- CLERGY -
Rev. James Olson, Pastor
Rev. James Gorman, Senior Priest
Rev. Jan Palkowski, Senior Priest
Deacon Ralph J. Shirley

- OFFICE HOURS -
St. Adalbert
Monday & Friday
12 Noon—5:00pm
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday,
9:00am—4:00pm

MDG (Summer Hours)
Wednesday, Friday
8:30am—1:00pm

Anyone who enters the Rectory must wear a face mask.

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 16, 2020

Saint Adalbert
2645 E. Allegheny Ave.
215-739-3500

Saint George
2700 E. Venango St.
215-739-3500

Mother of Divine Grace
2615 E. Cambria St.
215-739-0353

Nativity BVM
2535 E. Allegheny Ave.
215-739-3500
**WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, August 15 Vigil**
- 4:00 pm MDG Leonard Primerano by Mr. & Mrs. John Primerano
- 5:00 pm SA † Zuzanna Sitarz of. Monika i Sylwia z rodzinami
- 5:30 pm N Dorothy & Joseph Fagan & Misczak Family by Francine Fagan

**Sunday, August 16**
- 7:30 am SA † za zmarłych z rodzin Kurzynów, Różańskich, Wodzińskich i Poterek of. syn i synowa
- 8:30 am SG Deceased Members of St. George
- 9:00 am SA Sodality of Our Lady of Fatima
- 10:00 am N Phyllis Adams by Dick Adams
- 10:30 am SA † Edmund Klappstein of. rodzina Pietraszko
- 11:30 am MDG Lucy McDonnell by Terry Wahl

**Monday, August 17**
- 7:30 am SA † Josephine Grous of. Frank & Donna Zagacki
- 8:00 am MDG Nancy Santobuono Walker by Rose & Billy Pellegrini

**Tuesday, August 18**
- 7:30 am SA God blessings for Ronald & Eleanor Sitko on their anniversary of. sister
- 8:00 am N Ronald Vidovich by Elaine Mikelionis

**Wednesday, August 19**
- 7:30 am SA † Frank Burkacki of. Joe & Alice Burkacki
- 8:00 am MDG Louise Stendardo by Fran & Dolores Lucano

**Thursday, August 20**
- 7:30 am SA † za zmarłych z rodziny Bielskich of. synowa
- 8:00 am N Gertrude & Frank McMonagle by Rita McMonagle

**Friday, August 21**
- 7:30 am SA † za zmarłe babcie i dziadków of. wnuczka
- 8:00 am MDG Adele Parcheta Lubiejewski by a friend

**Saturday, August 22**
- 7:30 am SA † Stanislaw Leśniewski of. brat
- 8:00 am N Eleanor & Alfred Kaiser by Mary L. Dougherty

**Vigil**
- 4:00 pm MDG Raymond Pellegrini by Family
- 5:00 pm SA † Jan & Anna Pytel & family of. granddaughter Loretta
- 5:30 pm N Dr. Raymond Kent by Teresa Kelley

**Sunday, August 23**
- 7:30 am SA † Frank Burkacki of. Joe & Alice Burkacki
- 8:30 am SG Henrietta Hutt
- 9:00 am SA † Kris Lecki of. Wlochynski family
- 10:00 am N Living & Deceased Members of the Windthorst Association
- 10:30 am SA † Mariusz Plewa of. rodzice i brat
- 11:30 am MDG Sis Koller by Mr. & Mrs. John Primerano

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**PARISH WEEKLY SUPPORT**

**Sunday, August 2, 2020**

TOTAL COLLECTION: $12,708.00

E-GIVING: $938.00

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**

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Please Pray for Our Deceased

Please remember in your prayers especially Eleanor McGrath Vasquez, Alice Herling & Louise Stendardo All Deceased Members of the Parish, and All Victims of the Coronavirus.

Memorial Donations

NATIVITY B.V.M. CHURCH

In Memory of Mary Alice McGrath- $25

**MDG MASSES ARE AVAILABLE**

Please call the MDG Rectory if you would like to have a Mass said for your Loved Ones.

ONLINE GIVING is a safe, secure and easy way to make online church donations. It is convenient and easy and offers you a variety of options. Please give it a try by going to our parish website www.motherdivinegrace.com and clicking on the **Online Giving** button.

**Since we are unable to attend Mass, you can arrange a one-time donation or multiple donations. You can also donate online through the Archdiocese of Philadelphia:**

**SANCTUARY LAMPS**
*Week of August 16, 2020*

Mother of Divine Grace Church
Sanctuary Lamp in Church is Burning
for: In Honor of St. Rocco
for an end to pandemic.

Nativity B.V.M. Church
Blue Blessed Mother Candles are burning:
In Loving Memory of Joseph & Dorothy Fagan
In Loving Memory of Frank & Eleanor Skiendzielewski

**SANCTUARY LAMPS** ARE STILL AVAILABLE
Sanctuary Lamps burn for 7 days. The customary donation is $10 for the week. Sanctuary candles are available for the dead, the living, a special intention or occasion. The Sanctuary Lamp is burning constantly in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament in the tabernacle in the churches. Please call the rectory for more information.

The people of Port Richmond come together each Sunday to pray the Rosary in alternating Churches. You are invited to join the prayer group.

This Sunday please join us
7:00 p.m.
via LIVE STREAM on Facebook
STORM THE HEAVENS
Parafianie z wszystkich Kościołów w dzielnicy
Port Richmond spotykają się co niedziela w innym kościele, aby odmawiać wspólnie Różaniec.

**W dzisiejszą niedzielę o godz. 7:00 wieczorem**
Różaniec będzie odmawiany na żywo na facebooku
Storm the heavens

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**
Please remember in your prayers, the sick of the parish, especially Shawn Feenan, Virginia Reilly, Alfreda Gocłowska, Pat Grosso, Father Neil Kilty, Vincent Graham, Glen F. Krupa, Richard Adams, Baby Deacon Myers, Walter McClain, Theresa DeCave, Joann Fithian, Henrietta Hutt, Nicholas Mammarello, the Homebound, First Responders, Those in Nursing Homes, Healthcare Workers, Victims of the Coronavirus

*May God watch over them.*

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Phone: (215) 426-7325
Website: motherdivinegrace.com

St. George Independent Catholic School
2700 E. Venango St., Philadelphia, PA 19134
Phone: (215) 634-8803
Website: stgeorgecatholic.org

Our Lady of Port Richmond School
3233 E. Thompson St., Philadelphia, PA 19134
Phone: 215-739-1920
Website: ourladyofportrichmond.com

Caring for Caregivers:
Are you someone who is caring for a family member or friend who has either a significant illness or some type of disability? Since March, all of us having been impacted by the COVID 19 pandemic in one way or another. The Caring for Caregivers group has been unable to hold its meetings. We still want to serve anyone who is caring for a family member or friend with a significant illness or some type of disability. If you are someone in such a situation who needs or wants to talk, please call either Marge Pliszka at 267-872-2643 OR Deb Shirley at 215-870-8604.
We look forward to when we will be able to meet

Baptisms
May God Bless
Antoni Paweł Kolaszewski and his parents Paweł & Diana and their Family.
Baptized on August 9, 2020 at St. Adalbert Church

PARISH OFFICE HOURS
TUESDAY - THURSDAY
9AM - 1PM
215-634-8803

MDG School
Summer Hours
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Please visit our website at www.motherdivinegrace.com for information on volunteering, sponsorship, donations and parish communications. Please remember to return your chances
SAINT ROCCO was born of noble parentage about 1340 A.D. in Montpellier, France. At birth it was noted that he had a red cross-shaped birthmark on the left side of his chest. As a young child, Rocco showed great devotion to God. At an early age, his parents died leaving him an orphan under the care of his uncle, the Duke of Montpellier. Soon after, Rocco distributed his wealth among the poor and took a vow of poverty.

Rocco dressed in the clothes of a pilgrim and departed for Rome. At that time, Italy was stricken with a rampant disease. Rocco cured many of this dreaded disease by praying for them and making the sign of the cross.

During his travels, he too contracted the plague which was evident by an open sore on his leg. Rocco was banished from the city and took refuge in a cave. Here he slept on leaves and drank water from a small stream. Miraculously a dog that refused to eat, faithfully brought him bread as a means of sustenance, and licked his wounds to heal them. The dog used to leave a nearby castle and the Lord of this castle having a curious nature followed this dog into the woods and discovered Rocco. The nobleman had pity on Rocco and brought him to his castle where Rocco was cured.

Rocco traveled through northern Italy for two or three more years before returning to his birthplace in France. So weak and sick from suffering, the townspeople did not recognize him and he was thrown into jail as a spy without any proof. But yet he was kept in prison for five years. On August 16, 1378, a guard entered his cell and found Rocco near death. The dungeon was illuminated with a blue light radiating from his body. Upon hearing this, the Governor demanded to know Rocco’s identity. Rocco faintly replied, I am your nephew Rocco. Only one thing could prove that, so he had him disrobed and the red cross-like mark was visible on the left side of his chest. The Governor and the townspeople present in the cell then believed. A voice from paradise was heard announcing that Rocco’s soul had merited immortal glory in Heaven. Even after his death, Rocco performed many miracles.

Saint Rocco is the patron saint of dogs, dog owners, knee problems, surgeons, invalids, bachelors, diseased cattle, and against cholera, plague, skin rashes and diseases, contagious diseases, pestilence, and epidemics.

**O Great St. Rocco**, deliver us, we beseech thee, from all contagious diseases.

Through thy intercession, preserve our bodies from illness, and our souls from the contagion of sin. Obtain for us divine protection from sickness, but above all, purity of heart. Assist us to make good use of our health, to bear suffering with patience, and after thy example, to live in the practice of penance and charity, that we may one day enjoy the happiness thou hast merited by thy virtues.

The above statue resides in the left alcove in Mother of Divine Grace Church. It was taken from the Mission Chapel dedicated to St. Rocco which was the original parish church. You can read about the history of St. Rocco Chapel on the motherdivinegrace.com website under the heading Parish History.

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