

# Palm Sunday



...the very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and strewed them on the road...

Matthew 21

## Nativity of Our Lord Church

*A Stewardship Community*  
605 West Street Road,  
Warminster, PA 18974  
site: [www.noolp.org](http://www.noolp.org)

*March 20, 2016*

### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM

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

Monday thru Saturday: 8:00 AM

Tuesday thru Friday: 6:30 AM & 8:00 AM

**First Friday: 9:00 AM (October thru June)**

### CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 7:30 AM - 7:50 AM

3:30 AM - 4:30 PM

### DAYTIME OFFICE HOURS~PARISH CENTER

Monday - Friday: 9:00 AM - 12 Noon

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

### RECTORY ~ BY APPOINTMENT

Monday - Thursday : 4:00 PM - 5:15 PM

6:30 PM - 7:30 PM

**Friday: NO HOURS**

**Saturday: 9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon**

**Sunday: NO HOURS**

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, Dir. Adult Faith Formation

Mrs. Barbara Palo, Youth Minister

Mr. Michael Klenk, Director of Music

Mrs. Cheryl Kress, Business Manager

Mrs. Eileen Evangelista, Parish Secretary

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 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 Parishioner,*

*This week is Holy Week, the most sacred week of the year for us as Christians and as Catholics.*

*During this week we commemorate the salvation won for us by Christ's suffering, death and resurrection.*

*The rituals and liturgies celebrating these saving deeds are most meaningful and beautiful. They are truly the celebration of our faith in Jesus Christ as our Savior.*

*In today's bulletin is a complete list of our Holy Week services and liturgies. I would like to invite each of you to join me this week in celebrating these sacred mysteries, which are the very core of our faith.*

*We have much to be thankful for as individuals and as a parish. The salvation won for us by Jesus Christ and the hope He brings us is truly a gift worth celebrating.*

*Please join us during this Holy Week in praying that we will all be moved to a deeper appreciation of our faith. Pray also with me in a special way for a return to the Church and the Sacraments of those who are alienated for whatever reason. Pray also for the Church, our country, for peace in our world and for vocations.*

*May we all join together this week in celebrating our FAITH and making this truly a HOLY WEEK.*

*God Bless us all!  
Father Citino*

### ***Evening Bible Study....***

continues to study the second half of the Gospel of Mark. Jesus is Isaiah's Suffering Servant Messiah atoning for our sins, for our salvation.

Nativity's Evening Bible Study meets at 7:00 PM on the first and third Thursdays of each month in the Multi-Media Center (former school library) with a big screen for viewing the biblical Power Points.

*April 7 and 21  
May 5 and 19  
June 2 and 16*

## **GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING ~ TITHING**

**Sunday, March 13, 2016**

Sunday Collection:	\$ 14,478.90
Online Giving:	\$ 1,014.00
Total Sunday	\$ 15,492.90

**Thank you for your support! Fr. Citino**

## **REMINDER**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament returns to the Holy Innocence Room this Tuesday, March 22nd.

*Sanctuary Lamp in the Church  
burns in Loving Memory  
of my beloved friend  
Mary Ann Botten*

**H.O.P.E. Captain for: 3/20 - 4/9**  
**Pat McCloskey @ 215-672-0666**

## **TEMPORARY PRAYER LINE**

Temporarily, requests for prayers are being taken on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday between 9 and 10 in the morning.

Call Maureen at 215-672-5860

## ***Celebrants for MASSES on March 26 and 27***

*(Subject to Change)*

8:00 PM	Father Citino
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9:30 AM	Father Mekonnen
11:00 AM	Father Citino
12:30 PM	Father Mekonnen

## Life Changing Seasons

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

***“...a time to be loved...”***

***“...a time to be born...”***

*Chase Michael Brown*

*Logan Christopher Brown*

*Brooklyn Noelle Clerihan*

*Charlotte Maria Dias*

*James Francis Johnson*

*Eric Matthew Sekula*

***“...a time to be healed...”***

Marie Andinolfi, Baby Elyse, Kay Baxter, Raymond Bleau, Ernie Clark, Donna DelVecchio, Madison Gillen, Jim Gormley, Joe Ham, Janeen Harper, Charlie Kamut, Mike Kotwicki, Jack Leven, Jeanneen Meakim, John Mikulich, Justin Pepper, Santokh Rinpoche, Alfio Rossillo, Laurie Stahowcz, Anne Stasny, Kelly Tulio, Josephine White, William Woodhouse, Mary Zuccarelli

*And all the sick of our parish*

***...a time to die...”***

*Ann C. Perlstein*

*Constance Cawley*

*Julia Maher*

**Items for April 3rd bulletin,  
(the Sunday after Easter)  
must be submitted no later than  
Wednesday, March 23rd at Noon.**

***Thank you for your consideration.***

## Mass Intentions

**SATURDAY, March 19, 2016**

8:00 AM Be Tran

5:00 PM Buck and Jo Grant

**SUNDAY, March 20, 2016**

8:00 AM Elizabeth ‘Betty’ Figlestahler

10:00AM Paul Corr

12:00 PM Anthony Grillone

**MONDAY, March 21, 2016**

8:00 AM Frances Stefanowicz

**TUESDAY, March 22, 2016**

6:30 AM Eugene Romanies

8:00 AM Sally Konieczny

**WEDNESDAY, March 23, 2016**

6:30 AM People of the Parish

8:00 AM Josephine Malone

**THURSDAY, March 24, 2016**

6:30 AM

**Holy Thursday**

8:00 AM

**FRIDAY, March 25, 2016**

6:30 AM

**Good Friday**

8:00 AM

**SATURDAY, March 26, 2016**

8:00 AM

**Holy Saturday**

5:00 PM

**SUNDAY, March 27, 2016**

8:00 AM Catherine McGeehan

9:30 AM Zachary Meyers

11:00AM Oakley Amerman

12:30 PM Kevin Kelleher

### **THIS WEEK AT NATIVITY**

**MONDAY ~ March 21, 2016**

**7:00 PM ~ Adult Confessions - 8 Priests**

**TUESDAY ~ March 22, 2016**

8:30 AM ~ *Adoration*

9:30 AM ~ Legion of Mary - PCC-K

7:00 PM ~ *Living Stations of the Cross - C*

**WEDNESDAY ~ March 23, 2016**

6:00 PM ~ **NO PREP**

7:30 PM ~ Prayer Group - PCC

**THURSDAY ~ March 24, 2016**

**HOLY THURSDAY**

**FRIDAY ~ March 25, 2016**

**GOOD FRIDAY**

**SATURDAY ~ March 26, 2016**

**HOLY SATURDAY**

# Parish News

March 20, 2016

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On *Good Friday*, March 25, 2016, we celebrate the mystery of the Lord's Passion, contemplating the sacrifice by which Jesus redeemed the human race from sin and death. It also has been our longstanding tradition as Catholics to offer alms in support of the Catholic Community in the Holy Land.

As directed by our Holy Father, Pope Francis, funds generated by this collection support programs and services in the Holy Land. Support is needed to maintain the sacred places, to provide educational and pastoral programs as well as outreach programs for the poor through established charitable institutions.

On behalf of those Christians and others in so much need, I seek your most generous and sacrificial support of the **Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land on March 25, 2016**. I know that God our Father will reward your generosity beyond all measure.

Gratefully and with best wishes in Jesus Christ,

*+Most Reverend Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap.*

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Archbishop of Philadelphia

## Holy Week Services for 2016

**PALM SUNDAY – March 20 - 12 Noon**  
Blessing of Palms and Solemn Procession  
(*outdoors weather permitting*)

Blessing/distribution of Palms at all Masses on Palm Sunday

### **LENTEN CONFESSIONS FOR ADULTS**

Monday, March 21, 7:00 PM

### **NO CONFESSIONS HOLY SATURDAY**

### **LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Tuesday, March 22, 7:00 P.M.

### **HOLY THURSDAY – March 24**

The Liturgy of the Lord's Supper 7:00 P.M.  
Adoration till 10:00 P.M. with Night Prayer

### **GOOD FRIDAY – March 25**

Morning Prayer 9:00AM followed by  
Adoration till 3:00 PM

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion & Holy Communion  
at 3:00 PM

### **HOLY SATURDAY – March 26**

Blessing of Easter Food 12:00 Noon  
Easter Vigil 8:00 P.M.

### **EASTER SUNDAY – March 27**

8:00 AM  
9:30 AM  
11:00 AM  
12:30 PM

# Parish News

## Grief ....Never ends...But it changes.

It is a passage, not a place to stay. Grief is not a sign of weakness, nor a lack of faith...It is the price of love. *Anonymous*

Nativity Grief Group meets Thursday in the school library from 6:30 to 8 PM. Park behind the school and follow the blue balloons. Everyone experiencing a loss of a loved one is welcome. Any questions or for further information, please call Dot Cassidy (215-672-8230) or Terri Carr (215-441-8478)

- March 31:** Helping Yourself Through Grief  
Recognizing Your Loss
- April 14:** Emotions During the Grief Journey
- April 28:** Coping with Isolation and Loneliness
- May 12:** Spiritual Elements of Grief and Healing. The Reality of Heaven
- May 26:** Managing stress as We Grieve
- June 9:** Memories are our treasures



**Nativity Parishioners**  
Access great Catholic programs,  
movies, books and  
audio presentations, anytime, anywhere!

To get started, go to: [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org)  
Look for the spot to enter our parish code, which is **V2RPXA**. Enter the code and hit "submit".

If you have any questions, please contact Ann Marie  
at the Parish Office: 215-675-1925 or  
e-mail [agervino@noolp.org](mailto:agervino@noolp.org)

## Calling all Volunteers!

The Shrine of Saint Gianna Beretta Molla is in immediate need of 4 or 5 new volunteers to help work at the Shrine on Sundays during visiting hours. We need people to cover directly after the 8 AM Mass until 10 AM when the next Mass begins, which is about a one hour shift.

Volunteering for the shrine is simple and rewarding! It is a blessing to meet visitors from all over the United States who have a devotion to Saint Gianna.

For more information, please email Angela Shammo at [teacher527@hotmail.com](mailto:teacher527@hotmail.com) or call the St. Gianna Society Voicemail Box at 215-657-3101 and someone will return your call.

*Thanks and God bless you!*



## PARISH HEALTH CARE MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The month of **March is National Nutrition Month** and the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics encourages everyone to learn how to "Savor the Flavor of Eating Right" while still following a healthy eating pattern.

"During National Nutrition Month and beyond, make an effort to cut back on food and beverages high in added sugar, sodium and saturated fats," says registered dietitian nutritionist and Academy spokesperson Lisa Cimperman. "Take the time to find creative, healthful and nutritious ways to add flavor to food."

For information on good nutrition and good eating habits, go to [eatright.org](http://eatright.org) or [ChooseMyPlate.gov](http://ChooseMyPlate.gov).



National Healthcare Decisions Day (NHDD) is April 16. The theme this year is "It Always Seems Too Early, Until It's Too Late." This day is to encourage people to thoughtfully consider their healthcare decisions and make them known.

Find more information about this at  
[BeginTheConversation.org](http://BeginTheConversation.org).

2016  
Pre-Cana



Nativity of Our Lord will be hosting  
a Pre-Cana class the weekend of  
April 2-3, 2016.

For more information and to register  
please call the Parish Office Center at  
215-675-1925

# Parish News

## POSITIONS AVAILABLE

### DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR (Part Time Position)

**Nativity of Our Lord Catholic Elementary School**, a National Blue Ribbon School, in Warminster, PA, seeks an experienced part-time (15-19 hrs/wk) Development Director with a proven track record of soliciting major gifts. The Director will report to the Principal, and work closely with the Pastor, and Director of Enrollment Management to develop and implement various fund raising initiatives, including: donor cultivation, establishing and administering an Annual Fund, grant research and writing, and organizing and hosting special events. Experience in a faith-based/non-profit is preferred.

The qualified candidate should be a practicing Catholic, in good standing, who possesses a minimum of a Bachelors Degree, and is a well organized self-starter, able to work both independently and in collaboration with school and parish administration. Superior communication skills are essential. Salary is negotiable, and commensurate with experience.

**Please submit cover letter, resume, and desired salary to:  
Andrew D'Angelo, Director of Governance  
Archdiocese of Philadelphia – [adangelo@archphila.org](mailto:adangelo@archphila.org)  
No phone calls, please.**

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### DAYCARE ASSISTANTS (Part Time Positions)

**Precious Friends of St. Gianna Childcare Center** will be opening this Spring. We are seeking loving and nurturing people to work part-time, year-round, at the center. Childcare experience is preferred. Must be 18 or older and have mandatory clearances or be able to obtain them. CPR and First Aid Certification will be required.

**If interested please forward your resume to [preciousfriends@noolp.org](mailto:preciousfriends@noolp.org) or contact the director, Donna Ludovico, at 215-773-8399.**

Coming soon for your younger children—

**Precious Friends of St. Gianna Childcare Center!**

Compassionate care for your children  
6 weeks old through age 4



**“Now accepting enrollment applications”**

For more information, please contact  
Donna Ludovico, Director  
215-773-8399, or by  
email: [dludovico@noolp.org](mailto:dludovico@noolp.org)

## Parish News

**Remember,**



**Monday Evening, March 21 at 7PM there will be eight (8) priest here in the Church hearing confessions. All are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity.**

**Tuesday, March 22 - 7PM for the Living Stations of the Cross**

**Holy Saturday, March 26 - No Confessions**

**Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter schedules can be found on page four (4) of the bulletin.**

### Save the Dates!

**Tuesday April 19, 2016 ~ 7:00 p.m. Parish Conference Center**

#### ***Catholics Answers to Infertility***

Join us and discover NaPro Technology, a major breakthrough in women's health. NaPro Technology uses highly scientific and *natural* ways to identify and treat infertility and other reproductive health issues in women. Learn about the Creighton Model FertilityCare System and NaPro Technology. Hear a couple tell their story about their experience with this natural form of healing. Meet Dr. Monique Ruberu, OB/GYN who will be with us to answer questions and share her story as a Catholic and as a Doctor.

For further information or to **RSVP** contact Ann Marie in the parish office or [agervino@noolp.org](mailto:agervino@noolp.org)

**Tuesday April 26, 2016**

#### ***Parish Pilgrimage to the Shrine of the Miraculous Medal***

Join us for this special day, pass through one of the Holy Doors available during this Jubilee Year of Mercy.

**Full itinerary to come.**

# TEEN MINISTRY

The Teen Ministry wishes to thank all who supported our Fritz's sticky bun sale. It was a great success due to your generosity and we hope you enjoyed the treat.

## Steubenville 2016

There are a few spots available for our trip which will be held June 22 to June 26. We are excited to have extended our trip to include a mission/service activity. We will be attending the Queens, NY conference and final registration is due at the end of March. Students in grades 8 thru 12 are eligible to attend.

If you would like more information or would like to register please contact Mrs. Palo at [mompalo@aol.com](mailto:mompalo@aol.com).

## SAVE THE DATE!!

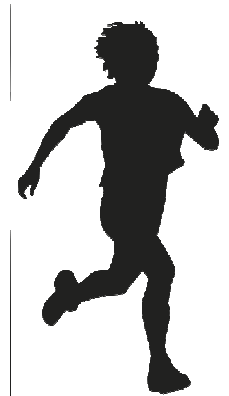
**APRIL 16TH** for a day with **Chris Padgett**, musician, speaker, comedian.. check him out on FB. More info to follow . . . .

## CYO NEWS



### Annual 5K / 1K RUN

Special thanks to all those who organized and participated in the 1K and 5K Run on Saturday, March 14. The event was sponsored by our CYO and directed by Tracey Kling. All proceeds will go toward the maintenance of the Parish Community Center. **Congratulations to all our winners.**



*Father Citino*

### MODELL'S FUNDRAISER: CYO Team Weeks ~ Feb. 26th – April 21st

Get all your spring sports gear/equipment at Modell's. Just use the CYO coupon and receive 15% off your entire purchase and 5% will be donated back to the Junior CYO program. You can still earn MVP points while supporting CYO. Coupon can be found on CYO website also be found on our website [www.nativitycyo.org](http://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](http://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!

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](http://www.nativitycyo.org)



# HAPPENING OUTSIDE NATIVITY

## *Divine Mercy Sunday*



*Jesus, I Trust In You*

REGINA COELI ACADEMY  
presents  
**The Original Image of  
Divine Mercy  
— A Documentary**

The primary subject of the documentary is the remarkable journey that the Original Image has taken since it was painted in 1934.

**SATURDAY - APRIL 2, 2016**

**Our Lady Help of Christians Church Hall**

1525 Marian Road  
Abington, PA

**DOORS OPEN AT 6PM-**

**MOVIE BEGINS @ 6:30 PM**

(film running time: approx 120 min)

**Good Will Donations Accepted**

## *Divine Mercy Sunday*



*Jesus, I Trust In You*

**SUNDAY, APRIL 3<sup>rd</sup>  
3:00 PM**

**St. Catherine of Siena  
Church  
Horsham, PA**

**Father Paul O'Donnell  
(from Archbishop Wood HS)  
will preside over  
The Chaplet of Divine  
Mercy Holy Hour**

## **Aid For Friends**

Aid for friends serves shut-ins in the area who are in need of home cooked dinners. The commitment is to visit once a week for an hour and drop off 7 frozen dinners that are provided. This ministry makes a big difference in the life of our local shut-ins. They receive nourishing meals and the companionship of someone who cares.

**Can you spare 1 hour a week?**

For more information call:

Cathy Fry at 215-672-9310.

## **LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR SPRING CONCERT - RUNA!**

“Chase the winter blues away by coming to the Little Sisters of the Poor’s Spring Concert, featuring the Irish group, *RUNA*, a Philadelphia Irish-American roots band. Come enjoy sparkling folk music melodies and haunting ballads, played with lush Celtic instrumentation blended with bluegrass and Texas fiddle influences. Have fun while helping us raise much needed funds for the elderly poor of Holy Family Home.

**Villanova University’s  
Jake Nevin Field House**

**Saturday, April 2**

**Doors open at 6 PM**

**General admission is \$50/pp**

**(\$20 for students, \$10 for ages 12 and under)**

**Admission includes food and beverages**

Please send orders to:

Holy Family Home

Dept. PB

5300 Chester Ave.

Philadelphia, PA 19143

**Or call Catherine at 215-729-5153**

**or visit our website at**

**[www.littlesistersofthepoorphiladelphia.org](http://www.littlesistersofthepoorphiladelphia.org)**

## **Together Towards Tomorrow 90th Anniversary Gala to benefit St. Martin of Tours School**

**April 16, 2016**

**6:00 PM Cocktails—7:00 PM Dinner**

**Williamson's | Horsham PA**

**\$75.00/per person**

**For more information contact  
Brenda Greene, Development Director  
267-992-4823**

## **NORTHEAST CATHOLIC H.S.**

**CLASS OF 1966 - 50<sup>TH</sup> Reunion**

**Friday, June 10, 2016**

**6 PM—Emerald Room**

For additional information,  
please contact alumni office at 215-543-1051 or  
by e-mail [NECATHALUM@aol.com](mailto:NECATHALUM@aol.com)

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