

SAINT PHILIP NERI CHURCH

December 16, 2012

Third Sunday of Advent

Second Collection:
Retirement Fund for Religious

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: Lou Cacchio, Mary DiDonato, Lillian Doherty, Lisa Dougherty, Jacqueline Fioravanti, Mae Hoch, Rachel Horvath, Betty Jacobs, 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, Baby Peter Sayegh, 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 Catherine Browne, Sister Irma Consilii Greene, SSJ, Bruce Horrocks, Sister Margaret McMahan, SSJ, and Mary Rocchi.

BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTIONS are scheduled for Tuesday, January 8th, 2013 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.

We Welcome Benjamin Robert, son of Matthew and Jennifer Craig, Reese Elizabeth, daughter of David and Jodie Smith, Samuel Joseph, son of Joseph and Laura Di Giacomo, Jacob Paul, son of Jason and Jessica Marcial, Audrey Rose, daughter of Nicholas and Natalie Richardson into the Parish Community of Saint Philip Neri Church. These babies were baptized last Sunday.

The Giving Tree Please remember to return all gifts **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 Elinor Kollmer
8:30 AM Dorothy and Joseph Gill

Tuesday

6:30 AM Samuel and Jennie Basile
8:30 AM The Hartley Family

Wednesday

6:30 AM Brendan Gray (2nd Anniversary)
8:30 AM William Gallagher

Thursday

6:30 AM Robert R. Jacobs
8:30 AM Tullio Leomporra

Friday

6:30 AM Thomas F. Keane, III
Frank and Concetta Lupinacci
and Families
8:30 AM Margaret Ponietowicz

Saturday

8:30 AM Mary Schaeffer

2012 ANNUAL CENSUS/BLOCK

COLLECTION REPORT

**TOTAL NUMBER OF REGISTERED
FAMILIES**

2043

**TOTAL NUMBER OF CENSUS ENVELOPES
RETURNED**

527

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

Pastor's Note...We will have a Special Blessing for Expectant Mothers at the 10:00 AM Mass on December 23rd. If you wish to receive this blessing, please call the Church Office 610-834-1975.

Confessions:
Saturday, December 22nd,
Noon to 2:00PM
Saint Philip Neri Church

Penitential Services

Regional Penitential Service
Monday, December 17th, 7:00 PM

SS. Cosmas and Damian
5th Ave. and Maple St., Conshohocken

Advent Penitential Service
Tuesday, December 18th, 7:00 PM

St. Philip Neri Church



Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve

Monday, December 24, 2012

Join Us As We Celebrate the Birth of Jesus

4:00 PM Children's Mass

5:45 PM Mass

7:30 PM Mass

Adult Choir - Choral Prelude 7:15

Midnight Mass

Teen Schola - Choral Prelude 11:45

Christmas Day

Tuesday, December 25, 2012

7:00 AM
8:30 AM
10:00 AM
11:30 AM



Tuesday, January 1st is the Solemnity of Mary
and is a Holy Day of Obligation.
Vigil Mass will be held Monday, December 31st at 5:00 PM.
Tuesday, January 1st, masses will be held at 7:00AM, 8:30AM, 10:00AM, and 11:30AM.

A Special Thank You to Deanna Marrone and the church decorators for the wonderful job in decorating the Church for the Advent and Christmas Seasons.

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.

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.

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. Next delivery is January 2nd, 2013. Please consider this work of mercy in your busy schedule.

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St. Philip Neri Women's Guild 17th Annual Cookie & Sweets Exchange Sunday, December 16th at 2PM outside the library area. For more information, please contact Michelle Abiuso 610-828-1850 or AbiusoPHL@aol.com

**Saint Philip Neri Home and School Association
presents
TRIVIA NIGHT 9**

Save the Date: January 27
LuLu Temple in Plymouth Meeting
Visit www.triviaevents.net for details



Faith Formation is a Lifelong Journey
Contact: *LindaBaneckerAFF@aol.com*
or 610-828-0344

Year of Faith: For the month of December we will study the second article of faith, "We believe in the one Lord, Jesus Christ.....) The book that will help us do that is *St. Gianna Molla* by Pietro Molla. See the insert in today's bulletin. If you are interested in joining the on-line Facebook book club, please forward me your email address and I will send you the information. **Our next meeting is January 6th at 7:00 PM** in the school library. We will view Father Barron's video on the 3rd article of faith, the Incarnation, "For us men and for our salvation He came down from Heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man." Please remember, you can join at any time.

SCRIP GIFT CARD NEWS SCRIP Gift Cards for Christmas! Let SCRIP be your Christmas helper! Choose from 30 gift cards, available after the weekend Masses and during church office hours. Earn vouchers for tuition or new gift cards. OR order gift cards at shopwithscrip.com; code 7D53E11E329L. Questions? Contact Patti Hinchey at 215-836-2129 or spnscrip@gmail.com.

Children's Liturgy of the Word for children in grades Pre-K through grade 2. The children will meet during the 10 AM Mass and following the kindergarten PREP/CCD schedule in the Preschool Building. Space is limited to 25 children. Please contact Nancy Williamson at nlcwilliamson@comcast.net for more information.

The Innkeeper's Wish List Please remember God's beloved poor this Christmas as you are checking off your Christmas errands. If you are tired

of trying to come up for the perfect gift for someone who "has everything", take a break and choose something from the Innkeeper's List available in the back of church, for those who have nothing. What could be simpler? The needs are as small as vitamin pills and stick of deodorant to as large as a gallon of Pine-Sol (the perfect scent for Christmas) and boxes of large diapers. Gifts will be accepted in labeled boxes by the church doors through the whole Christmas season. Such basic gifts are often the most welcomed, and you will be blessed by the prayers of the Franciscans who are ready to open the door to the Inn and give from the bounty you provide.

Host families are needed for several international students who would like to attend Archbishop Carroll beginning in January. These F-1 visa students speak English, are fully insured, and have their own pocket money for personal expenses. Host

families provide room and board and receive a generous monthly hosting stipend. For more information please contact Renee Goda at 215 888-1496 or email rmpg3@aol.com.

Give to those who have given a lifetime. Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests worked for many years for little, if any, pay. Their sacrifices now leave their religious communities without adequate savings for retirement. Your gift to today's second collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious helps to provide prescription medications, nursing care, and more for thousands of elderly religious. Please be generous.

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

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