

SAINT PHILIP NERI CHURCH

JANUARY 1, 2012

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

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: Michael Abiuso, Peter Black, Mary Connery, Mary DiDonato, Hector DiGiacomo, Lillian Doherty, Marge Gallagher, Sharon Hofknecht, Rachel Horvath, Vincent Jacoby, 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, 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: Charles J. Pastorius.

BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTIONS are scheduled for Tuesday, 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 Stella Maria, daughter of Duane and Lauren McCarthy, Kristopher Benjamin, son of Kristopher and Melanie Rossi, Joseph Gerald, son of Gerald and Gina Fleming, Sophia Alyse, daughter of Richard and Erika Johnson, and Patrick Stach, son of Vincent and

Christina Keagan into the parish community of Saint Philip Neri Church. These babies were baptized in November and December.

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Monday

6:30 AM Stephen Petrokubi
8:30 AM Jeri-Lee Tierney

Tuesday

6:30 AM Margaret Lutz
8:30 AM Tullio Leomporra

Wednesday

6:30 AM Frank and Dorothy Braun
8:30 AM Jane Schubert

Thursday

6:30 AM Jane and Charles Dunne
8:30 AM Mary Strathman

Friday

6:30 AM Thomas F. Keane, III
Frank and Concetta Lupinacci
and Family
8:30
AM Alfred Januzelli

Saturday

8:30 AM Paul Henkels

ADORATION
of the Blessed Sacrament
Monday, January 9,
9:00 AM to 7:00 PM, Chapel

Question of the Week
Which of God's blessings are you most thankful for right now?

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!

**The Saint Philip Neri School Faculty, Staff and Students wish everyone a Happy, Healthy and Blessed New Year.
School resumes January 3.**

**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

Happy New Year! Thanks 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 – Next Meeting, Thursday, January 12 at 11:00AM.

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. 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.

The SSJ Mission Corps



Ever thought about volunteering for a year?

Interested in making a difference in our world? There 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.

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.

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.

UPDATE...

Sister Helen Francis, SSJ would like to extend thanks to everyone for all your prayers and kindness extended to her during her recovery. She is on the mend and doing very well!

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.
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

Mount Saint Joseph Academy
Seventh Grade Practice Entrance Examination
Saturday, March 31, 8:00-11:30AM. The Pre-HSPT (high school placement test) is a

seventh grade edition of the actual Scholarship/Entrance Exam given to eighth grade applicants. It is scored with seventh grade norms. The purpose of the test is for students to become acquainted with the test format and to gain insight into strengths and weaknesses. Fee: \$45 non-refundable test registration fee payable online. Register: Online only at www.msjacad.org . Registration begins January 3 and ends March 26. You will receive registration and payment confirmation via email. More information is available online.

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