SAINT PHILIP NERI CHURCH

Sunday, May 20, 2018

Second Collection Next Sunday - Debt Reduction

<u>Pentecost Sunday</u>

"As the Father has sent me, so I send you...Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained"

John 20:22-23





We welcome Lillian Annabelle, daughter of Patrick & Therese Doggett and Susanna Mary, daughter of Robert & Ann Slater both were recently baptized.

Baptismal Instruction / Pre Jordan: The next session is scheduled for Monday, June 11th 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.



Mass Intentions



Monday

6:30 AM Thomas Keane, Jr.8:30 AM Jim Koller

Tuesday

6:30 AM Peg Flynn8:30 AM Elizabeth Staats

Wednesday

6:30 AM James J, Johnston 8:30 AM Joseph Ciccolone

Thursday

6:30 AM Joseph Cheddar 8:30 AM Gertrude Dunn

Friday

6:30 AM Margaret Flynn 8:30 AM Anne McKernan

Saturday

8:30 AM Timothy McNichol

<u>Please Pray:</u> For those who died especially, Sr. Ruth Eisenhauer SSJ, Eileen Gross, James D. Haley and those we remember in the silence of our hearts.

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: Bella Jones Borkowski, Marita Boyce, Lou Cacchio, Vincent Cellucci, Hunter Cranage, Rick Czerwin, Jean Daywalt, Charlie Dickman, Lillian Doherty, Dr. Robert Domanski, Emily Donhauser, Lisa Dougherty, Dolores (Dee) Downs, Pamela Drayton, Patricia Durkin, Christopher Greuters, Baby Warren Hargadon, Mark Helms, Elizabeth Ann Hill, Jean Keenan, Peg Lafferty, Nicholas Lannutti, Donald Leis, Peter Lello, Anne Lintner, George and Molly Lozinak, Phyllis Luther, James Maggetti, Sue Male, Joan Marine, Barbara Martinick, John McCann, Julia McLaughlin, Baby Avery McNichols, Steven Merlin, Joe and Betty Mulligan, Joe O'Brien, Lisa O'Brien, John Pacell, Baby Addison Pfeffer, Ann Purkin, Jim Rafter, Baby Harper Ann Renshaw, John Reynolds, David Sandy, John Schaifer, Gina Schindler, Tim Schwartz, Eva Seeton, Michael Shaw, Kristin Shearon, Donna Schoen, Robert Smith, Brian Stenz, Yvonne Stephens, Amy Swift, Kena Thompson and Wendi Wagoner and for all those who are hoping and praying for organ transplants.



Today is the last day to drop off filled Manna bags in the Church vestibule. All proceeds benefit the Patrician Society at St. Patrick's in Norristown.

<u>Red Cross Blood Drive – The Gift of Life:</u> Many thanks to all those who supported SPN Blood Drive on May 10th. Through your continued efforts the Red Cross was able to collect 45 pints of blood. As each donation can save up to three lives, we helped as many as 135 people. Thanks for taking time from your busy schedule to come and donate!



<u>Men's Prayer Group</u>: Men of different ages meet every Wednesday morning in the rectory conference room from 7:30AM to 8:30AM. If you are 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 write down your intentions so the group can pray for all listed petitions.

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.

<u>RCIA:</u> Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is for individuals interested in exploring and discerning membership in the Catholic Church. Any questions please call Barney McGee at 610-834-1975 or email: bmcgee@spnchurchlh.org

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. The next meeting is Tuesday, June 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: 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. Any questions call Barbara McCarthy at 610-828-2058. Frozen casseroles are brought to Barbara's house by 9AM. The next delivery date is June 6th.

St. Francis Inn: Save the date...Volunteer Appreciation Day on Sunday, May 20th with a 3PM Mass followed by a small social at 2441 Kensington Avenue. Our spring needs include: men's boxers (S&M), Man's pants & sneakers, coffee, tea, sugar, powdered milk, paper towels, toilet paper, deodorant, diapers, pull ups, baby formula and PRAYERS!



Mary Mother of the Church

Pope Francis has added another Marian Holy Day to the Liturgical Calendar. The feast will be celebrated annually as a Memorial on the day after Pentecost. It reflects Marian Theology in church Tradition, the writings of the Church Fathers and Mary's example of devotion to Jesus from the Incarnation to Pentecost Sunday and beyond. We honor Mary as our perfect intercessor in heaven and ask she watch over and protect the Church. This is not a Holy Day of Obligation.



O God, Father of mercies, Whose Only Begotton Son, as he hung upon the cross, Chose the Blessed Virgin Mary, his Mother, To be our Mother also, Grant, we pray, that with her loviong help Your Church may be more fruitful day by day And, exulting in the holiness of her children, may draw to her embrace all the families of the peoples. Amen

Women's prayer group: We meet in the convent from 11AM to Noon on the 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month. Women of all ages are welcome. Call Sr. Regina Kropp at 610-828-2866 for information.

Philipians: We are a social organization for seniors in our area. We offer entertainment, trips, informational programs and opportunities for service projects. For membership information please call Angie Berry at 610-260-1211 or 610-608-0358.

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.

Chestnut Hill Meals on Wheels: For seniors 62 or older, no matter their physical health or any person who has difficulty shopping for food or preparing meals. Two meals cost \$9.00/day or one meal at \$4.50/day. Please see information sheets on church bulletin boards or call 215-233-5555, email: info@chestnuthillmow.org

Marianist Family Retreat Center: Gift of Days: Spirituality & Aging Retreat from June 5th to 7th at Marianist Retreat Center in Cape May, NJ. This retreat (intended for those 55+) will explore the mystery of aging and God's desire for our spiritual fulfillment and development. The cost is \$130.00 per person which includes the program, meals & lodging. Sign up on line at: www.capemaymarianists.org or call 609-884-3829.

Coping with Loss: Lownes Funeral Home is sponsoring an opportunity for those dealing with the loss of a loved one to share time and stories with others who have experienced a loss. Please join us on Thursday's from June 7th thru July 19th at 7pm for the informal gatherings at Lownes Funeral Home at 659 Germantown Pike, there will be light refreshments and supportive conversation. Please RSVP by June 1st by calling David Stevenson at 215-956-5110.

SJU's Faith & Justice Institute: St. Joseph's University is looking for a part-time Lectures & Programming Assistant who is responsible for the creation and implementation of educational events which are directed toward greater inclusion in the Roman Catholic Church of those groups of persons disaffected from it. Full posting is on website: https://jobs.sju.edu/postings/15078



Vacation Bible School

We are starting registration for SPN Vacation Bible School for any child who has completed Pre-K up to and including 3rd grade. We are also looking for volunteers to help out. Dates: July 16th -20th

Time: 9AM until Noon Cost \$45.00 per child (T-shirt included) Crafts, games, snacks, Bible stories and FUN! Any questions please contact Dane Connelly 484-804-1875 or <u>d.connellyspn@gmail.com</u>

If Prenatal Diagnosis is Poor you are not alone: *Lily's Gift*, is a network of concerned parents & professionals who have experienced or worked closely with issues surrounding poor prenatal diagnosis. A collaboration of the Office for Persons with Disabilities, Catholic Social Services and the Office of Life & Family offers peer support to assist couples. Call 215-587-3530 or email: LilysGiftLuke12.27@gmail.com.



Mass & Sports Banquet – Sunday June 3rd Mass at 10AM at SPN Banquet at Flourtown Country Club From 11AM to 2PM Tickets are \$30.00/person, no sales at door Reservations required by May 30th, contact Fran McCusker at franmccusker@msn.com

St. Raphaela Center: The handmaids of the Sacred Heart offer spiritual direction that enables you to grow into a closer relationship with god. In the midst of a busy life, many people find it difficult to notice God's action in their daily affairs. The center offers week/weekend retreats this summer. This is an extended time of prayer and silence, accompanied by a Spiritual Director.

Summer Retreat I: July 13-20, 2018 Summer Retreat II: July 23-30, 2018 To inquire further please call 610-642-5715.

Scrip Gift Card Program This is a great fundraiser for SPN!

Ordinary purchases become extraordinary when you use SCRIP gift cards to pay! Buy \$100.00 per week of grocery Scrip cards for one year and earn \$125.00 in free tuition credits (or gift cards) for you and an additional awesome \$125.00 in free revenue for St. Philip's! If you choose you can give your Scrip credits to whomever you like, a niece or a nephew, grandchildren, a neighbor or a needy school family to help them with their tuition. Cards are available in the church vestibule after all weekend Masses, in the church office Monday thru Friday 8AM to 5PM, or on line. There are informational flyers on the bulletin boards at the church entrances. Please consider this worthwhile fundraiser for SPN, its easy and user friendly! We are always looking for volunteers to sell Scrip after Masses on the week-end. this only takes about 15 minutes and helps the program to be a success! Any questions please call Tom or Dawn Gale at 610-733-1878 or email at spnscrip@spnschool.org.

Malvern Upcoming Events

"From defiance to reliance: Navigating you spiritual life amidst the chaos of addiction." Join us for a 24 hour spiritual healing retreat sponsored by Malvern and Gethsemane Way on June 22-23rd. This retreat is for men and women seeking help for themselves, loved ones, family or spouse. It is an ecumenical retreat.
Fr. Larry Richards will have a 24 hour retreat June 8-9 entitled "Be A Man "All men of all ages are invited. Register at malvernretreat.com or call 610-644-0400, for more information email Mary Christmyer at: mchristmyer@parish.stnorbert.org