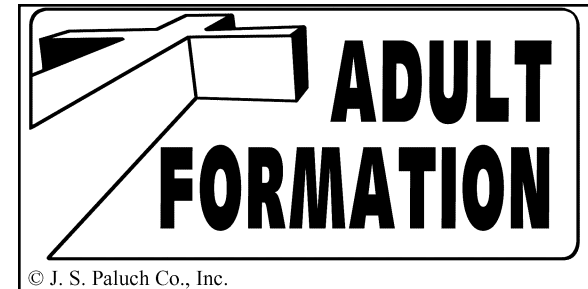


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2011 ~ 2012 Events

“Faith seeks understanding”: it is intrinsic to faith that a believer desires to know better the One in whom he has put his faith and to understand better what He has revealed; a more penetrating knowledge will in turn call forth a greater faith, increasingly set afire by love . . . in the words of St. Augustine, “I believe, in order to understand; and I understand, the better to believe.” (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 158)

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the Parish Family of
Nativity of Our Lord,
proclaim 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.

If you would like to learn more about the Adult Faith Formation/Evangelization Ministry at Nativity, or have a project you would like to share with our faith community, please contact:

Cathy Krzywicki,
Coordinator of Pastoral Services
215-675-1925
ck@nativityofourlord.org

Our Sunday bulletin each week will have a complete list of parish activities. Please pick up a bulletin each week or visit the parish web: www.nativityofourlord.org.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

To register for an event, please contact the Parish Office Center (215-675-1925) or email: ck@nativityofourlord.org. Include name, address, phone number, and e-mail when registering. Reservations for events that require pre-registration and pre-payment must be mailed to: Nativity of Our Lord Parish Center, c/o Cathy Krzywicki, 605 West Street Road, Warminster, PA. Please enclose check payable to *Nativity of Our Lord Parish*.

WHY IS REGISTERING IMPORTANT?

Registering for an Adult Faith Formation event 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 canceled due to inclement weather or other unforeseen circumstances. If you are unable to register, please know that you are still always welcome to attend the event.



**COME TO OUR FESTIVAL
OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

A Mighty Wind Is Blowing!

May 27, 2012 ~ 5:00 P.M. Mass

Pentecost calls for an explosion of unrestrained joy and enthusiasm. It calls for a gathering of people reminiscent of those who gathered in the streets of Jerusalem when they heard the sound of a violent wind. Pentecost needs to be a blazing reminder of God's presence.

FUTURE EVENTS... still working out some details.

MOTHERS OF YOUNG CHILDREN ~ **Would you be interested in helping to organize and moderate a MYC support group here at Nativity? A typical meeting might include prayer, discussion on a selected topic, possible speaker, and refreshments. Give me a call and let's try to bring MYC back to Nativity. Cathy, 215-675-1925.**

PILGRIMAGE TO THE BALTIMORE BASILICA AND POPE JOHN PAUL II MEMORIAL PRAYER GARDEN. Date: Spring of 2012

AWAKEN THE DREAM, CHANGING THE DREAM ~ Bringing forth an environmentally sustainable, spiritually fulfilling, socially just human presence on this planet ~ Presenter: Sister Mary Nester, RSM ~ Date: Thursday, November 10, 2011 ~ Time: 7 P.M.

MICHENER MUSEUM EXHIBIT FROM THE UFIZZI ENTITLED *The Bread of Angels*. The show explores the "Eucharistic Sacrifice through 45 works including tapestries and oil paintings." Date: Spring of 2012.

MARIAN EVENT ~ Focus on Marian titles ~ *Beauty of Mary* ~ Presented by the Daughters of Saint Paul ~ Date: Thursday, May 24, 2012 ~ Time: 7 P.M.

"Were not our hearts burning [within us] while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?"

(Luke 24:32)

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

The Scriptures tell us we are made in the image and likeness of God. It is our call and our duty to spend our lives growing in that image. God calls us through His Son and our Savior Jesus Christ to reflect His image and His presence in this world. Through the working of the Holy Spirit within and around us, we are given the power to reflect God in all we do.

The following pages of this booklet contain liturgies, devotions, presentations and programs to assist us in our journey of faith and life. It is our prayer that all of us who are Nativity of Our Lord Parish will be transformed as we worship and grow more profoundly in the image of God, into the people God calls us to be, His own.

I invite and encourage all to participate in any or all of what we offer in our Adult Faith Formation series. It is my hope that together we will grow in the image of God, becoming the holy people He calls us to be ~ giving hope to all and glory to our God.

God bless us all!

Rev. Angelo R. Citino



KNOW THE WORDS,
KNOW THE MEANING,
KNOW THE MYSTERY

The words we say and hear at every Mass are about to change ~ **First Sunday of Advent 2011**. Mass will remain the same, but the sound will be different. Most of these words are English translations of texts first composed in Latin.

This revised translation pertains to the book we previously called *The Sacramentary*. It will not affect the Scripture readings, the Prayer of the Faithful, or your favorite hymns. The new translation pertains to the words we speak or sing at every Mass, and to the prayers that the priest recites alone from *The Sacramentary*. Even the title of *The Sacramentary* will have a new translation; we will now refer to it as *The Roman Missal*.

Information will continue to be printed in the Sunday bulletin. Visit the parish web (www.nativityofourlord.org) and click on The Roman Missal link for up-to-date information.

“Change is good for all of us and it is an opportunity to ask God to change our hearts and to make us a more prayerful people as we join in liturgical celebration.” Archbishop Gregory Aymond of the Archdiocese of New Orleans



LENTEN SCRIPTURE STUDY EXODUS

Called to Freedom

Presented by: Deacon Dan Dwyer

**Monday, February 27, 2012,
March 5, 19, 26, 2012**

7:00 P.M.

Parish Conference Center

**Cost: \$5 ~ covers all sessions
(transferable but not refundable)**

**If you have any questions,
please call 215-675-1925**



**PARISH FAMILY
MAY PROCESSION**

**Tuesday, May 15, 2012
7:00 P.M.**

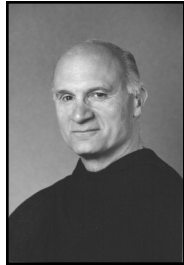
Rev. Frank Sirolli, O.S.A.

PARISH MISSION

March 11—12—13, 2012

7:00 P.M.

**MADE IN THE IMAGE OF GOD:
*The spirituality of God's presence
within us***



Reverend Frank Sirolli, O.S.A.

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**Lenten Soup Supper &
Meditation:**

“Seven Times He Spoke ~

Seven Words of Love.”

March 22, 2012, 6 P.M.

Nativity Church Hall

Cost: \$5

Transferable but not refundable

Reservations are required

Please call: 215-675-1925

PARISH REGISTRATION

Our parish community welcomes all to join us for worship. We invite everyone to be an active and participating member in every aspect of parish life. To be recognized as a member of the parish, one must be registered on the parish census. Please notify the Parish Center (215-675-1925) if you are moving from the parish, or if you have changed your address or phone number.

APPOINTMENTS

The members of the parish staff are most willing to be of service to all. You are asked, if possible, to arrange an appointment in advance with the person you wish to see.

DAYTIME OFFICE HOURS

PARISH CENTER

Monday – Friday: 9:00 A.M.–Noon & 1:00 P.M.–4:00 P.M.

EVENING OFFICE HOURS ~ RECTORY

BY APPOINTMENT

Monday – Friday: 4:00 P.M.–5:30 P.M.
& 6:30 P.M.–7:30 P.M.

Saturday: 9:00 A.M.–3:00 P.M.

Sunday: 9:00 A.M.–1:00 P.M.

PARISH PHONE, WEBSITE & FAX

Parish Center:	215-675-1925
Parish Website:	www.nativityoffourlord.org
Parish Fax:	267-803-1777
D.R.E. Office:	215-672-5316
School:	215-675-2820
School Website:	www.nativity-school.org
School Fax:	215-675-9413
Bulletin Editor:	vferrara@nativityoffourlord.org

ADULT FAITH FORMATION MINISTRY

The Adult Faith Formation/Evangelization Ministry serves the people of Nativity of Our Lord Parish by inviting and enabling ongoing conversion to Jesus in Holiness of Life by which people consciously grow in the life of Christ through experience, reflection, prayer, and study. We are called by our Baptism to build adult Christian communities that are strong in faith, clearly proclaim the Gospel, celebrate vibrant and reverent liturgy, and give courageous witness in charity. Moreover, the witness of adults actively continuing their own formation shows children and youth that growth in faith is the intent of all catechesis from the earliest years. Thus, all catechesis is geared to a life-long deepening of faith in Christ.

VOCATION PRAYER FOR FAMILIES

Christ Jesus, you became a human person to teach us how to love. It was in a human family where you grew in wisdom, age, and grace. Our family is the place where we first come to know God, and to learn who we are. Family is the place where we grow in wisdom, age, and grace.

Give our family the gifts of your Spirit. Help us to enjoy each other in the good times, and to see your presence in each other all the time.

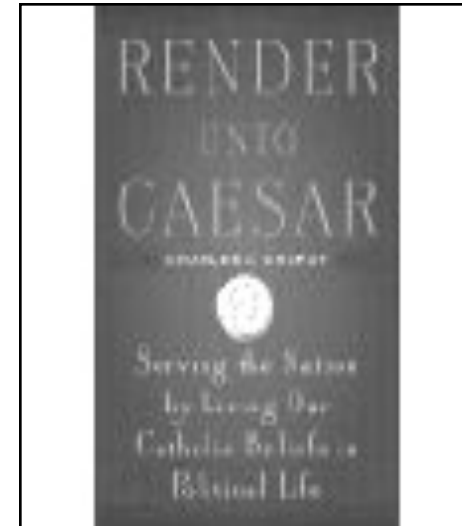
Help us to always bring out the best in each other—encourage each person in our family to use his or her gifts and talents fully. May we always help each other to be open to who you call us to be. As we grow in wisdom, age, and grace, may we always respond to your call to holiness, wherever that path may lead: in marriage, single life, ordained priesthood, or vowed religious life. -Sister Mary Rose Kocab, SFW

Vocation Office: www.HeedTheCall.org

WINTER DULDROMS BOOK CLUB

Render Unto Caesar: Serving the Nation by Living Our Catholics Beliefs in Political Life

By: Archbishop Charles Chaput



**DISCUSSION GROUP
WILL MEET
THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 2012,
7 P.M.
Parish Conference Center**

INVITING CATHOLICS HOME

Do you know someone who has left the Church? Most of us do not have to look very far to find non-practicing Catholics in our circle of family and friends. Many of us are concerned about these loved ones, but we don't know how to help them. Obviously, most of them are searching, but how can we help them find their way home?

As baptized, practicing Catholics, we have a precious gift of faith and love from the Lord that needs to be shared with our non-practicing brothers and sisters. First, we need to pray for them. Next, we need to extend a **personal invitation** to them to come home to the Catholic Church. Most non-practicing Catholics are waiting for an invitation to return. Many mistakenly think they are excommunicated and are not welcome to return for a variety of reasons.

Many non-practicing Catholics carry with them a tremendous amount of guilt and misinformation about the Church and are afraid of approaching the Church for fear of being rejected. You can make a tremendous difference in someone's life simply by reaching out to them and telling them that we miss them and would like for them to come back home to our Church family.

Here at **Nativity of Our Lord Parish** we have a special program to help non-practicing Catholics return to the Church entitled "**Catholics Returning Home.**" The series begins **January 9, 2012** in the Parish Conference Center (located in the building in back of the church) at 7:30 P.M. Please pass this article on to anyone who might be interested. For more information, call **267-884-2970**.

THE SUNDAY OBLIGATION

- 2180 The precept of the Church specifies the law of the Lord more precisely: "On Sundays and other holy days of obligation the faithful are bound to participate in the Mass." The precept of participating in the Mass is satisfied by assistance at a Mass which is celebrated anywhere in a Catholic rite either on the holy day or on the evening of the preceding day."
- 2181 The Sunday Eucharist is the foundation and confirmation of all Christian practice. For this reason the faithful are obliged to participate in the Eucharist on days of obligation, unless excused for a serious reason (for example, illness, the care of infants) or dispensed by their own pastor. Those who deliberately fail in this obligation commit a grave sin.
- 2182 Participation in the communal celebration of the Sunday Eucharist is a testimony of belonging and of being faithful to Christ and to his Church. The faithful give witness by this to their communion in faith and charity. Together they testify to God's holiness and their hope of salvation. They strengthen one another under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Catechism of the Catholic Church



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

"Could you not watch one hour with me?" - Matthew 26:40

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held every Tuesday beginning at 8:30 A.M. and concluding at 7:00 P.M. in the Holy Innocents' Room (entrance by the handicapped ramp). During Advent and Lent Adoration is in the church. All are welcome and encouraged to come and adore! If you have any questions, please call Mary Ellen Christ, 215-441-0525.

1418 Because Christ himself is present in the sacrament of the altar, he is to be honored with the worship of adoration. "To visit the Blessed Sacrament is...a proof of gratitude, an expression of love, and a duty of adoration toward Christ our Lord" (Paul VI, *MF 66*). *-Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Prayer for the Spread of Eucharistic Adoration

Heavenly Father, increase our faith in the Real Presence of Your Son Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist.

We are obliged to adore Him, to give Him thanks and to make reparation for sins. We need your peace in our hearts and among nations. We need conversion from our sins and the mercy of Your forgiveness. May we obtain this through prayer and our union with the Eucharistic Lord.

Please send down the Holy Spirit upon all peoples to give them the love, courage, strength and willingness to respond to the invitation to Eucharistic Adoration.

We beseech You to spread Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament in parishes around the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.

Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament, help us to spread the glory of Your Son through Eucharistic Adoration.

Pope John Paul II

GIVING TREE DAY

A Celebration of Parish Giving Sunday, December 11, 2011 1:30 P.M.—3:30 P.M.

Every year during Advent, the parish places a Christmas tree in the Church, donned with paper ornaments. On the ornaments are suggested gift items. Parishioners are encouraged to take an ornament, purchase and wrap a gift, and return it on Giving Tree Day. Gifts are distributed to area organizations and families in need. Our gifts become a way to proclaim "the message of Christmas—the great love of God for all people" (Parish Mission Statement)

On Giving Tree Day all parish organizations are invited to join in the "giving" by meeting with the parish in the Church Hall and sharing information about their ministry.

There will be entertainment, refreshments, and fellowship at this Gaudette Sunday celebration.

CHURCH MINISTRY INSTITUTE

The Church Ministry Institute is designed to continue the formation of each participant in the Person and Mission of Jesus Christ and the call to transform the world. The program assists participants to respond to their call to holiness mandated by the gospels, and the need for daily conversion in their lives. This is a three-year Archdiocesan program, participants develop pastoral skills that are essential to all ministries in the church. For further information visit:

[www.archphila.org/evangelization/formlaity/
churchmin.htm](http://www.archphila.org/evangelization/formlaity/churchmin.htm)

HOSPITALITY MINISTRY

We are blessed here at Nativity to have a generous group of women and men who are “on call” when refreshments are needed for a meeting or a parish gathering. Bakers are always needed. If you would like to be placed on the list of bakers, please call the Parish Center at 215-675-1925.

RETREATS *on the RUN*

A five minute mini-retreat for people on the go...

www.oblates.org

1. Find a place or space that offers you some quiet.
2. Take a moment to be conscious that you are in the loving and living presence of God.
3. Read slowly and prayerfully the reflection offered for the day until a word or idea slowly emerges or grabs your attention.
4. In the silence of your heart, speak with God about whatever is stirred up in your heart. Stay with this silent prayer for a while.
5. As your prayer-time draws to a close, offer thanksgiving for God’s loving presence with you during this time and at all times.
6. Take a word or phrase from your prayer-time and carry it in your heart as you go about the activities of your day. In this way you can remain recollected and focused in the midst of all of your activities.

LITURGIES & DEVOTIONS

<i>Liturgy of the Hours</i>	Prayed as part of the 8 A.M. Mass Mondays and Thursdays
<i>Rosary</i>	Prayed after the 8 A.M. Mass
<i>Miraculous Medal</i>	After the 8 A.M. Saturday Mass
<i>Consecration to the Sacred Heart</i>	First Friday of the month after the 8 A.M. Mass
<i>Divine Mercy Chaplet</i>	Prayed Tuesday afternoons (October to May) at 3 P.M.

PRE CANA

Team leaders present a marriage preparation program that provides a time of discernment for the vocation of marriage and family life for engaged couples. Please call Judy and Frank Drummond, 215-674-8360, for Pre Cana dates.

**VISIT OUR
PARISH WEB EACH WEEK
www.nativityoffourlord.org
For meditations on the up-coming
Sunday Readings
and
Favorite Prayers**

**How does a person become Catholic?
How does a person complete initiation
into the Catholic Faith?**

***Nativity of Our Lord Parish R.C.I.A.
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
can help you answer these questions.***

The R.C.I.A. provides Catholic Faith Formation to inquiring adults and prepares those interested in celebrating the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Eucharist.

What does it involve?

Team members lead discussions, educate and share their faith journey with participants. Sessions are held on Tuesday evenings.

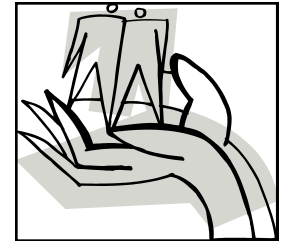
When do we begin?

The R.C.I.A. begins **September 6, 2011** at 7:15 P.M. in Room 104 in the school. The evening ends at 8:30.

**Please see one of our priests or contact
Mrs. Ann Stolarik, D.R.E.,
at 215-672-5316**



Nativity of Our Lord's
**Caring for
Caregivers Day**



**Sunday,
November 13, 2011 ~ 1 P.M.**

Nativity of Our Lord Church Hall

**The Health Care Ministry
wants to provide a day of care
for those who give care on a daily basis
to ill, elderly, or challenged individuals.**

**Watch the Sunday bulletin and
Parish Web (www.nativityofourlord.org)
for details.**

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Natural Family Planning (NFP) is a safe, effective, and morally acceptable method of spacing children. It is a modern method for couples to monitor their fertility signs utilizing charts and scientific knowledge. It can help couples plan their families responsibly in accordance with Church teaching, or to aid in conceiving.

To learn more about NFP, or to register for an NFP class, call the Family Life Office at 215-587-3516, or visit http://archphila.org/evangelization/famlife/natural_fam_plan/planning.htm.

**AMERICAN SAINTS
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2011
7 P.M. ~ Nativity Church Hall
Speaker: Sister Mary Peter, FSP**



Join us as Sister Mary Peter shares with us the gift our American Saints are to all of us.

956 *The intercession of the saints.* “Being more deeply united to Christ, those who dwell in heaven fix the whole Church more firmly in holiness....They do not cease to intercede with the Father for us, as they proffer the merits which they acquired on earth through the one mediator between God and men, Christ Jesus....So by their fraternal concern is our weakness greatly helped.”

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About the Presenter: Sister Mary Peter made her perpetual profession in 1967. She went to San Antonio, Texas; to Philadelphia; to Miami; to Charleston, S.C.; a few months in St. Louis; years in Alaska; and three years in Hawaii. In South Carolina, Sister was able to begin a weekly Catholic radio broadcast. Since 1984, Sister Mary Peter has helped in the formation of the Pauline lay groups: Pauline Cooperators, members of the Holy Family Institute, and the single women of the Institute of Our Lady of the Annunciation. As a result of her contacts with people from all walks of life, and her studies in pastoral psychology, Sister authored a book of prayers for healing and coping, title “*Tender Mercies.*” In 2012, Sister Mary Peter will celebrate 50 years of religious profession.

**THURSDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY
Nativity Neumann Library ~ 7 P.M.**

The Bible Study meets throughout the year
1st & 3rd Thursday of the month

- Want to know more about your Faith?
- Want to see how God is sovereign over history?
- Want to know what the future holds?

COME TRY US...YOU'LL LIKE US!

A free-will offering is appreciated.

**Any questions,
call Joan Ksiazek, 215-443-9972**

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**SATURDAY BIBLE STUDY
7:00 A.M. ~ Nativity Church Hall**

All are welcome to join in this informal Scripture Study held in the church hall beginning at seven o'clock Saturday mornings. Coffee and light refreshments are offered. We follow the publication *God's Word Today*, which is a Catholic daily study guide (available as a monthly subscription) for reading and studying the Sacred Scriptures. Using this guide a study of the entire Bible can be completed in six years, and the New Testament in three years.

**Any questions, call
Marshall Coakley, 215-672-6226**

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

When the world is weighing you down and you feel alone and abandoned, there is an oasis where you can come to pray and seek God's guidance for your life. In this world of chaos and confusion you can come together with others to experience God's love, peace, and joy through the power of His Holy Spirit. The Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group of Nativity of Our Lord Parish is the place to be with others who love the Lord, and want a deeper, more personal relationship with Him. It is a place where our spirits can be renewed and refreshed as we come away from the busyness of our lives to spend an evening praising God. We invite you to join us each Wednesday evening from 7:30 P.M. to 9 P.M. in the Parish Conference Center for prayer, praise, song, teaching, witnessing, and intercessory prayer. On the 3rd Wednesday of the month there is a Charismatic Mass at 7:30 P.M. in the church with refreshments following in the conference center. Do something nice for yourself and come to a prayer meeting!

Questions?? Call Chatty Micco ~ 215-674-4694

Mothers **In** Love

+ Fathers **In** Love

= Families **In** Love

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

November 11—13, 2011

WANT TO ATTEND?

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

Call: 1-800-456-8330

Or visit: <http://www.wwme-philly.org>

CATHOLIC BOOK & MEDIA EXHIBIT

There will be a **Pauline Book Exhibit** at Nativity of Our Lord parish the weekend of **October 22nd & 23rd**. The Daughters of Saint Paul will be present with a display of books, music, DVDs, First Communion and Confirmation articles, and other materials for sale. All are welcome to stop in at the **Father Healy Annex** (located in the school) after the Masses to see the selection of religious media, appropriate for all ages, which can accompany and enrich your spiritual journey.

SAVE THE DATE

Catholic Life Congress

November 5, 2011

9:00 A.M.—3:30 P.M.

Celebration of the Eucharist

**Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul
Cardinal Justin Rigali**

**Keynote & Conference Sessions at:
Sheraton Hotel (Across the street from the
Cathedral)**

Keynote Address

Thomas Smith

Presenter, Great Adventure Bible Study

Celebrate Mass in Sacred Space Keynote during lunch

Large, comfortable conference rooms ~ close together

Elevators and Escalators Delicious sit-down luncheon

No steps and no long hallways

Information: ck@nativityoffourlord.org

HEALTH CARE SERIES
FALL ~ SPRING ~ WINTER

Presenter: *Mary Alice Shane, RD, LDN*, is a member of Nativity of Our Lord Parish Health Care Ministry. She has over 30 years experience as a Registered Dietitian and is an instructor at Montgomery County Community College.

Thursday, October 20, 2011

FAMILY CENTERED NUTRITION
From Pregnancy to School Age Children
*Bring your best tip for a healthy
Halloween Treat*

January 12, 2012

NUTRITION & STAYING HEALTHY AS WE AGE
**Healthy Hearts ~ Stroke Assessments &
Blood Pressure Screenings
Managing Diabetes**

April 12, 2012

COOKING HEALTHY DEMO
**Practical Steps to Improve Your
Nutrition & Health**

Pre-registration required

Cost: \$5 (covers all 3 sessions)

7:00 P.M. ~ Nativity Church Hall
Please enter by back parking lot.

2288 Life and physical health are precious gifts entrusted to us by God. We must take reasonable care of them, taking into account the needs of others and the common good.

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LEGION OF MARY

With millions of members world wide, the Legion of Mary is open to men, women and children seeking to become closer to Christ through a balanced program of prayer and service. Works of service include mainly visiting the sick and aged at home, in hospitals and nursing facilities, and in many other ways serving the spiritual needs of the parish community. Members meet once a week for prayer, planning and discussion. The work is done in pairs under the guidance of their spiritual director. Adult members meet on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 in the Parish Conference Center kitchen. Please refer to the Sunday bulletin for the Jr. Legion of Mary's schedule. Contact Christine Coakley at 215-672-6226 for further information.

NEUMANN LIBRARY

The lending library is staffed by volunteers. We try to provide a large selection of religious books, tapes, movies, etc., for your spiritual enrichment. The Neumann Library is located in the building behind the church. Enter by side door across from the green recycle bin. Check the bulletin for hours. There are also books, etc., available every day on the "bookmobile" located by the main doors of the church.

If you would like to volunteer for this ministry, or have spiritual books, etc., to donate, please call the Parish Center, 215-675-1925.

PARISH PAMPHLET RACK

The Parish Pamphlet Rack is located as you enter the main vestibule of the Church, on the left hand side. Up-to-date information on various religious topics and Church teachings are available. A free-will offering is appreciated.

BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTION

Second Tuesday of the Month
(Beginning September 13, 2011)
7:00 P.M. ~ Parish Conference Center

WHAT DO YOU ASK OF GOD'S CHURCH?

The Sacrament of Baptism is the Sacrament of faith that brings a person into the Church community and makes them one with Christ. Baptism is the foundation of our life in Christ. Baptism is a gift...it is a grace which is not earned or merited.

Parents must be registered parishioners in order to have their child Baptized at Nativity Parish. If not, a Letter of Permission must be obtained from the Pastor of the parish in which they are registered in order for the Baptism to take place at Nativity.

GUIDELINES FOR SPONSORS **FOR BAPTISM & CONFIRMATION**

- The person must be at least sixteen years of age and have received all the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.
- They must be a practicing Catholic ~ regular Sunday Mass attendance and reception of the Sacraments.
- All those wishing to be a Godparent must obtain a "Letter of Eligibility" from the parish in which they are registered.

CHRISTIAN WITNESS

In some cases, if parents only have one eligible Catholic to be Godparent to their child, they may wish to have a relative or friend of the family of another Christian Faith to fulfill the role of "Christian Witness." It must be made clear that this person is not a Godparent. The child must still have an eligible Catholic to fulfill the role of Godparent. In order for someone to be eligible to be a "Christian Witness," they must be a Christian and submit proof of their own Baptism. An ineligible, lapsed, or non-practicing Catholic may not be a Christian Witness.

NEUMANN ADULT SPIRITUALITY

October 12, 2011	CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF SAINT JOHN NEUMANN Presenter: Rev. John Collins, CSSR
October 14, 15, 16	Missionary Sisters of the Blessed Trinity ~ Mother Boniface Spirituality Center FINDING GOD IN ALL THINGS Presenter: Sr. Redempta, IHM
November 16, 2011	GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE Presenter: Sr. Mary Elizabeth Clark, SSJ
December 14, 2011	PREPARE THE WAY: THE LANDSCAPE OF INCARNATION Presenter: Sr. Clare A. D'Auria, OSF
January 11, 2012	ON THE WAY TO COMMUNITY Presenter: Deacon Jim Fowkes
February 1, 2012	JOURNEY WITH THE SAINTS Presenter: Brother McGrath, OSFS
March 28, 2012	ST. JOHN'S GOSPEL PENETRATES OUR INNER RECESSES Presenter: Deacon Gladnick
April 18, 2012	SPIRITUALITY AND WELLNESS RETREAT Presenters: Sr. Mary Beth Antonelli, OSF and Sr. Anne Kappler, RSM
May 18, 19, 20	Stella Maris Retreat Center Long Branch, New Jersey REASON FOR HOPE Presenter: Sr. Marie Michelle Donnelly

All talks held in the Neumann Library (located in building in back of church—enter by door across from the green recycle bin). Cost: \$15 ~ Brown Bag Lunch ~ Continental Breakfast ~ Beverages Provided.

**For reservations or further information,
call: Lori Gladnick, 215-675-7835.**

Spirituality is a life-long journey

ANNUAL FORTY HOURS DEVOTION

- Sunday, October 9** The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for adoration immediately after the Noon Mass, concluding at 7 P.M. with Father Hamrogue's homily and Benediction.
- Monday, October 10** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be held after the eight o'clock morning Mass until we end at 7 P.M. with Vespers & Benediction.
- Tuesday, October 11** Solemn Closing of Forty Hours with Vespers, Procession & Benediction at 7 P.M.

Homilist:

Reverend John Hamrogue, CSSR

MASS OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

On Saturday, **October 8** at 12 o'clock Noon we will celebrate a Mass here at Nativity during which the Sacrament of the Sick will be administered.

We invite and encourage all those who are sick or facing upcoming surgeries, the elderly and anyone frail or infirm in body, mind or spirit to come to the Mass and be anointed with the oil of the sick. Our Health Care Ministry will be available at church to assist anyone in need. Drivers are available, if anyone needs a ride, call the Parish Office Center, 215-675-1925.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

*"The Lord is close
to the broken-hearted."* Psalm 34:19

Nativity's Grief Support Group will hold a six-week session on Thursday evenings in the Fall (2011) and Spring (2012) at 6:30 to 8:00 in the Parish Conference Center located in the building behind the church. Enter by the side door across from the green recycle bin. **For further information, contact Dot Cassidy (215-672-8230) / jdcseaisle@aol.com.**

**September 20th & 27th
October 18th & 25th
November 15th & 22nd**

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Advent and Lenten Meditation Booklets

An announcement will be made when the free booklets will be available to help us with our Advent and Lenten Journeys

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WEB LINKS

Daily Reflections ~ www.usccb.org/video/reflections.shtml

Young Adult Group ~ www.standrewnewtown.com

3-Minute Retreat ~ www.loyalapress.com

Daily Inspiration ~ www.loyalapress.com

College Students ~ www.usccb.org/campus

SISTER KATHRYN JAMES HERMES, FSP

Tuesday, September 20, 7 P.M.

See, I am doing something new!

“God says, ‘I am going to do something new, something new with your life; something new with your health; something new with your family; something new with your dreams.’”

Have you come through a dark time?

Depression, burn-out, financial disasters, death of a family member, or emotional chaos come to us all. We get through, but we want something beyond mere survival. We feel there must be something more. **This talk is about something more.**

Nativity of Our Lord Church Hall

Please use back parking lot

Street and York Roads ~ Warminster ~ PA ~ 215-675-1925

Cost: \$5 pp (transferable but not refundable)

Sister Kathryn will be available from 5:30 P.M. to time of her presentation to speak with anyone who would like to meet with her.

Please call the Parish Center (215-675-1925) or email (ck@nativityofourlord.org) for a reservation.

About Our Presenter

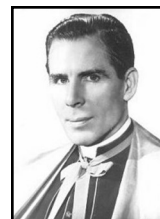
The study of spirituality has been a life-long pursuit of Sister Kathryn James. She has an M.T.S. from Weston Jesuit Center for Theological Studies and an advanced certificate in Scripture. She is the author of *Surviving Depression-A Catholic Approach*, *Making Peace with Yourself-15 Steps for Spiritual Healing*, *Beginning Contemplative Prayer*, *St. Joseph-Help for Life's Emergencies* and *Holding on to Hope*, among others. Sister Kathryn is a Daughter of St. Paul.

If you plan to join us, please place a check for \$5 pp, along with your name(s) and phone number in an envelope and place in the collection basket or mail to:

*Nativity of Our Lord Parish Center, 605 W. Street Road,
Warminster, PA 18974*

Checks made payable to: Nativity of Our Lord Parish.

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**Come to see this
amazing story!**

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Street & York Roads,
Warminster, PA 18974

Tuesday, October 4, 2011

7 P.M. at the Church Hall

(Located under the Church)

**Come to a short Missionary Presentation
prior to the Movie.**

Please use the back parking lot to enter!

Cost: \$5 (transferable but not refundable)

**He inspired millions and his messages
remain as relevant and powerful today
as they were nearly a half-century ago.**

Say you'll come!

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