SAINT PHILIP NERI CHURCH

November 25, 2012

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Second Collection Debt Reduction

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: Mimi Citrone, Mary DiDonato, Lillian Doherty, Lisa Dougherty, Jacqueline Fioravanti, Mae Hoch, Rachel Horvath, Vincent Jacoby, Lauretta Kolb, Pat Kost, George and Molly Lozinak, James Maggetti, Joanne Mahoney, Sue Male, Joan Marine, Barbara Martinick, William McBride, Jr., Joan McGill, Julia McLaughlin, Margaret McLaughlin, Steven Merlin, Cecilia Moore, Helen Morelli, John Mullahy, Lisa O'Brien, Gloria Reilly, William Russell, Baby Peter Savegh, Tim Schwartz, Kristin Shearon, Wendall Young, III, 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 Edmund Kacelowicz and the deceased members of the military.

BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTIONS are scheduled for Tuesday, December 4th, at 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.

The Giving Tree is filled with names of less fortunate children, from St. Frances Cabrini Regional Catholic School located in Philadelphia and Devereux Kanner Center, a facility for

developmentally disabled children in West Chester. Look for the Giving tree in the back of the church, the Wednesday before Thanksgiving (in the afternoon). Please make sure if you take a tag you return a gift. All gifts are to be RETURNED NO LATER THAN, December 16th. Thank you for your continued support for this wonderful cause in bringing joy to a child.

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Monday

6:30 AM Donna Cannone 8:30 AM Alfred and Cecilia Porrino

Tuesday

6:30 AM Rose Surace 8:30 AM Angelo and Maria Donato Pacifico

Wednesday

6:30 AM Michael Paduano, Jr. 8:30 AM Samuel and Jennie Basile

Thursday

6:30 AM John J. Cahill
Frank J. Cahill
Kathleen A. Cahill
8:30 AM Josephine and Anelo Trioli

Friday

6:30 AM Paula Egrich Harrer 8:30 AM Alfred and Cecilia Porrino

Saturday

8:30 AM Joseph M. Conti

2012 ANNUAL CENSUS/BLOCK COLLECTION REPORT

TOTAL NUMBER OF REGISTERED FAMILIES

2043

TOTAL NUMBER OF CENSUS ENVELOPES RETURNED

483

Thank you to all the families who have sent in their 2012 Census Envelopes.



Saturday, December 8 is the
Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed
Virgin Mary and is a Holy Day of Obligation.
Vigil Mass will be held Friday, December 7th at
7:00PM.

Saturday, December 8th, masses will be held at 6:30AM, 8:30AM and 10:00AM.

<u>Catholic Social Services</u> is in need of volunteers with large vehicles to help pick up food donations on a weekly or occasional basis. For more information, contact Elizabeth Peteraf at 610-279-7372.

Fresh Brew Bible Study

Every Wednesday evening from 6:30 to 8:00, Rectory Conference Room Contact: Fr. Ianelli at 610-828-5717 or E-mail: frbianelli@gmail.com

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 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.

RCIA-Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

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!_

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.

The Philippians An organization for senior citizens fifty years and older that offers trips, programs, service projects and entertainment. New members are always welcome. If interested in more detailed information please call Joan Meade at 610-828-6641.

St. Philip Neri is now on Facebook!
Go to our site at

http://www.facebook.com/SaintPhilipNeriChurch and "like" us. Access our Facebook page for the latest news and information about our parish.

Visit the website CatholicPhilly.com, the online successor to The Catholic Standard and Times.



Read local and world Catholic news every day.

Tech "Bytes": <u>Check out our updated website!</u> St. Philip Neri's website has been updated. Visit our site at http://www.saintphilipnerichurch.com/ for helpful, church-related resources, calendar updates, and much more! Special thanks to Charlie Nygard for his work on upgrading the website.

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. Please consider this work of mercy in your busy schedule.

ARE YOU A PARENT WHO HAS LOST A

CHILD? An informal group of Moms and Dads get together to talk or just listen to others who understand how you feel. For more information contact: Marianne O'Connor 610-825-4975 or Rosemary McNichol 215-247-2267. This group meets every third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM in the Rectory Conference Room.

The St. Philip Neri High School Youth Group will be volunteering on Saturday, December 15th, from 12PM to 2PM at Manna on Main Street in Lansdale, PA. We will be helping with their Holiday Dinner and Gift distribution. We can bring 12 volunteers. If you are interested please contact Mary Beth McGroary for more information. Please continue to

check the parish bulletin for more volunteer opportunities over the Advent Season.

m.mcgroaryspn@gmail.com or 215-313-1093.

SCRIP GIFT CARD NEWS Let SCRIP help you with your Christmas shopping. Choose from about 30 gift cards, after the weekend Masses, during the week in the church office, or others online with www.shopwithscrip.com.

Earn vouchers for tuition or new gift cards. Register with SPN Co7D53E11E329L and order. You will receive 1/2 the rebate as electronic tuition credits or free gift cards; SPN will also benefit from your SCRIP purchases. Contact Patti Hinchey at 215-836-2129 or spnscrip@gmail.com.

Archbishop Carroll Theater Society Presents MIRACLE ON 34TH STREET

Thursday, November 29th thru Saturday, December 1st at 7 PM and Sunday, December 2nd at 2PM. General Admission tickets at the door are \$10



Faith Formation is a Lifelong Journey

Contact: LindaBaneckerAFF@aol.com

or 610-828-0344

Advent: is just around the corner! This year, Fr. Kevin Gallagher (an excellent speaker you will all remember) will speak on "The Liturgy", December 12th at 7:00 in the Church. It would be great for us to have a welcoming crowd, so please try to attend and bring a friend. Also, the blue books will be available in the back of the Church.

Year of Faith: We had a group of ten begin the study of the first article of faith, "We believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth..,").

For the month of December we will study the second article of faith, "We believe in the one Lord, Jesus Christ.....) If you cannot attend the next session on January 6th at 7:00 in the school library, (and you can jump in and out at will...), maybe joining in the on-line book club will be an option. The book for the *month of December is St. Gianna Molla* by Pietro Molla. More info will be provided later in the month.

The Children's Advent Celebration St. Philip Neri Church, Friday, December 7th, 7 PM followed by a social in the School Cafeteria. Celebrate the reason for the season! Please bring a wrapped gift (marked with age, and either BOY, GIRL or NEUTRAL) that your child can present during the Offertory. Use extra tape! Gifts will be donated to less fortunate children in the Philadelphia area. After the Mass, a social will be held in the School Cafeteria. The children will continue the "spirit of giving" by coloring holiday pictures to brighten the season for those in need. This Mass will fulfill the obligation for Saturday's Holy Day, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. If you have any questions or would like to help, please contact Jen Fioravanti at 215-901-4122 or ilfior@comcast.net.

Join Butera Travel and Brittingham's Irish Pub and Friends for an exciting tour of Ireland., April 25 to May 2, 2013. Please call Betty Butera 610-722-0068 or 610-828-4474 for all the details.

BJ's MEMBERSHIP DRIVE is back!!

Memberships are \$40 instead of \$50; 15 months instead of 12 months. St. Philip Neri School gets \$5 for every new and renewed membership. If your membership is due to expire in the next 6-7 months, please renew now. BJ's will add the 15 months on to your current membership. Please don't wait until your membership is due to expire. You can check your membership date at BJ's or the top of any receipt. Please drop these forms off at the church office, school office or my home, 104 Cardinal Drive, Conshohocken, PA 19428. Any questions, please contact Linda Pizzi, lmpizzi@verizon.net or 610-940-1331. Deadline is December 9th.

The Millay Club Alumni Association of Southeast Catholic, Bishop Neumann, St. John Neumann, St. Maria Goretti and Neumann/Goretti High School with hold its 75th Annual Reverend George Feider, O Praem Memorial Communion Breakfast on Sunday, December 2nd at the Hyatt Hotel Penn's Landing, Columbus Blvd. & Dock Street. Mass will be at 9 AM and breakfast immediately following. Tickets are \$40 and can be purchased by calling The Millay Club office at 215-389-0925. Advance tickets only.

<u>Maranatha-Come. Lord Jesus</u> at Holy Martyrs' in preparation for the birth of Jesus all are welcome to the second annual Christmas concert Sunday, December 2nd, at 7PM. Please call the rectory at 215-884-8575.

2012 DAY OF SANCTIFICATION FOR PRIESTS

The priests of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia assemble each year for a day of prayer and reflection on the Sacred Priesthood. This year our priests will gather with Archbishop Chaput at Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary on Monday, December 3rd, for the 2012 Day of Sanctification for Priests. Please pray for all priests of the Archdiocese.

Lord our God, who in governing your people make use of the ministry of Priest, grant to these men a persevering obedience to your will, so that by their ministry and life they may gain glory for you in Christ. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

Saint Genevieve Parish's 2nd Annual

<u>Festival of Lessons and Carols</u> includes spectacular performances of traditional choral masterworks, uplifting Gospel arrangements, and new pieces of international composers located at 1225 Bethlehem Pike, Flourtown, PA Sunday, December 16th at 7 PM.

Villa Maria House of Studies Discernment

Retreat Friday, December 14th at 6PM thru Sunday, December 16th at 1PM. Young women (18-35) are invited to join us for this retreat which focuses on the IHM Charism and the importance of listening to God's call and discovering the many ways that God speaks to us. Time will be included for personal and communal prayer as well as the opportunity to interact with the Sisters in Formation. Please contact Sister Rose Bernadette Mulligan or Sister Mary Jo Ely at ihmvoc@aol.com or 610-889-1553.

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