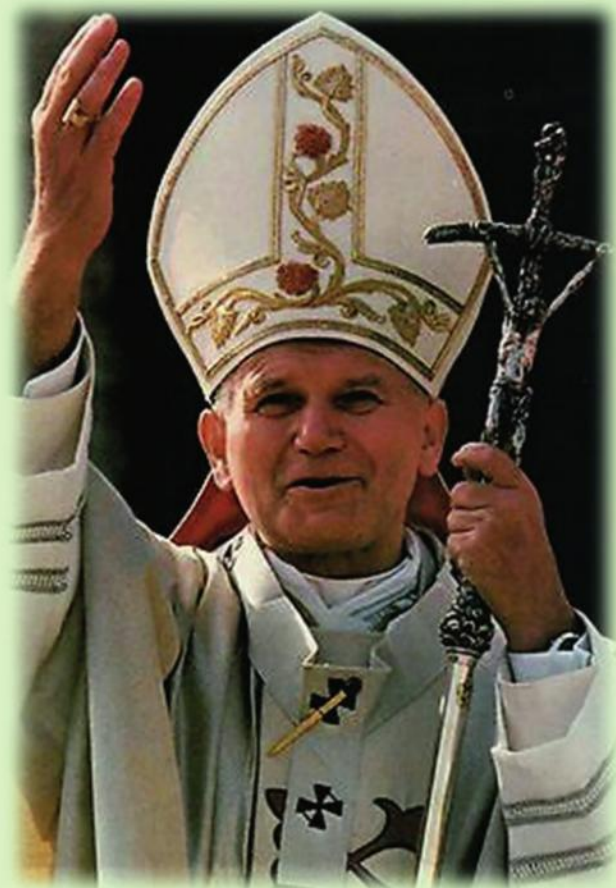


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## - OFFICE HOURS -

### St. Adalbert

215.739.3500

### Regular Hours

Monday—12:00—4:00pm

Tuesday—Friday

9:00am—4:00pm

*Closed for lunch 12:00—1:00pm*

### Mother of Divine Grace

215.739.0353

### Regular Hours

Wednesday & Thursday

8:30am—2:00pm



Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
February 19, 2023



## Confession Times

### Saturdays:

Nativity B.V.M.: 11:30 a.m.  
Mother of Divine Grace: 3:00 p.m.  
St. Adalbert: 4:00 p.m.  
Nativity B.V.M. Church: 4:30 p.m.

### Sundays:

St. George:  
After 8:30 a.m. Mass upon request

# WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

# PARISH WEEKLY SUPPORT

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18 - VIGIL

4:00 pm MDG Laura & Nazzareno Malizia by Grandchildren  
 5:30 pm N Dolly & Colleen Reifsnyder  
 by Maureen Shousky

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

7:30 am SA † Maryann McAllister of. brother Bill  
 8:30 am SG Victor Gutaszkas by Stephany Gutaszkas  
 10:00 am N Margaret Tyska by Peggy Gibson  
 10:30 am SA † Witold, Wiktoria i Stanisław Suchoicy of.  
 żona z rodziną  
 11:30 am MDG Angie & Tony Pellegrini by Family

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20

7:30 am SA † Rev. Msgr. Bernard Witkowski of. Theresa  
 Romanowski  
 8:00 am MDG Jack Savage by Windthorst Literary Assn.

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

7:30 am SA † Helen Jeruzal of. Christopher Szramowski  
 8:00 am N Kathleen P. Rausch  
 by Patrick & Donna McGrath

## ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

7:30 am SA † Stefania Flisak of. Irena  
 8:30 am MDG Helen Fulmer by Tatiana Rajic  
 9:45 am SA OLPR Mass  
 1:30 pm SG Living & Deceased Parishioners  
 5:30 pm N Leona Lamb of. Roslyn Shoket  
 7:00pm SA † Maria Baran of. syn z rodziną



## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23

7:30 am SA za prześladowanych za wiarę katolicką of.  
 Helena Zawieja  
 8:00 am N Robert & Jean McCann by Robert McCan  
 7:00 pm SA † Józef i Julianna Tłuchowski of. córka z  
 rodziną

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24

7:30 am SA † Czesław Kościelny of. rodzina  
 8:00 am MDG Jay Trask by Friends  
 7:00 pm SA † Tadeusz Sikora of. Bartek i Marta Warchal

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25

7:30 am SA † Anna Skowronek of. Weronika z rodziną  
 8:00 am N Pat & Ted Basiura by Mary Anne Mannal

## VIGIL

4:00 pm MDG Concetta Giale by Family  
 5:30 pm N Living & Deceased Windthorst Members  
 by The Windthorst Association

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26

7:30 am SA † Michał Ceberek of. Cecylia i Andrzej  
 Długoleccy  
 8:30 am SG Edward Markowski by Family  
 10:00 am N Joseph & Dorothy Fagan  
 by Francine Fagan  
 10:30 am SA † Bolesław Plewa 1 rocznica śmierci of. żona  
 i syn  
 11:30 am MDG Władysław & Anna Szaruga  
 by Szaruga Family



**PARISH OFFICES ARE CLOSED  
 ON PRESIDENTS' DAY  
 MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2023**

## Sunday, February 5, 2023

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Pope Blessed Pius IX



## Live & Online Sunday Rosary

**Facebook:** Storm the Heavens Community Rosary

**Youtube:** Storm the Heavens Rosary February 12, 2023

February 19—St. Adalbert—7:00 pm  
February 26—M.D.G.—7:00 pm  
March 5—Nativity B.V.M.—7:00 pm  
March 12—St. George—7:00 pm

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### **MODLITWA RÓŻAŃCOWA** **POWRACAMY DO ODMAWIANIA RÓŻAŃCA W KOŚCIELE**

Parafianie z wszystkich Kościołów w dzielnicy Port Richmond spotykają się co niedziela w innym kościele, aby odmawiać wspólnie Różaniec.

19 lutego—St. Adalbert—7:00 pm  
26 lutego—M.D.G.—7:00 pm  
5 marca —Nativity B.V.M.—7:00 pm  
12 marca—St. George—7:00 pm

Różaniec będzie transmitowany na żywo na facebooku i youtube  
Storm the heavens



## **PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

Please remember in your prayers, the sick of the parish, especially: Bob DiTomasso, Carter Tritz, Catherine Cassizzi, Joanne Manning, Liam Blaney, Teresa Caterino, Frances R. Matkowski, Madine Kradzinski, Susan Manning, Josie Babb, Janet Babb, Jan Szymula, Rosemarie Grace, Pat Rafferty, Savanna Dempsey & Timmy Dempsey, Donna McDonnell, Maureen McLain, Geraldine Chew, Sherry Beck, Chris Sofia, Aidan Blakla, Katherine Stockman, James C. Stockman, Jeffrey Hobbs Jr., Brianna Rose O’Neill, Ralph Wagner, Eileen Toner, Anthony Pelle Jr., Thelma Nogowski, Ken Lewis, Virginia Reilly, Bill & Theresa Sherwin, Alfreda Gocłowska, Pat Grosso, Father Neil Kilty, Glen F. Krupa, Walter McClain, Joann Fithian, Erika K, Norman, Lisa Olson, Roy McCann, Joseph Schminke, Addie, Alessandra, Richard Adams, Brian Stec, Jerry Primerano, Joan Beverly Morton, Carol Piffer, Devon Stepalovitch, Mary Tacconelli, Phyllis Kelly, Marie Saxton, Jeanette Karcher, Don Alburger, Catherine Gaskill, Linda Smith, Kathleen O’Neill, Lisa Kohr, the Homebound, First Responders, Those in Nursing Homes, Healthcare Workers, Victims of the Coronavirus  
All People who live in the Ukraine  
Victims of Earthquakes in Turkey & Syria



*May God watch over them.*

*“The Lord is kind and merciful.”*

The *Women at the Well* were happy to present Father Olson with \$2,200, proceeds from their bake & candle sales, to benefit our St. John Paul II Parish.



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My Jesus,  
I believe that You are present in the  
Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all  
things,  
and I desire to receive  
You into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this  
moment receive You  
sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually  
into my heart.  
I embrace You as if You  
were already there  
and unite myself wholly  
to You.  
Never permit me to be  
separated from You.  
Amen.



**MASS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES & the DEAF COMMUNITY**  
Celebrant: Archbishop Nelson Pérez

*Save the Date* **March 26, 2023 @ 3 PM**

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**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2023**  
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**St. Leo's Knights of Columbus 1294** in Tacony is running a bus trip to American Dream Mall in North Jersey on Saturday, March 25th.  
Info: John M McKenna 267-242-3975

**Saint Lucy School for Children  
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is now enrolling students for the 2023-2024 school year. We serve academic students in grades K through 8 who need vision **support** to access learning. For more information, please call our school office at **215-333-2493**.

**High School Seniors and College Students - St. Mary Polish American Society** is accepting applications for the inaugural Felicia Jemionek Rzeznik Memorial Scholarship, a **\$1,500 scholarship to a qualified student of Polish ancestry residing within the Archdiocese of Philadelphia** pursuing full-time undergraduate studies at an accredited college or university in the United States. All applications are due by 11:59 pm on March 1, 2023. Full information about the scholarship is included in the QR code.

For any questions, please call Dorothy Swedkowski at 610-630-0861.



Our Give Hope campaign is one day of giving to benefit the ministries of the Vincentians of the Eastern Province.

Our Vincentian priests and brothers provide critical support for the poor, hungry and homeless. They counsel those struggling with addiction and provide the formerly incarcerated with opportunities to re-enter society.

It's the Vincentian way.

To learn more about Vincentian ministries, visit [www.miraculousmedal.org/givehope](http://www.miraculousmedal.org/givehope).

Please give generously.

**Nazareth Academy High School** will be hosting its 6th & 7th Grade Practice Test on Saturday, March 18, 2023, from 7:45 AM to 12 PM. The Practice Test serves as a beneficial opportunity for students to practice the skills needed to prepare for the 8th Grade Entrance Exam. To register your daughter for our Practice Test, please visit [NazarethAcademyHS.org/PracticeTest](http://NazarethAcademyHS.org/PracticeTest). For any questions, please contact Ms. Derassouyan in the Admissions Office at 215.268.1026.

## SANCTUARY LAMPS

February 19, 2023

### St. Adalbert Church

#### **Sanctuary Candle by Divine Mercy**

Offered by wife Dolores & family  
In Loving Memory of Edward Milewski

#### **Sanctuary Candle by Saint John Paul II**

Ofiarowana o łaskę uzdrowienia dla  
Ryszarda



### Mother of Divine Grace Church

#### **Sanctuary Lamp**

For My Dad from Dolores

#### **Mother of Divine Grace Candle**

Laura & Nazzareno Malizia by Grandchildren

### Saint George Church

#### **Sanctuary Lamp**

In Memory of Francine Hutt by Ausra Maknys

### Nativity B.V.M. Church

#### **Sanctuary Lamp**

In Loving Memory of

Deceased Lees & Whalen Families

#### **Blessed Mother Candles**

In Loving Memory of Joseph & Dorothy Fagan

In Loving Memory of Frank & Eleanor Skiendziewski

In Loving Memory of Jennifer Marcinkiewicz

## Please Pray for Our Beloved Deceased



*Please remember in your prayers:  
Teresa Lee & Cornelius Deegan  
All Deceased Members of the Parish,  
All Family Members,  
All Forgotten Souls,  
and All Victims of the Pandemic  
Victims of Ukraine &  
Eastern Europe.*



## Upcoming Admissions Events at Roman Catholic

ENTRANCE EXAM  
(CLASS OF 2027)

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25TH

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TO SCHEDULE A MASS  
REQUEST FOR LIVING OR  
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MDG Rectory: 215-739-0353



## CARING FOR CAREGIVERS GROUP

St. John-Paul II Parish Caring for Caregivers Group: Are you someone who is caring for a family member, loved one, or friend who has a significant illness? Are you someone who is caring for a family member, loved one or friend who has some type of disability? If so, the Caring for Caregivers Group may be able to help. If you would like more information or to join our group, please call the Rectory at 215-739-3500 and leave a message for either Marge Pliszka or Deb Shirley. Someone will return your call as soon as possible.



# ASH WEDNESDAY

February 22, 2023

## Mass Schedule

- 7:30 a.m.—St. Adalbert (Polish)
- 8:30 a.m.—Mother of Divine Grace
- 9:45 a.m.—St. Adalbert (OLPR)
- 1:30 p.m.—Saint George
- 5:30 p.m.—Nativity B.V.M.
- 7:00 p.m.—St. Adalbert (Polish)

## Friday, February 24th

- 1:15 p.m.—Stations of the Cross  
OLPR at St. Adalbert
- 2:00 p.m.—Stations of the Cross  
at St. George
- 7:00 p.m.—Mass followed by  
Stations of the Cross  
at St. Adalbert (Polish)
- 7:00 p.m.—Stations of the Cross  
at MDG (English)



Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics.  
In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.



*“Your Father who sees in secret will reward you” (Mt 6: 4, 6, 18). Jesus’ words are addressed to each one of us at the beginning of our Lenten journey. We begin it with the imposition of ashes, an austere penitential gesture very dear to Christian tradition. It emphasizes the awareness of sinners as they stand before the majesty and holiness of God. At the same time, it demonstrates readiness to accept and to transform into concrete choices adherence to the Gospel.”*

.....Pope St. John Paul II

By Catholic Philly staff • Posted February 9, 2023

## Philadelphian joins Papal Foundation's Board of Trustees

Cosmo DeNicola of Philadelphia was elected as a Steward of St. Peter to the Papal Foundation's Board of Trustees.



The Papal Foundation has announced the election of three Stewards of St. Peter to its Board of Trustees and one of them is a Philadelphian. In a Jan. 30 announcement from the foundation, Cosmo DeNicola of Philadelphia was named as a Steward of St. Peter to its Board of Trustees for a three-year term.

Established in 1988, the Chester-based foundation is the only one in the U.S. exclusively dedicated to fulfilling the requests of the Holy Father for the needs of the Church. In his role, DeNicola will be instrumental in overseeing The Papal Foundation's grant making and scholarship awards. He has also been elected to serve on the foundation's Grants Review Committee.

DeNicola, a parishioner of St. John Baptist Vianney Parish in Gladwyne, is the Chairman of Cosmo DeNicola Companies. He grew up in the city's Port Richmond section where he attended *Mother of Divine Grace School* followed by Northeast Catholic High School.

Others elected to the Board of Trustees include Paul Hill, Executive Chairman of The Hill Companies from Regina, SK, Canada, and Tim Ristoff, Chairman and CEO at TriVista Business Group from Ladera Ranch, California. "Our mission is to support projects the Holy See deems most important around the world," said Dave Savage, Executive Director, "whether it be to educate and prepare leaders or care for the most vulnerable, young and old." Eustace Mita, President of the Board of Trustees of The Papal Foundation, said "We are delighted to have Paul, Tim, and Cosmo join our Board of Trustees. Their diverse expertise and rich experiences in business and serving their communities will provide insight on how our organization can best support the poorest of the poor communities around the globe."

Since its inception in 1988, The Papal Foundation has allocated more than \$200 million to more than 2000 projects selected by Popes Francis, Benedict, and Saint John Paul II, as well as scholarships that enable lay and religious leaders to study in Rome. "As members of the Catholic Church, we are called to love our neighbor, and that means all people, Catholic and non-Catholics, around the globe," said Savage.

## Lent—A Time for Growth

Life needs and expects growth. Nature has Spring and the Church gives us Lent. Christian Families can grow and deepen in their values and mission during this special season of Lent.

Do you want your family to bloom in mind, heart, and spirit? Do you want to deepen to live your faith? Here are some suggestions as we all struggle daily to become more faithful Disciples of Christ:

**BELIEVE** in God and His Love and care for you and your family.

In times of trouble turn to God and teach your children to do so.

When all goes well give thanks to God with your family.

**LOVE** one another, especially your children giving them by your love a picture of who God is and how He loves.

Realize the importance of your example of love to your spouse and family so that they could know and experience God's love.

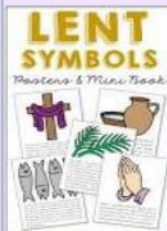
**WELCOMING THE STRANGER** or someone in need assures us that they are strangers no more, but Christ.

Give your family an example and experience of feeding the hungry and caring for those in need.

Smile when you meet someone face to face.

**ACT JUSTLY** by treating others with respect.

Starting with respect for oneself, respect your spouse and children in your words and actions.



All of us Christian Families struggle to become more faithful to Christ. Let this Lent be a time that your family can grow through prayer, fasting, and service, as suggested above. Try it! Make your Lent meaningful!

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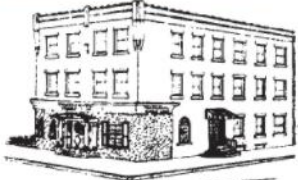
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