

**SAINT PHILIP NERI CHURCH**  
**May 19, 2013**

**Pentecost Sunday**

**Second Collection Next Week:**  
**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: Bella Jones Borkowski, Fran Bruno, Martha DiCesare, Mary DiDonato, Lillian Doherty, Emily Donhauser, Lisa Dougherty, Sharon Finnegan, Rachel Horvath, Betty Jacobs, Vincent Jacoby, Richard Jones, Bill Keenan, 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, Lisa O'Brien, Gloria Reilly, Baby Peter Sayegh, Tim Schwartz, Kristin Shearon, Kena Thompson 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, the deceased members of the military.

**BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTIONS** are scheduled for Tuesday, June 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.

**We Welcome** Emma Rose and Grace Marie, daughters of Patrick and Daniela O'Neil, Charlie Quinn, daughter of Jonathan and Alicia Webb, and Samuel Evan, son of Mark and Aimee Marsico into the Parish Community of Saint Philip Neri Church. These babies were baptized last weekend.

**Altar Society 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 the Church Office at 610-834-1975.

**ANNOUNCED MASSES**

**Monday**

6:30 AM Annie Catherine Coyne and Family  
8:30 AM Andrew and Gloria Cafagna

**Tuesday**

6:30 AM Wendell Young, III.  
8:30 AM Christine A. Mazurek

**Wednesday**

6:30 AM Mary Barrett  
8:30 AM Evelyn Thomas  
Walter Thomas

**Thursday**

6:30 AM Anthony J. Basile, Sr.  
8:30 AM Mildred M. Miller

**Friday**

6:30 AM John Piacentino  
8:30 AM Domenico Leomporra

**Saturday**

8:30 AM Timothy McNichol



**Blood Drive** The American Red Cross will be in our school gym on Thursday, May 30, 2013 from 2:00 to 8:00. Please take this opportunity to give the Gift of Life. You may make an appointment by contacting Bob Dunne at 610-941-9162 (H), 610-542-3063 (W), or [rdunne@devereux.org](mailto:rdunne@devereux.org). If you have any questions about your eligibility to give, please visit the Red Cross web site at [www.pleasegiveblood.org](http://www.pleasegiveblood.org)

**Thanks.** The Legacy of Life Foundation, Inc., a local pro-life organization that helps women in crisis pregnancies from two locations, one in Philadelphia and one in Bucks county, expresses its gratitude to St. Philip Neri's parishioners for their tremendous generosity and support of pro-life work in our area. Over \$900 was raised from the sale of roses on Mother's Day weekend. Thank You.

**Celebration of Pentecost** We celebrate the feast of Pentecost, this Sunday. Pentecost is a Greek word that means either "50 days" or "50<sup>th</sup> day." Pentecost sets a seal on the 50 days of Easter time. On Pentecost, Christians celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. This great feast is the birthday of the church! As the spirit descended on Mary and the disciples in the upper room they began to more fully understand the salvation that Christ had brought. Not being able to contain this good news, they went forth, as a church, to proclaim it to the world. Pentecost is really our special day because we, like the early followers of Jesus, are called to spread the Good News.

**California Pizza Kitchen to Support SPN**

**School** Enjoy great food and great company at the California Pizza Kitchen, located at the Plymouth Meeting Mall on **Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> and Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup>** for lunch or dinner and support SPN at the same time. CPK will donate 20% of the two day's proceeds to SPN when you use the needed coupon. All food and beverages (both alcoholic and non-alcoholic) are included. The coupon can be found on SPN's school communications or look for the coupon at the entrance of church. Spread the word and pass the coupons to all of your friends and family.

**St. Philip Neri Night at Barnes & Noble** – Plan to join us for a night of fun **Thursday, May 23, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.** at Barnes & Noble on Chemical Road. Come early and enjoy dinner in the cafe – pizza, sandwiches and great desserts. You'll find a great selection of summer beach reading as well as Father's Day and Graduation gifts. Money raised will help fund an author visit for SPN students next year. The night will include

musical performances by St. Philip Neri students. A fun night is sure to be had by all who attend!

**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 will be June 5<sup>th</sup>. Please consider this work of mercy in your busy schedule.

**Fresh Brew Bible Study** The group will meet on Thursdays from 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM in the Saint Philip Neri Rectory Conference Room.

**MANNA PRAYER**

Jesus, many times throughout your life  
You fed the hungry people and  
You called others to help.  
You called the young child with the  
Loaves and fishes to share his gifts.  
You call each one of us today.  
Open our eyes to see the needs of others.  
Open our ears to hear your call to share.  
Open our hearts to welcome all  
People to the table of love.  
Amen

**MANNA BAGS** Kindly return your filled Manna Bag this weekend. Canned food items in greatest need are: beef stew, tuna fish, fruit, vegetables, pasta, soups, pork and beans. Thank you for reaching out to people in emergency situations.

**SCRIP GIFT CARD NEWS** 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 [spnscrisp@gmail.com](mailto:spnscrisp@gmail.com).

**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 next meeting is May 21st.

**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 Rectory Conference Room. Please call Sister Barbara at 484-213-8177 if you wish to join the group or for more information

**Men's Prayer Group** Men of different ages meet every Wednesday morning in the Rectory 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!

**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.

**SCRIP Volunteers Needed** Can you spare 10 minutes of your time after mass on the weekend? We are looking for volunteers to sell Scrip after each mass on Saturday or Sunday. Depending on the number of volunteers, you can expect to be scheduled to sell every 4-6 weeks. If you are interested, please contact Dawn Snyder 215-483-8598 or [dmsajs@comcast.net](mailto:dmsajs@comcast.net)

**St. Francis Inn. May needs:** Soup Spoons, Dinner Forks, Coffee, Powdered Milk, Small-sized Toiletries, Sugar, Sugared Cereal, Laundry Detergent, Paper Towels, DEODORANT, Disposable Razors, NEW Women's Panties (All Sizes) and Lots of Prayers! Ongoing Needs: Travel-size toothpaste - Brand-name liquid Dish Soap -

Thermal Underwear - Tea Bags - Peanut Butter & Jam - Canned Foods - 13 & 30 Gal Trash bags - gently-used blankets, sheets, towels & washcloths!

**Call for lectors...** Do you possess a deep love of Scripture? Do you have the time and energy to prepare the readings for Mass with study and practice, prayer and reflection? If so, please consider becoming a lector for daily or Sunday mass. Please respond by **May 19<sup>th</sup>**, at which time formational session dates will be scheduled. There is a particular need for the daily 8:30 mass, as well as the early and later Sunday masses (you can be specific about which times and days you prefer.) Contact Cindy Veit at [LWVeit@gmail.com](mailto:LWVeit@gmail.com), or leave a message in the church office.

### **PHILABUNDANCE & THIRD THURSDAYS**

For four years, a core group of people have been travelling to the Philabundance warehouse on the third Thursday of the month near Citizen's Bank Park to do whatever is needed to get food to the hungry of Philadelphia. Carpools leave at 8 am and return at 12:30. If you (and/or your teenager, 14 and over) want to join in the effort either for the routine scheduled time or for emergency alerts, or both, please contact Cindy Veit at 610-825-4568 or [LWVeit@gmail.com](mailto:LWVeit@gmail.com).



**Bible Study : St. Philip Neri is continuing The Great Adventure: Journey Through the Bible.** We will be studying about the Messianic Fulfillment by reading the Book of Luke from the New Testament. Our meeting dates are Tuesday evenings at 7:00 in the school library: May 21, 28, and June 4. A brief sample presentation given by Jeff Cavins can be found at: <http://biblestudyforcatholics.com/video/listing/12/53#>

Bible Study is a great way to learn about the faith and Walk-ins are always welcome.

**Year of Faith:** For the month of May we are reading about the life of Saint Maximilian Kolbe. The title of the book is, *Kolbe* by Br. Francis Mary Kalvelage, FFI, Ignatius Press. The most in-depth

book yet on the life and work of the great modern martyr of charity and Marian Saint, Maximilian Kolbe, whom Pope John Paul II called "The Saint of our difficult century". This book explains the controversial misrepresentation of Kolbe as anti-Semitic, his insights and strong stand against Freemasonry, and his unique, powerful Marian teachings that have made him the "prophet of the Immaculata". Missionary, theologian, writer, publisher, founder of Marytown, Marian mystic, and martyr of charity in Auschwitz, St. Maximilian Kolbe shines through the pages of this powerful book, and the reader will see why Kolbe will soon be regarded as one of the greatest saints in Church history, truly a man for all times. This book can be purchased at [www.ignatius.com](http://www.ignatius.com) for \$11.00. We will be doing an online book club using Facebook. Email Linda if you are interested in joining.

**Our next meeting is Sunday, June 2nd at 7:00** in the school library. We are discussing the 8th Article of Faith, "I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets." We will be discussing Lesson 9 of the DVD Series *Catholicism*, by Father Robert Barron, "The Fire of his love – Prayer and Life of the Spirit. The Home Study Guide for the eighth Article of Faith will be distributed in a future Sunday Bulletin and is available from the parish website: [www.saintphilipnerichurch.org](http://www.saintphilipnerichurch.org)

**St. Joe's Prep's summer program** is being offered for boys and girls about to enter 7th and 8th grade. For more information, please contact the Summer School Office at (215) 978-1954 or visit the website

[www.sjprep.org/summer](http://www.sjprep.org/summer).

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