



Dear Parishioners,

On May 27<sup>th</sup>, Jim McDaniel and I attended several meetings at Food For The Poor headquarters in Deerfield, Florida. A part of that day was a prayer service in which I presented our yearly parish *Starfish* gift amounting to \$252,954. As I presented the check, I told the group of some 200 people that it was the outpouring of love of the parishioners of Nativity, as well as many who have left our parish. These former parishioners reside in various states and continue to support the *Starfish Project* with their prayers and donations. As we sang the opening hymn, *Awesome God*, I thought how that God has moved *your* hearts for the poor over these past twelve years. The total of your generous gifts has amounted to \$2.2 million dollars. Many of these donations have come from our young people from grammar school thru high school, whose hearts have been moved to care for the less fortunate.

In so many ways our parish has lived out Chapter 25 of St. Matthew's Gospel (verses 31-46) about how we will all be judged one day. *YOU* have fed thousands of hungry families and have helped to dig wells for clean water. Through your monetary gifts *YOU* have built over 800 new homes and a grade school. *YOU* have funded the first fishing village in Haiti and have purchased five large fishing boats with navigation systems to locate the best fishing areas. Most importantly, *YOU* have given hope to thousands who have only heard of promises before our work began in Haiti. *YOU* through your donations, large and small, have made dreams come true for thousands. On our last parish pilgrimage to Haiti we encountered another first, which completed the Gospel passage of Matthew Chapter 25: With the assistance of Father Augustin Duken, we saw the release of four prisoners from the Cap Haitien prison who had been imprisoned for months for stealing. And what did they steal? Chickens and vegetables for their starving families! How many of us would have done the same if our family was without food for days or even weeks?

Yes, our God is truly an awesome God. Through us He has blessed these poorest of the poor and in return we, our parishioners, have been blessed. For as my Dad often told me: *Whatever you give out comes back double!* At that prayer meeting our parish project coordinator, Jim McDaniel, truly moved me with his sharing. As all of you were part of that day, I wanted to share with you his talk of May 27<sup>th</sup>. I have enclosed his talk with this bulletin, along with a thank you letter from Mr. Robin Mahfood, President of Food For The Poor. While this column as well as the enclosures are rather lengthy, I wanted all of you to be a part of this day. For without you none of the above would have become a reality.

Thank you Nativity. I continue to be proud and blessed to be your pastor. Have a nice week!



Father Martin reaching to the imprisoned in Cap Haitien prison.



**Praying for the Sick and Hospital Visits**

This information has been available in the past, but because it concerns each one of us, it is important that it be available once again. We never know when someone we know and love will be in the hospital. So what should we do if we would like a clergy member to visit our sick relative or friend? Our Diocese recognizes the fact that it is not always possible, because of time and distance, for the sick person’s parish priest to make the hospital visit. But visiting the sick is of the utmost importance, and so the Diocese has assigned specific parishes, in whose boundaries a hospital is located, to cover the spiritual needs of patients in that particular hospital. Fairfax Hospital, because of its size, has a priest assigned full-time to its Pastoral Care Department. Here is a list of some of the area’s hospitals and the parishes assigned to provide for the spiritual needs of their patients.



- Arlington Virginia Hospital Center** – St. Ann Parish - **Alexandria Hospital** – Blessed Sacrament Parish
- Fair Oaks Hospital** – St. Veronica Parish - **Fairfax Hospital** – Full Time Clergy Member, also St. Ambrose Parish
- Prince William Hospital in Manassas** – All Saints Parish - **Woodbridge Potomac Hospital** – Our Lady of Angels Parish
- Mount Vernon Hospital** – Good Shepherd Parish.

So when your loved ones become ill, notify your parish, asking for prayers, then, notify the parish that is responsible for visiting the hospital where your loved one is being cared for, asking them to make the hospital visit.



Monday, June 14

Albert Donovan.....7:30am - Fr. Martin

Tuesday, June 15

Jerry & Steve Valentine.....7:30am - Fr. Martin

Wednesday, June 16

Anthony Talarico..... 7:30am - Fr. Martin

Thursday June 17

Joseph Shia.....7:30am - Fr. O’Keefe

Friday, June 18

Special Intention for

Christopher Burke..... 7:30am - Fr. O’Keefe

Saturday, June 19

Special Intention for

Kay Weiss.....9:00am - Fr. O’Keefe

Special Intention for

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Hay.....5:00pm - Fr. O’Keefe

Spanish Mass.....7:00pm - Fr. Wilson

Sunday, June 20

Father’s Day Novena.....7:30am - Fr. Wilson

John Rossi.....9:00am - Fr. Wilson

LaVerne DeCorte.....11:00am - Fr. John Adams

Milfred Woodbeck.....12:45pm - Fr. O’Keefe

Please keep our military personnel and their families in your prayers.



**A FATHER’S DAY NOVENA OF MASSES**

will be said during the month of June for all Fathers, living and deceased. Spiritual bouquet cards are available in the Church entrance and the Parish Office. Their names will be placed on the altar during the month of June. The Novena of Masses will begin on **Father’s Day, June 20th** at 7:30 am. The remainder of the Masses will be said on **June 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 27th, 29th and 30th**. Please return all intentions by Friday, June 18th.

**The Altar Flowers this week are**

In Loving Memory of

June Hoffmeier

From

The Jay Hoffmeier Family



“We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose.” (Romans 8:28)

Please answer God’s call and extend the love for the Lord and his Church to the children of Nativity. Plans are being made for the 2010-2011 religious education school year. Catechists, Assistant Catechists, Substitutes, and Babysitters are needed. The **Volunteer Application** form is available in the Religious Education Office, at website: [www.edu.nativityburke.org](http://www.edu.nativityburke.org); on the Nativity CCD tab click on Volunteer, or call the Religious Education Office at 703-455-0372.

**Student Registration for 2010-2011 is now open.** Class placement is on a first-come, first-served basis according to the date the registration form is received in the Religious Education Office. Return a completed Student Registration form with payment as soon as possible. **Important: registrations will not be processed without a copy of a student’s baptismal certificate included with the form (including students baptized at Nativity)** unless the baptismal certificate is already on file in the Religious Education Office. Forms are available in the Religious Education Office, on the community board in the church vestibule, or at [www.edu.nativityburke.org](http://www.edu.nativityburke.org); on the Nativity CCD tab click on Student Registration.

*Thoughts for the Week*


“The most terrible poverty is loneliness and the feeling of being unloved.”


Mother Teresa


**Nativity Catholic School & PTO's First Annual Golf Tournament & Fundraiser**- Help support our parish school while enjoying a morning of 18 holes of golf and lunch!!! Shotgun starts at 9:00am on **October 7, 2010, at Laurel Hill Golf Club in Lorton, VA**, ranked 15th in Golfweek's 2009 list of the nation's 50 best municipal courses. Not a golfer??? Sponsors, advertisers, and donations for the raffle are needed. If you can help or participate in any way, please email Jean Lewis at [lewis\\_jean@bah.com](mailto:lewis_jean@bah.com) or call Jean at 703-426-8735. Registration begins September 1, 2010. More details to come!!

**PRAYER SHAWL MEETING....**The next day-time meeting will take place in the APR on Wednesday, June 16th at 7:00pm. The evening meeting will take place on Monday, June 21st at 9:30am in the APR. Come and bring your project to work on or learn how to make a prayer shawl for someone who is seriously ill. We will not meet in July and August. Meetings will resume September 15th. For more information call Toni Rausch, 703-455-3260; Flo Grike, 703-250-7799 or Joanne Dezzutti, 703-455-5702.



 Calling all nurses and musicians!!! If you would like to help out with VBS this year in one of these two areas please contact Meghan O'Connor **ASAP** at 703 455-2400. We are looking for a nurse for the week and 2 teens to do music!!!


 **ATTENTION: ALL CURSILLISTAS**  
There will be a joint Ultreya for Nativity and St. Raymond's Parishes on Friday, June 18th at 7:30pm at St. Raymond's Parish Hall. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend, and bring a friend with you. For more information, please contact Chuck Tiso at 703-866-1081. De Colores!

**PRO-LIFE CORNER**  
Most of us can remember as a child having a sore finger or a skinned knee that was made all better with a mother's or a father's kiss. So, too, the Father of all life can give His healing kiss to all who have had an abortion so that they can receive His forgiveness and His peace.  
  
Are you suffering from an abortion experience? **PROJECT RACHEL** offers spiritual and psychological healing. Call 703-276-0373 ([projectrachel@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:projectrachel@arlingtondiocese.org)) for a referral for private, sensitive and confidential counseling and/or reconciliation. (Project Rachel is a post-abortion healing program open to all and sponsored by the Catholic Diocese of Arlington).

**Pro-Life Rosary** - A prayerful, peaceful and public gathering of friends and neighbors who pray the rosary for one hour takes place on Saturdays at 10:00 AM on Rolling Road across from Kings Park SC Giant Food. Please call Jane Hamilton, 703-646-5051, for more info.

**Pregnancy Resource Centers Phone Numbers:**  
Catholic Charities National: 1-800-CARE-002  
Catholic Charities Local: 703-425-0100  
A Woman's Choice: 703-538-4305  
Gabriel Project 1-866-444-3553

Second Sea Container on its way to Cap Haitien  
From donations, Nativity's food drive and gifts from our community, a second sea container was loaded at Burke Lake Self-Storage on Thursday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>.  
The inventory included:  
Canned Food-13, 550 lbs  
600+ lbs donated from US Food Service  
Rice -32 -100 lb bags -3,200 lbs will provide 12, 800 servings of rice  
Medical supplies/medicine -1,350 lbs  
Medical hardware/ church items -1000 lbs  
Wheelchairs, crutches, walkers, diapers  
Vestments, chalices, religious objects  
Sewing Needs/ Bolts of Fabric - 600 lbs  
Bottled Water -5,500 lbs  
Misc. Items/clothing -1,800 lbs  
Net Value of above: \$30, 483.00  
25 First Communion dresses, Kathy Sawyers project  
Thank you Nativity for your generous support of this effort! And Praise to our Great God who makes all things possible!  
Melinda Englebretsson  
Mark Brown  
Katie Scully

 From WON : **THANK YOU** on behalf of all the organizations we were able to assist with our Baby Shower. And a special thank you to our volunteers.

**JustFaith**

We are called to be compassionate as our God is compassionate. (Luke 6:36) But what does the compassion of Christ look like in the modern world? How do I become a more compassionate person? The **JustFaith** program is an intensive thirty-week program that helps to answer these questions through reflection, study, prayer and community. Information packets are available on the top shelf of the table between the doors on the left as you exit the lobby and on the "Community Outreach" page of the parish website: <http://www.nativityburke.org/parish/CommunityOutreach.php>

**Nativity Scout Sunday** will be celebrated on Sunday, June 20th at the 9 AM Mass. This Mass is being re-scheduled because inclement weather cancelled the celebration back in February. This Mass recognizes all Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Venture Crew from the parish regardless of troop affiliation. We will also recognize scouts that have earned religious emblems in the past year. All scouts who want to be part of the celebration should report to the All Purpose Room (APR) no later than 8:40 to line up for the processional. Scouts should be in uniform and will be seated by age/program level at the front of the church. Parents can meet their scouts back in the APR following the recessional. Questions can be referred to your scouting leadership or the Nativity scout organizers listed below.

- Jack Oliva 703-690-5731 Boy Scouts
- Pete Griffiths 703-819-7822 Cub Scouts
- Becky Chaves 703-425-4965 Girl Scouts

**GLORY DAYS GRILL FUNDRAISER**

The month of June is your last chance to save your receipts from Glory Days Grill. These must be actual receipts, not credit card receipts. Glory Days will kindly donate 10% of receipts and you will be assisting Nativity Workcampers raise funds for their Catholic Heart Workcamp week to Greensboro, NC this summer. Remember, all receipts, including take-out are welcome. Please place receipts in the envelope in the back of the church on the CYO bulletin board. Glory Days is now accepting receipts for all food purchases, seven days a week. Thank you for your assisting us in our journey to help those less fortunate than we are.



The Little Angel Gift Shop has an array of Father's Day Cards and gifts for Dads and Granddads. You can find key chains, frames, books and much more. Stop in after Mass and see what we have.

**THE WEEK AHEAD  
IN OUR PARISH**

**Sunday, June 13**

**Monday, June 14 FLAG DAY**

8:00 pm.....AA Meeting (APR)

**Tuesday, June 15**

9:30 am.....Bible Study (APR)

**Wednesday, June 16**

7:00 pm.....Hispanic Prayer Group (SC)

7:00 pm.....Prayer Shawl Ministry (APR)

7:30 pm.....Legion of Mary (CL)

**Thursday, June 17**

9:30 am.....Craft Group (APR)

7:30 pm.....Baptism Class (SL)

7:30 pm.....Grief Support Group (S)

7:30 pm.....Prayer Group (APR)

7:30 pm.....Venture Crew (Room 4)

7:30 pm.....BSA Troop 1100 (PH).

**Friday, June 18**

6:00 pm.....GS Troop 2948 (APR)

6:30 pm.....Pack 1101 Pack Picnic (PH)

**Saturday, June 19**

9:30 am.....Pro Life Rosary (CH)

10:00 am.....ESL (Rooms 5,6,7,8)

10:00 am.....Dog Obedience Class (PL)

1:00 pm.....Hispanic Baptism (SC)

**FEED THE HUNGRY!**

Need is great now when children who rely on free breakfasts and lunches at school are home for the summer. Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington needs non-perishable food donations to stock our pantry at Christ House in Alexandria. We provide food to the hungry throughout the 21 counties in this Diocese to ensure those who have the greatest need are served. Our food drive will occur the weekend of June 26/27. Thank you for your generosity.

**SHARING HOPE**, a support group for men and women going through separation and divorce, will meet this Friday, June 18th, at St. Mary of Sorrows Historic Church Hall, off Rte 123. The topic will be "Lonliness-What People Do to Cope". Newcomers are warmly welcomed and there is no fee. For further information, directions or encouragement, please call Barbara at 703-425-5467 or Maureen (work) 240-497-4279.

**SECCIÓN en ESPAÑOL**

Actividades de la Comunidad Hispana  
Iglesia de la Natividad 6400 Nativity Lane-Burke, VA 22015  
Telephone 703-455-2400 Rev. Cedric Wilson

**SANTA MISA EN ESPAÑOL:** Todos los sábados a las 7:00pm

**CONFESIONES:** Los sábados antes de la Santa Misa de.  
6:15pm a 6:55pm

**Catequesis Para niños y Jóvenes:** Sábados de 5:00pm a 6:45pm Informes: 703-455-2400, ext 116 o Sr. Ponciano 202-262-6659  
**Catequesis Para niños y Jóvenes:** Inscripciones para el año escolar septiembre 2010 a mayo 2011 están abiertas.

**Organización Católica Grupo de Jóvenes (CYO) de Nativity  
Ofrece Escuela Bíblica de verano**

Pre-escolar (edades 3-5) a Grados 4to y 5to y 6to grados se les acepta como colaboradores) Junio 28, 2010 – Julio 2, 2010  
9 a.m. a 12:30 p.m. – Lunes a Viernes. **Costo:** \$60 por niño y hermanos. Los colaboradores de 5to y 6to \$30 por cada uno  
Formulario de Inscripción están disponibles en la oficina de la Iglesia y en la página de web de la Iglesia ([nativityburke.org](http://nativityburke.org))

**Catequesis para adultos:** Bautismo, Comunión, y Confirmación, Sábados de 5:15pm a 6:15pm Contacto: Tito Pinto 703-912-9220

**Charla para el Bautismo:** Primer Miércoles del mes 7:30pm

**Sacramento del Bautismo:** Tercer Sábado del mes. 1:30pm

**Grupo de Oración:** Miércoles 7:00pm a 9:00pm. Están todos invitados. Marco Camacho 703-968-5585

**Grupo de Liderazgo Juvenil reuniones:** Domingo 11:00am-1:00pm aula 5 Contacto: Nelson Pineda 571-234-3664

**Reunión del Grupo de los Jóvenes Sábados:** a partir de las 5:00pm aula 4. contacto: Juan Carlos Chavez 703-473-6941

**Solidaridad Cristiana:** Mayor información Llamar a Mirian Ponciano 703-913-5494.

**Para mas información:** Maria Guevara 703-444-5716

**Anuncios para el boletín:** debe ser presentado por escrito el viernes a las 9 de la mañana (10 días antes de su publicación).

Pueden enviar entradas por correo electrónico a [nativitybulletin@aol.com](mailto:nativitybulletin@aol.com)

**Catholic Charities Transitional Housing Program  
necesita su ayuda! Favor de donar sus muebles a  
familias sin hogar el día 19 de junio entre las horas  
10 a 12. En particular buscamos camas gemelas,  
cunas, camas de niños, mesas de comedor, sofás,  
sillones, pañales y leche maternizada. Llámeme al 703-  
910-4845 para más información. ¡Gracias!**

Un cristiano fiel, iluminado por los rayos de la gracia al  
igual que un cristal, deberá iluminar a los demás con sus  
palabras y acciones, con la luz del buen ejemplo.  
(San Antonio de Padua)

**Grupo Chal de Oración:** Este grupo está abierto a todos los  
miembros de nuestra comunidad; su propósito es proveer a  
los gravemente enfermos una señal tangible de nuestras  
oraciones y nuestra preocupación. Los miembros  
cariñosamente tejen (o ganchillo) los chales, que después  
serán bendecidos por nuestro pastor, Padre  
Martin y enviados a las personas que los necesitan.  
La próxima reunión de noche será el miércoles, el 16 de  
junio a las 7:00 pm. y de día será el lunes, el 21 de junio a las  
9:30 am. Las dos reuniones se llevarán a cabo en la Sala de  
Usos Múltiples (All Purpose Room). Venga y traiga su  
proyecto para tejer o para aprender a tejer un chal para los  
gravemente enfermos de nuestra parroquia. Para más  
información, llamar a la oficina de la parroquia: 703-455-

Marymount to Host Education Programs Information  
Session on June 17th.

Marymount University will host an Education Programs  
Information Session on Thursday, June 17, at 6:30 p.m. at  
Marymount's Ballston Center - 1000 North Glebe Road,  
Arlington, VA. Admissions representatives will be on hand  
to answer questions about how to become a teacher. Several  
degree options are available: Special Education, Secondary,  
Elementary, English as a Second Language, Catholic  
School Leadership and a no licensure track in Professional  
Studies. Please RSVP by calling 703-284-5902 or register  
on the web at: <http://www.marymount.edu/infosession>

The Nativity Mom & Me group welcomes you to join  
us on Wednesday mornings from 10:00-11:30 at the  
following playgrounds this summer:

JUNE: Burke Lake Shelter A (from Ox Rd entrance,  
make first right and follow the road.  
Playground is on the left side.)

JULY: South Run Recreation Center



AUGUST: Hidden Pond Nature Center

If you have any questions, contact Beth Werner at  
(703) 942-5269.