

SAINT PHILIP NERI CHURCH LAFAYETTE HILL, PA

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#### **NOVEMBER 20, 2016**

#### OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

#### SECOND COLLECTION THIS 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: Jose Alvarez, Bella Jones Borkowski, Maria Brown, Lou Cacchio, Vincent Cellucci, Joan Chassey, Rochelle Colucci, Bill Coogan, Howard Daywalt, Mary DiDonato, Dr. Robert Domanski, Lillian Doherty, Emily Donhauser, Bernadette Dougherty, Lisa Dougherty, Dolores (Dee) Downs, Larry Falkowski, Phyllis Galanti, Christopher Greuters, Elizabeth Ann Hill, Jean Keenan, Pat Kost, Nicholas Lannutti, Peter Lello, Anne Lintner, George and Molly Lozinak, Phyllis Luther, James Maggetti, Sue Male, Joan Marine, Barbara Martinick, John McCann, Maura McGrath, Julia McLaughlin, Baby Avery McNichols, Steven Merlin, Joe and Betty Mulligan, Joe O'Brien, Lisa O'Brien, Joan O'Connell, John Pacell, Baby Addison Pfeffer, Baby Harper Ann Renshaw, John Reynolds, David Rosenberger, Xavier Ross, John Sandy, John Schaifer, Tim Schwartz, Eva Seeton, Kristin Shearon, Robert Smith, Joseph Specht, Amy Swift, Kena Thompson, Mike Whitaker, Paul Willemin, Vito Zeccola, Anthony Vitelli and for all those who are hoping and praying for organ transplants.

<u>PLEASE PRAY</u> for those who died and those we remember in the silence of our hearts especially, Joseph Kraft and Mario Chiarolanza.

#### Pastor's Note:

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to Karen Stanczak and her family. A golf outing was recently held in memory of Frank Stanczak to benefit the St. Philip Neri School Scholarship Fund and they were able to raise \$27,000.00. The Scholarship Fund is for families in our school who experience difficult times as a result of the loss of a job, death of a parent or other emergency situations and these funds allow the children to remain in school. I know that Frank would be pleased that the funds raised will be used for this purpose as Frank was so dedicated to our youth, especially in our CYO program. Thank you to Mike Frein and all that assisted him in putting this wonderful event together to honor Frank.

#### ANNOUNCED MASSES

#### Monday

6:30 AM 8:30 AM	Anita Christine Casani Adeline Bernardini
Tuesday	
6:30 AM 8:30 AM	Rita M. Ferris Kevin and Patricia Flanagan
Wednesday 6:30 AM 8:30 AM	Bud Busfield
<b>Thursday</b> 9:00 am	<b>Happy Thanksgiving</b> Earl Bruce Kirk Kevin Kirk Eric Kirk
Friday	
6:30 AM	Deceased Members of the Lafferty and Loughery Families
8:30 AM	Michael Joseph Kerlin 9 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary
Saturday	

8:30 AM Donna Cannone

<u>Pastor's Notes</u>: Seminarian Eric Banecker will speak at all the Masses this weekend, November 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> regarding the Seminary collection.

As you can see in the recap below there are quite a few Census envelopes that have not been returned to date. Thank you to those that have returned their Census and for your donations. Please remember that the Census is an important fundraising part of the Parish as well as one of our only means of updating parishioner information including changes of address, phone numbers and listing those members living in the household.

2016 ANNUAL CENSUS/BLOCK COLLECTION		
<u>REPORT</u>		
TOTAL NUMBER OF REGISTERED		
FAMILIES		
2152		
NUMBER OF CENSUS ENVELOPES		
RECEIVED		
444		
Please remember to fill out and return your census		

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.

## <u>Please support our local Boy Scouts</u> Boy Scout Troop 12 is having their annual

<u>Christmas Tree Sale.</u> Please consider purchasing your tree from the scouts. This is their only fundraiser and the proceeds will send the scouts to summer camp. There are many boys from our school and parish in this troop. Tree sale is running from November 29, 2015 through December 24, 2015 (or until they are sold out). Trees are being sold from the lower parking lot at Miles Park.

Hours of operation are:

Monday through Friday 5:30 pm to 9:00 pm. Saturday and Sunday 9:00 am to 9:00 pm.

## THE GIVING TREE

Look for the Giving tree in the back of church this weekend, November  $19^{th}$  and  $20^{th}$ .



During the holiday season it is more rewarding to give than to receive. This year, our giving tree is filled with names of less fortunate children, from St. Frances Cabrini Regional Catholic School located in Philadelphia and

The Devereux Kanner Center, a facility for developmentally disabled children in West Chester. Please pick a name off the giving tree. Go shopping for that child, pick out a gift and return the wrapped gift <u>with the tag attached</u> to the back of church <u>as</u> <u>soon</u> as you have it. <u>Please make sure if you take a</u> <u>tag you return a gift. All gifts are to be......</u> <u>RETURNED NO LATER THAN, Monday,</u> <u>December 12<sup>th</sup>.</u>

This will give us time to sort and deliver the gifts before Christmas.

Thank you for your continued support for this wonderful cause in bringing joy to a child.

<u>Women's Prayer Group:</u>. All women are welcome to join with us. We meet in the St. Philip's rectory dining room on the first and third Thursday of the month. Sister Regina Kropp, SSJ will be the moderator for this year. Sister Regina lives at the St. Philip Convent and can be reached at rkreginakropp@gmail.com

<u>Men's Prayer Group</u> 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

#### <u>Please join us for:</u> <u>The Annual Children's Advent Celebration</u> <u>Wednesday, December 7th, 7:00 pm</u> <u>St. Philip Neri Church and School Cafeteria</u>

Celebrate the reason for the season! Please bring a gift (marked with AGE, and either BOY, GIRL or NEUTRAL) that your child can present during the Offertory. If wrapping your gift, use extra tape! Gifts will be donated to less fortunate children in the Philadelphia area.

After the Mass, an ice cream social will be held in the School Cafeteria. The children will continue the "spirit of giving" by coloring holiday pictures to brighten the season of those in need.

This Mass will fulfill the obligation for Thursday's Holy Day, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. If you have any questions or would like to help, please contact Jenn Fioravanti at 215-901-4122 or jlfior@outlook.com .

## **Choir Notes:**

## Schola Voices Needed for Christmas Eve Midnight

Mass SPN Schola of young voices has a tradition of singing at Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve. This group consists of high school and college age girls who give of their time on Christmas Eve to lead the congregation in sung prayer. Prelude Music is sung by the Schola beginning at 11:40 PM. We would like to have more young voices join this group. Rehearsals are held within the last 3 weeks of December depending on availability of the singing group. Please consider being a part of this beautiful Music Ministry. We welcome teenage/young adult voices. If interested, please contact Jean Martin: jeanm1@comcast.net

<u>Choir Microphones</u> The Adult Choir is very fortunate and thankful to have newly installed overhead microphones which enhance the work of the Music Ministry. The microphones have been professionally positioned and installed for the use of the Music Ministry. Please make no attempt to reposition or move the overhead microphones. Thank you.

<u>SCRIP</u> = SCRIP is sold after the weekend Masses and during church office hours. Questions? Contact Nicole Giacche (607) 349-8455 or <u>spnscrip@spnschool.org</u> There will be no scrip sales the weekend of November 26<sup>th</sup> and November 27<sup>th</sup>.

## 2016 DAY OF SANCTIFICATION FOR PRIESTS

The priests of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia assemble each year for a day of prayer and reflection on the Sacred Priesthood. This year our priests will gather with Archbishop Chaput at Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary on Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, for the 2016 Day of Sanctification for Priests. Please pray for all priests of the Archdiocese. *Lord our God, who in governing your people* 

make use of the ministry of Priests, grant to these men a persevering obedience to your will, so that by their ministry and life they may gain glory for you in Christ. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

**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. Additional weekday drivers and group leaders are needed.

<u>St. Francis Inn Current Needs</u>: Men's & Women's Underwear & thermals, Men's Shoes, Dinner-size Forks, Deodorant, Toothpaste, Paper Towels, Prayers. A sincere and special thank you to our secret benefactor for their generosity this thanksgiving and every day. Everyone at St Francis Inn is extremely grateful for you, St Philip Neri parishioners. www.stfrancisinn.org

#### 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 December 7<sup>th</sup>.

**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.

## ARE YOU A PARENT WHO HAS LOST A

<u>CHILD?</u> 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.

We Welcome: Shamus Nolan, Noreen Cecilia, and Rowan Malachy, children of Zachary and Meaghan Vaslow, Haley Coughlin, daughter of Eric and Kerri Breisch, Georgia Ryan, daughter of George and Megan Haines, Bella Ann, daughter of Matthew and April Osborne, Maya Rose, daughter of Matthew and Megan Bennett, Theodore Grant, son of Sean and Colleen McMenamin, Christopher John, son of David and Kelly Lorenz, Delaney Mary, daughter of Sean and Dana Dwyer, Amelia Jane, daughter of Robert and Annemarie Hill, Sebastian Martin, son of Marcus and Kathleen Pochettino into the Saint Philip Neri Church Community. These children were recently baptized.

#### A CAREGIVER'S PRAYER

Heavenly Father, help me better understand and believe I can do what you ask me to do.

Forgive me for the times, even now, when I question your judgment

As I go about the many daily tasks of caregiving, give me energy.

As I answer his/her repeated question just one more time, give me patience.

As I look for solutions to whatever is the most recent concern, give me wisdom.

As I reminisce with him/her about the "good old days," give me a moment of laughter.

As I get to know my loved one in a new way, seeing both his/her strength and frailty, give me joy.

As I sit beside my loved one's bed waiting for his/her pain medication to take effect, give me comfort.

Lighten my burden, answer my prayer, and give me the strength to do what so often seems impossible.

Give me a quiet place to rest when I need it and a quieting of my anxieties when I'm there.

Change my attitude from a tired, frustrated and angry caregiver to the loving and compassionate one I want to be.

Remain my constant companion as I face the challenges of caregiving and when my job is through and it's time for me to let go, help me remember he/she is leaving my loving

arms to enter your eternal embrace.

Amen.

Source: Friends of St. John the Caregiver (FSJC.org)



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# St. Philip Neri Womens Guild Presents...



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Please reserve your place as soon as possible. Deadline is January 9, 2017. Any questions, email <u>pdigiacomo4044@gmail.com</u> or call Paula @ 610-941-6117 after 7pm.