

Saint Philip Neri Church

September 1, 2019

Our parish extends a welcome to all our guests and visitors!
Second Collection Next Weekend – Black & Indian Missions



The Black & Indian Mission Collection has changed the landscape of evangelization and education efforts for Native Americans, Alaskan Americans and African Americans throughout the United States. This collection supports the Church on Indian Reservations, urban centers, Alaskan Native Parishes, mission schools and the many, many diocesan programs and projects that strengthen the work of the Gospel. Please support this collection.
Most Rev. Charles Chaput. OFM Cap.



Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament September 9th in the Chapel from 9AM to 5PM.



This week our sanctuary lamp will burn in memory of Christian Ciammetti, requested by his family.



Baptismal Instruction / Pre Jordan: The next session is scheduled for Monday, September 16th 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.

SPECIAL NOTE

There will be no 11:30AM Mass on Sunday, September 15th due to the 75th Anniversary procession at 2PM and opening Mass at 3PM. We hope a great many parishioners will attend this benchmark event to celebrate our parish. The picnic will be a chance for families to get together and have some fun & food while sharing and creating memories. Mark your calendar now and get your ticket for this great celebration!



Mass Intentions for the Week

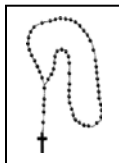
Monday	
8:30AM	Michael Foley
Tuesday	
6:30AM	Mary Biddle
8:30AM	Nancy Burdick
Wednesday	
6:30AM	Joanne Bill
8:30AM	Edward W. Moser
Thursday	
6:30AM	Betty Gorman
8:30AM	Jerry DeStefano
Friday	
6:30AM	Barbara Reilly
8:30AM	Barbara Gallagher 21 st Anniversary
Saturday	
8:30AM	Stephen Petka



Prayer Requests

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: Margaret Mary Asman, Baby Rayna, Michael Basara, Jim Bonner, Bella Jones Borkowski, Marita Boyce, Audrey Michelle Cacchio, Lou Cacchio, Vince Cellucci, Al Coletta, Ava Love Conley, Frank Craig, Hunter Cranage, Charlie Dickman, Dr. Robert Domanski, Emily Donhauser, Lisa Dougherty, Dolores Downs, William Drayton, Christopher Greuters, Andrea Harrison, Joseph Hoch, Charles Kropp, Nicholas Lannutti, Anne Lintner, George, Mary & Molly Lozinak, Phyllis Luther, James Maggetti, Jim Mahoney, Sue Male, Joan Marine, John McCann, Julia McLaughlin, Baby Avery McNichols, Steven Merlin, Baby Jack Muller, Joe Mulligan, Joe O'Brien, Doris Palumbo, John Pacell, Nancy Pease, Baby Addison Pfeffer, William Pinto, Ann Purkin, Jim Rafter, Baby Harper Ann Renshaw, John Reynolds, David Sandy, John Schaifer, Gena Schindler, Donna Schorn, Tim Schwartz, Michael Shaw, Kristin Shearon, Monica Skrocki, Robert Smith, Sarah Smith, Brian Stenz, Yvonne Stephens, Amy Swift, Kena Thompson, Joan Porrino Vetterlein, Mary Vogel and Wendi Wagoner and for all those who are hoping and praying for organ transplants.

Please Pray: For those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith especially Joanne Bailee and Brittany Figure.



Join the Knights of Columbus on Wednesday, Sept 11th at 7PM for a family rosary in the Church. Lay your prayers at Mary's feet and ask her powerful intercession



Welcome back to all our students (new & old), teachers, aides & administrators. School opens Sept 4th as we begin another school year at SPN. Thanks to our maintenance crew who has spent the summer painting, carpet cleaning and waxing floors to mention just a few of their projects. Most especially we are grateful to our parents, parishioners & benefactors who support our school. Your support makes possible the crucial mission of Catholic Education in the formation of our youth.

Catholic Women's Conference

Join over 1300 Catholic women from our area for a day of fun, friendship, faith formation and prayer. The theme is "Unique & Unrepeatable: Your Mission as a Catholic Woman". Speakers include Meghan Cokeley, De Yarrison, Dr. Monique Ruberu and the Sisters of Life. Saturday, Oct 26th, 9-4:30 PM, at the Nat'l Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown. Register at: www.catholicwomensconference.org

Gluten-Free Hosts: More and more people are in need of gluten free hosts. The celebrant will always have a few gluten free hosts available (those hosts are stored in separate vessels; they are not in contact with traditional hosts). If you are in need of one, simply receive communion from the celebrant and mention that you need a gluten-free host.

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 Sponsor at Confirmation you need to be registered in a parish. If you are not registered or if you have any questions call the Church office at 610-834-1975.

Summer Repairs: Summer may be winding down, but it's not too late to support this important collection that helps fund large improvement projects around the parish. Our new sign at the Germantown Pike entrance is an example of ongoing upgrades and maintenance. Donations can be placed in the collection or dropped off at the Church Office. As always, thank you for your generous support of your parish!

"God creates out of nothing. Wonderful you say. Yes, to be sure, but He does what is still more wonderful: He makes saints out of sinners." Soren Kierkegaard



Save the date!
Sunday, September 15th

75th Anniversary Procession, Opening Mass & Parish Picnic Kick-off Celebration

Procession will begin at 2PM at Miles Park, Mass at 3PM with a picnic immediately following in the SPN gym. For tickets & information please visit snpicnic.ticketleap.com

Tickets on sale after Masses beginning Aug 10th to

Sept 8th in the vestibule

Adults (13 & older) \$10.00

Children \$5.00 (3 and under are free)

Any questions email us at: snpjubille@gmail.com

Please come out and support this parish milestone and help make it a great success

SPN Classes of 1956 to 2019: All SPN Graduates from the classes of 1956 to 2019 are welcome to join us for an evening of food, music and a walk down memory lane. The celebration begins with the Saturday evening 5PM Mass followed by a reception at the school. Tickets will be available in October. We are looking for pictures for our slideshow or other SPN artifacts to display. We are open to any suggestions that might enhance the celebration. For more information contact Amy Antrim at 215-499-8442 or email: amyantrim@yahoo.com

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



Thanks to the generosity of a parishioner, construction of our shrine to Our Lady of Mount Carmel is nearing completion. This beautiful shrine to our Blessed Mother will remind all who pass by of her important role she has in our faith and parish life. The shrine will be dedicated on September 15th as part of the opening of our 75th anniversary celebration.

PREP News: If you would like join this vibrant team you would be most welcome. We teach because we love Jesus, and we want to help our children love Him, especially in the Eucharist. There is so much you can do in just a few hours on a Monday or Tuesday afternoon. We need classroom aids, lead teachers and cafeteria volunteers. Call Sharon Otto at 484-804-1875 or email her at: snpnprep@spsnschool.org for more information

Frozen Casseroles for St. John's Hospice: Summer is flying by and Labor Day is almost here! But the need to feed the homeless is ever present. Could you consider donating a casserole to St. John's Hospice this month? Casserole donations can be homemade or store brought. Also, did you know that St. John's will gladly accept gently used or new men's clothing donations to help cloth the homeless? Frozen casseroles and/or clothing donations can be dropped off at 2311 Mulberry Lane on Saturday & Sunday August 31st and September 1st before and after all Masses and by 9AM on Wednesday, September 4th. If you need an alternate drop off day or have any questions please call Lynne Kennedy at 610-828-6728 or email: lkennedy1071@comcast.net. Your continued generous support is much appreciated! Thank you!

"Let us pray God, if He gives us any virtue or any gift, to keep it hidden even from ourselves, that we may preserve our humility, and not take occasion of pride because of it."
St. Philip Neri

MUSIC NOTES

Our Parish Music Ministry provides beauty, joy, comfort, inspiration and musical prayer for our communal liturgies and 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 held Tuesday evenings in the Chapel beginning on August 27th from 7PM to 9PM. We are looking for all voices: soprano, alto, tenor & bass. St. Philip's *Schola* of young adult voices has been a great success. We would like to welcome more high school, college/young adult parishioners to join our group and sing for Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve. If interested contact Jean Martin at 215-704-0508 or jeanm1@comcast.net

RCIA: Program for individuals interested in exploring & discerning membership in the Catholic Church. Any questions call Barney McGee at 610-834-1975.

"Holy Communion is the shortest and surest way to Heaven. There are others, innocence, for instance, but that is for little children; penance, but we are afraid of it; generous endurance of the trials of life, but when they come we weep and ask to be spared. Once for all, beloved children, the surest, easiest, shortest way is by the Eucharist. It is so easy to approach the holy table, and there we taste the joys of Paradise"
Pope St. Pius X

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 petition.

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. **We are always in need of weekday drivers and group leaders!**

St. Francis Inn: To prepare our clients children for back to school, we are in need of folders, marble copy books, school bags, rulers, pencil boxes/cases, highlighters, markers and loose leaf paper (not college ruled). Cold breakfast cereal & bars, powdered milk, peanut butter & jam, cans of tuna, chicken, Spaghettios & chili. Our complete NEEDS LIST is posted on the side of our box in the Church vestibule. Donations may be dropped on the Muller's porch at 472 Poplar Lane in Whitemarsh Woods or in our collection box in the vestibule. In addition, we now have an amazon.com wish list: St Francis Inn. May God bless you abundantly. The Franciscans.



Scrip is fundraising while you shop! The Scrip Program allows you to earn rebates you can use towards tuition credits, another family's tuition or use to purchase more gift cards while spending the same amount you would have for your purchases., You can buy gift cards for over 780 retailers (www.shopwithscrip.com) and earn a rebate on every card you purchase. Please consider using Scrip for purchases you will be making anyhow! Contact Tom Gale at spnscrip@spnschool.org for more information.

We are short on sellers after weekend Masses, it only takes 10-15 minutes please consider volunteering for this parish fundraiser

Malvern Retreat House: In today's world of 24/7 sound bites, non-stop commercials, loud music and the like, it can be difficult to hear the really important voices in our life. Sometimes we just need a quiet, safe place where we can listen to our God who knows us, loves us and wants to tell us what is best for us. Malvern is just that place. Join the men/women of the parish the weekend of 9/6-9/8 for a retreat. Call Erik Toner at 215-435-1937 or email eriktoner@gmail.com, he will be in the vestibule after Masses on 8/24-8/25 to answer any questions.

John W. Hallahan High School
Class of 1969-50 Years!!!

Reunion is Sunday, 9/29/2019, Noon-4:00PM
Swan Caterers, South Philadelphia
For more Information Contact:
Paula DiGiacomo: 610-308-0797

"No treasure is as uplifting and transforming as the light of faith"
John Paul II