Saint Philip Neri Church

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 24, 2019

Second Collection – Capital Replacement Fund Second Collection Next Week Aid to the Church in Eastern Europe



Next week we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central & Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in more than 20 countries that are still struggling to recover in the aftermath of communist rule. Funds from this collection support pastoral care, catechesis, building renovations, and seminary formation. Your support restores the Church and builds the future in this region. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection next week. Thank you for your generosity!

Baptismal Instruction / Pre Jordan: The next session is scheduled for Monday, March 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.

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.



This week our sanctuary lamp will burn in memory of Christopher Campoli requested by The Campoli Family



Monday

Tuesday	
8:30 AM	Christopher Campoli
6:30 AM	Thomas F Keane III & Thomas F Keane Jr. Frank & Concetta Lupinacci & Family

5:30AM	Carol Tierney
8:30AM	Dolores & John Plangley, Sr

Wednesday

6:30AM Pat Piegaro Alice "Bonnie" Bedinsky 8:30 AM

Thursday

6:30AM Joseph G. Perri & Joseph G. Perri, Jr. 8:30AM Hector DiGiacomo

Friday

6:30AM Matthew W. Meehan 8:30AM James Flynn

Saturday

Thomas Jones – 9th Anniversary 8:30AM

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, Audrey Michelle Cacchio, Lou Cacchio, Vince Cellucci, Ava Love Conley, 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, Molly & Mary 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, Michael Shaw, Kristin Shearon, Robert Smith, Sarah Smith, Brian Stenz, Yvonne Stephens, Amy Swift, Kena Thompson, Mary Vogel and Wendi Wagoner 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, Margaret Carey, James Devine, Christine Hogeland and Catherine Wagner.



The Blessed Mother has appeared in various parts of the world and asked for the recitation of the Rosary, the prayer she gave the world centuries ago. It is her favorite prayer for it is a meditation on the life of Jesus her Son. Join the Knights of Columbus on March 14th at 7pm for our family rosary. There will be petition cards for special intentions. It only takes about 30 minutes please come and place your needs at Mary's feet.

<u>Catholic Leadership Institute:</u> SPN is 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 ending March 18th. Surveys are available in the Church Vestibule along with a collection box for your completed surveys. The survey can be accessed online at: www.disciplemakerindex.com

Safe Haven Sunday: The family home is to be a safe haven, but the inappropriate use of technology in the home deprives it of this role and is the greatest threat to the sanctity of marriages and families today. Pornography and other online threats are often one click away, and parents can feel overwhelmed with not knowing how to best protect their children in our fast passed digital world. Learn how to deal with this threat by joining *The Equipped 7-Day Challenge: A Digital Crash Course* by texting SECURE TO 66866 to receive seven days of emailed digital tips.

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, March 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. The program has seen a substantial increase in the number of casseroles, 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.

BJ's Membership Drive: Join / renew with special offer. Parish benefits and you save money! Stay tuned for details.



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 $2^{nd} \& 3^{rd}$ 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.

Seminarians/SPN CYO Basketball: Saturday, March 3rd at 10AM in our gym SPN's High School CYO will host seminarians from St. Charles in a basketball game. Refreshments in the cafeteria will follow; all are invited to attend this free event.



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: www.ManUpPhilly.com

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.

Housekeeping Note: Our Church cleaners have asked that the missalettes in the pews be placed open end down with the back binding facing upward. This will make their job much easier, as they clean the Church weekly. Thank You!