Saint Philip Neri Church

October 20, 2019

2nd Collection - World Mission Sunday 2nd Collection Next Weekend - Capital Replacement

World Mission Sunday

The Church is on mission in the world...Your support helps sustain priests, religious and lay pastoral leaders in more than 1,111 mission dioceses in Asia, Africa, the Pacific Islands, Europe and remote areas of Latin America, as they proclaim the Gospel, build the Church and serve the poor. Please help by donating to today's 2nd collection.





Each year for All Souls Day we have a special Mass for all those in our parish who have been called home to God during the past year. Everyone is welcome to come and pray for a deceased loved one on Monday, Nov 4th at 7PM. If you would like to add the name of a loved one please call the Office at 610-834-1975.



This week our sanctuary lamp will burn in memory of Joseph & Rita Tursi requested by Joe & Pat D'Alessandro.

Block Collection

This is a very important collection that enables us to continue to be good stewards of our parish buildings and grounds. Another aspect of returning your yearly Block Collection envelope allows the Church office to update the information we have on file for each of our families. Thank you in advance for your contribution to this critical fundraiser and returning your census information.

<u>Please Pray:</u> For those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith, especially Sr. Helen Francine Cantwell, SSJ, Rev. Joseph Cummins, CM, Sr. Anna Clare Fitzpartick, SSJ, Marcella Frick, Anthony Mazzochetti, Jose Villacorta and Marianne Whelan.



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday 6:30AM

Andrew & Gertrude Clark

Francis & Rosalie Jankowski

8:30AM Sarah McGinley

Tuesday

6:30AM Mary Koneski 8:30AM Lauren Robb

Wednesday

6:30AM Gerri Pellicone 8:30AM Carol Tierney

Thursday

6:30AM Betty Mulligan 8:30AM Ceclia Moore

Friday

6:30AM Daniel Link

8:30AM Jim Ingram / 24th Anniversary

Saturday

8:30AM Deceased Members of the Ingram Family



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: Baby Rayna, Michael Basara, Bella Jones Borkowski, Marita Boyce, Jennifer Brands, Audrey Michelle Cacchio, Lou Cacchio, Vince Cellucci, Ava Love Conley, Frank Craig, Hunter Cranage, Charlie Dickman, Dr. Robert Domanski, Emily Donhauser, Lisa Dougherty, Dolores Downs, William Drayton, George & Roseann Eberwine, Christopher Greuters, Andrea Harrison, Joseph Hoch, Charles Kropp, Nicholas Lannutti, Anne Lintner, George, Mary & Molly Lozinak, Phyllis Luther, James Maggetti, Jim Mahoney, Sue Male, Joan Marine, John McCann, Julia McLaughlin, Baby Avery McNichols, Steven Merlin, Baby Jack Muller, Joe Mulligan, Joe O'Brien, Doris Palumbo, John Pacell, Baby Addison Pfeffer, William Pinto, Ann Purkin, Jim Rafter, Baby Harper Ann Renshaw, John Reynolds, David Sandy, John Schaifer, Gena Schindler, Donna Schoen, Tim Schwartz, Michael Shaw, Kristin Shearon, Monica Skrocki, Robert Smith, Sarah Smith, Brian Stenz, Yvonne Stephens, Amy Swift, Kena Thompson, Mary Vogel, Wendi Wagoner and Loretta Zych and for all those who are hoping and praying for organ transplants.

<u>Pre Cana Marriage Preparation:</u> We will have our Pre Cana Classes on October 26th, please go to the parish website or call the Church office for more information.

2019 Annual Block / Census Collection Number of registered families - 2398 Number of envelopes received - 354 **Baptismal Instruction / Pre Jordan:** The next session is scheduled for Monday, October 21st 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.

<u>Confirmation Preparation</u>: St. Philip Neri Parish is beginning to prepare our youth, seventh grade and older, for the Sacrament of Confirmation to be conferred by the Bishop in the Fall of 2020. Parents and the candidates they are presenting for the sacrament are invited to attend a Confirmation Preparation meeting on Monday, October 21st at 7PM in the Church. If you are an adult who needs to be confirmed please call the Church office at 610-834-1975.

Gluten-Free Hosts: More and more people are in need of gluten free hosts. The celebrant will always have a few gluten free hosts available (those hosts are stored in separate vessels; they are not in contact with traditional hosts). If you are in need of one, simply receive communion from the celebrant and mention that you need a gluten-free host.

"Give significant time to prayer, to listening to God's Word and to Christian education; in them you will find effective support to tackle the difficulties of daily life and the great challenges of today's world" Pope St. John Paul II

<u>Project Hope:</u> 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: ann59bil@gmail.com. We are always in need of weekday drivers and group leaders!

Frozen Casseroles for St. John's Hospice: The seasons change and Fall is in full swing but the need to feed the homeless never changes; it is ever present. Could you consider donating a casserole to help feed the homeless of St. John's Hospice? Casserole donations can be homemade or store bought. Also, did you know that St. John's will gladly accept gently used or new men's clothing donations to help clothe the homeless? Additionally, as the holidays approach St. John's is also very happy to accept donations of frozen turkeys. Frozen casseroles, turkeys and/or clothing donations can be dropped off at 2311 Mulberry Lane on Saturday & Sunday November 2nd & 3rd before and after all Masses and by 9AM on Wednesday, Nov 6th. If you need an alternate drop off day or have any questions please call Lynne Kennedy at 610-828-6728 or email: lkennedy1071@comcast.net. Your continued generous support is much appreciated! Thank you!



Our Mother of Consolation in Chestnut Hill will be hosting a clothing drive to benefit the St. Vincent DePaul Society on Oct 19th & 20th from 9AM to 2PM.Drop off at the "Green Drop" truck, for a full list of acceptable items go to www.gogreendrop.com

<u>Pro Life Educational Foundation:</u> We would like to express our deep gratitude to SPN parishioners for their tremendous generosity which resulted in nearly \$2,500.00 being donated on Respect Life Weekend to support pro-life and pro-family work done in our area. Thank you!

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 petition.





All SPN Graduates from the classes of 1956 to 2019 are welcome to join us on Saturday, November 30th from 6PM to 9PM for an evening of food, music and a walk down memory lane. The celebration begins with the Saturday evening 5PM Mass followed by a reception at the school. Tickets will be available in October. We are looking for pictures for our slideshow or other SPN artifacts to display. We are open to any suggestions that might enhance the celebration. For more information contact Amy Antrim at 215-499-8442 or email; amyantrim@yahoo.com

Are you a parent who has lost a child: An informal group of Moms & Dads get together to talk or to just listen to others who understand how you feel. The next meeting is Tuesday, November 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.

St. Francis Inn: Dear St. Philip Neri friends, we are grateful to you, as you accompany us in our work and share your resources in so many ways. The suffering of so many serves to deepen our resolve to work and care for the sick and poor and be a peaceful, loving presence for those we serve in Kensington. We are overjoyed to receive your donations and ask you to pray with us as we provide a respite from the harsh life on the streets, health care services and a warm meal for the hungry. We could use laundry detergent, thermal under wear, Preemie/newborn and SZ 6 disposable diapers. Large tea bags, coffee, powdered milk, sugar, peanut butter, jam, 13 and 30 gal trash bags, toiletries andprayers. A detailed list is posted on the front of the donation box in the Church vestibule. Thank you.

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

Bible Study with the Seminarians: Join our visiting seminarian's, Chris and Stephen, for a 6-week study of the Gospel of St. Mark in the rectory conference room. Thursday evenings from 7-8PM on 10/24, 11/7, 11/14, 11/21 & 12/5. All are welcome!

"THE HOLY SPIRIT LEADS US LIKE A MOTHER. HE LEADS HIS CHILD BY THE HAND...AS A SIGHTED PERSON LEADS A BLIND PERSON"

ST. ALPHONSUS LIGUORI



Attention School Parents

In order for this program to render the maximum benefit to the school (and thus helping to keep tuition as low as possible) it is crucial to have a large pool of participants. If you are not participating please consider using the program. Scrip can be ordered on line and sent home with your child. If you are spending the money (especially groceries) why not get the added benefit to yourself and SPN. Please think about it!

Scrip is fundraising while you shop! The Scrip Program allows you to earn rebates you can use towards tuition credits, another family's tuition or use to purchase more gift cards while spending the same amount you would have for your purchases., You can buy gift cards for over 780 retailers (www.shopwithscrip.com) and earn a rebate on every card you purchase. Please consider using Scrip for purchases you will be making anyhow! Contact Tammi at spnscrip@spnschool.org for more information.

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



Mothers & Babies in Need

October is dedicated to Respect Life causes. Items for mothers & babies in need may be placed in the crib in the lobby during the month of October. Please no car seats and big items will be picked up if necessary. If you would like to lend a hand with this community service call Loretta Zych at 215-836-1127.

<u>Cub Scouts:</u> The Cub Scouts will be taking orders for Christmas Wreaths after all Masses next weekend at the doors of the Church.

<u>Villa Chance Drive:</u> SSJ Annual Chance Drive to benefit Saint Joseph Villa. Please help us make this year's chance drive especially successful!

Turn \$1 into \$10,000---11 ways to win!
Grand prize - \$10,000 with 10 prizes of \$500 each!
\$1 each or \$5 for a book of 6 chances.
Chances to be sold after Masses today!
Thank you from all the Sisters of St. Joseph!



Our parish community extends a warm welcome to all our guests and visitors. If you are not a member and would like to join please call the Church Office at 610-834-1975. In order to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist or Matrimony, or have access to Letters of Eligibility to stand as a Godparent at Baptism or as a sponsor at Confirmation you need to be registered in a parish. Please call Church Office with any questions; new parishioners are most welcome here at St. Philip's.

Knights of Columbus Council 16868

If you have been thinking about joining our council there will be a meet and greet on November 10th after all Masses in the SPN cafeteria. Coffee and bakery items will be available. This is a great opportunity to find out what the Knights are all about from current members, please give it some thought...this is a wonderful way to bear witness to our faith in serving the community.

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.

Nourish for Caregivers: This program is for anyone juggling the challenges of everyday life and caring for a loved one. *Nourish* provides caregivers a faith perspective, as well as practical and emotional support, tools and shared experiences. The first meeting will be held at Epiphany of Our Lord Parish in the rectory meeting room on Saturday, October 26 from 10AM to 11:30AM, Call Mary Sheehan at 610-828-8103 for more information.

"Hate no one. God never comes where there is no love for our neighbors."

St. Philip Neri

<u>Miraculous Medal Shrine:</u> Solemn Novena from Nov 18th to 27th, the theme is "*The Sacrament of Reconciliation*" for full details regarding Mass times and sermon topics go to: www.miraculousmedal.org/shrine-novena