

SAINT PHILIP NERI CHURCH

March 6, 2011

NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Second Collection Next Weekend:
Central and Eastern European Churches

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: Joie Nicole Barr, Addison Birney, John Cacchio, Jr., Vincent Cellucci, Gregory Cenevino, Ed Coach, Mary Connery, Patricia Coscia, Susan DiBonaventura, Mary DiDonato, Lillian Doherty, Charles Di Lullo, Jr., Michael Egan, Kevin Flanagan, Claire Fleming, Marge Gallagher, Bill Geppert, Jason Hamilton, Arthur Hellebusch, Sharon Hofknecht, Vincent Jacoby, Catherine Kershaw, Laretta Kolb, George and Molly Lozinak, Jacqueline Leflar, James Maggetti, Margaret McLaughlin, Elyse Manley, Joan Marine, Julia McLaughlin, Sue Male, Barbara Martinick, Peg Mateja, Carmen and Helen Morelli, John Mullahy, Lisa O'Brien, Thomas Mortimore, IV, Dolores O'Neill, James V. Pienkowski, Barbie Preston, John Rees, Gloria Reilly, Erica Roberts, Peter Shields, Sr., Betty Smith, Lorraine Sirianni, Tim Schwartz, Rhonda Younglove 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: Sister John Cecelia Lent, SSJ, Sister Alma Dolorine Taylor, SSJ and Mary McLean.

BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTIONS are scheduled for Tuesday, April 5, 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. Also, please call the Church Office at 610-834-1975 for sign up purposes.

WE WELCOME Owen Michael, son of Christopher and Heather Carr, Timothy Joseph, son of Gregg and Coleen Wybranski, Alexandra Josephine, daughter of Robert and Adrienne DiBenedetto and Annabell Denise, daughter of Denis and Shannon Broderick into the Parish Community of Saint Philip Neri Church. These babies were baptized last Sunday.

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Monday

6:30 AM Albert Busfield
8:30 AM Charles P. Vance, Sr.

Tuesday

6:30 AM Edward Mack
8:30 AM Helen Gillin

Wednesday

6:30 AM Mary Whalon
8:30 AM Lucie Moran

Thursday

6:30 AM Dorothy M. Buchianico
8:30 AM David and Stephen Baird
Swift Family

Friday

6:30 AM Margaret Kelly
8:30 AM Joanne and Bonnie Sague

Saturday

8:30 AM Armand and Vincent DiYenno

ASH WEDNESDAY

Masses: 6:30, 8:30, 9:30 AM, 7:00 PM
Ashes will be distributed within the Masses.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

MONDAY, March 14
9:00 AM TO 7:00 PM - CHAPEL

Question of the Week

What values have provided a strong foundation for you and your family?

THE PHILIPPIANS
THURSDAY, MARCH 10
SCHOOL HALL.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

WEDNESDAYS

Beginning – March 16, 7:00 PM

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 at 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, April 6. Please consider this work of mercy in your busy schedule. They are greatly needed and appreciated.

WOMEN'S PRAYER GROUP

Please consider joining our Women's Prayer Group. We meet from 10:00 to 11:00 every Thursday morning in the Cry Room in the Church. 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.

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 (E-mail: ann59bil@gmail.com), or Loretta Zych at 215-836-1127. Note: Additional weekday drivers and group leaders are needed.



Think About It! Adult Faith Formation

LindaBaneckerAFF@aol.com or 610-828-0344

Book Club Sunday, Tonight, March 6 at 7:00 PM in the School Library: *The Return of the Prodigal Son* by Henri Nouwen. Read pages 1-58 The Younger Son. Reflect with Nouwen on Rembrandt's painting The Return of the Prodigal Son. Perhaps you can relate to the younger son? Is the Father longing for you to return home this Lent? Are you reluctant to do so because you are unsure of the welcome? **For next week**, March 13, read pages 58-88. Perhaps you can relate to the elder son? Do you feel resentful because you've been the "good one" in the family and watched all of the attention go to the wayward members? Do you wonder if the Father loves you at all? This book has something for everyone. Please join in at any time!

Lenten Bible Study: Join in the Great Adventure Bible Study March 16, 23, April 6, 13, 27 at 7:00 in the School Library where we will study Numbers, Joshua, Judges, 1, 2 Samuel and 1 Kings. This is a continuation of what we covered last year, but not to worry, we will review it all so everyone is welcome and no one will be behind. Material cost is \$30.

Small Christian Community: Reflect on the Sunday Scriptures Tuesday mornings after the 8:30 Mass in the Sacristy. A simple, educational, inspirational activity for Lent. Material Cost is \$6. Register now so materials can be ordered.

Little Black Books in the back of the Church today.

Educational Series: Join with Epiphany's Adult Faith Formation on March 21, 7:00 PM in the Parish Hall for teaching on *The Life Long Process of Transformation: Aligning Ourselves with Jesus' Teachings*.

Women's Mini-Retreat May 7 from 8:30-12:00 with Sr. Marie Michele Donnelly from Mercy Ministries in the Church and School Hall. Husbands/Dads, plan to give your wife a relaxing Mother's Day gift. Beats a massage because it will last a whole lot longer!

The Society of St. Vincent DePaul will be at Saint Philip Neri on **Wednesday, March 16** from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM, to collect donations of usable men's, women's and children clothing. They will also be accepting small household goods. You are invited to take all donations to the Society's trailer in the parking lot. Tax receipts are available upon request. The Society also offers pick up service for furniture/large appliances and vehicle donations. For more information, please call 215-288-8160.

Saint Philip Neri Women's Guild

Covered Dish Dinner

Thursday, March 10 – 7:00 PM
SPN School Cafeteria

Bring a main course, side dish, salad, vegetable or dessert that serves eight. For more information contact: Rose Boneck, roseboneck@yahoo.com, 610-825-1550 or Loretta Gallagher lorbgal@yahoo.com, 610-825-6209.

St. Philip Neri Theatre Company *Presents*



Friday, March 25, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 26, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 27, 2:00 p.m.

Doors open ½ hour before show time

General Admission - Donations accepted at the door.



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Clavinoia Concert - Sunday, March 13

12:30–2:30 PM, Whitemarsh Parks and Recreation Building, Fee: \$10 advance registration, \$15 at the door. Vocalists **Frank Gallagher** and **Rose Ann Westerfer** along with accompanist **Richard West** will be performing popular show tunes. The Recreation Office is open Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM. 610-828-7276.

The Annual Archdiocesan Eucharistic Liturgy

Honoring the gifts of Persons with Disabilities, The Deaf Community, Family, Friends and Caregivers is scheduled for Sunday, March 20 at 2:30 PM at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul. Cardinal Justin Rigali will be principal celebrant and homilist. There will be a light reception immediately following. All are welcome. We encourage parish participation, individuals and parish groups to volunteer in assisting with all aspects of the Mass and reception. Please contact the Department for Pastoral Care for Persons with Disabilities and the Deaf Apostolate for more information at 215-587-3530 (voice), 267-507-1215 (VP), email: jlavende@adphila.org or go to www.archphila.org (click: Respect Life Office).

Archdiocesan Wedding Anniversary Masses

Sunday, May 15

Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul

11:00 AM for couples celebrating 50 or more years of marriage from Philadelphia and Montgomery Counties.

2:30 PM for couples celebrating 25 years or more of marriage from all counties, as well as couples from Bucks, Chester and Delaware Counties celebrating 50 or more years.

For persons with disabilities, there is an access ramp on the parking lot side of the Cathedral. Please contact the Family Life Office at 215-587-3516 if anyone will be attending in a wheelchair or will need special seating.

Join us for a truly special evening at St Charles Seminary. *The Catholic Business Network of Greater Philadelphia* (CBNGP) will be hosting the 1st Annual CBNGP Scholarship Gala and Fundraiser on Saturday, March 12 at St. Charles Seminary. Enjoy a special Mass in the beautiful St. Charles Seminary Chapel. Afterwards, spend a wonderful evening with live music, great food, and cocktails. At the event, we will also honor the 2011 Student Scholarship Contest winners and Catholic Business Person of the Year. All proceeds from the event will benefit students attending Archdiocesan Catholic Schools in the form of Essay Contest Scholarships, Need-Based Scholarships, and Schools Grants. Purchase your tickets online at www.cbngp2011gala.eventbrite.com For more information, please email info@cgngp.org or call Eileen Newcomb at 215-242-9451. 014phil