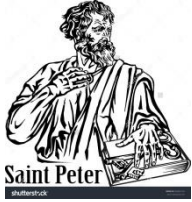


SAINT PHILIP NERI CHURCH

Sunday, August 26, 2018 / 21th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Second Collection - Debt Reduction



**“Master, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal
life. We have come to believe
and are convinced that you are
the Holy One of God.”**

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For almost 150 years the Little Sisters of the Poor have been privileged to serve & care for the elderly poor. The apostolate includes begging and personally assisting the dying around the world in 31 countries with 180 homes for the poor. The sisters will be at the doors of the church after each Mass today, please help if you can!

We Welcome: Leo Giacinto, Rocco Vance and Vincent Scott sons of Scott & Elizabeth Cavill and Kieran Joseph, son of Thomas & Cathy Rafferty all were baptized on August 19th.

Please Pray: For those who died and those we remember in the silence of our hearts especially, Sr. Marie St. Paul Alsbaugh and Rev. Msgr. James J. Shields.

Baptismal Instruction / Pre Jordan: The next session is scheduled for Monday, September 17th 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.



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns 24 hours a day in honor of the real presence of Christ in the Tabernacle. Weekly dedication of this candle for a deceased loved one is available, the names will be placed in the bulletin to acknowledge the intention. The donation is \$20.00, please contact the church office if you would like to reserve a week.

Sanctuary Lamp Intention: This week our sanctuary lamp will burn in memory of Frank & Gertrude Ghegan requested by George & Carolyn Clark.



Mass Intentions

Monday

8:30 AM Anita Coletta & Karen Coletta-DeGennaro

Tuesday

8:30 AM Sean Hanlon

Wednesday

8:30 AM Michael Foley

Thursday

8:30 AM Sharon Hofknecht

Friday

8:30 AM Mary DiDonato

Saturday

8:30 AM Michael Foley

* Please note the 6:30AM daily Mass will resume on September 4th



A group rosary is said every morning Monday to Saturday at 8AM, join the group and entrust your intentions to Our Blessed Mother.

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, Bella Jones Borkowski, Marita Boyce, Lou Cacchio, Vincent Cellucci, Hunter Cranage, Rick Czerwin, Jean Daywalt, Charlie Dickman, Dr. Robert Domanski, Emily Donhauser, Lisa Dougherty, Dolores (Dee) Downs, Patricia Durkin, Christopher Greuters, Baby Warren Hargadon, Elizabeth Ann Hill, Joseph Hoch, Jean Keenan, John & Kathleen Kunes, 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 and Betty Mulligan, Joe O'Brien, Lisa O'Brien, John Pacell, Baby Addison Pfeffer, Ann Purkin, Jim Rafter, Baby Harper Ann Renshaw, John Reynolds, David Sandy, John Schaifer, Gina Schindler, Tim Schwartz, Eva Seeton, Michael Shaw, Kristin Shearon, Edward Shertz, Robert Smith, Brian Stenz, Yvonne Stephens, Amy Swift, Kena Thompson and Wendi Wagoner and for all those who are hoping and praying for organ transplants.

RCIA: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is for individuals interested in exploring and discerning membership in the Catholic Church. Any questions please call Barney McGee at 610-834-1975 or email: bmcgee@spnchurchlh.org

Frozen Casseroles for St. John's Hospice: Could you find time to make a casserole for the homeless of St. John's? Plans, lids and recipes are available in the Church Office. Any questions call Barbara McCarthy at 610-828-2058. Frozen casseroles are brought to Barbara's house by 9AM. Next pick-up date is September 5th.

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.

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 Additional weekday drivers and group leaders are always needed.

Women's Prayer Group: We meet in the convent from 11AM to Noon on the 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month. Women of all ages are welcome. Call Sr. Regina Kropp at 610-828-2866 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 you are 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 write down your intentions so the group can pray for all listed petitions.

Charismatic Prayer Group: Would you like to discover the power of the Holy Spirit in transforming your life? Come join us on Thursday evenings from 8PM-9:30PM in the chapel. If you are coming or want information, please contact Bobbie Cefaratti at 610-828-5363.



Parish Registration: In order to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist or Matrimony, or to have access to Letters of Eligibility to stand as a Godparent at Baptism or as a Sponsor at Confirmation you need to be registered in a parish. It also helps parishes plan for future needs. If you are not registered or if you have any questions please call the church office at 610-834-1975.

New Beginnings: Are you a widow or widower? If so, the resulting change in your life could lead to isolation and loneliness. Our group affords anyone who is widowed the opportunity to socialize with people from similar circumstances in a supportive environment through activities, events, and travel. We meet monthly at St. Helena's Cafeteria on the first Wednesday of the month at 7PM. Please come join us! Contact Janice Baker at 610-278-9916 or janlb@comcast.net



Save the date, January 18, 2019 in Washington D.C., Epiphany of Our Lord will have buses leaving the parish. Call Bernie Toth at 610-279-2788.

Rachel's Vineyard Ministries: Post-abortion healing retreat in Malvern on Oct 12th, 13th & 14th, contact Lauren @ 215-720-5828 or Priscilla @ 215-906-6337.



Prep Volunteers are needed as catechists, aids & hall monitors for this coming fall. No experience necessary, training and continuous support will be provided. Middle school and high school students are welcome. The hours are Monday and/or Tuesday afternoons from 3:30PM to 6PM. All adults will need clearances but don't let that intimidate you; we will assist with the process. Please give it some thought, sharing and passing on the Faith can be a life changing experience!

Coming soon! Liturgy of the Word for Children. This program is specifically adapted for children 3 years old up to reception of First Holy Communion. Children will learn how to participate in the Liturgy of the Word (at the 10AM Mass) and return to their parents in the Church during the Presentation of the Gifts. Volunteers are needed one Sunday a month, to be readers and storytellers. All training will be provided.

Please contact Sharon Otto at 484-804-1785 or email: spnprep@spnschool.org

Chestnut Hill Meals on Wheels: For seniors 62 or older, no matter their physical health or any person who has difficulty shopping for food or preparing meals. Two meals cost \$9.00/day or one meal at \$4.50/day. Please see information sheets on church bulletin boards or call 215-233-5555, email: info@chestnuthillmow.org



St Francis Inn: To help prepare the children we serve for Back-to-School, we are in need of folders, marble copy books, school bags, rulers, pencil boxes or cases. Cold breakfast cereal & bars. Powdered milk, peanut butter & Jam, cans of tuna, chicken, Spaghettios & Chili. Complete needs list is on donation box in church vestibule. May God bless you!

What to help feed the hungry? For years, a group of SPN folks have gone to the repack center of Philabundance one day a month. This month we helped repack over 1000 lbs. of potatoes for delivery to neighborhood food cupboards, all in a 3 hour shift! Besides processing produce and frozen foods, we also work on a fun assembly line to pack boxes with food to help fixed income seniors. We depart at 8AM and return around 12:30PM. New volunteers are always welcome. A brand new initiative dubbed “Food Runners” that has started is one that addresses both food waste and local hunger. Wawa freezes some of their prepared food and we rescue it from going into the dumpster. We pick up from the Germantown & Joshua and Butler Pike Wawa’s and deliver it to a homeless shelter in Norristown. Currently we are only doing Friday pick-ups, but Wawa would love for us to cover Monday through Thursday as well. Contact Cindy Veit at 610-772-4740 or email (preferred) at LWVeit@gmail.com

Jazz Stars Dance Team: The team is looking for some new members. Grades 1 to 5, if you’d like to learn jazz, a little acting and have a blast! Classes begin after school this fall. Call Cathy Tubolino at 215-356-2139 or email at: Tapkat5678@aol.com

Holy Martyrs Fall Carnival: Come out and join the fun! September 18th -22nd - best end of summer party in town! Rides, games, bingo, craft beers and wine garden, and fantastic food. Take a chance on the nightly 50/50 raffle. There will be nightly music, be entertained by a magician and much more! Call 215-884-8575 or email: www.holymartyrschurch.org

SPN Women’s 55+ Bowling League: Looking for new members, we bowl at noon on Wednesday at Facenda Whitaker Lanes in East Norriton. Begins Wednesday after Labor Day continues through May. Call Suzanne Lily at 610-825-8142.

St. Martin of Tours Class of 1958: Join us for our 60th reunion on Oct 14th at the Brookside Manor (formerly Somerton Springs) from 1PM to 5PM, call Cathy Hynes Pfeiffer at 215-632-0328 or email at fxp3805@gmail.com

Bishop McDevitt Alumni Golf Classic: Monday, Sept 24th at North Hills CC, \$200.00/golfer includes lunch, open bar, dinner, on course contests and use of driving range and locker rooms to register call Beth at 215-439-1227 or go to www.mcdevitths.org/alumni/golfouting

Scrip: Giant, Shop Rite, Acme, Weis, AMC Theatres, Boscov’s, CVS, Kohl’s, Marshalls, Walmart, Target and all kinds of restaurants, please give it a try if you haven’t already. Purchase cards on line, in the church office or after all weekend Masses. It’s convenient, worthwhile and a great benefit to our great school! Email spnscrip@spnschool.org for more details



Choir Notes
Do you have a good voice?
Musical talent? Choir experience?
Now is the time to join SPN Music Ministry

Music Ministry provides beauty, joy, comfort, inspiration, and musical prayer for our communal liturgies and various parish celebrations. This is possible due to the generous sharing of time and talent of committed members. If you can carry a tune and want to learn, come sing with us! Rehearsals for the Adult Choir are on Tuesday evenings in the chapel starting Sept 4th from 7-9PM. We are looking for all voice ranges. The *Schola* of young adults has been a great success. We welcome high school, college/young parishioners to join to sing at Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve. Please look for flyers at church entrances. Contact Jean Martin at 215-704-0508 or email at jeanm1@comcast.net

New Horizons / Spirit Journey Ministry

EWTN Pilgrimage – October 28th to November 2, travel thru the majestic Blue Ridge Mountains and see fall foliage of North Carolina on our way to Alabama. Televised Mass, live show with Fr. Mitch, dinner with monks of St. Bernard Abbey and much more!

Jesus the Musical- Thursday, December 6th at the Sight & Sound Theatre in Lancaster. Sit-down lunch and 2 hours of shopping at Lancaster’s Tanger Outlet.

Shrines of Italy Pilgrimage – June 30th to July 13 with Fr. Gus Esposito, O.S.A. For more information call Helen at 610-213-4141 or email: helenshorizons@gmail.com

St. Alphonsus / Helping the Needy: Celebrating our 3rd anniversary and always looking for new members. Our ministry has served over 300 needy families supporting 20 ministries. For more information go to our website: www.stalphonsusparish.org/helping-the-needy

Knights of Columbus: Save the Date! Beef & Beer Social here at SPN Friday, October 5, 2018...details to follow.



We are looking for some volunteers to help keep our Church neat and clean, just one Friday morning per month, call the church office at 610-834-1975 in you can help out.
Thanks!