

Nativity of Our Lord Church

A Stewardship Community

*605 West Street Road,
Warminster, PA 18974*

site: www.noolp.org



*April 10, 2016
Third Sunday of Easter*

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,

During this Jubilee Year of Mercy as we celebrate the Easter Season, we ponder God's unconditional love and mercy for each and all of us. God is the person of Jesus become man, suffered and died so that our sins could be forgiven and we could inherit eternal life.

I hope all of us take the opportunity to reflect on this act of love given to us by God. Our lives and our faith are much more meaningful when we realize that God loves us, not just all but, each and everyone of us.

Do you realize and believe in God's love for you? Do you believe you are forgiven, redeemed and destined to live on in eternity with God?

The way we respond to such questions determines the way we live our lives with the joys and sorrows. It determines how we return the love to God and others. It brings hope, peace and joy to our very beings.

The Easter season lasts for fifty days until the feast of Pentecost. During this time allow the mystery of God's love and mercy for you to permeate your very being. If you do you will understand why this season is celebrated with Alleluia!

Sincerely in Christ,

Father Angelo R. Citino

Adoration:

He remains in the Holy Eucharist that He may repeat to us incessantly: I love you! You must see that I love you!"
(St. Peter Julian Eymard)

Prayer Intention:

For those who have suffered any type of brain injury. May they experience God's love through the compassionate care of others.

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

GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING ~ TITHING

Sunday, April 3, 2016

Sunday Collection:	\$ 19,051.50
Online Giving:	\$ 1,753.00
Total Sunday	\$ 20,804.50

Thank you for your support! Fr. Citino

Neumann Library will open after the Sunday Masses this weekend.

The Sanctuary Lamp in the Holy Innocents Room

Burns in loving memory of Margaret (Ritie) McGraw

The Morris and Romano Families

Flowers for the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph

In loving memory of Joseph Cassidy

The Kelleher Family

H.O.P.E. Captain for: 4/10 - 4/30
Tricia Lamb @ 215-817-4447

Celebrants for MASSES
on April 16 and 17

(Subject to Change)

5:00 PM	<i>Father Mekonnen</i>
8:00 AM	<i>Father Citino</i>
10:00 AM	<i>Father Mekonnen</i>
12:00 PM	<i>Father Citino</i>

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..."

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

Marie Andinolfi, Tori Araco, Cass Demo,
Baby Elyse, Madison Gillen, Janeen Harper,
Joe Horner, Florence Jenkins, J. Jones,
Joan McMMahon, Matthew McNamee,
Jeanneen Meakim, Anne Pepper, John Rooney,
Teresa Rooney, Alfio Rossillo, Slema Schwartz,
Florence Thompson, Kelly Tulio, Mary Zuccarelli

And all the sick of our parish

...a time to die

Mother Angelica

Francis Coulton

MARCH MEMORIAL FUND

Sylvester 'Pete' Capozzi

Connie Cawley

Enrico Antonio Gargano

Joseph McGowan

July Morrow

Mary Scatarige

Robert Shimp

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 21

May 5 and 19

June 2 and 16

July 7 and 21

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, April 9, 2016

8:00 AM Walter and Theodora Price

5:00 PM Eleanor Benedetto

SUNDAY, April 10, 2016

8:00 AM Marie A. Lambert

10:00AM Kevin Kelleher

12:00 PM William Troy

MONDAY, April 11, 2016

8:00 AM Doris Catanese

TUESDAY, April 12, 2016

6:30 AM Leonard Doughty

8:00 AM Edwin Harbaugh

WEDNESDAY, April 13, 2016

6:30 AM Adam Stonehill

8:00 AM Frances Reckner

THURSDAY, April 14, 2016

6:30 AM People of the Parish

8:00 AM Lisa Marino

FRIDAY, April 15, 2016

6:30 AM Joseph Lauder

8:00 AM Patricia Plant

SATURDAY, April 16, 2016

8:00 AM Harry Lieb

5:00 PM Eileen and James Loftus

SUNDAY, April 17, 2016

8:00 AM Anna and William Lennon

10:00AM Members of Devine Family

12:00 PM John D. Kelly

THIS WEEK AT NATIVITY

MONDAY ~ April 11, 2016

TUESDAY ~ April 12, 2016

8:30 AM ~ *Adoration*

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

WEDNESDAY ~ April 13, 2016

6:00 PM ~ PREP

7:30 PM ~ Prayer Group - PCC

THURSDAY ~ April 14, 2016

7:00 PM ~ R.C.I.A. - Drexel Room

7:00 PM ~ Evening Bible Study—MMC

FRIDAY ~ April 15, 2016

SATURDAY ~ April 16, 2016

7:00 AM ~ Saturday Morning Bible Study-H

Parish News

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

Parish Pilgrimage to the Shrine of the Miraculous Medal

Thursday April 28, 2016

8:45 Departure from Nativity

10:00 Tour of Shrine, Pass through the Jubilee Year of Mercy Holy Door!

12:05 Mass

1:00 Boxed lunch at Shrine

2:00 Visit to Shrine's Museum

3:00 Depart Shrine

Cost \$40 per person — includes, all bus fees and lunch. (Donation to the Shrine on your own)

(Please note a minimum of 30 people are necessary for the trip to take place.)

Please return this form with payment to the Parish Center no later than April 12th.

Name: _____ Phone number: _____

(If you are registering for other people please include their names and phone numbers)

Total # of people in party _____ x \$40 = \$ _____

Please return to the Parish office no later than Tuesday April 12th.

DAYCARE ASSISTANTS NEEDED

(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 or contact the director, Donna Ludovico, at 215-773-8399.

Parish News

April 2016

National Child Abuse Prevention Month

During Child Abuse Prevention Month, we are reminded of the call to be instruments of justice, working for the common good of all, which includes the provision of healing for those who have suffered as victims of abuse. As Jesus entrusts to Peter the care of the flock, we are reminded that this responsibility belongs to everyone as a matter of charity and justice. Child Abuse Prevention Month should lead to heightened awareness of the need to be vigilant about providing a safe environment for all within the Church and for the world.

As we continue to do all we can to keep our children safe know that the Office for Child and Youth Protection has services and resources for those who are victims and survivors of child sexual abuses and their families.

They can be reached at 215-587-3880 or 1-888-800-8780 or philavac@archphila.oprg.

Are You Called to Be a Deacon?

Minster of the Word

Minister of the Altar

Minister of Charity

2016 Permanent Diaconate Information Night

Thursday, April 21, 2016

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary

Vianney Auditorium

100 East Wynnewood Road

Wynnewood, PA 19096

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

To register or for more information, email Laura Nimmons at lnimmons@archphila.org



Nativity of Our Lord
Welcomes

Kathleen McCarthy:

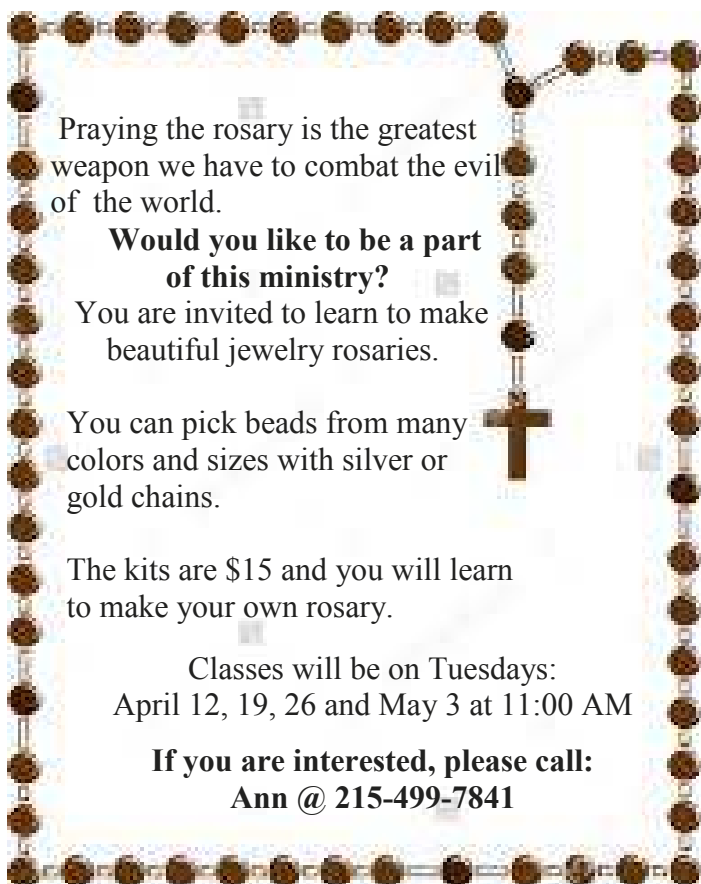
**“Cultivating a Personal
Relationship
With Jesus Christ”**

Monday, April 11, 2016
7:00 P.M.

Kathleen McCarthy is a published author, Catholic radio broadcaster and has been a Catholic lay evangelist for more than forty years. Her message of the Father’s merciful love, the Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist, and the power of the Holy Spirit are central to the doctrines of the Catholic Church.

Kathleen has traveled across the country and internationally as a sought after conference speaker. She gives days of renewal, parish retreats and workshops. Kathleen has been involved in healing ministry for over four decades. Her willingness to share her faith and wisdom has established her as a dynamic instrument for proclaiming God’s word to both believers and inactive Catholics of all ages. She is a gifted speaker who shares with enthusiasm and motivates many to experience the living God.

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Praying the rosary is the greatest weapon we have to combat the evil of the world.

**Would you like to be a part
of this ministry?**

You are invited to learn to make beautiful jewelry rosaries.

You can pick beads from many colors and sizes with silver or gold chains.

The kits are \$15 and you will learn to make your own rosary.

Classes will be on Tuesdays:
April 12, 19, 26 and May 3 at 11:00 AM

**If you are interested, please call:
Ann @ 215-499-7841**



NATIVITY SENIORS

Join us for our next meeting

Thursday, April 21, 2016
12 Noon

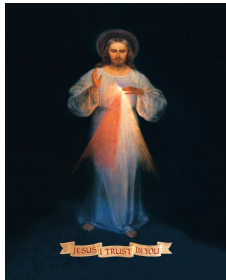
NEW Community Center
(Weather permitting)



A hoagie, dessert and a beverage
will be served for lunch
at a cost of \$4.00 per person.

For more information, please
contact Grace at 215-394-5893.

(Parking for the Community
Center is near the Main Entrance of the School.)



Watch on FORMED.ORG

“Divine Mercy in the Second Greatest Story Ever Told” Episode 2

Available April 10th through April 24th only Behold, This Heart (23 minutes) God’s School of Trust, which began in the Old Testament, continued through Christ’s work in the New Testament.

Unfortunately, humanity’s distorted image of God has remained a problem throughout Church history. But God doesn’t give up on us. In fact, he brings us back to his School of Trust in the revelation of his Sacred Heart to St. Margaret Mary, the merciful moral theology of St. Alphonsus de Liguori, and the little way of St. Thérèse of Lisieux.

Watch this and other Great Catholic Content on
FORMED.ORG.

To get started, go to: 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.

GriefNever 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.

Anyone experiencing the 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)

- 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

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.

SCHOOL NEWS

NATIVITY OF OUR LORD SCHOOL

Now enrolling new students for 2016-2017- all grades!

Limited space still available for our excellent Preschool program
5 days - full or half day options

National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence
Academic curriculum including co-curricular instruction in
Spanish, Music, Physical Education and Technology

Call now for more information - 215-675-2820, option 5

Make our school.....YOUR school!

PREP NEWS

Student of the Month for March

We would like to recognize and congratulate our PREP students who received the Gift of the Holy Spirit Award for *Wonder and Awe* in the month of March. Students exemplifying the gift of *Wonder and Awe* have an overwhelming realization that our great and powerful God loves them and is close to them. This student realizes how far above us God is, yet also how near to us He is. This student sees that God is great, powerful, and awesome, but also loving, tender, and forgiving.

- Level 1:** Dominic Brzyski, Gavin Mensch
- Level 2:** Emily Ostrom, Mackenzie Shiffer, Ashlyn VanSchie
- Level 3:** Braelyn Lockett, Maura Kelly, Nicholas Gentner
- Level 4:** Rylie Caracciolo, Livia Sheahan, Ava Franks
- Level 5:** James Garofalo, Emily Schleigh
- Level 6:** Jeremiah Farkas, Kirsten Scott, Sean Spinosa, Antonio Morrissette

PREP REGISTRATION

Levels K-12 is now open.

Re-registration for our current families is due by 4/28/16.

For more information please contact the
Religious Education office at 215-672-5316.

TEEN MINISTRY

COME OUT and CATCH CHRIS PADGETT



- ◆ Saturday, April 16
- ◆ Queen of the Universe
- ◆ All are welcome to attend 8:30 a.m. Mass
- ◆ Our day with Chris begins at 9:15 a.m.
- ◆ \$20 per person
- ◆ Includes lunch
- ◆ Day includes music, talks, games and fun activities.
- ◆ Day ends at 2:30 p.m.
- ◆ All teens in grades 8 - 12 are invited.

GO TO chrispadgett.com to learn more about Chris and see his bio.

WORLD YOUTH DAY SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Help a youth from our parish travel to World Youth Day this Summer.

An opportunity has been offered to a youth from our parish to attend this amazing event with other Catholic youth / young adults around the world. In order to make this happen, we are asking your support. The Charitable Exchange, the company offering this opportunity, is offering to match any donations dollar for dollar.

Please be assured that 100% of all contributions are being used for this opportunity.

The TCE supports many charitable organizations that you may be familiar with.

Please go to: <http://www.charitableexchange.org>

and look for the Philadelphia Parishes and proceed to make your contribution.

Please help our parish participate in this wonderful opportunity.

CYO NEWS

MODELL'S FUNDRAISER: CYO Team Weeks ~ NOW thru April 21st - details on website www.nativitycyo.org

Spring Sports Pictures April 25th

SAVE THE DATE - End of the Year Banquet, a breakfast buffet, will be held on Sunday, June 5th, 2016 at Spring Mill Manor immediately following the 8am Mass at Nativity.

IT'S TIME TO DANCE 6th, 7th & 8th Graders!!!!

The CYO Dance Friday, June 6th in the Church Hall from 7:00-9:30pm. Please complete the attached form. Money and permission forms will be collected at the door. The cost of the dance is \$5. Snacks and drinks will be available to purchase at the dance. We can't wait to see you there!!!

VOLUNTEERS/CHAPERONES: Please consider volunteering for our events this year. A little of your time goes a long way to create lasting memories for our children. Volunteer forms are on CYO website.

Please continue to visit our website for event updates and information.

Please register on the website for all important related emails at www.nativitycyo.org.

HAPPENING OUTSIDE NATIVITY

Retreats for Parents of Children with Disabilities

Mothers of Children with Disabilities Retreat: Tuesday, May 3, 2016 at Malvern Retreat House, Fr. Dennis O'Donnell will direct a retreat for mothers and grandmothers who are raising children with disabilities and also those who have adult children with disabilities. There will be time to pray, reflect, and chat with other mothers. To register online go to www.opdarchphilly.com. For more information please contact Malvern Retreat House at 610-644-0400 or the Office for Persons with Disabilities at 215-587-3530.

Chosen Fathers: A Retreat for Fathers of Children with Disabilities: Saturday, April 30, 2016 at St. Charles Seminary, the Office for Life and Family and the Office for Persons with Disabilities will host a retreat for fathers and grandfathers of children with disabilities. The retreat will be led by Doug Keck, a *Chosen Father*, who is the president of EWTN and an award winning TV/Radio host. To register online go to www.opdarchphilly.org. For more information call 215-587-3530 or email mcullinan@archphila.org.

NEUMANN SPIRITUALITY PROGRAM

Wednesday ~ April 13, 2016

9:30 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

Nativity of Our Lord

Parish Conference Center

~ SAINT GIANNA BERETTA MOLLA ~

Physician, working mom, professional woman, and a loving wife

She has now been raised to the altar in heaven and provides particular inspiration to all those who experience the constant demands and confusing signals that our current culture places on us. We will learn more about St. Gianna and how she can be a wonderful friend to have and how she may be able to help and inspire us. We will visit St. Gianna Shrine and have an opportunity to venerate her relics located in Nativity's Church.

Presenter: Robert White is the President and Presentation Director of The Society of St. Gianna. He visits parishes all over the United States and Canada giving talks of her life and the importance of Catholic family life and devotion to the Holy Rosary.

Presenter: Angela Shammo is the Vice President of the Society and Shrine Director. She is a mother of four young children whose family has received many answered prayers through the intercession of St. Gianna.



Calling All Golfers and Sponsors!

Saint Katharine Drexel 3rd Annual Golf Outing is a fun event including 18 holes of golf at the **Bensalem Country Club** along with prizes and a luncheon. Ticket cost is **\$100/per player** with ALL proceeds benefiting the **Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament**.

***Bensalem Country Club
2000 Brown Avenue in Bensalem.***

Start time - 8:00 a.m.

Saturday, May 7, 2016.

For additional details or to purchase tickets for yourself or a group, contact **Dave Greer** at **(215) 962-1704** or visit our website: www.katharinedrexel.org/news-events/

Businesses interested in becoming a "hole" donor, a primary event sponsor, or anyone interested in making a prize donation can also contact Dave.

Mark your calendars for a day of fun and fundraising!