

# SAINT PHILIP NERI CHURCH

**December 23, 2012**

**Fourth Sunday of Advent**

**Second Collection Next Weekend:**  
**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: Lou Cacchio, Mary DiDonato, Lillian Doherty, Lisa Dougherty, Jacqueline Fioravanti, Rachel Horvath, Betty Jacobs, Vincent Jacoby, 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 Laurretta Kolb and Sister Margaret Monica Tyrrell, SSJ.

**BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTIONS** are scheduled for Tuesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 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.

**Pastor's Note...We will have a Special Blessing for Expectant Mothers at the 10:00 AM Mass on December 23<sup>rd</sup>.**

## **ANNOUNCED MASSES**

### **Monday**

6:30 AM The Keane and Lupinacci Families  
8:30 AM Al Busfield

### **Tuesday Christmas Day**

### **Wednesday**

8:30 AM Anthony and Mary Basile

### **Thursday**

8:30 AM Kelly O'Connor  
(16th Anniversary)

### **Friday**

8:30 AM Earl Bruce Kirk

### **Saturday**

8:30 AM Michael Ferki

**There will be no 6:30 AM Masses Tuesday through Friday this week. 6:30 Masses will resume on January, 2nd, 2013.**

### **2012 ANNUAL CENSUS/BLOCK COLLECTION REPORT**

**TOTAL NUMBER OF REGISTERED  
FAMILIES**

**2043**

**TOTAL NUMBER OF CENSUS ENVELOPES  
RETURNED**

**530**

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



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

**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.



**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**

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2013. Please consider this work of mercy in your busy schedule.

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**Saint Philip Neri Home and School Association**

**presents**

**TRIVIA NIGHT 10**

Save the Date: January 25

LuLu Temple in Plymouth Meeting  
Visit [www.triviaevents.net](http://www.triviaevents.net) for details



**Faith Formation is a Lifelong Journey**  
**Contact: [LindaBaneckerAFF@aol.com](mailto: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 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM** in the school library. We will view Father Barron's video on the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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](http://shopwithscrip.com); code 7D53E11E329L. Questions? Contact Patti Hinchey at 215-836-2129 or [spnscrip@gmail.com](mailto:spnscrip@gmail.com).

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

**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](mailto: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](mailto:rmpg3@aol.com).

HAVE A BLESSED AND  
HAPPY CHRISTMAS

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