

SAINT PHILIP NERI CHURCH

November 17, 2013

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Second Collection This Weekend
Block Collection

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: Bella Jones Borkowski, Brian Bennett, Martha DiCesare, Mary DiDonato, Lillian Doherty, Emily Donhauser, Lisa Dougherty, Barbara Guldner, Steve Hedrick, Rachel Horvath, Vincent Jacoby, Bill Keenan, Michael Koneski, Pat Kost, George and Molly Lozinak, James Maggetti, Sue Male, Joan Marine, Barbara Martinick, James McBride, Jr., Joan McGill, John McLaughlin, Julia McLaughlin, Margaret McLaughlin, Stephen Merlin, Cecilia Moore, John Mullahy, Betty Mulligan, Lisa O'Brien, Jean Marie O'Pella, Baby Harper Ann Renshaw, Sue Rocchia, Baby Peter Sayegh, Tim Schwartz, Kristin Shearon, Yvonne Stephens, Janice Swan, Kena Thompson, Connie Wagoner 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 Rose Letitia McGonigal, SSJ. and the deceased members of the military.

BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTIONS is scheduled for Tuesday, December 3rd 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 Michael Francis, son of Edward and Kristy Swift, Nicholas Matthew, son of Matthew and Ashley Dobbins, Nicholas Wayne, son of Anthony and Sharon D'Amore, and Katie Elizabeth, daughter of Daniel and Teresa Sullivan into the Parish Community of Saint Philip Neri Church. These children were baptized last Sunday.

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Monday

6:30 AM Friedrich Karl Schoenborn
Bucheim

8:30 AM Anthony J. Basile, Sr.

Tuesday

6:30 AM Patricia Giordano

8:30 AM Mark G. Moore

Wednesday

6:30 AM George and Mary Barr

8:30 AM Deceased Members of the
McCann and Sontag Families

Thursday

6:30AM Enrico d'Assia

8:30 AM Joseph Luber

Friday

6:30 AM William Boland

Susan Greene

8:30 AM William Stephens

Saturday

8:30 AM Pasquale Ciammetti
3rd Anniversary

2013 ANNUAL CENSUS/BLOCK COLLECTION
REPORT

TOTAL NUMBER OF REGISTERED FAMILIES
2115

TOTAL NUMBER OF CENSUS ENVELOPES
RETURNED
352

Please remember to fill-out and return your census envelope as soon as possible. It can be returned by mail to the church office or you can place it in the collection basket on Sunday.

Bulletin Deadlines

Items for the **December 1st bulletin** are **due by Monday, November 18th by 5pm.**

Items for the **December 22nd bulletin** are **due by Monday, December 9th by 5:00 pm.**

Items for the **December 29th bulletin** are **due by Monday, December 16th by 5:00 PM.**

Items for the **January 5th bulletin** are **due by Friday, December 20th by 5:00 PM.**

Pastor's Note: This year for the first time in about 10 years we will host the Thanksgiving

Ecumenical prayer service for the Ministerium of Plymouth Whitmarsh. This gathering will take place on Wednesday evening, November 27th at 7:30 PM. This event will bring together many of our neighbors and friends in the community. I ask that you make an attempt to attend and welcome them to our beautiful church as they have been so hospitable to us in the past years.

On Thanksgiving Day, November 28th at 9:00 AM we will once again welcome Bishop Thomas to celebrate our annual Thanksgiving Liturgy. Many of our people (parishioners) look forward to this yearly event. Bishop Thomas will bless bread that you might have for your Thanksgiving meal and we will distribute a small Blessed loaf to be shared at your family's celebration. I ask you to do your best to attend one or both of these important events. Thank you, Msgr. Vance

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, lpizzi@verizon.net or 610-940-1331. **Deadline is December 6th.**

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 as early as 6:00AM and before 9:00 AM the first Wednesday of each month. The next delivery will be December 4th. Please consider this work of mercy in your busy schedule.

SPN SCRIP Gift Cards As you ponder your Christmas preparations, please remember to

include SCRIP gift cards for gifts, Kohl's bill, grocery shopping, and more! For additional information, please see the flyer in today's bulletin. For more choices, order at shopwithscrip.com; use SPN code 7D53E11E329L. For more info, contact Patti at spnscrip@gmail.com or 215-836-2129.

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. For information on becoming a member, please contact Angela Berry (610) 260-1211.

Women's Prayer Group Our Women's Prayer Group meets on the first Thursday of the month from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM in the Rectorry Conference Room. Please call Sister Barbara at 484-213-8177 if you wish to join the group or for more information.

Fresh Brew Bible Study The group meets on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM in the SPN Rectorry Conference Room.

Men's Prayer Group Men of different ages meet every Wednesday morning in the Rectorry Conference Room from 7:30 to 8:30. If you are interested in joining and wish for 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!

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.

Thanksgiving Donations: Catholic Social Services is in need of donations of frozen turkeys to be distributed to the needy at Thanksgiving. Turkeys can be dropped off at our office, 343 E. Johnson Hwy, Norristown the week of November 18th. For more information, please contact Elizabeth Peteraf, 610-279-7372.

Children's Liturgy Children Pre-K through grade 2 are welcome to join our Children's Liturgy group in the Pre-K building during the 10am mass. Our schedule follows the kindergarten PREP schedule which can be found on the church website under "Religious Education." Please email Nancy Williamson at nlwilliamson@comcast.net if your children are interested in attending.

St. Francis Inn Update: If you cannot use the free supermarket turkey/frozen dinner, Paul & Kathy Muller will deliver it to us at St. Francis Inn. There are many days when we don't know if we will have enough food to feed the 400+ clients that depend on the Inn for a nourishing meal. You may call them at (610) 828-4267 and/or deposit your frozen turkey/Stouffer's dinner in the cooler on their porch any time - 472 Poplar Lane, Whitmarsh Woods.

In addition to our daily needs of Coffee, Tea, Sugar, Oatmeal, Peanut Butter & Jam, Metal forks and soup spoons, Deodorant & Shower products, New white socks, underwear, thermal tops & bottoms, blankets, coats, hats & gloves and lots of Prayers, staples for Thanksgiving dinner would be greatly appreciated! May God Bless You Abundantly, *The Franciscans*

40th Class Reunion-Archbishop Kennedy High School Saturday, November 30 at the Great American Pub. Respond to AKH1973@gmail.com or Richard Connelly @ 610-761-9278.

First Archdiocesan Catholic Women's Conference The Feminine Genius: Every Woman's Gift Saturday, December 7, 2013 8:30AM – 4 PM at the Pennsylvania Convention Center, Philadelphia
Please visit www.CatholicWomensConference.org to learn more and to register!

If a Prenatal Diagnosis is poor, you are not alone. Lily's Gift, is a network of concerned parents and professionals who have experienced or worked closely with issues surrounding poor prenatal diagnosis. A collaboration of the Office for Persons with Disabilities, Catholic Social Services and the Office of Life and Family, this service can provide a peer support team to assist couples during this critical time. For support call Sr. Kathleen Schipani at 215-587-3530 or Kathleen Bevenour at 215 945-2550 or email LilysGiftLuke12.27@gmail.com. For more information about a Catholic response to PPD visit: www.lilysgift.org or www.benotafraid.net.

Our Mother of Consolation Spirituality & Theology Book Group invites you to a discussion of several short stories by Leo Tolstoy and "Earthly Nurturance," a short story by Caryl Johnston
Time: December 4th, 2013, at 7:30 PM
Place: Parish Center, 9 East Chestnut Hill Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19118. For more info contact Ted Forrence at forrence4@verizon.net
Selections of (6) Short Stories by Leo Tolstoy: "What Men Live By" "How Much Land Does One Man Need?" "The Three Hermits" "Where Love is, There God is Also" "Two Old Men" "God Sees the Truth, but Waits," and "The Godson."
AND "Earthly Nurturance," a short story by Caryl Johnston. Please request a PDF copy by e-mail addressed to: forrence4@verizon.net. All are most welcome!

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