



# Hosanna

*to the Son of David*

*Blessed  
is he  
who comes  
in the name  
of the Lord!*

*Matthew 21:7-9*

*Hosanna  
in the  
highest!*

SAINT PHILIP NERI CHURCH  
LAFAYETTE HILL, PENNSYLVANIA

## **SAINT PHILIP NERI CHURCH**

**MARCH 20, 2016**

**PALM SUNDAY**

**SECOND COLLECTION THIS 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: Jose Alvarez, Bella Jones Borkowski, Dolores Bucci, Kathy Caputo, Bill Coogan, Howard Daywalt, Kathy DiRusso, Mary DiDonato, Lillian Doherty, Emily Donhauser, Lisa Dougherty, Dolores (Dee) Downs, Phyllis Galanti, Christopher Greuters, Larry Falkowski, Jean Keenan, Pat Kost, Nicholas Lannutti, George and Molly Lozinak, Phyllis Luther, James Maggetti, Sue Male, Joan Marine, Barbara Martinick, Toby Merrill, Julia McLaughlin, Steven Merlin, Melanie Moletsky, Joe and Betty Mulligan, Joan Murphy, Lisa O'Brien, Joan O'Connell, John Oliveri, Baby Addison Pfeffer, Baby Harper Ann Renshaw, Sue Roccia, Xavier Ross, Tim Schwartz, Eva Seeton, Kristin Shearon, Robert Smith, Kena Thompson, Mike Whitaker, Paul Willemin 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 Loretta Allen and Matthew Copley.

**BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTIONS** are scheduled for Monday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, at 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.

### **FAST AND ABSTINENCE FOR LENT**

**2016** The Bishops of the United States prescribe, as minimal obligation, that all persons who are fourteen years of age and older are bound to abstain from eating meat on all the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday. Further, all persons eighteen years of age and older, up to and including their fifty-ninth birthday, are bound to fast limiting themselves to a single full meal on Good Friday, while the other two meals on those days are to be light.

## **ANNOUNCED MASSES**

### **Monday**

6:30 AM Thomas F. Keane, III.  
Frank and Concetta  
Lupinacci and Family  
8:30 AM Joseph P. McNichol, Sr.

### **Tuesday**

6:30 AM John McLaughlin  
8:30 AM Clare Fisher  
14<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

### **Wednesday**

6:30 AM Deceased Members of the Keane and  
Lupinacci Families  
8:30 AM Christian Ciammetti

**No morning Masses on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday. Please see the Holy Week Schedule for prayer services being offered.**

**Pastor's Note:** During Lent it is a good time to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. In order to make that as easy as possible for our parishioners the following options are available. In addition to our regular **Saturday confession schedule (12:00-1:00 PM)**, **confessions will be heard after Stations of the Cross (7:00 PM) on March 23<sup>rd</sup>** as well as the **Parish Penance Service on March 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 PM**. Additional priests will be here on March 21<sup>st</sup> to make the wait as short as possible. Please see Fr. Anthony or myself for special requests if the above times do not fit your schedule.

### **Rectory Cook Position**

St. Philip Neri is currently seeking someone to cook evening meals in the Rectory during the week. The schedule is random depending on the priest's schedule but generally includes anywhere from 2-4 nights per week. For more details or if you are interested please call Michael Pastorius in the church office at 610-834-1975 or by email at [mcpastorius@comcast.net](mailto:mcpastorius@comcast.net).

**The Church Office will be closed on Good Friday and Easter Monday.**

## **HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

### **Monday**

**7:00 PM** Parish Penance Service

### **Wednesday**

**7:00 PM** Stations of the Cross

### **Holy Thursday**

**7:30 PM** Mass of the Lord's Supper

A concelebrated Mass of the Lord's Supper with the Washing of the Feet. Our church will be open for visits and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from after Mass until 10:00 PM at the Repository in the Chapel.

**10 PM** Night Prayer at closing of Holy Thursday in Chapel

### **Good Friday**

**9:00 AM** Morning Prayer in Church

**Noon** Midday Prayer in Church

**3:00 PM** Passion and Death of the Lord

During the Liturgy, Communion will be distributed and Veneration of the Cross will take place. The **Good Friday Collection** will be for the upkeep of the Shrines in the Holy Land.

**7:30 PM** Traditional Stations of the Cross, followed by Veneration of the Cross.

**Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence for everyone 14 years of age and older.**

### **Holy Saturday**

**9:00 AM** Morning Prayer in Church

**Noon to 1:30 PM** Confessions

### **Easter Vigil**

7:30 PM Liturgy of Light

Liturgy of Word

Liturgy of Eucharist

### **Easter Sunday**

7:00, 8:30, 10:00 and 11:30 AM

### **Lenten NEEDS of St Francis Inn:**

**Deodorant! Hotel toiletries,** Coffee, Oatmeal, Laundry Soap, Sugar, Big Bars of Bath Soap, Preemie-Newborn Diapers, Size 4 Baby Diapers, Paper Towels, Toilet Paper, Prayers! You keep us going, St Philip Neri parishioners! We pray that you will experience a Happy Lent and Glorious Easter!

**The Blessing of Easter Food** has been a cherished Catholic ritual for centuries among families of Eastern European origin and adopted by people of all ethnic backgrounds who enjoy this richly symbolic custom. On Holy Saturday, families would prepare their Easter Food to be later blessed at church. After Easter Sunday's Resurrection Mass, the family and guests would share this blessed food and exchange good wishes. Please join the St. Philip Neri Community as we bless the Easter Food at 9:30 AM on Holy Saturday directly following the Prayer Service.

**St. Philips Vacation Bible School** is now holding registration for all parish children just completing Preschool (age 4) to 3rd grade. The date and time for VBS are everyday 9 a.m. to 12 noon, July 18-22. We are also interested in parent and student volunteers to help with this week of fun. Registration forms for VBS can be found in the back of the Church or on the St. Philip Church webpage. Any questions please call Dane Connelly: 484-804-1875.

### **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 by 9:00 AM. The next delivery date is April 6<sup>th</sup>.



### **SPN SCRIP Gift Cards There will be no SCRIP Sales on Easter Sunday.**

Purchase gifts cards for everyday purchases like groceries, clothing and restaurants. Did you know you can pay your Kohl's bill using Scrip! You will earn free gift cards, SPN tuition credits and generate revenue for the SPN community. The church office stocks a great selection of gift cards that can be purchased in the church office during the week or after the weekend Masses in the narthex. For even more retailers, register online at [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com) (SPN code 7D53E11E329L). For more information, contact Nicole Giacche (610) 834-1975, e-mail [spnscrip@spnschool.org](mailto:spnscrip@spnschool.org), or stop the church office.

**Women's Prayer Group** The next meeting will be Thursday, April 7<sup>th</sup> in the Rectory Dining Room from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm. All are invited! Join us and bring a friend. Sister Therese Michele, SSJ.

**Men's Prayer Group** Men of different ages meet Every Wednesday morning in the Rectory Conference Room from 7:30 to 8:30. If you are interested in joining and wish for more information, call Duane McCarthy at 610-825-5237.

**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.

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

**The Philippians** An organization for senior citizens fifty years and older that offers trips, programs, service projects and entertainment. New members are always welcome. For information on becoming a member, please contact Angela Berry (610) 260-1211.

For the Jubilee Year of Mercy, **Fresh Brew Bible Study** will present a mini retreat occurs on Wednesday nights, from 7:00 to 8:30 PM in the Rectory Basement. For additional information, contact Joe Banecker at 610-828-0344 or josephbanecker@aol.com.

**Mark your Calendar!! The 20th Annual Kelly Ann O'Connor Brunch** will be held on Palm Sunday, March 20, 2016 at Flourtown Country Club from 11:30 until 2pm. Adults \$25., kids \$15(13 and under), and children 3 and under, free!! For more information please contact: Marianne O'Connor, 610-825-4975 [occonnor4@comcast.net](mailto:occonnor4@comcast.net)

Mark your calendars- **Footsteps to the Cross** – Palm Sunday Evening- March 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm at St Titus Parish- 3006 Keenwood Road, East Norriton. If you are looking for a contemporary way to pray the stations this year for Lent, join Bethany Music Ministry at the Footsteps of the Cross. If you have never experienced this you won't want to miss it!

### **ATTENTION ALL CAHILLITES**

Roman Catholic High School  
Malvern Retreat  
[www.malvernretreat.com](http://www.malvernretreat.com)

I have been attending the Malvern, St Josephs in the Hills Holy Week Retreat for 25 years. It is an annual event in my life that is of great benefit to me. Vince Catrambone, a Cahillite, is recruiting Roman Alumni for a Roman Catholic High School Malvern Retreat group. The retreat will be held this August 12th-13th and 14th, (Friday evening, Saturday and Sunday morning). Please contact Vince at: VCAT1@comcast.net or call at 484 883 9026. If I can help or answer any questions, please contact Jim Bonner at: [jimbonnerret@aol.com](mailto:jimbonnerret@aol.com) or 610-832-1330

**Matthew Kelly Event** Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016- 9:00am – 1:30 pm Matthew Kelly, author of "Rediscover Jesus" is giving a discussion at St Alphonsus in Maple Glen Tickets can be purchased online at <http://cart.dynamiccatholic.com/passion-and-purpose-Maple-Glen-Pa-p/pp091716.htm>

### **WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**

Are you celebrating a special anniversary this year? The annual Archdiocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass will take place on Saturday, May 7, 2016 at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul at the 5:15 pm Vigil Mass with Archbishop Charles Chaput presiding. This mass is to pray for and with all married couples who are newlyweds, or who have been married 25 years or more, or 50 years or more. Friends and family are welcome and encouraged to attend. **REGISTRATION REQUIRED** To register visit: [www.phillycatholiclife.org](http://www.phillycatholiclife.org) or call: 215-587-0500

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