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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



## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 26, 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

### SATURDAY, MARCH 25 - VIGIL

4:00 pm MDG Charles Seltner by Mauro Family  
5:30 pm N Mr. & Mrs. Frank McMonagle  
by Rita McMonagle

### SUNDAY, MARCH 26

7:30 am SA † Maria Pijar of. brat Kazimierz z rodziną  
8:30 am SG Sister Rosemary Herron  
by Denise & Dennis McGovern & Jimmy  
10:00 am N Living & Deceased Windthorst Members  
by Windthorst Members  
10:30 am SA † Jan Zajęczkowski of. córka z rodziną  
11:30 am MDG Cora Semon by Jimmy & Flossie Hayes

### MONDAY, MARCH 27

7:30 am SA † Teresa i Stanisław Bartoszek of. Irena  
8:00 am MDG Elizabeth Cataldi by Lorraine Zaccagni  
7:00 pm SA † Sylwia Ciechanowicz of. przyjaciele  
Sylwia i Paweł

### TUESDAY, MARCH 28

7:30 am SA † John Bugieda of. Tatiana Rajic  
8:00 am N Marija Radovcic by Tatiana Rajic  
7:00 pm SA † Maria Piasecka of. syn z rodziną

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29

7:30 am SA † Bożena Pistorz of. Barbara i Roman  
Gabryszewscy  
8:00 am MDG For All Parishioners

### THURSDAY, MARCH 30

7:30 am SA † Helena Sztukowska of. rodzina Bielawiec  
8:00 am N Anthony & Lorraine Trunfio  
By Mary Ellen Trunfio

7:00 pm SA † Marianna Hetmanowska of. córka

### FRIDAY, MARCH 31

7:30 am SA † Maria i Mieczysław Stanek of. Wiktoria  
Pietrucha

8:00 am MDG Isolina Palumbo by Manso Family

7:00 pm SA † Marilyn Trzaskawka of. Wesley Musial

### SATURDAY, APRIL 1

7:30 am SA † Cyntia Rios of. Maria  
8:00 am N Dorothy Dzwoniarek by  
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Cigler

### VIGIL

4:00 pm MDG In Loving Memory of Elizabeth Kelly  
by Tom & Phyllis Kelly  
5:30 pm SA Billy & Lauren Panas by Debbie Ditro

### SUNDAY, APRIL 2 PALM SUNDAY

7:30 am SA W intencji Towarzystwa Różańca Św.  
8:30 am SG HEALING MASS  
Patricia Smith by Peggy & Kevin Roche  
10:00 am N Dianne Doherty by Patrick Doherty  
10:30 am SA † Bronisław Wodzień (20 r. śmierci)  
11:30 am MDG Artemiio & Argia Manso  
by Donald & Rosanna Alburger



## PARISH WEEKLY SUPPORT

### Sunday, March 12, 2023

SUNDAY COLLECTION	\$ 10,927.00
BLOCK	\$ 275.00
E-GIVING:	\$ 492.00

For accounting purposes, please make checks payable to: *St. John Paul II Parish*. Your envelopes will be recorded at the church where you are registered.

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Parish



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Nativity BVM

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## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

### Wednesday, March 29th

**9:00 a.m.—Stations of the Cross  
at MDG**

### Friday, March 31st

**2:00 p.m.—Stations of the Cross  
at St. George**

**7:00 p.m.—Stations of the Cross  
at St. George (English)**

**6:00 p.m. - Stations of the Cross  
at St. Adalbert (Polish)**

"Among all the devotions approved by the Church none has been so favored by so many miracles as the devotion of the MOST HOLY ROSARY"  
 Pope Blessed Pius IX



## Live & Online Sunday Rosary

Facebook: Storm the Heavens Community Rosary

Youtube: Storm the Heavens Rosary March 26, 2023

March 26—M.D.G.—7:00 pm  
 April 2—Nativity B.V.M.—7:00 pm  
 April 9—St. George—7:00 pm  
 April 16—St. Adalbert—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.

26 marca—M.D.G.—7:00 pm  
 2 kwietnia —Nativity B.V.M.—7:00 pm  
 9 kwietnia—St. George—7:00 pm  
 16 kwietnia—St. Adalbert—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 Berne Klinke, Nancy Davis, Tricia Anderson, Edward Carpenter, Terry Snead, Bob DiTomasso, Carter Tritz, 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.*



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## SANCTUARY LAMPS

March 26, 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

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

Special Intention

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

Ofiarowana przez siostrę z rodziną  
O zdrowie i Boże błogosławieństwo dla Bronisławy

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

Ofiarowana o zdrowie, Boże błogosławieństwo i  
opiekę Matki Bożej dla całej rodziny

#### **Sanctuary Candle by Saint Joseph**

Ofiarowana o Boże błogosławieństwo dla całej rodziny



### Mother of Divine Grace Church

#### **Sanctuary Lamp**

Concetta Dioguardi Family by Gloria & Family

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

Terry Snead by Women at the Well Group

### Saint George Church

#### **Sanctuary Lamp**

In Loving Memory of Thomas Dayton 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 Skiendzielewski

In Loving Memory of Jennifer Marcinkiewicz



## Baptisms

May God Bless

*Stanislaw Furtek III*

*Brisden Thomas Hewell*

and their parents & families

Baptized on March 19, 2023

at St. John Paul II Parish

## Please Pray for Our Beloved Deceased

*Please remember in your prayers:  
All Deceased Members of the Parish,  
All Family Members,  
All Forgotten Souls  
Victims of Ukraine  
& Eastern Europe.*



## 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.





### B.B.V.C. 2023

"Dearest God, Give Me Holiness"  
- St. John Neumann -

**BROTHERS OF BORROMEVO VOCATION CAMP 2023**

April 22, 2023, 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM  
A day of food, fun, & fellowship at  
St. Charles Borromeo Seminary  
Junior high young men - grades 6-8  
Registration due: March 30



**Questions?** Jminnich@archphila.org ~ 610-667-5778  
Scan for registration details or visit [HeedtheCall.org/BBVC](http://HeedtheCall.org/BBVC)





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 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

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**SUNDAY, April 30th, 2023**

**9AM START**

(REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 8AM)

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- 4 MAN SCRAMBLE FORMAT
- SHOTGUN START AT 9AM
- PRIZES FOR LONG DRIVE / CLOSEST TO PIN
- PRIZES FOR TOP TEAM
- FOOD, BEER, SODA & BANQUET INCLUDED
- PRIZES TO BE HANDED OUT AT THE GOLF COURSE
- BANQUET OPEN TO ALL NON-GOLFERS -\$25
- 50-50 DRAWINGS, RAFFLE AUCTION
- SPONSORS NEEDED, DONATIONS WELCOME
- MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO "ST. GEORGE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL" or Venmo @SGIndependentCatholic please indicate team and/or player names

For any questions, please contact:

Sean Hanratty  
 856-297-6630



**Lent—A Time to Turn**



The direction you are going in life is important! Can you get lost? Of course! That is why Lent gives you time to turn away from self and turn more and more to your God.

If that is your direction, you will find yourself following Jesus, the Good Shepherd, who will bring you to the Kingdom of his Father.

The same direction is needed for your family. Perhaps these suggestions would help.

**Serve One Another—Sacrifice your wants for the good of others**

Realize the sacrifices you make for the good of your family.

How can you open your heart more to Jesus and trust him with your difficulties?

**Educate with your Example of Values**

What Christian values are visible in your family? Encourage your family to pray together during difficulties.

**Forgive and let go of old hurts**

Do you need to let go of old hurts and grudges? Realize that life is short and each person has value.

**Affirm Life as a Precious Gift of God**

How are you and your family a Voice for Life? Do my words and actions bring peace to my family and others?

Yes, **Lent is a Time to Turn** your thoughts and actions more to God. Try it! You will be surprised what God can do for you!

***Do You Value Family? Come Be An Associate of The Holy Family of Nazareth!***

***Who? For Both Men & Women***  
***Purpose? To practice and uphold Family Values and to pray for Families.***

***When? Pray personally daily and meet as a group monthly at St. Adalbert Church. 267-309-0472***



## Sodality of Our Lady of Fatima

### SAVE THE DATE:

#### **Padre Pio Pilgrimage**

Wednesday, June 14, 2023  
Sight & Sound, Lancaster,  
PA

**"Moses"** Wednesday,  
August 9, 2023

For info call Theresa - cell  
215-813-2780.



Wishing all the parishioners Happy St. Joseph's Day!

Help us  
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April 26th  
& May 3rd  
at 4 PM  
in the  
school hall

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## CARING FOR CARE-GIVERS GROUP THANK YOU!

The Saint John Paul II Caring for Care-Givers Group greatly appreciates all of the donations that have already been made to the collection supporting ***One House at a Time***, a local non-profit organization that provides bedding for children in the Philadelphia area impacted by poverty, homelessness or natural disasters. *The collection will end this weekend, March 25th & March 26th.* Donations of new twin sheets, new twin pillows, new twin blankets and new toothbrushes can still be placed in the boxes located in the back of each of our Churches. Money donations are also gladly accepted (checks can be made out to "One House at a Time"). Your generosity is helping children in need and is greatly appreciated. Please contact Marge Pliszka or Deb Shirley through the rectory for more information.



**Grupa Caring for Care-Givers** działająca przy Parafii Św. Jana Pawła II dziękuje wszystkim, którzy wsparli akcje zbierania pościeli na rzecz lokalnej nieochodowej organizacji „***One House at a Time***”, dostarczającej pościel dla dzieci z obszaru Filadelfii dotkniętych ubóstwem, bezdomnością lub klęskami żywiołowymi. Dary w postaci nowych prześcieradeł, nowych poduszek, nowych kocy (rozmiar twin) i nowych szczoteczek do zębów nadal można wrzucać do pudełek znajdujących się na tyłach każdego z naszych kościołów. **Zbiórka zakończy się w ten weekend, 25 i 26 marca.** Można również złożyć darowizny pieniężne (czeki można wystawiać na „One House at a Time”). Twoja hojność może pomóc dzieciom w potrzebie. Więcej informacji można uzyskać kontaktując się z Marge Pliszka lub Deb Shirley poprzez biuro parafii.





# Lent

## PARISH WIDE CONFESSIONS

Wednesday, March 29—7:00 p.m.

All Churches in the Parish

## PARISH RETREAT

St. Adalbert's

Sunday, March 26 , 10:30 a.m.—(Polish)

Monday, March 27, 7:00 p.m.—(Polish)

Tuesday, March 28, 7:00 p.m.—(Polish)

Thursday, March 30, 7:00 p.m.—(English)

Friday, March 31, 7:00 p.m.—(English)

Closing of Retreat

Saturday, April 1, 5:30 vigil for Palm Sunday—(English)

There will be no 5:30 vigil mass at Nativity BVM.

## HEALING & ANOINTING MASS

St. George's

Palm Sunday, April 2, 8:30 a.m.





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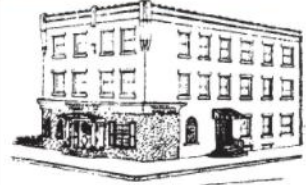
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