

# St. John Paul II Parish

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## - OFFICE HOURS -

St. Adalbert Rectory

215.739.3500

Monday 12 Noon—4:00pm

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday  
9:00am—4:00pm

*Closed for lunch 12:00—1:00pm*

MDG Rectory

215.739.0353

Wednesday & Thursday  
8:30am—2:00pm



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
December 3, 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, DECEMBER 2

#### VIGIL

4:00 pm MDG Joseph & Alice D'Angelo by D'Angelo Family  
5:30 pm N Living & Deceased Members of Windthorst  
by Windthorst Members

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

7:30 am SA † w Intencji Towarzystwa Różańca Świętego  
8:30 am SG Rev. Msgr. Joseph Andrulonis by Family  
10:00 am N Joseph Poniatowski by Family  
10:30 am SA † Bolesław Plewa of. żona i syn  
11:30 am MDG Artemio Manso by Manso Family

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 4

7:30 am SA † Antonina & Edward Mendys of. Zofia Plewa  
8:00 am MDG John & Teresa Angelone by Rock & Marie

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5

7:30 am SA † Zofia i Stanisław Saraczewscy of. dzieci  
8:00 am N Keith Wilmer by Walt the Beer Man Wojcik

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6

7:30 am SA † Tadeusz & Bronisława Koziół & Agata Sypień  
of. Domański family  
8:00 am MDG Charles Quigley by Rock & Marie

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7

7:30 am SA † Zygmunt Szajdecki of. ciotka  
8:00 am N Holy Mother Church and Her Priests  
7:00 Vigil N Immaculate Conception Vigil

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8 *IMMACULATE CONCEPTION*

7:30 am SA † Zdzisława Siedlecka of. rodzina Czajkowskich  
8:30 am MDG School Mass  
Gino & Antoinette Lucidi by Rock & Marie  
10:00 am SA OLPR School Mass  
1:15 pm SG School Mass  
7:00 pm SA † Zofia i Piotr Wodzień  
7:00 pm N James Krysztoforski of. Gloria Discher & family

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9

7:30 am SA † Janina Witek of. siostrzenica z rodziną  
8:00 am N Gregory F. Shissler by Mary Jane Shissler

#### VIGIL

4:00 pm MDG Corinda & Frank Lucano by Son & Family  
5:30 pm N Joseph & Dorothy Fagan by Francine Fagan

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

7:30 am SA † Ludwik Kraszewski of. syn Ryszard z rodziną  
8:30 am SG Lillian Greymas by Family  
10:00 am N Hedwig & Casimir Koziela by Harriet Koziela  
10:30 am SA † Krystian i Dawid Marzec of. mama, siostra z  
mężem i koledzy  
11:30 am MDG Donald & Alice Alburger  
by Donald & Rosanna Alburger

### Sunday, November 12, 2023

SUNDAY COLLECTION \$ 10,452.00  
E-GIVING: \$ 600.00  
BLOCK COLLECTION \$ 930.00

### Sunday, November 19, 2023

SUNDAY COLLECTION \$ 10,843.00  
E-GIVING: \$ 609.00  
BLOCK COLLECTION \$ 13,140.00

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You are now in St John Paul II online giving site.

Follow the simple prompts to direct your donations as you choose.

*Your donations go directly into our St John Paul II account*



**2024 MASS BOOK is open**

*Announced Masses*

The customary donation is \$10

*7-Day Candles*

The customary donation is  
\$10 for the week

Masses and Intention Candles  
are available for  
the Dead, the Living,  
a Special Intention or  
to commemorate a  
Birthday or Occasion.



## SANCTUARY LAMPS

December 3, 2023

### St. Adalbert Church

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

Offered by family

In Loving Memory of Edward & Dolores Milewski

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

Ofiarowana o Boże błogosławieństwo, wytrwałość, siłę i odwagę Św. Joanny oraz dary Ducha Świętego dla Joanny

#### **Sanctuary Candle by Blessed Mother**

Ofiarowana o zdrowie, Boże błogosławieństwo i opiekę Matki Bożej dla Edwarda

#### **Sanctuary Candle by Blessed Mother**

Offered by family

In Loving Memory of Marie Donahue

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

Ofiarowana przez żonę i syna

za śp. Bolesław Plewa

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

Ofiarowana przez mamę i brata

za śp. Mariusz Plewa

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

Ofiarowana przez dzieci z rodzinami

za śp. Zofię Suchoicką

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

Ofiarowana przez dzieci z rodzinami

za śp. Witolda Suchoickiego



### Mother of Divine Grace Church

#### **Sanctuary Lamp**

Brian Hartzell by Lauterborn Family

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

In Loving Memory of Arthur & Eleanor Tacconelli by Dolores

#### **Sacred Heart Candle**

Brian Hartzell by Lauterborn Family

### Saint George Church

#### **Sanctuary Lamp**

In Loving Memory of Barbara Coyle from 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

#### **Saint Joseph Candles**



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## Baptisms

# May God Bless

## Jaxon Clayberger

## Emresyn Oberholtzer

## Joshua Reina

## Riley Trainor

and their parents & families

Baptized on November 19, 2023

at St. John Paul II Parish

and

## Hailee Febus

and her parents & family

Baptized on November 26, 2023

at St. John Paul II Parish



## Join Scouting!

For



Camping



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Visit us Monday Nights from 7pm to 830pm at  
St George's Hall  
Corner of Salmon and Venango Streets  
Enter Through the Parking Lot  
[BeAScout.Org](http://BeAScout.Org)



**TODAY**

**Mother Of Divine Grace Christmas Bazaar**

Come celebrate the Holiday Season:  
Sunday December 3, 2023 from 12 Noon to 4:00 PM

Looking for a gift that has that personal touch? Vendors will be set-up throughout the hall with Homemade Crafts, Holiday Decor and Gifts for purchase! Best of all, while you shop the children can be busy making crafts!!

The Kitchen will be OPEN!



**\*\*MDG's Home and School is in need of donations for our Dessert Table\*\***

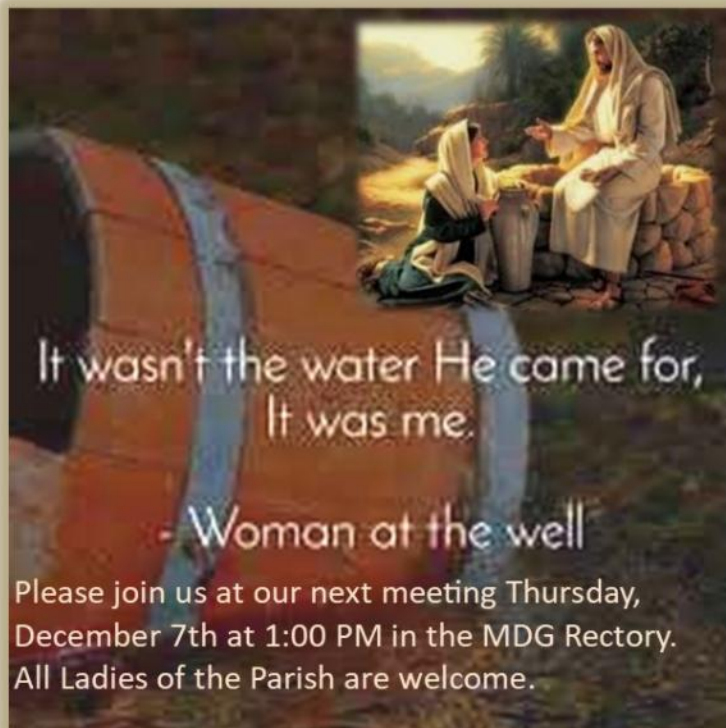
Please drop off any donations to Jamie Hamilton in the Church Hall on Sunday 12/4 between 10:30 AM and 12:00 PM.

If you have any questions or are interested in being a Vendor email [JLeeHam33@gmail.com](mailto:JLeeHam33@gmail.com)  
All Donations Are Truly Appreciated!!

Mother of Divine Grace Church Hall  
2918 E Thompson St  
Philadelphia, PA 19134



**SAINT GEORGE  
HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION  
CHRISTMAS BAZAAR  
DECEMBER 9TH - 1 PM**



The St. John Paul II Music Ministry  
Presents:

*"Come Home For Christmas"*

a musical celebration of the season

**DECEMBER 10 | 3PM**

Nativity BVM Church

2535 E Allegheny Ave. 19134

**EVENT FOR ALL AGES | FREE WILL OFFERING**

Come home for Christmas! Hear some of your favorite songs from the movies, and the true meaning of this joyous season. Classic movies included are White Christmas, Home Alone, Meet me in St. Louis, Muppet Christmas Carol, Elf, Polar Express and more..

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## Sunday Rosary

### Live & Online Sunday Rosary

Facebook: Storm the Heavens Community Rosary

December 3—M.D.G.—7:00 pm  
December 10—Nativity B.V.M.—7:00 pm  
December 17—St. George—7:00 pm  
T/B/A—St. Adalbert—7:00 pm

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#### MODLITWA RÓŻAŃCOWA

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

3 grudnia —M.D.G.—7:00 pm  
10 grudnia —Nativity B.V.M.—7:00 pm  
17 grudnia —St. George—7:00 pm  
—St. Adalbert—7:00 pm

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

## Sick & Shut-in



**Please Pray for our Parish Sick, especially Lisa Olson, Joseph Evans & Shut Ins & Their Caregivers**

## Please Pray for Our Beloved Deceased

*Please remember in your prayers:*

**Zofia Suchoicka,  
All Deceased Members  
of the Parish,  
All Family Members,  
All Forgotten Souls**



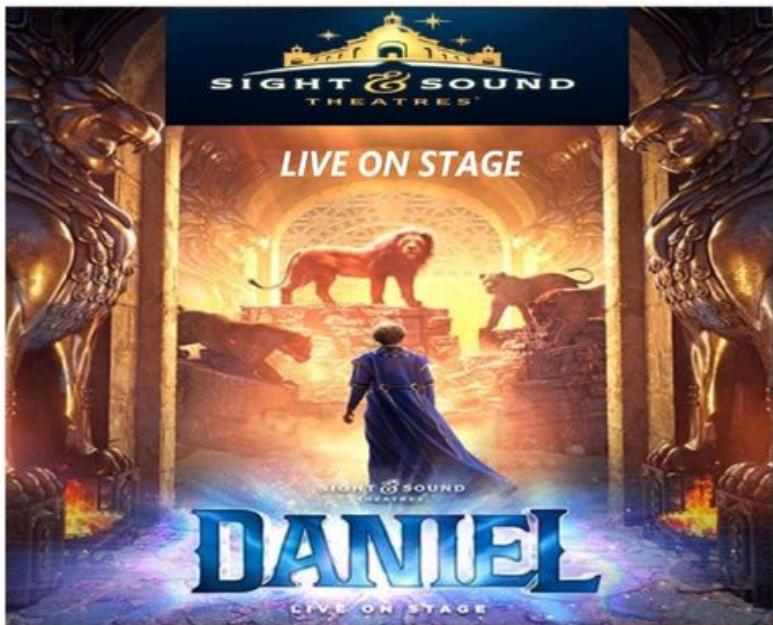
# Bambinelli Sunday Blessing

## All Masses - December 17, 2023

In Rome for the past several decades, each year on Gaudete Sunday, the Third Sunday of Advent, children (and adults) bring their Baby Jesus from the crib in their homes to St. Peter's Square where the Pope blesses both the people and the figurines during the Angelus.

Children and adults are invited to bring their Baby Jesus figure from their home to Mass that morning to be blessed in the Church at the end of Mass. Following the blessing of the baby Jesus, take your "bambinelli" home and place it in a gift box, wrap it, and place it on your Christmas Tree. Let this be the first thing your family opens on Christmas Day. More info next week.





Women at the Well Trip to Lancaster PA  
**May 7, 2024**

\$200 per person includes round trip bus,  
 Sight & Sound Theater 11am show  
 lunch at Miller's Smorgasbord

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 at 8:30am  
 returns at 6pm

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 due  
 Dec 15

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## ST. JOHN-PAUL II PARISH CARING FOR CARE-GIVERS 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.



**SJPII PARISH-WIDE  
 CONFESSIONS  
 DECEMBER 13TH—7:00 PM  
 ALL CHURCHES**

# Family



**Intention:** Families in Pain: For persons suffering because of broken relationships and family problems.

**Reflect:** There is so much suffering and pain in the world today. One of the greatest pains comes when members of families can no longer continue loving one another into wholeness. So much healing and forgiveness are needed—gifts that can only come from turning to God for strength and courage that lie at the base of forgiving love.

**Prayer:** Jesus Healer, we ask You to be present to members of families who are broken and hurting. To those who are the cause of the pain, give the strength of conversion of heart to see their problems and deal with them.

Those who are the victims will need from You and from others who love them a great deal of support and strength to forgive and to love so greatly that healing can happen. But, God, there are also families where the pain has been too great and the bonds have been severed. Be with each member of those families so that they may have the courage to “gather up the fragments” and move on in life. Allow them to go beyond the crippling effects of the pain and to find in You and in those who love them, the support, affirmation and courage to go on. We ask this through the intercession of the family of Nazareth, Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, model for all Christian families. AMEN.

Presented by  
 The Associates of the Holy Family of Nazareth

We invite you to pray with us for your own families and the families you know. We will continue to present the reflections and prayers for this novena as time goes on. Thank you for sharing our mission, as well as your mission to families. God Bless.

For more information about our monthly meetings call Sister Jean Marie at 267-309-0472.  
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# HEALING MASS

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS  
DECEMBER 10, 2023**

**8:30 AM  
ST. GEORGE CHURCH**

**SJPII PARISH**

invites you to join us  
**Advent Night of Reflection  
The Prophet Isaiah  
Wednesday, December 6th**

**7:00—8:30 pm  
OLPR Cafeteria**

**Saint Adalbert POLISH LANGUAGE SCHOOL in Philadelphia INVITES you all to the CHRISTMAS BAZAAR 2023 華來**

This year's fair will feature traditional Christmas Polish delicacies.

We will now begin taking orders for Homemade PIEROGI FILLED WITH CHEESE AND POTATO. We will also have Christmas Cakes and Cookies available for purchase. But hurry because they will be going fast.

The fair will be held on December 16 (9:00 am - 12:30 pm) at the school building located on the corner of Edgemont St. and Allegheny Ave.

The proceeds from the sale of these products will be donated to the school's students.

**YOU ARE ALL INVITED !!!**

\*orders 華來 can be placed (till Dec 9<sup>th</sup> 2023) via: (Order Today by contacting "name" at) 267-251-3776 or e-mail: info@szkolasww.com

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Dochód ze sprzedaży tych wyrobów przeznaczony będzie dla uczniów szkoły.

**ZAPRASZAMY !!!**

\*zamówienia 華來 można składać (do 9 grudnia 2023) drogą:

- telefoniczną: 267-251-3776

- e-mail: info@szkolasww.com

- osobiście w każdą sobotę w szkole od 9.00-12.30



**SAINT ADALBERT  
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INVITES you all to the  
CHRISTMAS BAZAAR 2023**

**School Building—Corner Edgemont & Allegheny Ave.  
DECEMBER 16TH 9:00 am—12:30 pm**

**\*Please read info  
Orders can be placed until Dec. 9**



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