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**SAINT PHILIP NERI CHURCH  
LAFAYETTE HILL, PENNSYLVANIA**

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NOVEMBER 20, 2011**

**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE KING**

**Second Collection Next Weekend:  
Debt Reduction**

**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: Peter Black, Mary Connery, Mary DiDonato, Hector DiGiacomo, Lillian Doherty, Marge Gallagher, Sharon Hofknecht, Rachel Horvath, Vincent Jacoby, Geraldine Jones, Catherine Kershaw, Laretta Kolb, Pat Kost, George and Molly Lozinak, James Maggetti, Sue Male, Joan Marine, Barbara Martinick, Julia McLaughlin, Margaret McLaughlin, Jean McLenigan, Carmen and Helen Morelli, John Mullahy, Lisa O'Brien, Thomas Mortimore, IV, John Rees, Gloria Reilly, Baby Peter Sayegh, Tim Schwartz, Betty Smith, Gabriel Vereczkei, 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: Claire Fleming.

**BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTIONS** are scheduled for Tuesday, December 6, 7:30 PM 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. Also, please call the Church Office at 610-834-1975 for sign up purposes.

**WE WELCOME** Clare Marie, daughter of George and Maggie Atkins, Isabel Rose, daughter of Thomas and Katrina Bland, Reese Kimberly, daughter of Matthew and Melaine Daley, and Samantha Dee, daughter of Daniel and Dana Marchozzi into the Parish Community of Saint Philip Neri Church. These babies were baptized last Sunday

**Question of the Week**  
**In what ways is Jesus the ruler  
of your life?**

## **ANNOUNCED MASSES**

### **Monday**

6:30 AM George and Mary Barr  
8:30 AM Mary L. Basile

### **Tuesday**

6:30 AM Helen Tatlow  
8:30 AM John DiDonato

### **Wednesday**

6:30 AM Albert Busfield  
8:30 AM Pasquale Ciammetti  
2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary

### **Thursday**

9:00 AM William Stephens

### **Friday**

8:30 AM Mary L. and Anthony J. Basile, Sr.

### **Saturday**

8:30 AM Deceased Members of the  
Loughery and Lafferty Families

### ***PASTOR'S NOTE...***

Once again we are so happy to welcome Bishop Daniel Thomas as he will celebrate our 9:00 AM Mass on Thanksgiving Day. Bishop Thomas has come here for the last several years and hope many in our parish community will join him in giving thanks to God for His many blessings to our parish and families.

**THANKSGIVING ECUMENICAL SERVICE**  
**7:30 WEDNESDAY EVENING**  
**Church of St. Jude and The Nativity**  
**203 Germantown Pike**

**Children's Liturgy of the Word**  
**10:00 AM Sunday, Preschool Building**  
[nlcwilliamson@comcast.net](mailto:nlcwilliamson@comcast.net)

### **Blood Drive**

The American Red Cross will be in our school gym on Monday, from 2:00 to 8:00 PM. Please

take this opportunity to give the Gift of Life. You may make an appointment by contacting Bob Dunne at 610-941-9162 (H), 610-542-3063 (W), or [rdunne@devereux.org](mailto:rdunne@devereux.org). If you have any questions about your eligibility to give, please visit the Red Cross web site at [www.pleasegiveblood.org](http://www.pleasegiveblood.org)

### **Music Notes - Wedding/Funeral Music**

Please contact Jean Martin 215/704-0508  
Please be mindful of the ministry of the parish musicians and their concentration on the liturgy. ***“If the space occupied by the choir and instruments is visible to the assembly, it must reflect the sacredness of the music ministry.”***  
Church Document: Sing to the Lord, *Music in Divine Worship, USCCB*

### **WOMEN’S PRAYER GROUP**

Please consider joining our Women’s Prayer Group. We meet from 10:00-11:00 every Thursday morning in the Rectory Conference Room. We would be glad to have you join us.

### **MEN’S PRAYER GROUP**

Men of different ages meet every Wednesday morning in the Rectory Conference Room from 7:30 to 8:30. There are no experts, just men searching for a deeper relationship with God. If you are interested in joining and wish more information, call Duane McCarthy at 610-825-5237.

**H.O.P.E.** If you, or anyone you know, needs transportation to a doctor or dentist appointment, or to Church on Sunday, please call Anne or Bill Franks at 610-828-2530 or email: [ann59bil@gmail.com](mailto:ann59bil@gmail.com), or Loretta Zych at 215-836-1127. Additional weekday drivers and group leaders are needed.

**Philippians** - Anyone interested in joining our organization, please call Joan Meade at 610-828-6641. New members are always welcomed.

*Or 610-828-0344*

**The Donut Man:** Tickets available at the back of the Church after the 10:00 Mass on Sunday, November 20th or by contacting Linda Banecker. Rob Evans, The Donut Man, will be performing at our Parish on ***Sunday, November 27th at 3:00 in the school hall.*** He engages the children in song and stories about the Bible. The kids will have a blast! I could use some help, so if you are willing, please contact me. Thanks!

**Book Club:** Next book is *Between Heaven and Mirth* by Fr. Jim Martin. Father will be speaking at our parish **on December 16 at 7:30 PM in the Church.** Father will be conducting a book signing. Reading this book and attending the book club will be a great introduction to Father's talk.

***Book club meeting is Tuesday at 7:00 PM in the school library.***

**Small Christian Community:** Reflect on the Sunday Scriptures ***Tuesday mornings after the 8:30 Mass in the sacristy.***

### **RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF**

**ADULTS** Interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? If you are interested in becoming a member of the faith community here at St. Philip Neri, call the Religious Education Office at 610-834-9868. We are interested in learning more about you too!

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### **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 and at Barbara McCarthy’s (610-828-2058). Frozen casseroles are brought to Barbara’s house before 9:00 AM the first Wednesday of each month. The next delivery is Wednesday, December 7. Please consider this work of mercy in your busy schedule.

**ADULT Faith Formation is a Lifelong Journey**

Contact: [LindaBaneckerAFF@aol.com](mailto:LindaBaneckerAFF@aol.com)

**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP**

The high school youth group will be volunteering at Operation Santa Clause on Saturday, December 17. We will leave SPN at 9:30 and return for a pizza lunch at 12:30. Let's try to make this year as successful as last year! Please RSVP to Mrs. McGroary at [mbmcgroary@saintphilipnerschool.com](mailto:mbmcgroary@saintphilipnerschool.com)  
The youth group will have a meeting on Wednesday, December 7, in the old gym. Hope to see you there!

### **Saint Philip Neri Scrip Program**

Thanksgiving is almost here. When you and your pilgrims decorate, cook, and give thanks for your many blessings, consider including SCRIP in the celebration. Using SCRIP gift cards for your everyday purchases will stretch your budget and support St. Philip Neri Parish. Buy SCRIP gift cards after the weekend Masses, or during church office hours, or at [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com) - SPN enrollment code 7D53E11E329L. \$100 per week of grocery store gift cards (for a year) will earn you \$125 in FREE tuition credits or FREE gift cards. SPN will also earn \$125 in FREE money - at no extra cost to you.

### **Giant A Plus School Rewards Program**

Thank you - 66 Giant Bonus Cards have been registered! There's still time for you to register! Simply e-mail your name and Giant Bonus Card number to [spnscrip@gmail.com](mailto:spnscrip@gmail.com), OR jot down your name and Giant card number and drop it in the collection basket. Your Giant purchases will earn money for SPN school through March 2012. If you have questions, please contact Patti Hinchey or 215-836-2129.

**Volunteers needed...** Saint Philip Neri Church is in need of volunteers to help clean the Church. Can you spare one hour on a Friday morning, once a month, to be part of a group that helps keep our Church beautiful? If you are interested please call Mary in the Church Office at 610-834-1975.

### **SAVE THE DATE!** Candlelight Christmas Concerts

**GAUDEAMUS** will be performing on the following dates: Epiphany of Our Lord Church – Plymouth Meeting Sunday, December 11~ 7:30PM and St. Francis of Assisi Church, Norristown, Sunday, December 18, ~ 3:00PM *Gaudeamus* is a ten-piece musical group featuring Connie Cannon Steuer as pianist, Sarah Agnew Norman and Kelly Brobson as vocalists, and an ensemble of professional musicians. The concerts will consist of sacred, traditional and classical Christmas music and will include many of your holiday favorites! Both concerts are free and open to the public. For additional information, please visit the Gaudeamus website at [www.letusrejoice.net](http://www.letusrejoice.net) or contact Connie at (610) 291-4255.

God. No suffering can efface this divine image imprinted in the depths of our humanity. But there is more: because the Son of God wanted freely to embrace suffering and death, we are also capable of seeing God's image in the face of those who suffer. Dear friends, our society, which all too often questions the inestimable value of life, of every life, needs you: in a decisive way to help to build the civilization of love. –Pope Benedict XVI – visit to San Jose Foundation for disabled youth, Madrid, August 20, 2011.

### **2011 Day of Sanctification for Priests**

The priests of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia assemble each year for a day of prayer and reflection on the Sacred Priesthood. This year our priests will gather with Archbishop Chaput at Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary on Monday, for a Day of Sanctification for Priests. Please pray for all priests of the Archdiocese, especially this weekend and Monday, with the following prayer from the *Roman Missal*:

Lord our God, you guide your people by the ministry of priests. Keep them faithful in obedient service to you, that by their life and ministry they may bring you glory in Christ. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **IHM Spirituality Center**

Advent Sabbath Days: December 6 and 15 from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Immaculata, PA  
In silence and sacred space, prepare to celebrate the mystery of the Word made flesh. Each day will open with prayer followed by a brief reflection and suggestions for personal prayer. Eucharistic Adoration will be available in our chapel. For more information or registration, contact Sister Barbara Cook at 610-647-4136 or [ihmspcenter@hotmail.com](mailto:ihmspcenter@hotmail.com).

### **Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish**

Advent Mission “*Being a Disciple of Christ in Today's Culture*”. Father Joseph V. Agostino, C.M. from the Miraculous Medal Shrine. The mission begins at 5:15 Vigil Mass on December 3 and continues through Sunday Masses and evening service on Monday, December 5 at 7:30 PM. All are welcome.

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### **Word of Life**

These witnesses (young people with severe disabilities) speak to us, first and foremost, of the dignity of all human life, created in the image of



**HAPPY THANKSGIVING**

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