



*As a mother
comforts her child,
so will I comfort you...*

Isaiah 66:13

SAINT PHILIP NERI CHURCH
LAFAYETTE HILL, PENNSYLVANIA

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CHURCH**
May 13, 2012

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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: Karen Cella, Mary Connery, Mary DiDonato, Lillian Doherty, Lisa Dougherty, Marge Gallagher, Sharon Hofknecht, Rachel Horvath, Vincent Jacoby, 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, Frank Vinci, Wendall Young, III, 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: Reverend Michael J. Heim, Rev. Ildebrando E. Schifalacqua and Sister Blandina O'Neill SSJ, and Mary Patricia McMenamin.

BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTIONS are scheduled for Tuesday, June 5, 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.

Manna Bags will be distributed at all of our Masses this weekend. Kindly return your filled Manna Bag on next Saturday, or Sunday. Canned food items in greatest need are: beef stew, tuna fish, fruit, vegetables, pasta, soups,

and pork and beans. Thank you for reaching out to people in crisis situations.

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Monday

6:30 AM Raymond Schratz
8:30 AM Patricia Coscia

Tuesday

6:30 AM Anthony J. Basile, Sr.
8:30 AM Gloria Cafagna

Wednesday

6:30 AM Henry and Cecelia Kropp
8:30 AM Deceased Members of the
Brennan and Lowry Families

Thursday

6:30 AM Mary L. Basile
8:30 AM Earl Bruce Kirk
12:05 PM Michael Sabia
7:00 PM Benjamin Cruz

Friday

6:30 AM Genevieve Paxson
8:30 AM Michael Stephens

Saturday

8:30 AM Margaret Ponietowicz

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday, 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM

Chapel

Thursday,

The Feast of The Ascension of the

Lord

is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Masses are:

**6:30 and 8:30 AM;
12:05 and 7:00 PM.**

Respect Life Sunday

Today, Mother's Day, members of the Pro-life Union are selling Roses and distributing News Bulletins after each Mass. Please take a bulletin and be generous with your offering. All Catholic people are called to support this great cause.

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 enclosed 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.

Question of the Week

Would you have the courage to tell others to do as you do in order to be Christian? Why or why not?

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, or Loretta Zych at 215-836-1127. Additional weekday drivers and group leaders are needed.

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 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.

Blood Drive

The American Red Cross will be in our school gym on Thursday, May 31, 2012 from 2:00 to 8:00. 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. If you have any questions about your eligibility to give, please visit the Red Cross web site at www.pleasegiveblood.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. For more information contact: Marianne O'Connor 610-825-4975 or Rosemary McNichol, 215-247-2267. This group meets every third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM in the Rectory Conference Room. The next meeting is Tuesday.

RICA – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

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!_

The Philippians An organization for senior citizens fifty years and older that offers trips, programs, service projects and entertainment. New members are always welcome. If interested in more detailed information please call Joan Meade at 610-828-6641.

Garden Group

Thank you to the Youth Group, their sponsors and volunteers for the tremendous job of making our gardens weed free and preparing for new plantings. We will be calling you your support on occasion. You all were terrific!
Joan Chassey.

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 this Wednesday, June 6. Please consider this work of mercy in your busy schedule.

Friday

Saint Philip Neri Parish Annual Golf Outing

Skippack Golf Course

For more information contact

Fran McCusker

at franmccusker@msn.com

SPN Pub Night

Featuring

SEAMUS MCGROARY

Friday Evening

7:00-11:00 PM

Brittingham's Irish Pub

640 Germantown Pike

\$5 Cover Fee

\$3 Miller Lite and Yuengling Drafts

A portion of the proceeds will be donated
back to

Saint Philip Neri School.

Family and Friends Welcome!

SPN School News

Congratulations to Brett Schratz, one of our 8th grade students, who is a 2012 Neumann Scholar! This honor entitles Brett to a four-year full tuition scholarship to an

Archdiocesan high school and amounts to over \$20,000 in scholarship money. This scholarship was awarded to 40 academically talented students in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia by the Connelly Foundation. This year 889 students were eligible to take the Neumann Scholars Test and 763 students actually sat for the examination in January. Brett was recently honored as a Neumann Scholar at an installation ceremony and reception at Saint Joseph University on Sunday, May 6. We are very proud of Brett and his outstanding achievement. Brett has chosen to attend Archbishop Carroll High School in the fall.

8TH GRADE CAR WASH

Come out and help support the 8th grade class at SPN. They will be having their Spring car wash Saturday, May 19 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM in the Saint Philip Neri School parking lot. All donations are welcome!

St. Philip Neri Church

Cat's Meow Keepsake in wood of our Church. Truly a one-of-a-kind item-includes message on the back of the keepsake - \$25 each, Proceeds benefit St. Philip Neri Home & School Association, ALSO AVAILABLE: We have a limited supply of Confirmation and Communion keepsakes. Stop by the Church Office to see a sample.

SPN CYO 2012 Fall Sports Registration

SPN Cross Country boys and girls (\$35.00), Soccer boys and girls (\$80.00) and girls Volleyball (\$80.00) and Field Hockey (\$80.00) registration for 5th through 8th graders will take place in the school gym on the following dates: Monday June 4th, Tuesday June 5th, and Wednesday June 6th from 6:30 to 8:00pm. Anyone who plans to play Soccer, Volleyball, Field Hockey or run Cross Country in the Fall should register. For more information contact Brian Shields 610-397-0866 or brianpshields@yahoo.com.



SCRIP Gift Cards

Many SPN people use SCRIP gift cards to make everyday purchases, including Monsignor Vance, Sister Judy, and lots of SPN staff members! Jump on the bandwagon! Start with grocery store SCRIP gift cards.

You will fund raise for SPN, and earn Tuition Credits or FREE gift cards for you! Your rewards will add up fast. Gift cards are sold after the weekend Masses and during

church office hours. OR go 'high-tech' for more choices and register at www.shopwithscrip.com with SPN code 7D53E11E329L. Simply order gift cards on-line by midnight Sunday, and receive delivery through school, church office, or Sunday SCRIP volunteers. Questions? Contact Patti Hinchey 215-836-2129 or spnscrip@gmail.com.

Pilgrimage to Rome for the Canonization of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha, First American Indian Woman to be honored October 21. Travel Dates 10-19 to 10-25. Cost \$2,899.00. Call Betty at 610-828-4474, 610-329-7361 or Sylvia at 215-464-9531.

Saint Joseph University Girls Basketball Camp
Come and Experience Hawk Basketball! Saint Joseph's University is having their annual Cindy Griffin Girl's Basketball Camp. Girls can receive individual instruction

from Hawk coaches and players. Day Camp: (Ages 8-16) June 25-29, 9 am-3pm. Junior Day Camp: (Ages 5-8) June 25-29, 9 am-11:45 am. Team Camp: (Grades 7-12) June 23-24. Elite Camp: (High School), June 17th, 9 am -5 pm. It's intense, instructional and most importantly, FUN! Please call or email Kathy MacDonald at 610-660-1710, kmacdona@sju.edu for more information!

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Drive
St. Matthew Church, Truck will be parked at 7th Avenue, between Fayette and Harry Streets, Conshohocken, June 16, 9:00 am to 2:00 PM. In addition to clothing, they will be accepting small household goods (bed and bath lines, pots and pans, dishes, cooking utensils, shoes and books). No baby equipment, just clothing. For furniture pick up please call 215-288-8160.

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