entire site landscape plan was unexpected so it's caused a bit of a delay. We are taking steps with the landscape architect to get this plan updated ASAP. We have a Clusia screening shrub (approx. 300 linear feet) drawn in, but we are not 100% certain that the City will approve Clusias (non-native) OR specify Cocoplumbs (aka red tips, native). We anticipate having the plan updated, submitted, and approved by mid-June. We will begin planting immediately after we get final approval. Thanks for your patience!

Pete Szelwach, *Junior Warden*

Revised drawing showing the Uplands Preserve and as-built garden features



As-built drawing of Memorial Garden with proposed 300 foot Clusia screening hedge

Outreach Ministry

Greetings from Outreach!

We wish everyone a safe, healthy and happy summer!

The Outreach Ministry will continue helping food for our monthly families over the summer. We especially need cereal, canned fruit, and vegetables. Boxed or dry milk, pasta sauce, and instant potatoes are also needed.

If you know someone who is in need of assistance, please contact the church office and leave a message for Outreach Ministry and someone will get back to you.

God Bless You!



Outreach Ministry

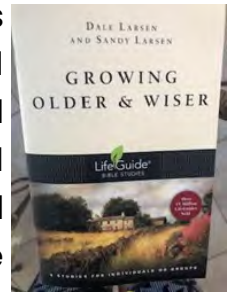


Summer Book Study Group

Do you want to continue growing spiritually during the doldrums of summer? If so, Mary Mosley will be facilitating a Summer Book Study at her home beginning Friday, June 14. The group will meet for a brown bag lunch and conversation at 12:00 p.m. and begin discussing "Growing Older & Wiser," part of the Life Guide Bible Studies series written by Dale and Sandy Larson, at 12:45. Our discussion should last about one hour. The book can be purchased on Amazon for around \$8.00. The book study should last approximately 6 weeks.

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If you are interested in participating in this study, contact Mary at 772 370-3498 or mosleym48@bellsouth.net. This group should contain no more than 8 to 10 people, so don't delay in signing up as there are already interested parishioners who participated in her Lenten study and asked to continue meeting. You will need to bring your book to the first discussion session.



Be prepared as the discussions should be lively!



Daughters of the King

Two of our members attended the Spring Retreat on Saturday, April 20, 2024, in Winter Park. The guest speaker was Christine Lazo, who is the DOK Corresponding Secretary for our diocese. She spoke about our Motto and our Prayer of the Order. \$948 was collected for The Family Renew Community, which is the DOK project for this year.



Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, June 11, at 10:00 a.m. in Wolfe Hall. Join us for a cup of coffee and see what we are about. We will not meet in July or August. As the song goes, see you in September. Have a safe summer.

Blessings,

Dotti Johnson

Picture Pentecost at Nativity ...



Pentecost 8:00 a.m. Service



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Pentecost 10:30 a.m. Service



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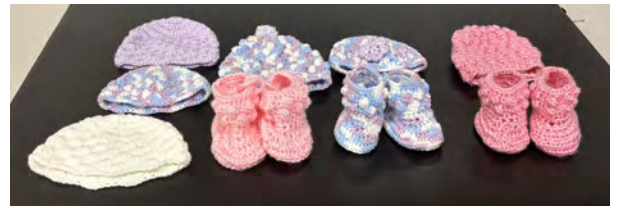


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Happy Holy Hookers



The booties in the above picture were crocheted by Hyacinth deRoche, who, sorry to say, is no longer with us. She was part of our group from the very beginning and will be missed. Her daughter, Roz, brought over lots of hats along with booties, two blankets and a shawl that she had made. All of the items, except for the shawl and the larger hats, will be going to Tradition in the near future.



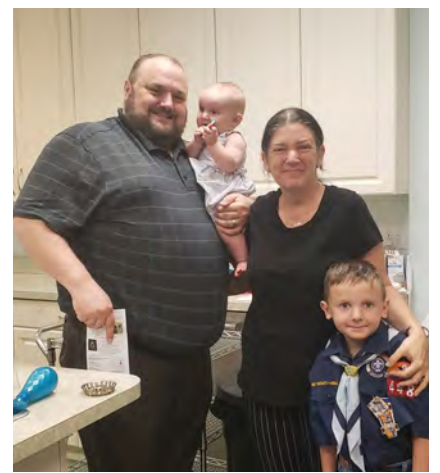
Do you crochet or knit? If so, please think about making something for the babies. Items made can be put in a bag with my name on it and left in the church narthex. Whenever I make a delivery, whoever is at the desk always thanks me and says how much they appreciate our generosity. We also crocheted pocket crosses for the Christmas Baskets.

In case you are wondering, the Happy Holy Hookers are Audrey Coombs, Maureen Nickel and myself. We make a lot of items, but think how many more could be made with one or two more members.

Blessings,

Dotti Johnson

Picture Memorial Day with The Boy Scouts at Nativity ...



Picture Children's Church at Nativity ...



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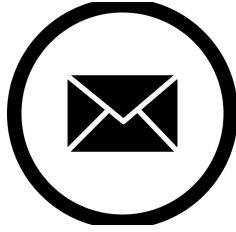


Children's Church

Weekly Emails

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.



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
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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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