

Nativity of Our Lord Church

A Stewardship Community

605 West Street Road, Warminster, PA 18974

site: www.noolp.org

October 18, 2015

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00, 10:00 & 12:00 Noon

Monday thru Friday 8:00 AM

Tuesday and Thursday 6:30 AM & 8:00 AM

First Friday 9:00 AM (October thru June)

Saturday: 8:00 AM

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 7:30 - 7:50 AM & 3:30 - 4:30 PM

DAYTIME OFFICE HOURS~PARISH CENTER

Monday - Friday: 9:00 AM - Noon

& 1:00 - 4:00 PM

RECTORY ~ BY APPOINTMENT

Monday - Thursday : 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM

& 6:30-7:30 PM

Friday - NO RECTORY HOURS

Saturday: & Sunday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Rev. Angelo R. Citino, Pastor

Rev. Msgr. William J.J. O'Donnell, Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Addisalem Mekonnen, Parochial Vicar

Ms. Roselee Maddaloni, School Principal

Mrs. Jen Boag, Director of Religious Education

Mrs. Ann Marie Gervino, Director Adult Faith Formation

Mrs. Barbara Palo, Youth Minister

Mr. Michael Klenk, Director of Music

Mrs. Cheryl Kress, Business Manager

Rectory: 215-675-1925

School: 215-675-2820

Religious Education Office: 215-672-5316

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Second & Fourth Sunday of the month at 1:15 PM. Parents are asked to come to the Baptismal Instruction the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM in the Parish Conference Center located behind the church. Please call the Parish Center to register for the Baptismal Instruction.

We, the Parish family of Nativity of Our Lord, proclaim that by our Baptism we have received the message of Christmas *the great love God has for all people* and proclaim that love to all we meet, and so to make present the Kingdom of God on earth by service to others and by working for justice and peace.

Dear Parishioners,

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who assisted in making our Forty Hours celebration so very beautiful, reverent and spiritually uplifting for all of us.

Special thanks to Father Doug McKay for his presence with us and for his inspiring words concerning the Holy Eucharist and the tremendous gift it is to us ~ Jesus Christ is truly present in the magnificent Sacrament.

Our liturgies were carefully planned and reverently celebrated. All who played a part in this truly holy time in our parish are to be commended. Our choir added to the beauty and solemnity of the occasion. To all who assisted in any way, or came out to join us as we gave thanks and praise to God for the gift of His Son in the Eucharist, we your parish priests, say **THANK YOU!**

May we always stand in awe with a sense of gratitude as we encounter and receive Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.

God bless us all!
Father Citino

FORGIVENESS

Forgiveness is the fragrance a violet sheds on the heel that has crushed it.

—Mark Twain

WEEKLY FAITH SHARING

Question of the Week

What do you want most from Jesus today?

GOSPEL FOR ALL AGES:

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 18, 2015

Sunday Readings: Isaiah 53.10-11; Hebrews 4.14-16; Mark 10.35-45

Question from Life: Whose lives challenge you to live Gospel values rather than work for social status? Question from the Gospel: To what do you commit at Mass when you drink the cup?

Catechism of the Catholic Church

305. When is a person obliged to confess mortal sins?

Each of the faithful who has reached the age of discretion is bound to confess his or her mortal sins at least once a year and always before receiving Holy Communion.

GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING ~ TITHING

Sunday October 11, 2015

Sunday Collection: \$16,679.51
Online Giving: \$ 2,979.00
Total Sunday \$19,658.51

Block Collection to date: \$20,945.00

Thank You for your support! Fr. Citino

H.O.P.E. Captain for the week of 10/03 - 10/24 is Pat McCloskey @ 215-672-0666.

Our Parish Family is asked to pray:
for our brothers and sisters struggling with asthma and other serious breathing problems

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rom 4:20-25; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1b-8; Lk 12:39-48
Thursday: Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 12:49-53
Friday: Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119:66, 68, 76-77, 93-94; Lk 12:54-59
Saturday: Rom 8:1-11; Ps 24:1b-4ab, 5-6; Lk 13:1-9
Sunday: Jer 31:7-9; Ps 126:1-6; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Mission Sunday
Monday: Ss. John de Brébeuf, Isaac Jogues, and Companions
Tuesday: St. Paul of the Cross
Thursday: St. John Paul II
Friday: St. John of Capistrano
Saturday: St. Anthony Mary Claret; Blessed Virgin Mary

MASSES ~ October 24 and 25

Subject to Change

5:00 PM Father Citino
8:00 AM Father Mekonnen
10:00 AM Father Citino
12:00 PM Father Mekonnen

THIS WEEK AT NATIVITY

MONDAY ~ October 19, 2015

7:00 PM ~ Pro-Life Meeting - PCC-K
7:00 PM ~ Catholics Return Home - PCC
7:00 PM ~ Bridges to Uganda Concert -
Drexel Room

TUESDAY ~ October 20, 2015

8:30 AM ~ *Adoration*
9:30 AM ~ Legion of Mary - PCC

WEDNESDAY ~ October 21, 2015

10:00 AM ~ The Mystery of God - PCC
6:00 PM ~ **PREP**
7:00 PM ~ The Mystery of God-Faculty Lounge
7:30 PM ~ Prayer Group - PCC

THURSDAY ~ October 22, 2015

6:30 PM ~ Grief Support - MMC

SATURDAY ~ October 24, 2015

7:00 AM ~ Saturday Morning Bible Study-H
7:00 PM ~ Evening of Reflection for Single
Parents - PCC

Philadelphia Papal Choir in Concert ***Monday, October 19, 2015 ~ 7:30PM***

CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF SAINTS PETER & PAUL

18th Street & the Benjamin Franklin Parkway
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

A Celebration in Song Giving Thanks Reliving the Memories

Come hear in person, in a Cathedral setting, the music performed during the historic visit of Pope Francis to the city of Philadelphia. Free parking is available in the Cathedral parking lot.

This is a free-will offering concert.

Nativity's Evening Bible Study has begun an in-depth study of the Gospel of Mark. The sessions will be on the first & third Thursdays of each month at 7:00 PM at the Parish Conference Center. We will discuss Mark's view of Jesus or Isaiah's Suffering Servant who takes on our sin to make atonement to God for us.

Nativity's Evening Bible Study Schedule:
November 5 & 19

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY October 17, 2015

8:00 AM John R. Farrell
5:00 PM Dec'd members of Vizza &
Spada Families

SUNDAY October 18, 2015

8:00 AM Marie A. Lambert
10:00 AM Special Intentions
12:00 PM Michael Kotwicki

MONDAY October 19, 2015

6:30 AM NO MASS
8:00 AM Antonio, Amalia, Frank &
Angela D'Aulerio

TUESDAY October 20, 2015

6:30 AM Andrew Lynch
8:00 AM Jack Lynch

WEDNESDAY October 21, 2015

6:30 AM JE Dorn Thomas
8:00 AM Kevin Harris

THURSDAY October 22, 2015

6:30 AM Francis Lowery
8:00 AM Kathleen Rotz

FRIDAY October 23, 2015

6:30 AM People of the Parish
8:00 AM Gerald Kosyla ~ 3rd Anniversary

SATURDAY October 24, 2015

8:00 AM Anthony Guerrelli
5:00 PM Edward McLaughlin

SUNDAY October 25, 2015

8:00 AM Kathryn Taylor
10:00 AM Elaine Banholzer
12:00 PM McNamee & Machulski Families

Church Memorial Fund ***A donation has been made...***

In Loving Memory of:

<i>Edward J. Steen</i>	<i>Jean Kendal</i>
<i>Charles Germeroth</i>	<i>Thomas Morrow</i>
<i>Bernice Fleming</i>	<i>Bill Nolan</i>
<i>Joseph Grady</i>	<i>Helen Schofield</i>
<i>Helen Carson</i>	<i>Puglisi Family</i>
<i>Richard Kilczewski</i>	<i>Joanne McLeod</i>
<i>Christopher Muldoon</i>	<i>Joseph Knerr</i>

WHAT'S GOING ON



Men's retreat. We have a group going to Malvern for a week-end retreat on Friday afternoon, January 22, 2016. Please contact Marshall at 215-672-6226 if you have any questions about this. Other retreats are available for men, women or married couples. For info, please call 610-644-0400.

Nativity Healthcare Ministry

Presents: Caring for an Aging Parent: The Challenges and the Gifts with Dr. Karen Rosenberger
Tuesday November 17, 2015
Parish Conference Center 7:00 p.m.

Dr. Rosenberger is a licensed psychologist who specializes in the needs of the older adult population and their caregivers. She has more than 20 years of experience doing trainings, individual and family counseling. This talk will look at: What the tasks are when caring for an aging parent How to communicate effectively with the healthcare system. How to keep your own family sane Coping with feelings of sadness, frustration and guilt

Join us for Nativity's Trip to **Sight and Sound Theatre** **for the Christmas Show**

Monday December 28, 2016
Cost: \$95 Adults \$60 Children (3-12)
Depart Nativity at 8:30 a.m. for 11:00 a.m. show followed by buffet lunch at Hershey Farms. To register, please send name, phone number, number of adult and child tickets requested and check for total made out to Nativity of Our Lord:
Kathy O'Connor/Sight and Sound
Nativity of Our Lord Parish
605 West Street Rd.
Warminster, PA 18974
Please register no later than
November 16

Attention Single Parents: You deserve a night off! Join us for Nativity's

Single Parents Night of Reflection

October 24, 2015 6:30 Parish Conference Center
Join us for dinner, prayer service and discussion.
Special presentation by Lois J. Keller, MS, LPC
Thriving With Hope: Sustaining Yourself as a Single Parent

Ms. Keller's talk with focus on finding strength in ourselves and in God's gracious and loving presence within us. There is no charge for the evening—but please R.S.V.P. to 215-675-1925 or emailagervino@noolp.org Please respond by Wednesday, October 21st.

One more chance to have your picture taken for the Parish Photo Album/Directory

Photography will take place Tuesday November 3rd through Sunday November 8th. Please call 877-764-4535. Sign-up sheets will also be available after all of the weekend Masses in the main entrance of the Church.

Volunteers are needed to serve as greeters as people come in for photography. If you can spare some time November 3rd-8th, please contact Ann Marie at the parish office 215-675-1925 or you can e-mail:

agervino@noolp.org During the week, the photographer is here from 2pm-9pm. On weekends, from 9-4. Volunteers can sign up for 2-3 hour increments. Thanks in advance for your help!

MERCY: The Bridge to Wholeness

Sr. Sheila Galligan IHM
Thursday, November 5, 2015
7:00 p.m.

Parish Conference Center

Are you in a state of unforgiveness?

Are you (or someone you know) caught in a vortex of resentment and anger and a desire for revenge?

Then come hear Sr. Sheila on the gift of forgiveness through the lense of the Gospel and learn how it benefits both the forgiver and the forgiven. Practice ways to provide the "medicine of mercy" during the upcoming Year of Mercy will be explored. Please RSVP to 215-675-1925 or email agervino@noolp.org

**NEUMANN ADULT SPIRITUALITY
ENRICHMENT MINISTRY**

**November 11, 2015 ~ Wednesday ~
9:30 A.M. – 2:00 P.M. ~ Nativity of Our Lord
Parish Conference Center**

GET TO KNOW ME

How do you see yourself? How do others see you? How does God see you? We will spend time, through Scripture and prayer, looking into our self-image and self-awareness. How a personal and intimate relationship with Christ molds us and shapes our true self. How our need for others plays a role in who we are. Msgr. William J. J. O'Donnell will celebrate Mass at 1 P.M., homilist Deacon Windish.

Presenter: **Deacon Joseph Windish** was ordained a Permanent Deacon in June of 1989 and is currently assigned to St. Cyril of Jerusalem Parish in Jamison. Deacon Joe has been married to Joan for 48 years. He is a father and grandfather of three granddaughters. He is a Retreat Director and Presenter of Days of Reflection and Sacramental Preparation

We will be meeting at Nativity of Our Lord Parish Conference Center, 605 West Street Road, Warminster, PA. Parking is available in the lot across from the church. The Conference Center is located in back of the church. Signs will be posted. The building is handicapped accessible. The program begins with a continental breakfast at 9:30 A.M. Speaker/Prayer/Presentation from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. Coffee/tea/water and dessert are provided for your **BROWN BAG LUNCH**. Cost is \$20.00. Registering for this program helps us to be better prepared to meet the needs of those in attendance. It also provides a way for us to reach you in case the event has been cancelled due to inclement weather or unforeseen circumstances. If you are not able to register, please know you are always welcome to attend. To register, please contact: Cathy Krzywicki (215-262-0265) or Pat Stockford (215-675-3853).

Saint John Neumann, pray for us.

*To everything there is a season and a time
for every purpose under heaven.*

"...a time to be healed..."

Luis Acosta, Leticia Alfredo, Florence Alles, Oakley Amerman, Genevieve Arber, Maryanne Arrow, Ann Best, Valancia Blessington, Pat Booth, Shane Boyle, Craig Brennan, Ann Campbell, William Carson, Maria Chesnalavage, Michael Christiansen, David Chubb, William Chubb, Marian Corr, Connie Dasconio, Louis DeDominicis, Alfonso DeLuca, Donna DelVecchio, Janice Dockery, Peter Eisler, Caroline Fanelli, Krissy Farabee, Jamie Ferrari, Joseph Formica, James Fuges, Jennifer Graber, Janeen Harper, Betty Huf, Joseph Jenkins, Kelly Joyce, Howard Kaness, Anna King, Joseph Jenkins, Jemma & Joe Lanzi, Ed Little, Helen Lohin, Mary Lucci, Ann Mackey, Dan Maffei, Julia Maher, Virginia Mallatratt, Frank Maransky, Anne Marcinkevich, Herb Martin, Ann McCloskey, Joan McDonald, John & Jinny McIntyre, Matthew McNamee, Jean Meakim, John Mikulich, Bill Miller, Norma Mirack, Frank Monaghan, Bill Mulholland, Larry Mullins, Mae O'Donnell, Macallen O'Leary, Lauren Pastore, Ann Marie Pearson, Toni Pedicone, John Pemrick, Carol Pero, Constance Petravage, Louise Pfau, Harry Pursell, Kathleen & Joseph Reichart, Jim Reilly, Alfio Rossillo, Bob Schaefer, Dolores Selvey, Ray Shipp, Mary Solomon, Laurie Stahowcz, Kevin Stewart, Louise Stozenski, Richard Sweeney, Madeline Swenson, Johnny Tate, Kathy Tellado, Frank Thomas, Joseph Tinney, Kelly Tulio, David Urbanek, Bea Verbinski, Carol Woltemate, Miriam Yochim, Cindy Zeiger, Mary Zuccarelli, & all the sick of the parish.

"...a time to die..."

***Richard Skahan
& Rosemary Schumacher***

***Prayer Requests ~ 9AM - 11AM
Dolores 215-674-1966***

"Let us never forget that an age prospers or dwindles in proportion to its devotion to the Holy Eucharist. This is the measure of its spiritual life and its faith, of its charity and its virtue." *St. Peter Julian Eymard*

CYO News

Please continue to visit our website during the school year for our new calendar of events and all CYO information. Don't forget to register on the website for all important CYO related emails. www.nativitycyo.org

Important Announcement from CYO

Dear Parents,

Winter sports registration has been delayed. We apologize for the inconvenience this has caused. The system should be up and running shortly and we will send out another announcement when registration is possible. We are excited about the upcoming season. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

WANTED ~ CYO SERVICE/SOCIAL CHAIR

The CYO needs a volunteer to plan and organize service and social events. If you are interested, please contact Tim Henes at president@nativityoffourlordcyo.org

SAVE THE DATE:

PHILADELPHIA SPORTS CLUB NIGHT – NOVEMBER 6 (7-10pm) Grades 3-8

We are excited to host another fun night at the Philadelphia Sports Club. Activities include: *LASER TAG & HIP HOP, INFLATABLE JOUSTING & BASKETBALL, SOCCER & FLOOR HOCKEY, TEAMBUILDING & RELAY RACES*. Registration and payment is due by October 20. Late registration will not be accepted. Parents, we need volunteers. Please consider volunteering. We can't hold this event without you! The forms can be found for the event and volunteering at www.nativitycyo.org

Volunteers/Chaperones:

A volunteer form was sent home with your child in school and prep. The form can also be found at www.nativitycyo.org. Please consider volunteering for our events this year. A little of your time goes a long way to create lasting memories for our children. Thank you!



A group traveled to the Basilica for Adoration preparing for the Pope's visit. Here are a few students standing before the dome where we placed our intentions to Our Lady Untier of Knots. Reminder: TGIF will meet this Wednesday from

7:30 to 8:30pm. We will gather in multimedia room of school. Enter through courtyard in back of school. All teens in 7th thru 12th grades welcome.

Dear Parishioners,

I will be running in the Philadelphia Half-Marathon on Sunday, November 22, 2015. It is my hope to raise money for students who



need financial assistance in order that they may attend Nativity of our Lord School and experience an excellent formation in the Catholic faith. I owe my conversion to God as He inspired my parents to send me to St. Francis de Sales school which is where and when I first encountered Christ through the sacraments. It was through the hard work of the priests, Immaculate Heart of Mary sisters and the lay faculty, as one family together, who made sure that the school was truly bearing witness to the Catholic faith in all of its aspects and directives. I'm confident that such is the case at Nativity of Our Lord School, therefore, we need to be proactive in supporting families that desire their children to be formed in the Catholic faith in order that the children who are our future may receive the opportunity to hand on that which they themselves received...the gift of faith for their future children. May our Lady of the Rosary help us along through this long journey of faith as she intercedes on our behalf to receive the graces we need in order to be faithful to Jesus through His beloved Church. If you are interested and able to support my efforts, please send your donation in an envelope marked to my attention. You may drop it in the collection basket, send it into school with your child or stop by the Parish Center. All donations will be given to "Sponsor a Student" at Nativity of Our Lord School. Thank you and God bless you.

Sincerely,

Fr. Addisalem Mekonnen

TEEN MINISTRY

The Teen Ministry will participate in the forty Days for Life on Thursday October 22 from 6 to 7 pm. We will meet at Nativity at 645pm and will walk to Louis Dr. weather permitting. You can also just meet us at Planned Parenthood on Louis Dr. Please bring your rosary and a friend. All are welcome!

HOW WE CAN HELP OTHERS?



Blood Drive

NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

SPONSORED BY Parish Health Care Ministry

Thursday, December 3rd

2:00pm to 7:00pm

585 W. Street Rd. Warminster, PA

To make an appointment on-line go to

<http://www.redcrossblood.org/>

Enter sponsor code: Nativity of Our Lord

To schedule an appointment, or for more information contact:

Terri Carr 215-833-1283 or

Mary Alice Shane 215-313-2694

A few helpful hints:

**Eat and drink plenty of water
before you donate**

Photo ID is required

Call 1-800- REDCROSS or visit

<http://www.redcrossblood.org/>

For Donor Eligibility Guidelines

Tips for boosting your iron level

Tips for after donating

Did you know?

**Every two seconds someone in the U.S.
needs blood.**

**A single car accident victim can require as
many as 100 pints of blood.**

**Cancer patients may need blood, sometimes
daily during chemotherapy.**

**Blood CANNOT be manufactured - it can only
come from generous donors.**

Celebrate Advent by giving the gift of life!!



SERVING THOSE WHO SERVE

We are in need of volunteers for Saturday, October 24th for a fundraising event that will benefit the children/families of the soldiers stationed at the Willow Grove base. It will involve the selling of refreshments, tee shirts etc. ANY amount of time you could spare would be welcome! The event runs from 9-2. Please call Dave and Cathy Wagner at 394-8282 if you can help!

THANK YOU for all you do!



Aid for Friends

We are in need of people who are willing to visit an assigned shut-in once a week and deliver dinners for the week. The meals are picked up in the Church Hall. Pope Francis encouraged us to help our neighbors. This ministry is a commitment to approximately 1 hour a week at a time that is convenient for you. Current visitors have developed great friendships with the people they help. If you would like more information, contact Cathy Fry 215-672-9310.



Aid For Friends



RESPECT LIFE BABY BOTTLE DRIVE:

"Change for Life" is here. Volunteers will be handing out baby bottles for you to take home this weekend, October 17-18. Please consider taking a bottle and filling it this month with your loose change, loose bills, or even a check and return the bottles at the beginning of November. Your support is vital in order to support the homes that provide the necessary help for mothers and their babies.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Nativity second day to pray and witness at Planned Parent Hood on 610 Louis Dr. Warminster is **Thursday, October 22, from 7 AM - 7 PM.**

Please call Maria at 215-443-7436 to schedule one hour or more, and for additional information.

SCHOOL NEWS



How many people remember the HOT DOG LADIES? They were an amazing group of women who came to school one day a week and made hot dogs for the children. At the end of the year, they proudly presented Father with a big check! I would like to resurrect the HOT DOG LADIES. I am also calling upon all HOT DOG MEN! If you are interested in performing this service, or if you were one of those ladies of the past and would let us know how it was run, please fill out the form below & place it in the collection basket or e-mail us at: rmaddaloni@noolp.org

YOU MUST HAVE ALL NECESSARY CLEARANCES

Each month during the school year, we select a Student of the Month from every homeroom. There is a theme for the month and October's theme is WISDOM. *These students see things from God's point of view, and recognize the true value of persons, events,, and things. These students do not foolishly judge only by appearances, but take the time to see God in all good things.*

Many thanks to Mrs. Jen Boag, DRE who gave us the idea to use the Gifts of the Holy Spirit each month.

God bless us all!
Roselee Maddaloni
Principal

HOT DOG LADIES OR MEN

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

I would like to be a hot dog lady or man _____

I cannot volunteer, but would be happy to let you know how it was done _____



OWLS

(Older, Wiser, Learning Support)

Are you a retired teacher with some time to give to students??

Do you have 1-3 hours per week available to volunteer??

Nativity of Our Lord seeks retired teachers who are willing to work with students on a one-on-one or small group setting in partnership with a classroom teacher to give additional academic support.

**Flexible scheduling during school hours **Required clearance paid by school.

**Approximately 1-3 hours per week on a volunteer basis

If interested in this program, please complete the form and return to School Office or Parish Ctr. through the Sunday collection basket OR mail to: Nativity School OWLS, 585 W. Street Road, Warminster, PA 18974.

Name _____ Email _____ @ _____

Address _____

Best Contact Phone # _____ Best time to reach you: _____

Teaching experience description:

NATIVITY, WE DID IT!

Nativity Parish Community Center Dedication
Sunday, November 1, 2015



12:00 Mass
Bishop Michael Fitzgerald will be celebrant
Procession after Mass for blessing and dedication

1 - 4 PM
Boxed Lunch, sweets table and entertainment (DJ)
Boxed Lunch selection: Italian, Turkey or Tuna Hoagie,
Sweet Table, Beer Trailer, Kids can play on field & Playground .

Bring your favorite baked dish for the sweet table!!

Where can I buy tickets?

After Sunday Masses, Nativity Parish Center or the School Office

Nativity of Our Lord Parish Presents Designer Bag Bingo



Church Hall ~ November 14th, 2015

Doors Open 6:00 pm ~ Games Begin 7:00 pm

Includes light fare* ~ Outside food & beverages are permitted

Coach Michael Kors Vera Bradley Surprises

All proceeds will go towards the Capital Campaign for the
Community Center/Gym

Nativity of Our Lord Parish Designer Bag Bingo

\$30.00 per person



Ticket # _____

Name _____

Phone # _____



*Coffee, tea, pretzels, cookies, cake will be served.