



The Herald

July 2025



From the Senior Warden ...

Greetings Nativity!

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I hope you are enjoying your summer.

We had a joyous VBS week, and boy, did we make a mess. Each day, Miss Elaine had an activity to keep us on our toes, using a towel, as well as brooms and mops. Thank you to all the volunteers who



made this week so special: Ms Elaine, Barbara, Isabella, Starr, Dottie, Vasco, Paige, Greg, Al.



I have shared more pictures of VBS throughout the Herald.

Worship Schedule

Sunday Morning

8:00 a.m.

and

10:30 a.m.

Wednesday

Morning Prayer

10:00 a.m.

Join us Online!

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or

youtube.com/nativitypsl

or

Instagram.com/Nativitypsl

I wanted to make you aware of the summer schedule for several areas of the Church:

- **Office Hours Change:** The Office will be open on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. during July and August.
- **Children's Church** will resume on August 24
- **Coffee hour** will continue through July 6, and then resume on September 7
- **The Choir** will return on September 7
- **Acolyte:** There will be only one acolyte on Sundays at each service through the end of August

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From the Sr. Warden continued ...

I hope you enjoy the rest of your summer. I wanted to conclude with a prayer of thanksgiving for the answer to prayer. We have been blessed to sustain and grow as a community of faith, and we need to praise and give thanks to God.

“Almighty God, who hast promised to hear the petitions of those who ask in thy Son’s Name: We beseech thee mercifully to incline thine ear to us who have now made our prayers and supplications unto thee; and grant that those things which we have faithfully asked according to thy will, may effectually be obtained, to the relief of our necessity, and to the setting forth of thy glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.”

Blessings,
Deborah

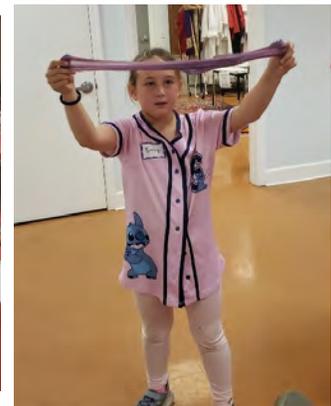
Vacation Bible School



Pentecost 2025



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We Welcome Fr. Brian Stankich and Dona!



Brian and his wife Dona have three grown sons and two grandchildren. Brian grew up in Northwest Indiana and his favorite place to live has been Denver, although, Florida has become home. Dona was born in Mississippi and moved around the country.

They served in missions in Macedonia and Egypt doing church planting and leadership. More recently, Brian's missions ministry included missionary care, training, and financial administration.

Brian worked in the banking industry and Dona in auto insurance before their ministry years. They joined the Cathedral Church of Saint Luke in Orlando in 2019 and Brian sensed a call to the priesthood in 2021. He feels amazingly blessed to start his Episcopal ordained ministry at Grace as a resident.



Brian likes dark roast coffee, porter beers, red wines, reading theology, writing, basketball, tennis, and soccer. His favorite thing to do is hang out with people and mutually share life.



Ordination Photo of Father Brian Stankich and Dona



Ordination Photo of Father Brian Stankich

School Supply Drive 2025

Please join us for our annual drive to help students in need get ready to head back to the classroom. Collection bins for **new** school supplies will be located in the Narthex beginning Sunday, July 6th, through August 3rd. Supplies will be sorted and delivered to local schools on August 13th.

Following is a list of suggested items:

- Crayola Crayons (box of 24)
- Crayola Markers (box of 8 or 10)
- Crayola Colored Pencils (box of 12)
- # 2 Pencils/Pens
- Elmer's school glue (small bottles)
- Glue Sticks/Index Cards
- Composition Books/Binders
- Notebook Paper/Construction Paper
- Safety Scissors
- Dry Erase Markers for teachers

Please contact Elaine Clem or the church office with any questions. Thank you for your generous support.

Grounds Update

By Pete Szelwach

Our existing irrigation well was not providing sufficient water for existing and future sprinklers. Vestry approved and we installed a 130 ft deep new well point. We kept the old well point as well and tied both together to provide more water. The combination is now providing sufficient water (approx 12 gallons/minute) to the pump. We will be evaluating the existing system as well as irrigation upgrades including some new heads and circuit(s) in the future to keep the landscaping green and healthy.

Vacation Bible School Recap

By Elaine Clem

What a Mess! VBS was a huge success. We spent a fun-filled week getting MESSY and having a GREAT time! But, no matter how "messy" we are Jesus loves us and forgives us. We hope you were able to view our slideshow before services on 6/22/25. Many, many thanks and grateful appreciation to our **awesome** volunteers (Deborah, Greg, Al, Starr, Dotti, Barbara, Paige, Isabella, Vasco, Audrey, and Elaine). Get ready for 2026 – Surprise Party VBS!



Acton Academy Assembly



Adela's Ballet Company: Snow White



July Birthdays & Anniversaries



- 2: Vasco Coombs
- 7: Ann Boatswain
- 8: Eula Bryan
- 12: Yvonne Robertson
- 12: David Vernon
- 15: Kenneth Hamilton
- 16: Barbara Monaghan
- 18: Dennis Zebosky
- 20: Wendy Garcia
- 20: Mike Beggin
- 21: Bunny Webb
- 21: Kimberly Corners
- 26: Rev. Robert Brandt
- 30: Doreen Smith
- 31: Frances Cadet



- 6: Victor & Carol Cyrus
- 20: Vasco & Audrey Coombs
- 24: William & Gladys Siekierka
- 27: Benjamin & Fay Scott
- 28: Robin & Marva Murray
- 31: Kenneth & Myrna Bridges

Vacation Bible School



Important Notice: No Parking on North Grass Area



**Effective immediately,
parking is prohibited on the grassy area
north of the building
(outside the kitchen and Wolfe Hall).**

WHY THIS POLICY IS NECESSARY

Safety Concerns:

- ◆ This area creates traffic hazards when cars enter and exit the church parking lot
- ◆ Pedestrians frequently cross this space to access our garden areas and outdoor chapel
- ◆ Vehicles backing out of the grass pose risks to both drivers and pedestrians



Property Protection:

- ◆ We are currently installing a new well in this location
 - ⇒ We are adding a second well to improve irrigation for our ongoing landscaping improvements
- ◆ Underground sprinkler system pipes run through this area and can be damaged by vehicle weight
- ◆ The sidewalk foundation and surrounding ground have settled due to damaged sprinkler heads and pipes



AVAILABLE ALTERNATIVES

For Deliveries:

- ◆ Use the designated delivery parking space at the front of the church
- ◆ A transport cart is now available to help move items from your vehicle to the kitchen or Wolfe Hall



For Mobility Assistance:

- ◆ A transport chair is available for anyone who needs help getting from their vehicle to the church entrance



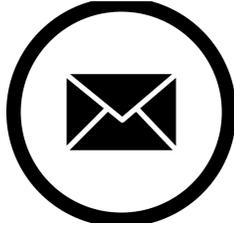
QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS?

Please speak with Deborah or Pete if you have specific needs or concerns. We're committed to finding solutions that work for everyone while protecting our church property. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

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
or office@nativitypsl.com*



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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