Saint Philip Neri Church

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 17, 2019

Second Collection - Care for Aging & Infirmed Priests Second Collection Next Week – Capital Replacement Fund



Blessed is he who trusts in the Lord ... He is like a tree planted besides the waters...in the year of drought it shows no distress...

From the Pastor: Over the last few weeks there have been several incidents of someone finding consecrated Hosts in the Church. Recently a Host was found in the church parking lot. This is a desecration of the Blessed Sacrament and is a grievous sin. I ask our parishioners to please be aware of those around you to see if they consume the Host and if they don't, or you suspect anyone of not properly consuming the Host in a timely manner, please try to identify the person and tell one of our priests or deacon.

Baptismal Instruction / Pre Jordan: The next session is scheduled for Monday, February 18th at 7:30PM 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 (610-834-1975) to sign up.



We Welcome: Addison Rose, daughter of Christopher & Alyna Clark, Clara May, daughter of John & Alyssa Cogill, Josephine Raine, daughter of Steve & Shannon Galette, Nicolina Helen, daughter of David & Stephanie Greco, and Hazel Marylou, daughter of Matthew & Stephanie Quinn, all were recently baptized here at St. Philip's.

Marriage Preparation Day / Pre Cana Classes: The next Pre Cana Class will be on Saturday, March 30, 2019 here at St. Philip's. Please call the Church office at 610-834-1975 for more information and to register. Please pray for all couples participating and preparing for the Sacrament of Matrimony.



Monday

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6:30 AM	Fredrick Southron
8:30 AM	Wally Flamm
Tuesday	
6:30AM	Joseph Hosack
8:30AM	Adrienne Conway
Wednesday	
6:30AM	Deceased Members of the
	Brennan & Lowry Families
8:30 AM	Ben Matyskiela – 1 st Anniversary
Thursday	
6:30AM	Raymond Quaglia
8:30AM	Marguerite & Joseph Higson
Friday	
6:30AM	Deceased Members of the
	Santo Caruso Family
8:30AM	Kathy Fisher – 3 rd Anniversary
Saturday	
8:30AM	Margaret & Charles Ponietowicz
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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: Michael Basara, Bella Jones Borkowski, Marita Boyce, Lou Cacchio, Vince Cellucci, Frank Craig, Hunter Cranage, Jean Daywalt, Charlie Dickman, Dr. Robert Domanski, Emily Donhauser, Lisa Dougherty, Dolores Downs, William Drayton, Christopher Greuters, Baby Warren Hargadon, Andrea Harrison, Joseph Hoch, Jean Keenan, Charles Kropp, Nicholas Lannutti, Peter Lello, Anne Lintner, George and Molly Lozinak, Phyllis Luther, James Maggetti, Sue Male, Joan Marine, John McCann, Julia McLaughlin, Baby Avery McNichols, Steven Merlin, Joe Mulligan, Joe O'Brien, Doris Palumbo, John Pacell, Baby Addison Pfeffer, Ann Purkin, Jim Rafter, Baby Harper Ann Renshaw, John Reynolds, Evelyn Rogers, David Sandy, John Schaifer, Tim Schwartz, Eva Seeton, Michael Shaw, Kristin Shearon, Robert Smith, Sarah Smith, Brian Stenz, Yvonne Stephens, Amy Swift, Kena Thompson and Wendi Wagoner 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, Jeanne Bass, Patrick Brooks, Selene Dempsey & Patricia McCool.



Survey opened 2/16/19 online!

SPN will be participating in a parish-wide survey on discipleship conducted by the Catholic Leadership Institute. Please help us by participating in a 10-15 munite survey running from February 16th to March 18th it can be accessed online at: www.disciplemakerindex.com

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Congratulations to our Catechists

The Archdiocese celebrated the Mass for Religious Education on January 12th. Six of our catechists received anniversary awards and another three were honored at SPN this week. Thank you for your dedication to our parish children and congratulations! <u>St. Martin de Porres Award – 20 years</u> Georgann Foster, Kathleen Marine & Jeannette Scanlon <u>Our Lady of Guadelupe – 15 years</u> Marielle Entwistle & Margie Sciarrone <u>St. Pius X – 10 years</u> Bonnie Gowen <u>St. John Neumann – 5 years</u> Loretta Carper, Elizabeth Shaw-Fink & Joann Volgraf

Are you a parent who has lost a child: An informal group of Moms & Dads get together to talk or just listen to others who understand how you feel. The next meeting is Tuesday, Feb 19th at 6:30PM in the rectory conference room. For more information contact Marianne O'Connor at 610-825-4975 or Rosemary McNichol at 215-247-2267.

Frozen Casseroles for St. John's Hospice: During these cold winter months, could you consider helping to warm the homeless by donating a casserole to St. John's Hospice Casserole Program? Casseroles can be homemade or store brought. Any questions call Lynne Kennedy at 610-828-6728 or email: <u>lkennedy1071@comcast.net</u>. Frozen casseroles can be brought to Lynne's home at 2311 Mulberry Lane before or after all weekend Masses and by 9am on the pick-up day, the next scheduled date is March 6th. Thank you for you continued generous support!!

Project HOPE: If you, or anyone you know, needs transportation to a doctor or dentist appointment, or to Mass on Sunday, please call Anne or Bill Franks at 610-828-2530 or email: <u>ann59bil@gmail.com</u> Additional weekday drivers and group leaders are always needed.

Helping the Needy: St. Alphonsus HTN furniture collection drive was very successful! In fact both of our storage facilities are full and we will start delivering the furniture to needy families. Thank you for your generous response! The next drive will be late March/early April.



A Mass for the Anointing of the sick will be held March 16th at 2PM. All are invited whose health is impaired physically, mentally or spiritually, old age, or those about to have surgery. Anyone who would benefit from this act of faith in the power of God and the strength of this Sacrament are welcome. A reception with light refreshments will follow in the Church vestibule. Please call Sharon Otto at 484-804-1875 for information or help with transportation.

Music Notes: St. Philip's Choir is now preparing for the 75th Anniversary of the Parish. Join us as we sing for the Opening Mass, September 15, 2019 through the Closing Mass in September, 2020. The Choir will offer an Advent Service of *Lessons and Carols* on December 8th. Rehearsals are Tuesday evening. Consider joining the 75th Anniversary Choir! Call Jean Martin at 215-704-0508 or email: jeanm1@comcast.net

Men's Prayer Group: Men of different ages meet every Wednesday morning in the rectory conference room from 7:30AM to 8:30AM. If interested please call Duane McCarthy at 610-825-5237. There is a prayer petition book in the rear of the Church for your intentions, please note your intention so the group can pray for your intentions.

<u>RCIA:</u> This is a program for those interested in discerning membership in the Catholic Church. This is a process for non-Catholics who wish to receive the Sacraments of Initiation or baptized Catholics who have not received all their Sacraments of Initiation. This is a wonderful program with a dedicated group of parishioners who make all feel most welcome. Contact Barney McGee at 610-834-1975 for information.

Shut-In Members: Anyone who would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please call the church office as we have a couple of Eucharistic Ministers who take communion on Sundays. Anyone who would like to see a priest for an anointing or confession, call the church office at 610-834-1975.

Knights of Columbus Council #16868: Our council always looking to increase membership to help us in our charitable activities. We have had several successful fundraisers already and have plans for future events. This is a great group of men who get together once a month to put their faith into action. Please think about it, it does not require any hard commitment. Your attendance at meetings and participation at events can be as your time allows. Please call the Church office if interested (610-834-1975).

Stay tuned for upcoming events

March Madness Beef & Beer Captain Chuckies Seafood Fundraiser



Pilgrimage to Portugal & Spain Join Fr. Anthony on this 11 day pilgrimage to the shrines of Portugal & Spain. May 20th to May 31st, for more info contact Select Int'l Tours at 800-842-4842 or email susan@select-intl.com

SPN Women's Guild -2019 Events Save these dates...

<u>Annual Donut Sale</u>, After each Mass in Church Vestibule March 2nd & 3rd - Church Lobby

Annual Covered Dish Night

Thursday, March 14, 2019 7PM – Cafeteria Christy Haberstroh @ <u>chaberstroh1@yahoo.com</u> Maria Colavita @ <u>marialcolavita@comcast.net</u> Kristen Mortelliti @ kmortelliti@comcast.net

Designer Bag Bingo, Friday April 12, 2019 6:30PM – Cafeteria, \$30.00pp BYOB & snacks, Great Door Prizes Deanna Marrone, 267-358-8015 Paula DiGiacomo 610-308-0797

Look for flyers in upcoming bulletins, on our Facebook page and at our school communications page. Thank you for your continued support of our Women's Guild. We look forward to seeing you at our events! Paula DiGiacomo, President

St. Francis Inn: At St. Francis Inn we depend so much on the generosity of friends like you, providing all kinds of material goods to share with our guests. You are the heart of our operation! We are extremely grateful for all the support we receive throughout the year.

Pantry Items Needed: Oatmeal (not instant), powdered milk, Mac & Cheese, coffee, LG tea bags, sugar, brown sugar, Iced tea mix, canned tuna & chicken, lg cans of crushed tomatoes, ketchup, toilet paper & tissues, *Pine Sol* cleaner and bleach

Hygiene Items: Feminine products, travel size toiletries deodorant, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, Pampers sz preemie & 4-6 and disposable razors.

Full lists of our needs are located on our collection box in the Church vestibule. Thank You!

Trivia Night: The auxiliary of Plymouth Fire Company with host a BYOB trivia night at the Plymouth Fire Company at 1323 Colwell Lane on March 8th at 7:30pm. Tickets are \$20.00, fun, food and prizes! Go to www.plymouthfireco.com to purchase tickets.



SPN School Parents

We make it as easy as possible for our school families to participate in this program and save on tuition costs. Simply order on line and your order will be sent home with your child within days! This is money you are going to spend anyway, why not help SPN and your family budget. If you spend \$200 per week in groceries thru the Scrip Program you could accumulate \$260 in yearly credits toward tuition. Use the vouchers for yourself or give them to family, friends or neighbors. Cards are available for all sorts of stores as well. This program is under-used and great benefits are being missed, please give it a try! Go to the website and check it out at spnscrip@spnschool.org or call Dawn or Tom Gale at 610-733-1878



The men of our parish are invited to join Catholic Men from throughout the Archdiocese for the 11th Annual *Man UP Philly* Conference on March 9th at Neumann University. Speakers include Matthew Kelly, acclaimed speaker & author of *Rediscover Jesus* and *Rediscover Catholicism*, Ron Jaworski, former Eagles star quarterback, Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers, Catholic author and evangelist and Mark Forrest, internationally recognized Irish tenor, who will lead our Eucharistic Adoration. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available, and the Conference will conclude with Mass celebrated by the Most Reverend Timothy Senior. To register or to get more

information go to: <u>www.ManUpPhilly.com</u>

Gianna Center Benefit Night: Sponsored by District 21 Knights of Columbus, Beef & Beer to be held on March 9th from 6-10PM at Sts. Peter & Paul School Hall, 550 Hurst Street in Bridgeport. Tickets are \$45 pp, tickets will be sold at the door, but advanced purchase is recommended. For more information call Mark at 610-431-3338 or email at KofC3327@comcast.net The center provides gynecologic care, natural family planning education and infertility services.

<u>Aid for Friends Service Project:</u> Join us at the Miraculous Medal Shrine in Germantown on Saturday, February 23rd at 9:30AM. With the help of the Bucks County Youth Group, participants will be assembling breakfast bags for Aid for Friends to deliver to shut-ins. We start with continental breakfast, opening prayer, assembling of breakfast bags, and closing with Mass at 12:05PM. We ask you to register if you plan to participate by emailing Deacon James Mahoney at: <u>jmahoney@cammonline.org</u>