

Weekly Update: May 16th

Welcome Tucker Brown!

I have some good news to share with all of you! I recently received a call from Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary asking if Nativity would take a seminarian for the summer. I consulted with several key leaders of the parish and all agreed that we should.

Tucker will be coming to Nativity this Sunday to meet Fr. Brian and I, but he will be officially starting on June 6th. I am happy to have the presence of a seminarian in our parish and in our school for the coming year. Please pray for him and his brother seminarians as they experience parish life for the summer.

His bio follows:

Tucker Brown is a Pre-theologian in his second year of formation at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary. He is originally from Waynesburg, Pennsylvania and moved to Philadelphia to study medicine at Thomas Jefferson University after graduating from Penn State. He completed his studies at Jefferson in 2018 before entering the Spiritual Year program at St. Charles. Three major factors in Tucker's decision to leave medicine to discern the Priesthood at St. Charles are his desire to know God more intimately, to reveal Him to others, and to be an instrument of His healing. He enjoys just about any outdoor activity but in particular hiking, running, and rowing.





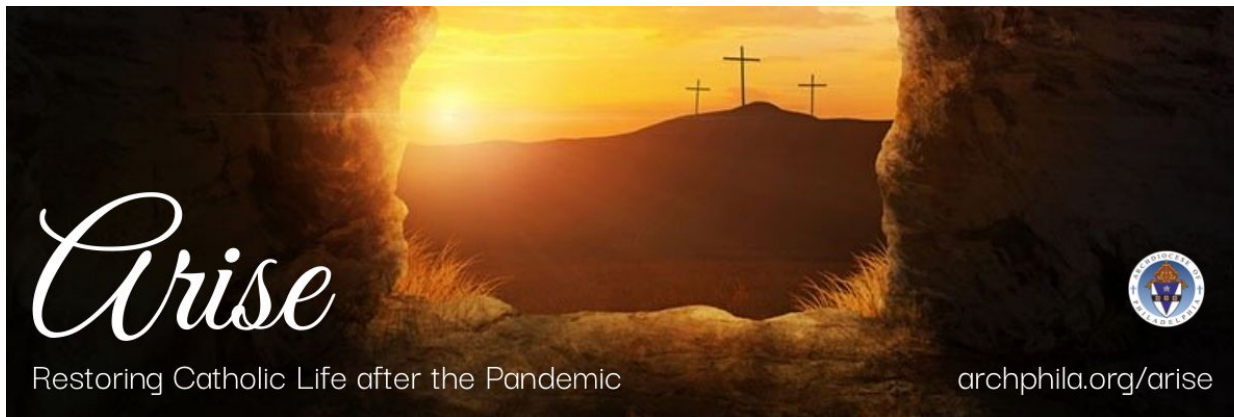
Our Parish May Crowning

Tuesday, May 19th at 7pm
via Livestream

Please join us on Tuesday evening for our May Crowning celebration. It will begin at 7pm with the recitation of the Rosary which will be led by our Legion of Mary. Following the Rosary, there will be a brief prayer service which will include the crowning of our statue of the Blessed Mother that is in the sanctuary of our church.

The daily 4pm Parish Rosary will be moved to 7pm that night and it will not be on the usual Zoom platform. Instead, it will be live-streamed from our church.

Please join us as we honor our Blessed Mother!

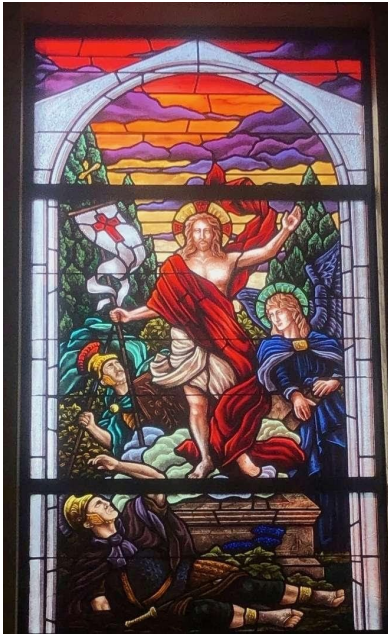


The Archdiocese of Philadelphia has produced a video series to help us prepare spiritually as we begin to move forward from quarantine to restoration. I encourage you to visit [Catholicphilly.com](https://www.catholicphilly.com) to view these videos.

The leadership of the Archdiocese is working diligently to come up with a plan to lead us through the process of restoration. I am aware that some parishes are taking some things into their own hands and not waiting for direction from the Archdiocese. I just want to be clear that I intend to make sure that Nativity follows the guidelines of the State of Pennsylvania and the Archdiocese of Philadelphia when it comes to allowing the church to be reopened for public Mass.

I will be looking into how Nativity will begin the process of reopening very shortly. I will be working with a group of people from the parish, as well as a leadership consultant, to come up with the logistics for our particular situation. Each parish will have to customize their plan once we are given the okay to do so.

I will communicate this to you as soon as I am informed by the Archdiocese that we can begin the restoration process. May this separation end sooner than later!



Ascension Thursday at Nativity

For the Holy Day next week, we will follow the normal Holy Day schedule to a degree. We will have the Vigil Mass at 5pm on Wednesday evening and we will have the 10am Mass on the Holy Day itself.

Please join us via livestream at noolp.org.

The picture you see is the depiction of the Resurrection of Our Lord in the stained glass window of our church. It's not the Ascension, but it is beautiful nonetheless.