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**Rev. James Gorman, Resident-Retired**  
**Deacon Ralph J. Shirley**

## - 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



## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

**Laetare Sunday - March 10, 2024**



### 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, MARCH 9

#### VIGIL

4:00 pm MDG Bernadette Cole by Belinda Dillenbeck

5:30 pm N Joseph Poniatowski by Grandchildren

### SUNDAY, MARCH 10

7:30 am SA † Maria Pijar of. brat Kazimierz z rodzina

8:30 am SG Hanratty & Fitzgerald Families by Agnes Hanratty

10:00 am N Decd. Feyt Family Members by Mary Rybak

10:30 am SA † Łukasz Niemiec of. Wiola

11:30 am MDG Nicholas J. Mammarello by Gary & Valerie

### MONDAY, MARCH 11

7:30 am SA † Józef Pietrucha of. Wiktoria Pietrucha

8:00 am MDG Elaine DiPietro by Terry Wahl

7:00 pm SA Mariusz i Ryszard Mucha

### TUESDAY, MARCH 12

7:30 am SA † Joseph Dobrowskyj of. family

8:00 am N Martin Golden by Walter & Catherine Wojcik

7:00 pm SA † Maria i Piotr Marciniak of córka z rodziną

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13

7:30 am SA † Cpl. Jimmy O'Connor of. Greg & Joanna Glanzmann

8:00 am MDG Artemio Manso by Anthony & Rosanna

7:00 pm SA † Czesław i Aurelia Rutkowski of. syn

### THURSDAY, MARCH 14

7:30 am SA † Stanisław Bak of. syn z rodziną

8:00 am N Patricia Nungesser by Jamie McQueen

7:00 pm SA † za zmarłych z rodziny Głowackich of. syn z rodziną

### FRIDAY, MARCH 15

7:30 am SA o szczęśliwe zdanie egzaminu i Boże błogosławieństwo dla Nicole Wang of. babcia

8:00 am MDG Florence Panas by Rose & Bill Pellegrini

7:00 pm SA † Wawrzyniec Szymkuć of. córka z rodziną

### SATURDAY, MARCH 16

7:30 am SA o zdrowie i Boże błogosławieństwo dla Zdzisława Leśniewskiego of. żona

8:00 am N Bernadette McGarrity by Jamie McQueen

#### VIGIL

4:00 pm Msgr. Charles McGroarty by Lorraine

5:30 pm N Decd. Members of the Holmes Family by Mary Anne Manna

### SUNDAY, MARCH 17

7:30 am SA † Janina i Tadeusz Gabryszewscy of. rodzina

8:30 am SG 4th Anniversary Eileen Konopka by Family

10:00 am N Decd. Members Wagner Family by Joe Minnich

10:30 am SA † Ryszard Milewski of. rodzina

11:30 am MDG James McDonnell by McDonnell Family



### Sunday, February 25, 2024

**SUNDAY COLLECTION** \$ 11,137.00

**E-GIVING:** \$ 621.00

**BLOCK COLLECTION** \$

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7-Day Sanctuary,  
Mother of Divine Grace  
and Sacred Heart Candles**

are available at MDG for the Dead, the Living, a Special Intention or to commemorate a Birthday or Occasion for April, May & June and throughout the year.





## Friends of MDG

You are invited to be a part of  
the planning of

### Mother of Divine Grace Church 100th Birthday Celebration

Our first meeting will be held  
**TODAY Sunday, March 10th at 2:00 p.m.**

at the **MDG Church Rectory.**

We look forward to seeing you there.

January 24, 1926 - January 24, 2026

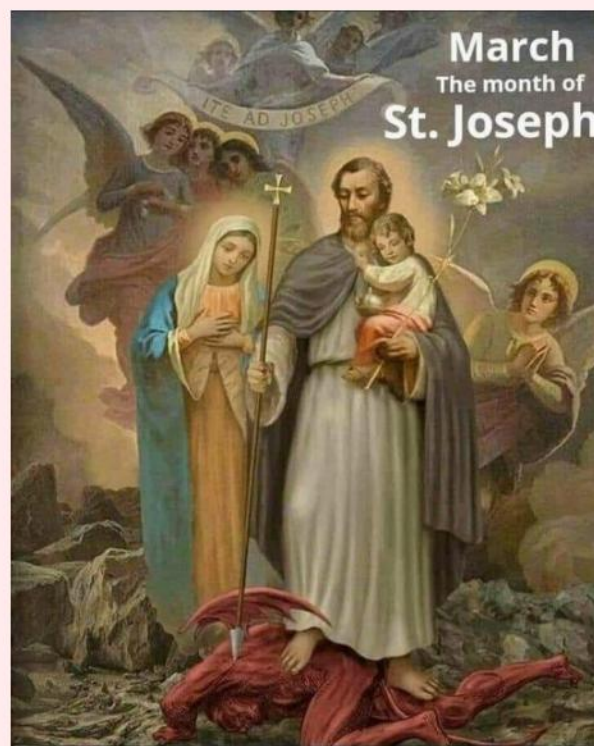


## Baptisms

### May God Bless

Daniel Xavier O'Brien, Jr.

and his parents & family  
Baptized on March 3, 2024  
at St. John Paul II Parish



**Memorial Gathering**

There will be a  
memorial gathering for

**SANDY CASSIZZI**  
and  
**NICHOLAS CASSIZZI**

on Saturday, March 23, 2024  
9:00 AM at  
Mother of Divine Grace Church

to be followed by an  
**11:00 AM Memorial Mass.**

### Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe We Need Our Lady's Protection | Cardinal Burke's Important Message



Cardinal Burke is calling upon all Catholics to join him in a significant novena seeking Our Lady's intercession. Our Lady has not forgotten her children: her care for us is as strong today as it was 500 years ago. Will you answer the call? Join at <https://>



## SANCTUARY LAMPS

March 10, 2024

### 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 łaskę uzdrowienia dla  
Ryszarda

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

Ofiarowana przez Irenę Redziak  
Za śp. Zofię Suchoicką

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

Ofiarowana przez Irenę Redziak  
O łaskę uzdrowienia dla Teresy Rybickiej

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

Ofiarowana przez rodzinę  
O łaskę uzdrowienia dla Teresy Rybickiej

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

Ofiarowana przez siostrę z synem  
Za śp. Antoni Arciszewski

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

Special Intention



### Mother of Divine Grace Church

#### **Sanctuary Lamp**

Intentions of the Lempa Family by Diane

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

In Memory of Bernadette Cole  
by Billy & Rose Pellegrini

#### **Sacred Heart Candle**

In Memory of Eddie Mullen

### Nativity B.V.M. Church

#### **Sanctuary Lamp**

In Memory of the  
Deceased Lees & Whalen Families

#### **Blessed Mother Candle**

In Loving Memory of Joseph & Dorothy Fagan

### Saint George Church

#### **Sanctuary Lamp**

In Loving Memory of Lena Roman by  
Ausra Maknys

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

is hosting a

## HEALTH FAIR



SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2024

SAINT GEORGE HALL

10 am—1:00 pm

*(Approximately 25 Providers/Groups  
will be represented)*

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.



God bless the St. George School First Reconciliation Class who received the gift of God's forgiveness for the first time on February 27th.



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484-889-2347 or [stewart3282@comcast.net](mailto:stewart3282@comcast.net)



## Sunday Rosary

### Live & Online Sunday Rosary

Facebook: Storm the Heavens Community Rosary

March 10—St. George—7:00 pm

March 17—St. Adalbert—7:00 pm

March 24—M.D.G.—7:00 pm

March 31—Nativity B.V.M.—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.

10 marca —St. George—7:00 pm

17 marca—St. Adalbert—7:00 pm

24 marca —M.D.G.—7:00 pm

31 marca —Nativity B.V.M.—7:00 pm

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



## **Sodality of Our Lady of Fatima**

The Sodality of Our Lady of Fatima will hold its next meeting on **Tuesday, March 12th, 2024, at St. Adalbert Church Rectory at 1:30 pm.**

All ladies in the parish are invited to attend.

## Sick & Shut-in



**Please Pray for our Parish Sick, especially Frank Olson, Father Gorman, Richard Malizia, Pat Grosso, Lisa Olson, Joseph Evans The Snead Family, Patrick Murphy & All Shut Ins & Their Caregivers.**

## Please Pray for Our Beloved Deceased



*Please remember in your prayers:*  
**Marian McLaughlin**  
**All Deceased Members of the Parish,**  
**All Family Members,**  
**All Forgotten Souls**

## Memorial Donations

*Mother of Divine Grace School*

### **In Memory of Josephine DiGiesi**

*The Leonardi Family*

*Maryann Zamorski*

*The Steiner Family*

*Rita Stopyra*

*Gloria Discher*

### **In Memory of Elaine DiPietro**

*The Leonardi Family*



Saint George Independent Catholic School Presents

# Pot o' Gold

## CASH BINGO

Where: Saint George School Hall  
2700 E. Venango Street  
When: March 8, 2024  
Time: Doors open at 6:00 pm; Bingo starts at 7:00 pm

Cost per ticket: \$30.00 and includes 3 rounds of Bingo  
\$40.00 at the door

### RAFFLES AND DOOR PRIZES

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Food will be available for purchase including:  
Pizze, Meatball, Fork Sandwiches, Pierogies, Homemade Salads

For tickets, please contact:  
Robin 215-385-0279; Sean 856-297-6630; Carol 215-932-2473

Limited Seating!  
Tables may be reserved  
*seating will not be final until payment is received*  
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Ticket pick up available at school office

St. John Paul II Parish

# Soup Night



## Lenten Poor Man's Supper

Thursday March 14th 5pm-8pm

### Saint George Church Hall

### Salmon and Venango Street

**\*Free Will Donation to be given to local Food Pantry**

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## LENTEN SERIES

PART II: Wednesday—March 13th—7:00 pm—Saint Adalbert

## POOR MAN'S SUPPER

Thursday, March 14th—5:00 to 8:00 pm—Saint George

Message or call Nancy Konopka—215-816-1897 if you would like to donate Soup, etc.

## PARISH RETREAT

### IN POLISH:

Sunday, March 17th—at 10:30 am Mass—St. Adalbert

Monday, March 18th & Tuesday, March 19th 7:00 pm—St. Adalbert

### IN ENGLISH:

Thursday, March 21st & Friday, March 22nd—7:00 pm at St. Adalbert

Saturday, March 23rd—5:30 pm at Nativity BVM

## PARISH-WIDE PENANCE SERVICE/CONFESSIONS

Wednesday, March 20th at 7:00 pm in ALL CHURCHES

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Palm Sunday, March 24th— 8:30 a.m. at Saint George

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Wednesday, March 13th

9:00 a.m.—Stations of the Cross MDG

2:00 p.m.—Stations of the Cross SGS

Thursday, March 14th

1:15 p.m.—Stations of the Cross OLPR

Friday, March 15th

7:00 p.m.—Mass followed by Stations of the Cross St. Adalbert (Polish)

7:00 p.m.—Stations of the Cross MDG (English)



NOTHING  
COMPARES  
to Being There



St. John Paul II Parish  
is starting a

## THEATER GROUP

We are currently looking for singers for  
Our upcoming "Godspell" in concert.

Performance is

Sunday, May 19th, 2024 at 3:00 pm

GODSPELL



Auditions are being held at  
St. George Church

2700 E. Venango Street

Philadelphia, PA 19134

on

Monday, March 11th—6:30—8:00 pm

and

Wednesday, March 13th—7:00—8:00 pm

Please prepare a song from the show that  
you would like to sing.

Please contact Brian Padla to reserve a  
spot or for more information.

[BrianPadla@gmail.com](mailto:BrianPadla@gmail.com)

The **St. John Paul II Caring for Care-Givers Group** is sponsoring a collection during **APRIL** to support **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. **New twin sheets, new twin pillows, new twin blankets and new toothbrushes are needed.** Money donations are also gladly accepted (checks can be made out to "One House at a Time"). You can place any donations in the boxes that will be located in the back of each of our Churches starting April 6th. Your generosity will help children in need and is greatly appreciated. Please contact Marge Pliszka or Deb Shirley through the rectory for more information.





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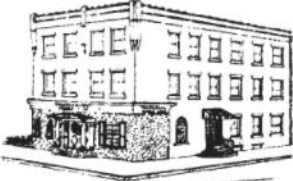


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