

SAINT PHILIP NERI CHURCH

FEBRUARY 9, 2020
5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND
CARE OF AGING & INFIRM PRIESTS

"I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life"



This week our sanctuary lamp will burn in memory of Louis Rambo III requested by The Rambo Family



Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel on Monday, February 10th from 9AM to 5PM.



Sacrament of Penance

Confessions are heard every Saturday from Noon to 1PM, or by appointment, call 610-834-1975 to schedule.



**Msgr. Vance's Golden Jubilee
1970-2020**

Mark your calendars, this spring Msgr. Vance will be celebrating the 50th anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood. There will be a Mass of Thanksgiving followed by a reception on March 22nd, stay tuned, details to follow.

Mass Intentions

Monday

6:30AM Ellen Plower
8:30AM William Berry

Tuesday

6:30AM Mary Bronti
8:30AM Angeline & Michael DeAngelis

Wednesday

6:30AM Mary Weber
8:30AM Tom McAllister

Thursday

6:30AM Raymond Quaglia – 2nd Anniversary
8:30AM Tullio Leomporra

Friday

6:30AM Stephen Petrukubi
8:30AM Thomas F Keane III & Thomas F Keane Jr
Frank & Concetta Lupinacci & Family

Saturday

8:30AM Alexander Tarsi III



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: Angelo Amoroso, Baby Rayna, Andrew Bambrick, Michael Basara, Bella Jones Borkowski, Marita Boyce, Jennifer Brands, Marc Burdick, Audrey Michelle Cacchio, Lou Cacchio, Barry Cahill, Vince Cellucci, Ava Love Conley, Hunter Cranage, Charlie Dickman, Joseph DiGiovanni, Dr. Robert Domanski, Emily Donhauser, Lisa Dougherty, Dolores Downs, George & Roseann Eberwine, Christopher Greuters, Andrea Harrison, Joseph Hoch, Charles Kropp, Anne Lintner, George, Mary & 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, 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, Baby Liyana Selvanathan, Michael Shaw, Kristin Shearon, Monica Skrocki, Robert Smith, Brian Stenz, Yvonne Stephens, Amy Swift, Kena Thompson, Mary Vogel, Wendi Wagoner, Kevin Willis and for all those who are hoping and praying for organ transplants.

We Pray: For those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith, especially Robert Liddell, Sr. Jean Frances Levenstein, SSJ and Mary Ann McCloskey.

Collection for Aged & Infirm Priests

Once a year we are asked to remember the priests who have offered their lives in the service of the Church. Many retired priests reside at Villa St. Joseph, Darby & Regina Coeli, Warminster where they continue a life of service through prayer. This collection is an opportunity for the faithful to express their gratitude. This collection will be taken up next weekend, please help if you can!



Ash Wednesday – February 26th

Masses are at 6:30AM, 8:30AM & 7PM, ashes will be distributed during these Masses. There will be a prayer Service (no Mass) at 12:05 with distribution of ashes.

Lenten Parish Mission - March 9th & 10th

Living the Catholic Life / Fullness of Purpose

Could there be more to our faith experience, than what we have come to know? Dynamic speaker & author Ken Yasinski will be leading our 2 day parish mission. Designed to help answer life's most meaningful questions, Why was I created?, Where is joy found, Does my Catholic Faith matter? Ken will make relevant the timeless truths of our faith. Ken will speak at all Masses on March 7th & 8th.

Baptismal Instruction / Pre Jordan: The next session is scheduled for Monday, February 10th 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.

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, February 18th 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.

Pennsylvanians for Human Life: 32nd Annual *Celebrate Life Banquet* will be held at the Springfield Country Club on Sunday, Feb 23rd with reception at 4PM followed by dinner at 5PM. Tables of 10 are \$700.00 (students \$350.00) and individuals are \$75.00 (students \$35.00). Scott Klusendorf will be the guest speaker, call Karen Kopecky at 267-205-6865 or email: Karen@sosportsmarketing.com for more information.



Please join the Knights of Columbus for our family Rosary on Feb 12th at 7PM. Our Lady of Lourdes (Feb 11th) said "What you shall ask through my Rosary you shall obtain."

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.

Contribution Statements for 2019: Call 610-834-1975 or email, bmcgee@spnchurchllh.org if you would like a copy of your contribution statement for last year's donations. They will be mailed upon request only. Thank you for your generous support!

St. Francis Inn: With the New Year brings new challenges at the Inn. Our most urgently needed items are: DEODORANT, moisturizer, POWDERED MILK, coffee, large tea bags, SUGAR, oatmeal (5 minute only), THERMAL UNDERWEAR (men's & women's), diapers (sz PREEMIE, newborn & sz 6), pull ups (sz 3T-5T), baby formula & wipes, spray air freshener/deodorizers, spray cleaners (disinfectant, cleanser, etc.), toilet paper, paper towels, tissues (boxes & pocket size), Chapstick, men's (boxers) & women's underwear (all sizes), men's shoes & boots, warm clothing, cloth dish towels, non-perishable food & lots of PRAYERS. We have an Amazon.com wish list if you would like to send us items directly: click on St Francis Inn. Donations may be dropped off at the Muller's porch, 472 Poplar Lane in Whitemarsh Woods or in the box in the Church vestibule. Our complete list of needs can be found on the front of our donation box. May God Bless you always abundantly!

"My prayer is that when I die, all of hell rejoices that I am out of the fight"

C.S. Lewis

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: ann59bil@gmail.com. We are always in need of weekday drivers and group leaders!

Catholic Relief Service: Operation Rice Bowl is back! Please pick up your collection box at the doors of the Church. Alms are used to aid the poor and needy around the world. Boxes will be collected before Easter. Thank you!

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.

Man Up Philly: The 12th Annual Catholic Men's Conference will take place on Saturday, March 7th at Neumann University. Last year 1200 men attended the conference, this is a wonderful opportunity for men to get together and share their faith. Go to www.manupphilly.com for information.

St. Raphaela Center: Celtic Day of Prayer on March 11th from 9AM to 2:30PM. Come for a day of reflection led by Sr. Megan Brown, RSM a dynamic presenter who has done extensive study in Celtic spirituality, call 610-642-5715 for more information.



Upcoming Anniversary Events

March 8th to 10th – Parish Mission

April 25th – Senior USO Canteen

Spring, 2020 – Family Movie Night

September 13th – Closing Mass & Dinner at Presidential Caterers

Parking Alert: The Fire Marshall has notified the Church Office that they have been made aware of people parking in no parking zones in the Church parking lot, especially in front of the Church on the circle. They will start issuing violations to any vehicle parked in a no parking zone. Please do not park in these zones. Thank you.

Retrouvaille: Tens of thousands have healed their marriage through Retrouvaille. Marriage problems, difficulties or crises? Join us on February 21-23 at Malvern Family Life Center, call 215-766-3944 / www.HelpOurMarriage.org



Laughter works Wonders!

A priest known for his long homilies, noticed a man get up and leave during the middle of his sermon. The man came back just before the end of Mass. Afterward the priest asked the man where he had gone. "I went to get a haircut," was the reply "But," said the priest, "Why didn't you do that before the Mass?" "Because," the man said, "I didn't need one then."

"As two pieces of wax fused together make one, so he who receives Holy Communion is so united with Christ that Christ is in him and he in Christ."
St. Cyril, Feast day is February 14th.



SPN WOMEN'S GUILD /ANNUAL SUZY JO DONUT SALE

After Masses on Saturday February 22nd and Sunday February 23^d

½ DOZ DONUTS - \$5 or 1 DOZ DONUTS - \$10

THANKS FOR SUPPORTING OUR WOMEN'S GUILD!!

St. John's Hospice: The month of February contains a day set aside for "random acts of kindness". Could you consider doing a random act of kindness for your fellow man this month by donating a casserole to St. John's Hospice? Your casseroles go directly to feed the hungry and homeless. Additionally, St. John's is happy to accept donations of gently used or new men's clothing. Casserole donations can be homemade or store bought. Frozen casseroles and/or clothing donations can be dropped off at 2311 Mulberry Lane before or after all Masses on Saturday, February 29th & Sunday, March 1st and by 9AM on Wednesday March 4th. 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!



"It is a beautiful and salutary thought that, wherever people are praying in the world, there the Holy Spirit is, the living breath of prayer"
Pope St. John Paul II



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!

We have Scrip Cards in the Church Office & on sale in the vestibule after Masses.

You can buy gift cards for over 780 retailers (www.shopwithscrip.com) and earn a rebate on every card.