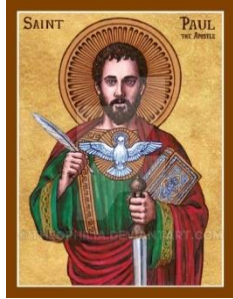


# Saint Philip Neri Church

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 3, 2019



*"Love is patient, love is kind.  
It is not jealous, it is not pompous, it is not inflated,  
it is not rude, it does not seek its own interests,  
it is not quick-tempered, it does not brood over injury,  
it does not rejoice over wrongdoing but rejoices with the truth.  
It bears all things, believes all things,  
hopes all things, endures all things"  
1 Corinthians 13:4*



Over the last few weeks there have been several incidents of someone finding consecrated Hosts in the Church. Recently a Host was found in the church parking lot. This is a desecration of the Blessed Sacrament and is a grievous sin. I ask our parishioners to please be aware of those around you to see if they consume the Host and if they don't, or you suspect anyone of not properly consuming the Host in a timely manner, please try to identify the person and tell one of our priests or deacon.



*Congratulations to Andrew Steinmetz & Emily Somogyi who were recently married here at St. Philip's.*

**We Welcome:** Bennett Christopher, son of Christopher & Jessica Tull and Ryan Michael, son of Louis & Catherine Volpe who were recently baptized here at St. Philip's.



**Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament  
Monday, February 11<sup>th</sup>  
9AM - 5PM in the Chapel**

## Mass Intentions

### Monday

6:30 AM James DeChurch  
8:30 AM Russell Giangiuolo

### Tuesday

6:30AM James J. Fox  
8:30AM Souls in Purgatory

### Wednesday

6:30AM Carol Tierney  
8:30 AM Sal Marucci

### Thursday

6:30AM Frank Gallagher, Sr.  
8:30AM Raymond F. Posluszny

### Friday

6:30AM Deceased Members of the  
Brennan & Lowry Families  
8:30AM Gretchen Frick

### Saturday

8:30AM William Berry – 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**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: Michael Basara, Jeanne Bass, Bella Jones Borkowski, Marita Boyce, Lou Cacchio, Vince Cellucci, Hunter Cranage, Jean Daywalt, Charlie Dickman, Dr. Robert Domanski, Emily Donhauser, Lisa Dougherty, Dolores Downs, William Drayton, Christopher Greuters, Baby Warren Hargadon, Andrea Harrison, Joseph Hoch, Jean Keenan, Nicholas Lannutti, Peter Lello, Anne Lintner, George and 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, Remo Pitassi, John Pacell, Baby Addison Pfeffer, Ann Purkin, Jim Rafter, Baby Harper Ann Renshaw, John Reynolds, Evelyn Rogers, David Sandy, John Schaifer, Tim Schwartz, Eva Seeton, Michael Shaw, Kristin Shearon, Robert Smith, Sarah Smith, Brian Stenz, Yvonne Stephens, Amy Swift, Kena Thompson and Wendi Wagoner and for all those who are hoping and praying for organ transplants.

**Sanctuary Lamp Intention:** This week our sanctuary lamp will burn in memory of Rebecca Michelle Nowak requested by Gregory J. Nowak & Denise Maggetti-Nowak on the anniversary of her birthday.

**Please Pray:** For those who died and those we remember in the silence of our hearts especially Sr. Kathleen Brabson, SSJ.

**Marriage Preparation Day / Pre Cana Classes:** The next Pre Cana Class will be on Saturday, March 30, 2019 here at St. Philip's. Please call the Church office at 610-834-1975 for more information and to register. Please pray for all couples participating and preparing for the Sacrament of Matrimony.

**Are you a parent who has lost a child:** An informal group of Moms & Dads get together to talk or just listen to others who understand how you feel. The next meeting is Tuesday, Feb 19th 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

**Apartment / Room Needed:** A fellow parishioner is looking for an apartment or room in or close to the parish. This middle-aged man of very good character and reputation finds himself in need of such accommodations, he would be an ideal tenant and very easy to get along with, if you or anyone you know, knows of any availability please contact Msgr. Vance or call the Church office at 610-834-1975

**Family Rosary:** Join the Knights of Columbus for the rosary on Feb 13th at 7PM. There will be petition cards that will be placed at the foot of Mary's statue in the Church. It only takes about 30 minutes, don't go it alone, Mary stands ready to help!

**Frozen Casseroles for St. John's Hospice:** Make your New Year's resolution to donate a casserole to the homeless of St. John's Hospice. Casseroles can be homemade or store brought. Any questions call Lynne Kennedy at 610-828-6728 or email: lkennedy@comcast.net Frozen casseroles can be brought to Lynne's home at 2311 Mulberry Lane before or after all weekend Masses or by 9AM on the pick-up day, the next pick-up date is Feb 6<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your generous and delicious donations and blessings for the New Year!

**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](mailto:ann59bil@gmail.com) Additional weekday drivers and group leaders are always needed.

**Music Notes:** St. Philip's Choir is now preparing for the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Parish. Join us as we sing for the Opening Mass, September 15, 2019 through the Closing Mass in September, 2020. The Choir will offer an Advent Service of *Lessons and Carols* on December 8<sup>th</sup>. Rehearsals are Tuesday evening. Consider joining the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Choir! Call Jean Martin at 215-704-0508 or email: [jeanm1@comcast.net](mailto:jeanm1@comcast.net)

Can you help keep the breakfast bowls in our community filled this winter? Will you donate a box of cereal or cereal bars? Collection box will be in Church vestibule until Monday, February 4<sup>th</sup>. All food collected will be distributed by *Martha's Choice Marketplace*, a pantry of Catholic Social Services in Norristown.

**Baptismal Instruction / Pre Jordan:** The next session is scheduled for Monday, February 18th 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.

**RCIA:** This is a program for those interested in discerning membership in the Catholic Church. This is a process for non-Catholics who wish to receive the Sacraments of Initiation or baptized Catholics who have not received all their Sacraments of Initiation. This is a wonderful program with a dedicated group of parishioners who make all feel most welcome. Contact Barney McGee at 610-834-1975 for information.

**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 intentions



**Save the Date**  
**SPN's Father / Daughter Dance**  
**February 8, 2018**  
**Details to follow**

**Shut-In Members:** Anyone who would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please call the church office as we have a couple of Eucharistic Ministers who take communion on Sundays. Anyone who would like to see a priest for an anointing or confession, call the church office at 610-834-1975.

**Knights of Columbus Council #16868:** Our council always looking to increase membership to help us in our charitable activities. We have had several successful fundraisers already and have plans for future events. This is a great group of men who get together once a month to put their faith into action. Please think about it, it does not require any hard commitment. Your attendance at meetings and participation at events can be as your time allows. Please call the Church office if interested (610-834-1975).



Pilgrimage to Portugal & Spain  
 Join Fr. Anthony on this 11 day pilgrimage to the shrines of Portugal & Spain. May 20<sup>th</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup>, for more info contact Select Int'l Tours at 800-842-4842 or email susan@select-intl.com



### **SPN School Parents**

We make it as easy as possible for our school families to participate in this program and save on tuition costs. Simply order on line and your order will be sent home with your child within days! This is money you are going to spend anyway, why not help SPN and your family budget. If you spend \$200 per week in groceries thru the Scrip Program you could accumulate \$260 in yearly credits toward tuition. Use the vouchers for yourself or give them to family, friends or neighbors. Cards are available for all sorts of stores as well. This program is under-used and great benefits are being missed, please give it a try! Go to the website and check it out at [spnscrip@spnschool.org](mailto:spnscrip@spnschool.org) or call Dawn or Tom Gale at 610-733-1878

### **St. Raphaela Center**

Join us for a retreat March 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> for men & women in their 20's & 30's. Considering making a transition in life, unsure about what lies ahead for you, trying to find meaning in your experiences? Grow in Faith, connect with others, and encounter God. For more information, contact us at [ignatianyaretreats@straphaelacenter.org](mailto:ignatianyaretreats@straphaelacenter.org)

**St. Mary by-the-Sea Retreat House:** A retreat center in Cape May, NJ sponsored by the Sisters of St. Joseph. Volunteers are needed for various one week programs this summer. We welcome new, as well as experienced staffers, and we'd welcome young volunteers 18 years of age and over. All you need is good physical stamina and a willing heart to help others! Call Sr. Sharon at 609-884-8708 or email [www.stmarybythesea.org/smbts](http://www.stmarybythesea.org/smbts)

**Aid for Friends Service Project:** Join us at the Miraculous Medal Shrine in Germantown on Saturday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9:30AM. With the help of the Bucks County Youth Group, participants will be assembling breakfast bags for Aid for Friends to deliver to shut-ins. We start with continental breakfast, opening prayer, assembling of breakfast bags, and closing with Mass at 12:05PM. We ask you to register if you plan to participate by emailing Deacon James Mahoney at: [jmahoney@cammonline.org](mailto:jmahoney@cammonline.org)

**New Beginnings II:** Organization which seeks to afford anyone who is widowed the opportunity to socialize with people from similar circumstances through activities, events and travel. We meet monthly at St. Helena's School cafeteria in Blue Bell. Please contact Janice Baker at 610-278-9916 or email at [janlb@comcast.net](mailto:janlb@comcast.net) for more information.

### **SPN Women's Guild 2019 Events Save these dates...**

**Annual Donut Sale,** After each Mass  
 March 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> - Church Lobby

#### **Annual Covered Dish Night**

Thursday, March 14, 2019

7PM – Cafeteria

Christy Haberstroh @ [chaberstroh1@yahoo.com](mailto:chaberstroh1@yahoo.com)

Maria Colavita @ [marialcolavita@comcast.net](mailto:marialcolavita@comcast.net)

Kristen Mortelliti @ [kmortelliti@comcast.net](mailto:kmortelliti@comcast.net)

**Designer Bag Bingo,** Friday April 12, 2019

6:30PM – Cafeteria, \$30.00pp

BYOB & snacks, Great Door Prizes

Deanna Marrone, 267-358-8015

Look for flyers in upcoming bulletins, on our Facebook page and at our school communications page. Thank you for your continued support of our Women's Guild. We look forward to seeing you at our events!

Paula DiGiacomo, President

**St. Francis Inn:** There is no way we can find a proper way to express our gratitude to all of you thoughtful parishioners who fill our donation box each and every week here at St. Philip's. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts and we hold you in our prayers. Our most urgent needs are men's boxers & woman's underwear (all sizes), Diapers-preemie & 4-6, pull ups (3T-5T), baby formula, toiletries (all sizes), deodorant, powdered milk, coffee, tea, sugar, oatmeal (not instant), tissues, paper towels, toilet paper and non-perishable food, men's boots & shoes (all sizes), air fresheners. A complete list of our needs is located on the front on the donation box in the Church vestibule. Donations may be dropped off on the Muller Family porch at 472 Poplar Lane in Whitmarsh Woods or in the bin located in the church vestibule. Thank you, God bless you, and a very Happy New Year!

**Helping the Needy:** St. Alphonsus HTN Ministry will begin collecting furniture for the needy starting Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>. Bedroom dressers, chests, end tables, lamps, chairs, kitchen & dining room tables are all needed. Call 215-346-6416 or email [htnministry@gmail.com](mailto:htnministry@gmail.com)