



*I am the  
resurrection  
And  
the life*

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SAINT PHILIP NERI CHURCH  
LAFAYETTE HILL, PENNSYLVANIA

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APRIL 24, 2011

EASTER SUNDAY  
The Resurrection of the Lord

Second Collection: Debt Reduction

Second Collection Next Weekend:  
Catholic Charities Appeal

**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: Joie Nicole Barr, Addison Birney, John Cacchio, Jr., Ed Coach, Mary Connery, Patricia Coscia, Susan DiBonaventura, Mary DiDonato, Lillian Doherty, Charles DiLullo, Jr., Edward Pfeifer, Michael Egan, Claire Fleming, Nicholas Floutsis, Mildred Fulginiti, Marge Gallagher, Bill Geppert, Jason Hamilton, Arthur Hellebusch, Sharon Hofknecht, Bertha Jablonski, Vincent Jacoby, Jean Marie Keenan Johnston, Catherine Kershaw, Laretta Kolb, Cecelia Kropp, George and Molly Lozinak, Lauren Lamar, James Maggetti, Margaret McLaughlin, Joan Marine, Julia McLaughlin, Jean McLenigan, Sue Male, Barbara Martinick, Carmen and Helen Morelli, John Mullahy, Lisa O'Brien, Thomas Mortimore, IV, Dolores O'Neill, James V. Pienkowski, Barbie Preston, John Rees, Ann Rathke, Gloria Reilly, Peter Shields, Sr., Betty Smith, Tim Schwartz, Mary Szoffara, Rhonda Younglove 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: Mary Ann Willis, Kevin Flanagan, Gregory Cenevino, and Margaret Mateja.

**BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTIONS** are scheduled for Tuesday, May 3, 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.

**Mother's Day Cards**

At the doors of the church there are Mother's Day cards for living and deceased mothers. All the Masses on Mother's Day will be offered for them as well as Masses said during the month of May. Please fill in the information on the envelope provided and drop it in the collection basket or the Church Office. The card may be given to your mother on Mother's Day, or if your mother is deceased, keep it as a keepsake.

**ANNOUNCED MASSES**

Monday

6:30 AM Charles and Margaret Ponietowicz  
8:30 AM Mary L. and Anthony J. Basile, Sr.

Tuesday

6:30 AM Edward Mack  
8:30 AM Dr. Albert Kraft

Wednesday

6:30 AM Joseph Chally  
8:30 AM Charles H. Kimbel

Thursday

6:30 AM Thomas and Catherine Mortimer  
8:30 AM Steven S. Staranowski, Sr.

Friday

6:30 AM Brendan Gray  
8:30 AM Elmer and Ronnie Sague

Saturday

8:30 AM Edward Mack



**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**

Please welcome our new Catholics!

Denise McLafferty, Christy Stimmler, and Alaina Gowder were received into full communion with the Catholic Church by Monsignor Vance at the Easter Vigil. After months of personal dedication and preparation with our RCIA team, they have attained the goal and faithfully responded to God's call. Please keep them in your prayers and make them feel welcome. They are a wonderful addition to our parish family here at St. Philip's!

**ADORATION OF THE  
BLESSED SACRAMENT**

**MONDAY, MAY 9  
9:00 AM TO 7:00 PM – CHAPEL**



### **Alleluia!**

Christ is risen! Alleluia! Like Mary Magdalen, share Jesus' life with those around you by telling someone you know about what happened at Church this weekend. In addition, tell people about the work that Catholic Relief Services is doing on our behalf throughout the world, and invite them to become a part of this work by contributing to Operation Rice Bowl. Thank you for your participation this Lenten season! *(If you haven't already placed your ORB donation in the offering basket, there is still the opportunity to do so next weekend.)*



### **Think About It! Adult Faith Formation**

#### **Women's Mini-Retreat:**

#### ***Rejoice O Favored Daughters!***

Sr. Marie Michele from Mercy Spiritual Ministries will present a program on Women in Scripture: Mary and Elizabeth. The day will include Mass, breakfast, presentations, quiet time, reflection and discussion. **Saturday, May 7, from 8:30 AM-Noon.** **Cost: \$10.** Contact [LindaBaneckerAFF@aol.com](mailto:LindaBaneckerAFF@aol.com) by April 30th to reserve your spot. Come on ladies, you know you need this! Will you make the time to give yourself this gift? Invite your friends!

### **QUESTION OF THE WEEK**

Why do you believe that you will live with Christ for all eternity?

### **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 (E-mail: [ann59bil@gmail.com](mailto:ann59bil@gmail.com)), or Loretta Zych at 215-836-1127. Note: Additional weekday drivers and group leaders are needed.

### **Saint Philip Neri School Registration**

Saint Philip Neri School is accepting registration for the 2011-2012 school year. For a registration packet and a tour of our school call 610-828-3082. Additional information may be viewed on the school's website at [www.saintphilipnerischool.com](http://www.saintphilipnerischool.com).



### **SAINT PHILIP NERI SCHOOL NEWS**

SPN finished the month of March with our school play. Under the direction of Colleen Sutcliffe and help from numerous parent volunteers, the students worked tirelessly to put on a great performance of *South Pacific*. Way to go SPN Theatre Company on a job very well done! **Author David Adler** visited St. Philip's. Mr. Adler is an author of fiction and non-fiction books for young readers. He is the author of the well known Cam Jansen mystery series along with several acclaimed works on the Holocaust for young readers. Mr. Adler spoke to students about his work as an author and provided valuable enrichment in the writing process. SPN also held another, successful, Spring Book Fair. Some of the proceeds generated from the fair help to make visits like this possible. Our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual **Special Persons Day** was held in March. Students in pre-K through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade invited a "special person" to school for a prayer service and refreshments. This was a nice opportunity for the younger students to show how important a special person can be in their lives. **The 8<sup>th</sup> Grade held their Annual Retreat** as part of preparation for graduation. John Paul Kasperowicz led the retreat, using prayer, song, humor, and his strong knowledge of faith and God to aid students in self-reflection. One student put it perfectly, "Never ending were his jokes and hilarious anecdotes of his life as a spiritual leader for young people. He really connected with the class and kept our attention drawn to God." The 8<sup>th</sup> grade shared memories with one another, prayed for themselves and others, and sang numerous songs. Mr. Kasperowicz made it very clear that even though they may not always feel worthy, God feels otherwise. This was a great opportunity for them to believe in the love, trust, and support of God. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade also had the privilege of attending the **Leonardo daVinci exhibit** at The Franklin Institute. The students had been studying daVinci in science class and this very interactive, hands-on exhibit helped to enhance their understanding of him as an inventor, scientist, mathematician, and artist. From building with K'Nex to participating in an animated display of Leonardo's legacy, it was both fun and educational for the kids. **Congratulations to our 6<sup>th</sup> grade Confirmation class.** On April 14<sup>th</sup> they were confirmed by Bishop John McIntyre. Please keep them in your prayers as well as our 2<sup>nd</sup> grade parish members, preparing for their First Communion. We enter into the Easter Season, a season full of life. The students and faculty at St. Philip's are often reminded of the Holy Spirit within themselves. We'll go forth together, enjoying the good news, continuing our Lenten promises of prayer, sacrifice, and giving. **Happy Easter.**

**Support school choice!** Senate Bill 1 will help thousands of children attend the school of their choice with

increased Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) scholarships and vouchers for qualified families in certain areas. The Advocates for Catholic Education in Pennsylvania or ACE-PA is an extensive network of concerned parents, educators, alumni, parishioners and taxpayers who will speak with one loud voice in favor of school choice. Sign up at [www.pacatholic.org/ace-pa](http://www.pacatholic.org/ace-pa) and learn more about what you can do to help pass Senate Bill 1 and make a brighter future for the children of Pennsylvania!



### **Magical SCRIP**

Happy Easter from the St. Philip Neri School students and parish, who benefit from your participation in SCRIP and the free revenue generated by SCRIP gift cards. Thank you to the SCRIP volunteers, the Parish Office, the Parish Finance Committee, and the SPN Home and School Association who promote SCRIP and volunteer their time to sell SCRIP gift cards. For more information or questions on this program please contact Patti Hinchey at 215-836-2129.

### **BJ's Wholesale Club** **Supports Saint Philip Neri School**

Membership cost is \$40, instead of \$50. You receive 14 months instead of 12 months and St. Philip Neri receives \$5 for every new or renewal membership. Please return application, (found at the back of church), make check payable to BJ's Wholesale Club and return to the church office or school office to the attention of Linda Pizzi, 610-940-1331 or [lpizzi@verizon.net](mailto:lpizzi@verizon.net). **DEADLINE FOR THIS OFFER IS: MAY 18.** Please contact Harry George for more information at 610.940.4761 or [hgeorge@bjs.com](mailto:hgeorge@bjs.com).

### **Blood Drive**

The American Red Cross will be in our school gym on Thursday, **May 5**, 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)

### **Frozen Casseroles for St. John's Hospice**

Could you find time to make a casserole for the homeless at 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, May 4. Please consider this work of mercy in your busy schedule. They are greatly needed and appreciated.

WOMEN'S PRAYER GROUP

Please consider joining our Women's Prayer Group. We meet from 10:00 to 11:00 every Thursday morning in the Cry Room in the Church. 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.

### **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!



### **Wedding Music**

The Sacrament of Matrimony is enhanced by the use of Liturgical Music. Our Music Director is available to help you prepare Music and Liturgy for your Wedding Mass or Ceremony. After placing your wedding date on the parish calendar, contact Jean to confirm this date and to set up an appointment to discuss details. All Parish Cantors will be recommended at that time. Should you desire additional instrumentalists, those contacts will also be made at that time. Jean Martin: 215/704-0508 or [Jeanm1@comcast.net](mailto:Jeanm1@comcast.net)

### **Archdiocese of Philadelphia** **Catholic Charismatic Renewal Conference**

Saturday, April 30, 8:00 AM-7:00 PM  
John Paul II High School, Royersford, PA  
"Faith to Move Mountains"

On the eve of the Beatification of Pope John Paul, II, this promises to be one of the most powerful conference you will ever attend! Keystone Spaker, Celebrant and Homilist will be Fr. Andrew Apostoli, from EWTN. Conference speakers will be Monsignor Ralph Chieffo, Kathleen McCarthy, and Monsignor Joseph McLoone. Vigil Mass for Divine Mercy Sunday. Ticket price includes: conference, lunch, snacks and all sessions, \$45 (until April 25) \$55 after that date. For more information call 215-535-2962 or [www.phillyspirit.com](http://www.phillyspirit.com)

**Youth Track with Fr. Stephen DeLacy**  
9:30 AM to 7:00 PM

Concert and talks with Righteous B. Day includes videos, skits, food and fun. And so much more including Sunday Mass! All 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Graders Welcome!

For more information call Gloria Domino at 610-539-3455.

**St. Joseph's Prep Annual "Hawktion"** will be held on Saturday, April 30 from 7:00-11:00 PM at the Prep's Kelly Fieldhouse. All alums, parents and friends are invited to attend. 215-978-1004 or [www.hawktion.sjprep.org](http://www.hawktion.sjprep.org).



HAVE A BLESSED AND HAPPY EASTER

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