

SAINT PHILIP NERI CHURCH
August 9, 2015

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

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: Jose Alvarez, Bella Jones Borkowski, Brian Bennett, Dolores Bucci, Kathy Caputo, Bill Coogan, Howard Daywalt, Mary DiDonato, Lillian Doherty, Emily Donhauser, Lisa Dougherty, Christopher Greuters, Larry Falkowski, Irene Foley, Bill Keenan, Jean Keenan, Pat Kost, Patricia Kucheruk, Nicholas Lannutti, George and Molly Lozinak, Phyllis Luther, James Maggetti, Sue Male, Joan Marine, Barbara Martinick, Toby Merrill, James McBride, Jr., Joan McGurrin, Julia McLaughlin, Stephen Merlin, Melanie Moletsky, Joe and Betty Mulligan, Catherine Niche, Lisa O'Brien, Baby Addison Pfeffer, Baby Harper Ann Renshaw, Sue Roccia, Xavier Ross, Tim Schwartz, Eva Seeton, Kristin Shearon, Robert Smith, Janice Swan, Kena Thompson, Mike Whitaker 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 Doyle Dick.

A Very Special Book & Introductory Conference
A free Flame of Love diary will be given to you after Mass on August 8th and 9th.
An Introductory Conference on the Flame of Love Movement will be held at St. Catherine of Siena Church, 321 Witmer Rd., Horsham, PA 19044 on Saturday, August 29th, 2015, beginning with Mass at 9AM and concluding at 11AM.
All are invited. Free of charge. This special day will open up for you the riches that are contained in the Flame of Love book that you received.

We Welcome Michael Rohan, son of Michael and Meeta Kerlin into the Saint Philip Neri Church Communities. Michael was baptized last weekend.

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Monday
8:30 AM Mary L. Basile

Tuesday
8:30 AM John McLaughlin

Wednesday
8:30 AM John Paul Giosa

Thursday
8:30 AM Kenny Gallagher

Friday
8:30 AM Tullio Leomporra

Saturday
8:30 AM John DiDonato
8th Anniversary

There will be no 6:30 AM Masses from June 15th until September 7th. The 6:30 am Masses will resume September 8th. There will be no adoration during July and August. Adoration will resume in September.

Pastor's Note: We are looking forward to the visit of Pope Francis on September 27th. However, many of us will not be heading into the city for the live audience. St. Philip Neri will be hosting a pot luck meal with live streaming of the Papal mass. This will be a wonderful opportunity to be part of a community while witnessing this historic moment for the Church of Philadelphia. Please keep an eye out in the bulletin for more information in early September.

BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTIONS are scheduled for ***Monday, September 21st 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. Please call the Church Office at 610-834-1975 for sign up purposes.

PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

REGISTRATION for the Parish Religious Education Program (CCD) is now being taken for 2015-2016.

Those registered at Saint Philip's with an incoming child in Kindergarten and Grade 1 already received a letter and registration form. Those currently enrolled have already received their materials. The cost of the program is \$200 for one child and \$225 for 2 or more children. If you only have one or more children in Kindergarten, the cost is \$100. Kindergarten classes are on Sunday mornings from 10:00-10:50 AM. Grades 1-6 have classes on Monday and Tuesday afternoons from 4:00-5:30 PM. Bus transportation is available from Whitmarsh Elementary, Ridge Park, and Colonial Elementary both days for \$50 per family. A child needs to attend only one class per week. The day of choice will be limited to the number of children who can ride the bus meeting a safe and legal limit. If you like children, have faith in God, and would like to get involved at Saint Philip's we will supply you with catechetical training, teaching manuals, and resources. Please call Jeanette Paul at 610-834-9868 if you can lend a hand!

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 will be in September.

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.

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.

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.

Women's Prayer Group will start back again in September. The group meets the first Thursday of every month in the Rectory Dining Room from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm. All are invited to come! Join us and bring a friend. Sister Therese Michele, SSJ.

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 by 9:00 AM. The next delivery date is September 3rd.

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Summer Food Needs: cold cereal, instant iced tea, tuna, spaghetti sauce, canned vegetables, peanut butter, jam

Cleaning: PineSol, Bleach, liquid dish soap like Dawn or Palmolive, Liquid Laundry soap paper: TP, paper towels, tissues

Hygiene: **DEODORANT!!** Travel-sz. toothpaste, toothbrushes; Hotel soaps, shampoo, shower gel, small sz powder, fragrances, etc.; disposable razors & shave cream; feminine hygiene products (opened pkgs welcomed); adult diapers(underwear-style)

Baby Items: disposable diapers (opened pkgs welcomed), baby wipes, baby food, formula,

General: forks and soup spoons, gently-used towels & washcloths; beach towels; men's and women's new white athletic socks and underwear
medical: generic multivitamin w/iron; 500 mg vitamin C; snack-sz zip loc bags; reading glasses, sunscreen & lotion'

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES UPDATE:

SEPTA UPDATE: If you plan on using the Regional Rail during the weekend of September 26-27 during Pope Francis' visit, you must purchase a One Day Regional Rail Pass through SEPTA.

SEPTA will be selling a limited number of these tickets for each station. If you plan on traveling on the Regional Rail during the weekend, you are encouraged to register to enter the lottery on Monday. Tickets will cost \$10 and will be valid for one passenger. Please also note that only 18 outlying Regional Rail stations of the 150 will be operating during the weekend. To learn more about the passes, please visit SEPTA.org. For more information regarding all transportation during the World Meeting of Families, visit www.worldmeeting2015.org.

Mother, Teacher, Family: The Nature and Role of the Church From its opening paragraphs, this catechism has explained how we were created for communion with God and one another. The Church has institutional forms because this communion must be visible and tangible, and active in the world. The Church's earthen vessels are necessary for proclaiming a spiritual reality: the Church is the Bride of Christ, a "she," not an "it." In the words of Saint John XXIII, the Church is our mother and teacher, our comforter and guide, our family of faith. All the baptized are the Church's sons and daughters, giving Christians our most fundamental and authentic identity. As members of the Church, we are members of the "one body" that is not defined by any human qualification, such as age, nationality, or intelligence, or by any human achievement, such as efficiency, organization, or moral virtue. Even when her people and leaders sin, we still need the Church's wisdom, sacraments, support, and proclamation of the truth. Just as our own sinfulness never erases our creation in God's image, when Catholics sin, that does not erase the Church's holiness. The Church's essence depends on Jesus, a foundation which holds us accountable, but which is also deeper and more secure than any human achievement or failure. God never abandons us. Despite her many failures, the Church cannot shirk the responsibility to preach and live the Gospel. "Love is our mission," and the Church is the family that teaches and embodies this love. - Christopher C. Roberts, catechism editor

Join the Prayer Walk for the 2015 World Meeting

of Families and Papal Visit: On Fri, Aug 7, Walking With Purpose, a Catholic faith study group, will lead a prayer walk around the World Meeting of Families and Papal events sites. Men, women, and children are welcome to join us as we pray and ask our heavenly Father to shower His blessings on all those who attend. Bring your rosaries! **Please meet outside the Convention Center (corner of Broad and Cherry Sts.) at 10am or join the group at the Cathedral at 11am for a walk to the Art Museum and back.** Any questions, please call Jillian Buhl, 215-287-7069 or jillian.buhl@walkingwithpurpose.com.

Stump the Priest Philly

Join us for a second round of *Stump the Priest*, an evening of Q&A among Catholic young adults (21-35). A panel of four priests will respond to questions from the crowd, focusing on the topic of social justice. Questions may also be submitted anonymously to stumpthepriestphilly@gmail.com. Tough questions welcome! We will meet at The Field House (1150 Filbert Street, Phila) on Wednesday, August 26. Doors open at 7 PM, and questions begin at 7:30 PM. There is no cover charge.

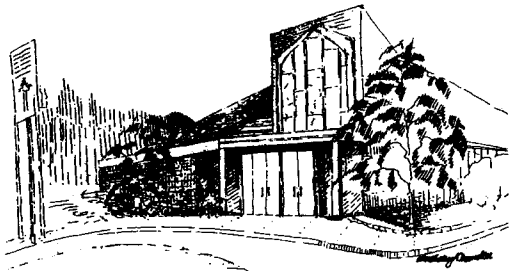
Support Group for the Divorced

This twelve week program sponsored by Corpus Christi Church will bring healing and hope to divorced and separated Catholics. The weekly DVD presentations, offered by expert counselors, author Rose Sweet, and others who have suffered through divorce, guide participants from pain and loneliness to hope and healing. Pre-registration and pre-payment are necessary. **Thursdays beginning September 3rd 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM Corpus Christi Parish Center: Conference Rooms B and C; 900 Sunnyside Pike, Lansdale; Cost is \$25.00.** Please register at corpuschristiaff@yahoo.com.

Workshop: Family Enthronement of the Sacred Heart

Enthronement of the Sacred Heart is a remedy for families: Presentation and Healing Service with Gloria Anson, President of the Sacred Heart Apostolate, joined by Monsignor Esseff, Rev. Bill Gaffney, Rev. Amedeo Guida and lay leaders. Hear stories of transformation for families who invite Jesus into their homes. National Shrine of St. Rita of Cascia 1166 Broad Street. Thursday, September 24th 9-11 am in the Upper Church.

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Pastor's Note:

I would like to inform you that Jeanette Paul is retiring as our full-time Director of Religious Education. Jeanette has served our parish in an extraordinary fashion in this position for the last 17 years. I can't begin to thank her enough for her tireless dedication and love for the Prep program as well as all the other aspects of our parish life. Jeanette has agreed to stay on in a part-time capacity over the next year to help in this transition to a new director. I know that her wise counsel will be appreciated.

It is also my pleasure to announce that we have hired Dane Connelly as the new Director of Religious Education. Dane is young and enthusiastic and well qualified to undertake our large program at St. Philip's.

I am sure in the next week you will have an opportunity to meet him and welcome him to our parish. I hope everyone will help Dane feel the warm friendliness that is so typical of the parishioners of St. Philip Neri Parish.

Yours in Christ,

Msgr. Vance