



He will be called

Wonderful Counselor,

*Mighty
God,*

*Everlasting
Father,*

Prince of Peace.

Isaiah 9:6

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SAINT PHILIP NERI CHURCH

LAFAYETTE HILL, PENNSYLVANIA
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CHURCH
DECEMBER 25, 2011
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LORD

Also, please call the Church Office at 610-834-1975 for sign up purposes.

WE WELCOME Keagan Patrick, son of Vincent and Christina Stach and Sophia Alyse, daughter of Richard and Erika Johnson into the Parish Community of Saint Philip Neri Church. These babies were baptized last Sunday.

Pastors Note....

There will be two collections on Christmas Day. The first collection is for your Christmas Donation and the second collection is your Ordinary Sunday Offering. Thank you.

PLEASE PRAY for the sick so that they may be comforted by the concern and love of their families and the family of the Church: Peter Black, Mary Connery, Mary DiDonato, Hector DiGiacomo, Lillian Doherty, Marge Gallagher, Sharon Hofknecht, Rachel Horvath, Vincent Jacoby, Catherine Kershaw, Lauretta Kolb, Pat Kost, George and Molly Lozinak, James Maggetti, Sue Male, Joan Marine, Barbara Martinick, Julia McLaughlin, Margaret McLaughlin, Jean McLenigan, Carmen and Helen Morelli, John Mullahy, Lisa O'Brien, Mary O'Rourke, Thomas Mortimore, IV, John Rees, Gloria Reilly, Baby Peter Sayegh, Tim Schwartz, Betty Smith, Gabriel Vereczkei, and for all those who are hoping and praying for organ transplants.

PLEASE PRAY for those who died and those we remember in the silence of our hearts, especially: Cardinal John Patrick Foley and Monsignor John A. Sharkey.

BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTIONS are scheduled for Tuesday, January 3, 7:30 PM in the Rectory Conference Room. Your baby is always welcome in Church, however, for the instruction itself, please try to schedule a babysitter so you may be free to concentrate.

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Monday

8:30 AM Stephen Petrokubi

Tuesday

8:30 AM Kelly O'Connor
15th Anniversary

Wednesday

8:30 AM Earl Bruce Kirk

Thursday

8:30 AM Michael Ferki

Friday

8:30 AM Charles and Margaret
Ponietowicz

Saturday

8:30 AM Mary Olivieri

There will be no 6:30 AM Masses this week.



Merry Christmas

The students, staff and faculty of St. Philip Neri School wish a very happy and blessed Christmas to our parishioners. We are very grateful for your support and we continue to keep you in our prayers. May Christ come to

you this Christmas with the gift of love, the blessing of hope and the promise of peace.

NO PARKING-School and Church Buildings

Please be aware that the "No Parking" areas around the church and school will be enforced by the Whitemarsh Police and Whitemarsh Fire Marshal. This is done in everybody's best interest as well as the safety of our school children and staff. Remember to only park in the properly marked parking spaces. If you park along the school, church or entrance areas you may be ticketed!

Question of the Week

How do your family members know that you are a compassionate person?

Children's Liturgy of the Word

**10:00 AM Sunday,
Preschool Building**

nlcwilliamson@comcast.net

CYO PHILLIES FUNDRAISER

Saint Philip Neri CYO is once again selling tickets for a chance at winning (2) full 2012 Phillies Season Tickets. Price is only \$10 per chance and chances may be obtained from any CYO Board Member. Any questions please contact Pete Black at Pblack3rd@aol.com.

Saint Philip Neri

Home and School Association

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TRIVIA NIGHT 9

Save the Date: January 27

LuLu Temple in Plymouth Meeting
Visit www.triviaevents.net for details

**SAVE THE DATE:
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10**

FATHER/DAUGHTER DANCE

**LOOK FOR MORE
INFORMATION COMING
SOON. Any questions, please
contact Linda Pizzi at 610-940-
1331 or Impizzi@verizon.net**

SCRIP PROGRAM - Gift Cards

Merry Christmas and thank you to all our SCRIP customers who support SPN with every gift card purchase, to our SCRIP volunteers who sell SCRIP after the weekend Masses, to Dawn Snyder for organizing the volunteers, to our SPN H&S and Parish Council for supporting the SCRIP Program, and to Mary Pastorius and Ginny Panish in the church office for making it so easy for SPN parishioners to buy SCRIP every day of the year. If you have questions about the SCRIP program, please contact Patti Hinchey at 215-836-2129 or hinch2012@gmail.com.

WOMEN'S PRAYER GROUP

Please consider joining our Women's Prayer Group. We meet from 10:00-11:00 every Thursday morning in the Rectory Conference Room. We would be glad to have you join us.

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP

Men of different ages meet every Wednesday morning in the Rectory Conference Room from 7:30 to 8:30. There are no experts, just men searching for a deeper relationship with God. If you are interested in joining and wish more information, call Duane McCarthy at 610-825-5237.

Bible Study

Wednesday Evenings:

February 29, March 7, 14, 21, 28, and April 4
Continue our journey through the Bible with
Jeff Cavins at 7:00 in the School Library.

Adult Faith Formation

LindaBaneckerAFF@aol.com

H.O.P.E. If you, or anyone you know, needs transportation to a doctor or dentist appointment, or to Church on

Sunday, please call Anne or Bill Franks at 610-828-2530 or email: ann59bil@gmail.com, or Loretta Zych at 215-836-1127. Additional weekday drivers and group leaders are needed.

Philippians – Anyone interested in joining our organization, please call Joan Meade at 610-828-6641. New members are always welcomed.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS Interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? If you are interested in becoming a member of the faith community here at St. Philip Neri, call the Religious Education Office at 610-834-9868. We are interested in learning more about you too!

Frozen Casseroles for St. John's Hospice
Could you find time to make a casserole for the homeless of St. John's? Pans, lids and recipes are available in the Church Office and at Barbara McCarthy's (610-828-2058). Frozen casseroles are brought to Barbara's house before 9:00 AM the first Wednesday of each month. The next delivery is Wednesday, **January 4**. Please consider this work of mercy in your busy schedule.

Volunteers needed... Saint Philip Neri Church is in need of volunteers to help clean the Church. Can you spare one hour on a Friday morning, once a month, to be part of a group that helps keep our Church beautiful? If you are interested please call Mary in the Church Office at 610-834-1975.

CATHOLICS COME HOME
CatholicsComeHome.org's evangelization commercials will be airing nationwide, inviting those away from the practice of their faith to return "home." We encourage our parishioners to pray for those who have left the Church and

invite them to join us this Christmas season at Saint Philip Neri Church. We pray for this national campaign to create the largest family reunion in Church History! To learn more visit www.CatholicsComeHome.org.

The SSJ Mission Corps



Ever thought about volunteering for a year?

Interested in making a difference in our world? is a year long volunteer program in the city of Philadelphia sponsored by the Sisters of Saint Joseph. Volunteers are invited to live in community with fellow volunteers and open themselves to God, as they work for justice and reach out to meet the needs of the poor and marginalized. The tagline for the program is "One Year to Change a Life," which encourages women to not only work for change in the lives of others but also their own life. The SSJ Mission Corps is for **women, ages 21-35**, looking to dedicate **a year** of their life to working for the mission of the Gospel and the Sisters of Saint Joseph in our world. During the year, volunteers focus on 4 core values: Justice, Simple Living, Spirituality, and Community. The program runs from August to June. If you are interested or someone you know might be interested feel free to pass along this information. For more information or questions, please contact: **Colleen O'Grady**, Director SSJ Mission Corps, ssjmissioncorps@gmail.com 215-248-7235.

The Sisters of Saint Joseph present the Keystone State Boys choir, in conjunction with the Princeton Girls choir, for a concert on Sunday January 8. The concert begins at 3 pm and will be held in Mount Saint Joseph Convent Chapel (9701 Germantown Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19118). Concert tickets are \$25.00 each. Limited seating is available so please make your purchase promptly. To reserve tickets call 1-800-482-6510 or email development@ssjphila.org. Ticket proceeds benefit the Sisters of Saint Joseph.

Concerts at the Cathedral
THE BLACK PEARL
CHAMBER ORCHESTRA
Saturday, March 10, 8:00 PM

Join this exceptional new Chamber Orchestra as they make their debut at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul, 18th Street and Benjamin Franklin Parkway with the music of Afro-French composer Chevalier de Saint Georges performed alongside the music of Haydn and Mozart. Tickets \$25, Special Front Seating \$35. For more information call 215-587-3696 Concerts@adphila.org/

Saint Joseph's University to host Winter Baseball Clinics designed for players in elementary school through high school. For more information please contact Jacob Gill at jgill@sju.edu or 610-660-2592. Registration forms and a clinic schedule are available on the Saint Joseph's website: www.sjuhawks.com.
December 27, Infield Clinic for grades 4-8, 8:30-11:00 AM, \$65
December 27, Hitting Clinic for grades 4-8, Noon-3:00 PM, \$75
December 28, "*Practice Like a Hawk*" for grades 4-8, 9:00 AM to Noon, \$75
January 7, Catching Clinic for grades 4-8, 9:00 AM -Noon, \$75

January 7, Hitting Clinic for grades 4-8, 12:30-3:30 PM, \$75
January 8, Pitching Clinic for grades 4-8, 9:00 AM-Noon, \$75
January 14, Pitching Clinic for grades 9-12, 9:00 AM-Noon, \$75
January 14, Pitching Clinic for Grades 9-12, 12:30-3:30 PM \$75



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