

SAINT PHILIP NERI CHURCH
August 23, 2015

TWENTY - FIRST SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

Second Collection This Weekend
Catholic University

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, 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, Michael S. DePaul, Jr., John Maloney and Elizabeth McGurrin.

Encounter Christ at the Malvern Retreat House. Join us at the Malvern Retreat House, where the Divine Physician, who knows us better than we know ourselves, awaits to heal and lead us on the path of fullness and life. On August 29th and August 30th, the Malvern Retreat House will be present at our parish masses to invite men, women and families to their venerable retreat house. For more information please call the Malvern Retreat House at 610-644-0400 or see their website: www.malvernretreat.com. For Traditional Weekend Retreat information call Patrick Benner at 484-321-2521.

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Monday
8:30 AM Christian Ciammetti

Tuesday
8:30 AM Thomas F. Keane III
Frank and Concetta Lupinacci
and Family

Wednesday
8:30 AM Deceased Members of the Brennan
and Lowry Families

Thursday
8:30 AM Anita Coletta
Karen Coletta DeGennaro

Friday
8:30 AM John Paul Giosa
4th Anniversary

Saturday
8:30 AM Sharon Hofknecht

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 Notes: 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.

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.

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 Dane Connelly at 610-834-9868 if you can lend a hand!

Volunteer position available

There is an opening for a Grade 1 and a Grade 4 catechist for Monday afternoons and for a Grade 5 catechist for Tuesday afternoons. Please call Dane Connelly at 610-834-9868 or 610-828-3082 ext. 2 or email d.connelyspn@gmail.com if you are interested in helping out.

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.

The St. Philip Neri 55+ Women's Bowling League is looking for new members. The league bowls at noon on Wednesdays at Facenda Whitaker Bowling Lanes at 2912 Swede Road, East Norriton (Swede and Germantown). Bowling begins the Wednesday after Labor Day and continues through May. If interested, or for more information, please contact Suzanne Lilly at (610) 825-8142.

Choir Notes

Do you have a good voice?

Musical talent? Choir experience?

Now is the time to join St. Philip's Music Ministry and share your gifts with our parish community.

We invite you to join our talented parishioners who form our parish choirs. Rehearsals for the Adult Choir are held on Tuesday evenings in the Church Chapel beginning on September 8th – 7 PM to 9 PM.

St. Philip's *Schola* of young adult voices has been a great success. We would like to welcome more of our high school, college/young adult parishioners to join this group. St. Philip's *Schola* sings for the Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve.

Please look for flyers at church entrances. If interested in joining St. Philip's Music Ministry, please contact Jean Martin for more information.

215/704-0508 jeanm1@comcast.net

Holy Ground – Sacred Space

Please be considerate of the ministry of the parish musicians and their concentration on the liturgy.

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

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

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.

Summertime SCRIP Gift Cards!

SCRIP is a year-round gift card fundraiser; here to help you earn tuition credits or free gift cards. Buy a gift card or 2 of your favorite grocery store. Pay for groceries with the gift cards. As you use the gift cards, replace them, and your earnings will really add up! Our customers earn up to \$900 per year - and generate significant revenue for SPN! Gift cards are sold during church office hours and after weekend Masses (the 7 will resume when school re-opens). Questions? Contact Patti Hinchey at spnscrip@gmail.com or 215-836-2129.

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 2nd.

ST FRANCIS INN

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'

Fresh Brew Bible Study returns in September.

Join us as we serve up the New Testament Letters of Peter, James and Jude and see how each of them strengthens the Early Christian Communities. This study covers four New Testament letters traditionally known as the Catholic Letters because each is written to strengthen Christian communities scattered across a wide region of the Roman Empire rather than a specific Christian community. We will be meeting on seven Wednesday Nights, from September 16th to October 28th, from 7:00 to 8:30 pm in the Saint Philip Neri Rectory Basement. If you have any questions, contact Joe Banecker by email at josephbanecker@aol.com or call on 610-828-0344.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES UPDATE:

Pope Francis to use the Gettysburg Lectern

The World Meeting of Families - Philadelphia 2015 recently announced that **Pope Francis** will use the Gettysburg Lectern, which was used by President Abraham Lincoln to deliver the Gettysburg Address on November 19, 1863, for his historic address at **Independence Hall** on Saturday, September 26.

The Lectern comes courtesy of The Abraham Lincoln Foundation of The Union League of Philadelphia ("the ALF"), from which President Lincoln spoke just 272 words in dedicating part of the battlefield as the first National Soldiers Cemetery.

Discover paintings, sculptures, and architectural spaces inspired by the Christian faith at the Philadelphia Museum of Art

In celebration of the World Meeting of Families and Pope Francis's visit to Philadelphia, this self-guided walking tour introduces you to several of the Museum's most beautiful and moving images of Christian faith from the Middle Ages and Renaissance, with a particular emphasis on depictions of Saint Francis of Assisi (c. 1181-1226). This specially designed, self-guided walking tour is free after general admission.

Tuesday, 9/22-Thursday, 9/24 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Wednesday, 9/23 Open until 8:45 p.m.*

Friday, 9/25, Saturday, 9/26 & Sunday, 9/27 Closed

Monday, 9/28 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

*Wednesday, 5:00-8:45 p.m. is Pay What You Wish admission.

Hours subject to change, please check for updates.

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