

# Holy Nativity Catholic Church

"Knowledge, love and service to God."

## Weekly Schedule

**Monday** Mass: Noon

**Tuesday** Mass: Noon

**Wednesday** Mass **10 am**

Discussion following Mass

**Thursday** Mass: Noon

**Friday** Mass: Noon

Stations of the Cross— 6 PM (soup potluck following)

**Saturday** No Mass

**Sunday** Mass: 10 am

Followed by fellowship in the parish hall

**Confession:** one hour before every mass and as requested. *Don't hesitate!*

**Holy Hour:** The Holy Eucharist will be unveiled for adoration one hour before each of the weekday masses.

## Announcements

Please welcome any visitors to Holy Nativity!

Check out our announcements in the newspaper and on KPIH  
98.9FM

Come join us on April 28 at 3 pm for the Divine Mercy Chaplet followed by Tim Francis who will explore some of the miracles of the Church

**Holy Thursday** - April 18, 6 pm

**Good Friday Service** - April 19, 3 pm

**Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Mass** - April 20, 9 pm

**Easter Sunday** - April 21, 10 am

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1414 North Easy Street, Payson, Arizona 85541

The Most Rev. Steven J Lopes—Bishop

The Rev. Fr. Joseph F Vieira—Pastor

The Rev Mr. Tom Fox —Deacon

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*A Catholic Church under the Ordinariate of the Chair of St. Peter*

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## FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

APRIL 7, 2019

SUNDAY, 10:00 AM

# *Fifth Sunday in Lent*

April 7, 2019

Rev. Fr. Joseph F. Vieira, Celebrant

## **Responsorial Psalm**

“The Lord has done great things for us; we are glad.”

## **Tract**

**Many a time have the fought against me: from my youth up.**

## **Hymns**

647 -- Lord of All Hopefulness

609 -- For the Beauty of the Earth

618 -- I Sing the Mighty Power of God

## **Communion is taken by intinction**

The host is dipped in the wine and placed on the tongue.

If you wish NOT to receive the wine, place your finger over your lips.

When the Priest comes to you, he will give you the host only.

## **Prayer Requests**

Jennifer Gregory—unspoken request

To place requests call Fr. Vieira at 512-815-4760

or email at frvieira.holynativity@gmail.com

## Prayer to St. Michael

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Please join us for coffee and fellowship following Mass in the parish hall.

## *A message from Fr. Vieira.....*

What blessed freedom

When the men brought the woman caught in adultery before Jesus, their sole mission was not justice concerning the woman, but entrapment for our Lord. If Jesus told them to stone her, they could turn Him in to the Roman government, if He told them not to stone her, they would have placed Him against the Law of Moses. The plan was foolproof, except the King of all things is not fooled.

This is the surface assessment, yet we are called to probe deeper into the Christian life, and not to paddle placidly on the surface. Symbolism is key in this event in the life of Christ. If we focus solely on adultery many of us can truly say, “I have not been there.” If, however, we consider that the term adultery is akin to infidelity, and infidelity can also be called unfaithfulness, we have something that we can apply to every life. The very accusers of unfaithfulness were themselves unfaithful to the message of the Messiah. If they were more devoted to the Messiah than to maintaining the status quo they would likely have never looked for an accused woman to cast at the feet of Jesus in the first place.

What is our role in this Divine Drama? The goal of our Lord, and by extension His children, is to bring the good news of salvation to the world. The very nature of our relationship with Christ has been repeatedly shown as symbolized in marriage. Faithfulness in marriage is a choice, made every day. This is not always in the big moments, but also in the little moments, moments that lead us to the sacrament of confession, and forward into the freedom of forgiveness. When the Lord’s encounter with the woman ended, He did not sidestep her condition, she had sinned. Yet because of her contrition, he did not condemn her, but admonished her, and us, “go, and sin no more.”

## **Who Are We?!**

**Holy Nativity Catholic Church** is a member of an administrative structure [“ordinariate”] under the Roman Catholic Church offering one of three forms of the Mass in the Latin Rite. With guidance and encouragement of Pope Benedict XVI, we were formed to accommodate the traditions of the Anglican communities as they entered in the Catholic Church, in full communion with Rome. All Catholics are welcome!

