



St. Nicholas Catholic Church

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EASTER SUNDAY

"Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay." - Mt 28:5b-6

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. (Acts 10:40-41)

Psalm — This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. (Ps 118)

Second Reading — If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. (Col 3:1)

Gospel — For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead. (Jn 20: 9)

Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM
Sunday: 8:30 & 10:30 AM
Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday: 8:30 AM
Tuesday: 6:30 PM (Latin Mass)

Adoration of Most Blessed Sacrament:

Wednesday: 9 AM - 6:30 PM
Benediction: 6:30 PM

Confessions:

Saturday: 3:45 PM - 4:20 PM
Tuesday: 5:45 PM - 6:15 PM
(other times by appointment)

A Message from our Pastor:

Dear Parishioners,

My prayers and best wishes for a very Happy and Blessed Easter! I pray that the joy of our Risen Lord will fill you today and throughout this holy season.

An old tradition is that of the Easter Egg. Because new life bursts out of an egg, the egg is a symbol of Christ rising, bursting forth, from the tomb. First in the Eastern church the egg would be painted red, representing the Blood of Christ shed on the Cross, without which the new life of the resurrection would not be possible. It became a custom to decorate the eggs very elaborately. In the Mediterranean area and Eastern Europe it became customary to use the Eastern Easter greeting when cracking the egg- "Christ is Risen, He is risen indeed!" In Germany it became a tradition to hang the painted eggs from a tree. Decorating eggs is a beautiful tradition to continue today in celebration of the rising of Christ to new life!

Peace and Easter Blessings!



Peace- Father Adam

Divine Mercy Sunday 2023

April 16 A Holy Hour of Mercy 2:30-3:30PM

The Feast of Divine Mercy is a day to seek in a very particular way the Mercy of the Lord for ourselves and for the whole world.

A Holy Hour of Mercy will begin with Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 2:30PM, with quiet prayer and confessions until 3PM at which time we will begin our devotions and prayers which will conclude with Benediction.

(Confessions will continue after 3:30 if needed)

Weekly Blessed Mother Statue Visitation Program

Our Parish Knights of Columbus Council offers all parishioners and friends the opportunity to take the Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima to your home for a week. During this week you are asked to pray the rosary each day for your own special intentions and for the intention of an



increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Let us join together to ask our Blessed Mother to intercede and inspire vocations. Sign-up Sheets are located on the bulletin board in the portico nearest the entry to the social hall.

Counting Our Blessings

3/26	Sunday Collection	\$3,188.00
	Rice Bowl	\$200.00
	Flowers	\$124.00
	Other	\$424.00
	<u>Preservation & Restoration</u>	<u>\$483.00</u>
	Total	\$4,419.00

Thank You!

Readings for the week of April 9, 2023

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15



Mass Intentions:

Sat 4/8	8:00 PM	People of the Parish
Sun 4/9	8:30 AM	People of the Parish
	10:30 AM	People of the Parish
Mon 4/10	8:30 AM	Patricia Hages (Family)
Tues 4/11	6:30 PM	Poly Delco (Family)
Wed 4/12	8:30 AM	Sr Janice (Lisa & Thomas Pignataro)
Thu 4/13	8:30 AM	David Dentith (Carl & Kay Niedzwiecki)
Fri 4/14	No Mass	
Sat 4/15	4:30 PM	People of the Parish
Sun 4/16	8:30 AM	Thomas Pignataro Jr (Lisa & Thomas Pignataro)
	10:30 AM	John Gallagher (Lorraine Gallagher)

Parish Holy Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet

Holy Rosary: Saturday & Sunday: 30 minutes before Mass. Monday & Thursday: 9AM. Tuesday: 6PM. Wednesday & Fridays: 3PM (*immediately after the Chaplet of Divine Mercy*).

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Every Wednesday & Friday at 3PM.

Eucharist Adoration



Jesus still waits for us in the tabernacle.

Please spend time with our Lord, in Eucharistic Adoration.

Eucharistic Adoration is every Wednesday between 8:30AM and 6:30PM.

Adoration is powerful! Thank you to everyone who reaffirmed their commitment to spend at least 30 minutes with the Lord per month! Indeed, we are still seeking new (30-minute) commitments to our monthly Adoration schedule on any given Wednesday of the month (*between the hours of 09:30 to 6:30PM*) by signing the clipboards on the table in the vestibule.

Paschal Candle

In Loving Memory of Duane J. and Carolyn M. Holdren.

(Donated by Keith & Kathleen Holdren)



St. Joseph Flowers

April 9 through 15

Tommy Pignataro Jr. (Lisa and Thomas Pignataro)

Blessed Mother Flowers

April 9 through 15

Special Intention (Joyce Hummel)



Tabernacle Candle Intentions

To reserve one of the Lamps for a weekly intention, donation is \$10.

Altar Wine and Bread

You are able to reserve in your name the Altar Wine and Bread used throughout the week for all the Masses. Donation is \$20.



Blessed Mother or St. Joseph Flowers

Each arrangement is a donation of \$35. Stop by or call the parish office.



Week of April 9 to 15

Tabernacle Candles will be lit in Memory of James Fixl (Tony and Trina Fixl) Wednesday Adorers

Altar Hosts and Wine Offered in Memory of St. Nicholas Memorial Society

BVMSN FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

Serving the parishioners and families of Assumption BVM and St. Nicholas Churches. We offer lower interest rate loans and financial counseling if you want to help clean up your credit. Your money is insured up to \$250,000. For more information, call the credit union at 484-272-2858 or stop by the St. Nicholas Rectory on Monday nights from 7pm-9pm. We are here for you.

St. Nicholas Food Pantry Is Open

Collections are on the third weekend of the month. If you know of a family or person that can use a hand at this time, let Deacon Mike in the parish office know.

Very Delicious Thank You!

Thank you to all who have supported the recent soup, hoagie, pierogi, and candy sales. Also, many thanks to ALL of the kitchen crew members and extra volunteers who worked SO hard to make it all possible. It's because of all of you that each sale was a success. Thank you very much! Marion Nihen



BINGO!

Sunday, April 23rd at the Holy Family Parish Center (508 W. Center Street, Nazareth).

\$20 entry. 15 games with plenty of specials & 50/50 Raffle. Doors open at Noon; First Game at 12:45. **See you there!**



Knights of Columbus Council #16656

All You Can Eat Breakfast

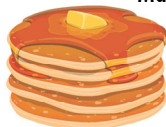
\$10 Age 11 and up ■ \$6 Age 6-10 ■ Under 6 Free

Pancakes

Sausage

Home Fries

Coffee/Tea/Juice



Made to order Omelets

Creamed Chip Beef

Ham

Toast

April 16, 2023
8am - 12:30pm

In the St. Nicholas Social Hall

A portion of the proceeds will benefit:
Special Olympics

Lector Ministry Schedule

	April 15-16	April 22-23
Sat 4:30 PM	Paul Sparling	Kate Holland
Sun 8:30 AM	Tony Fixl	Jeanette Noakes
Sun 10:30 AM	John McRoberts	Brianna Pereira

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

An intimated spiritual journey for anyone seeking healing after abortion. In a safe, supportive, non-judgmental environment you can focus on this painful time in your life and enter into the process of healing. Through scripture readings, guided meditations and activities flowing from the meditations, you can experience God's compassion and forgiveness.

For registration information contact: Carol Swavely, MA, 1-866-3RACHEL (Toll Free) or 610-435-1541, ext. 373. You may also email Carol at carolswavely@ptd.net. The retreat will be held May 19th – 21st, 2023.

Deadline for Registration is May 12th, 2023.

We Need Your Help!

If you or you know a parishioner that is homebound or is in or going into in a nursing home or personal care facility, please let us know by calling the Parish Office.

Prayer is Powerful!

Call Dolores 610-767-2013 or e-mail dkine224@gmail.com with your prayer requests or join our Prayer Chain; feel the power and grace of prayer.

We are pleased to announce that our prayer list is now connected with Sacred Heart Church in Palmerton and is on a **Universal Prayer Chain**. This is a HUGE step for us because those on our prayer list will be having prayers said for them all over the world...Praise God!

If you know of someone in the hospital or homebound Please call the parish office, 610-767-3107, so someone can visit them.

Please keep in your prayers our Parishioner who are sick, and those who are waiting for or recovering from surgery.

Also, please pray for our military Men and Women and their families; they give so much so we can enjoy our Freedom!



Boy Scouts

Boy Scouts meet Thursday at 7 PM in the social hall. For more information, please call Mike, 610-824-6556.

St Nicholas Designer Purse Bingo

Join us for the 2nd Annual St Nicholas Designer Purse Bingo to be held Sunday, April 30th at the Diamond Fire Company Bingo Hall, Walnutport.

The purse bingo is the Church's Major Spring Fundraiser.

Tickets are \$30 per person for 25 games (20 regular bingo & 5 specials)

TRICKY TRAY ● DOOR PRIZE ● BAKE SALE ●
BASKET RAFFLE ● 50/50 CASH DRAWING

KITCHEN OPEN

(Additional bingo boards for regular and specials will be available for purchase)

Ways you can help:

Consider a **monetary donation** of any amount to help offset the cost of the purses.

BAKE – we could use some delicious baked goods for our sale!

VOLUNTEER – we could use a few extra people to help with sales before the bingo. You will be able to play bingo if you would like.

TAKE A FLYER and post it wherever you are permitted. Perhaps you can post at your job. We do post them in the area, but any extra advertising always helps! Please pass the word on to your family, friends, and co-workers.

Like and Share the event from the St Nicholas Facebook Page.

COME AND PLAY BINGO – BRING A FRIEND!

Our profit depends on the number of people that attend.

Sign-up sheets for bakers or volunteers will be in the hall in the upcoming weeks. You can also Call Marianne at: 610-703-4943 or Email: fundraising@stnicholaswalnutport.org

Divine Mercy Concert

Sunday, April 16, 2023

Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena, Allentown

All are invited to join us on the Feast of Divine Mercy for a beautiful hour of song, prayer, and mercy!

The Angelorum Choir will sing beginning at 2pm with reflections from Diary of Saint Faustina.

All will recite Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm.

Confessions will also be available from 2:30pm-3:30pm.



Wawa 'Shorti' hoogie coupons

are available through the Knights of Columbus

\$5.00 each, any Wawa, no expiration.

Build your hoogie at the kiosk. Before Finish Order, touch "Customize"; touch "Shorti"; finish your order. Present coupon at checkout.

See me after Mass in the hall (8:30 or 10:30, alternating weekends) or contact me directly to arrange a place and time for pickup.

Anthony (Tony) Scarselletti
ascarsel@ptd.net or 610-393-4671

Movie Night

St. Nicholas' Community Committee North of 50 Group will be hosting a movie, "Heaven is For Real" on April 10 @ 1PM in the social hall. Bring a friend and your favorite movie snack, we will supply the popcorn. Clipboards will be at the doors, sign up if you would like to join us and include number of people. See you at the movies!

Join Us for a Night at Iron Pigs Game

Friday, June 16, 2023

The game Starts 7:05 pm
Cost – \$12 includes \$2 ballpark credit for food or merchandise.

Sign-up sheets after masses from April 1 to May 14. The last day to sign up is May 14. Attendees must provide their own transportation.

Contact Carl Litwin for tickets and more information: 610-767-2624
e-mail: clitwin1@gmail.com



Holy Week Office Hours

Wednesday April 5 through Monday April 10 the Parish Office will be closed.

Re-open Tuesday April 11.

