Nativity Fun Facts



)	Number of Parishioners: 3,607 parishioners, but a better metric is the total number of people who have engaged with Nativity in the past year is 13,701 (7,316 families).
	Number of Children: 1,770 children served in our kids programs in the last 12 months and 700 children checking in every week to programs ages 6 weeks- 17 years
	Number of Ministers: 1,356 with 275 volunteers checking in to serve every week
	Number involved with Missions & Outreach: 382
	Number of Staff: 33 Staff, 7 Contractors = 40 total Staff
\Rightarrow	Number of Small Groups: 214 with 1830 members in small groups
	Size of Campus: 80,000 square foot building
	Online reach average: 2,300-2,500 devices logging in each week online vs. 2,500-2,700 people in person (including volunteers, All Stars, Time Travelers)
	Sacramental Stats in the last 12 months: 91 baptisms, 120 first communicants, and 172 confirmations
	The altar legs are the 12 Apostles. They are not specifically each disciple, which is why they aren't holding anything like icons usually are.
5	The Tabernacle door is the breastplate of Aaron with the 12 stones representing the 12 tribes of Israel. In Exodus 28:15-21, the breastplate of Aaron is described in great detail. In the Tanakh, the Hebrew Bible, a different gemstone is listed for each of the twelve tribes of Israel. They are, in the 1st row, carnelian, chrysolite, and emerald; in the 2nd row, turquoise, sapphire, and amethyst; in the 3rd row, jacinth, agate, and crystal; in the 4th row, beryl, lapis lazuli, and jasper.
7	Mary and Joseph are flanking the tabernacle and pointing toward it as if to say, "Here is our Son, Jesus. Listen to him."

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0	The Stations of the Cross are at the back of the Sanctuary and are now lit up.
0	The same organization in Germany crafted and shipped all the pieces in the Sanctuary.
0	The relics in the altar are Katharine Drexel, John Paul II, and Ignatius of Loyola.
0	In the Theatre, the original stained glass abstractly represents the Nativity scene. In the middle panel there are a number of red buildings to represent Bethlehem. The star is where the wind and waves seem to come together in the upper left. This star is what inspired our Nativity swoosh logo.