

Saint Philip Neri Church

September 29, 2019

Second Collection - Capital Replacement



Next week, there will be a second collection for the benefit of the Pro-Life Educational Foundation, a 501 (c)(3) charity that provides funding for various programs and groups, such as Generation Life, College pro-life groups, and crisis pregnancies centers. Your generosity will allow these groups to continue and to expand their vital work. Thank you.



This week our sanctuary lamp will burn in memory of Barbara Berber requested by Pat & Eileen McGinley.

Baptismal Instruction / Pre Jordan: The next session is scheduled for Monday, October 21st 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.

Block Collection

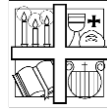
As you have read in the letter from Msgr. Vance this is a very important collection that enables us to continue to be good stewards of our parish buildings and grounds. Another aspect of returning your yearly Block Collection envelope allows the Church office to update the information we have on file for each of our families. Thank you in advance for your contribution to this critical fundraiser and returning your census information.

Parish 40 Hours Celebration Begins Tonight



September 29th - October 1st
Evening Service at 7PM

Fr. Eric Banecker will be the speaker, the theme is *Faith, Hope & Charity*, please make every effort to attend at least one night of this powerful devotion. The schedule of volunteers and assigned time slots is posted in the Church vestibule.



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday
6:30AM Frank Giovannone
8:30AM Michael Matozzo

Tuesday
6:30AM Margaret Berkey
8:30AM Helen, John & Robert Ansel

Wednesday
6:30AM Isidore (Bill) Mineo
8:30AM Peg Lafferty

Thursday
6:30AM Jack Bolger III
8:30AM Peg Lafferty

Friday
6:30AM Jack Bolger III
8:30AM William J. McKeever

Saturday
8:30AM Geraldine Lampe



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: Baby Rayna, Michael Basara, Bella Jones Borkowski, Marita Boyce, Jennifer Brands, Audrey Michelle Cacchio, Lou Cacchio, Vince Cellucci, 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, 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, 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 Rev. Francis J. Bartos and Sr. Rose Andrea Loughery, SSJ.

We Welcome: Olivia Rose, daughter of Joseph & Jaclyn McGovern, Gabriel Michael, son of Michael & Gina Parisi and Eleanor Margaret, daughter of Paul & Julie Skorup all were recently baptized here at St. Philip's.

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.

Congratulations to Our School: SPN has been awarded the "Archdiocesan School of Distinction Instruction 2019". The award recognizes that 90% of our students have made a year's academic growth at every grade level tested in every content area of the Terra Nova Standardized Tests. This is determined by an analysis of the Normal Core Equivalent scores of two consecutive years. Thank you to our faculty for your dedication in challenging our students to do their best and engaging them in their learning!

SPN Women's Guild Paint Night: Thursday, October 10th at 7PM in School Hall. Cost is \$30.00 and registration is required. For info contact either Chaberstroh1@yahoo.com / 610-283-1184 or kmortelliti@comcast.net / 215-718-4932

"We become like that which we love. If we love what is base, we become base; but if we love what is noble, we become noble."
Fulton Sheen

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!

Frozen Casseroles for St. John's Hospice: Are you back in the Fall swing of school, sports and family dinners at home? While cooking for your family could you consider making an extra dinner to help feed the homeless of St. John's Hospice? 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 to help clothe the homeless? Frozen casseroles and/or clothing can be dropped off at 2311 Mulberry Lane on Saturday & Sunday September 28th & 29th before and after all Masses and by 9AM on Wednesday, Oct 2nd. 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!

Volunteers for St. Joseph Villa: Persons 14 years or older to help with your time and talents in a number of ways with the residents. Call 215-248-7844 for more details.



Class Reunion

SPN Classes of 1956 to 2019

All SPN Graduates from the classes of 1956 to 2019 are welcome to join us on Saturday, November 30th from 6PM to 9PM 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

Are you a parent who has lost a child: An informal group of Moms & Dads get together to talk or to just listen to others who understand how you feel. The next meeting is Wednesday, October 15th 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.



Attention School Parents

In order for this program to render the maximum benefit to the school (and thus helping to keep tuition as low as possible) it is crucial to have a large pool of participants. If you are not participating please consider using the program. Scrip can be ordered on line and sent home with your child. If you are spending the money (especially groceries) why not get the added benefit to yourself and SPN. Please think about it!

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 Tammi at spnscrip@spnschool.org for more information.

Feeding the Hungry: The food runners of SPN recently passed the one year mark of rescuing food prepared by 4 local Wawa's and delivering it to five local sites, one site per weekday. The runs happen between 10AM & Noon each day and insulated bags are provided to help with the pickup and storage. Right now we need volunteers on Monday, Tuesday & Fridays. If being a "regular" is not possible, we welcome substitutes to cover as needed. For info contact Cindy Veit at LWVeit@gmail.com or 610-772-4740

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.

Philipians: We are a social organization for seniors in our area. We offer entertainment, trips, informational programs and opportunities for service projects. For membership info call Angie Berry at 610-260-1211.

"We always find that those who walked closest to Christ
were those who had to bear the greatest trials"
St. Teresa of Avila

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.

St. Francis Inn: Our immediate Fall needs are: Prayers, men's boxers/underwear all sizes, thermal underwear, men's pants (esp. sizes 30-36), tablespoons & soup spoons (no teaspoons), DEODORANT, hotel-size toiletries, travel size toothpaste & brushes, disposable razor, bath soap, white socks, disposable diapers size PREEMIE & size 3T, 4T, 5T & 6T only, baby wipes, formula & baby food, Pine Sol, bleach & laundry detergent. Iced tea mix, coffee, tea & SUGAR, peanut butter & jam, cans of tuna & chicken, Spaghettios, chili, oatmeal (not instant), cereal & bars, toilet paper, paper towels, gently used costume jewelry for the women's shelter. A detailed list is posted on the front of the donation box in the Church vestibule. Hoping our dedicated supporters had a safe & happy summer! Much love, The Franciscans.

St. Helena's 100th Anniversary: September 29th at 4PM, *Pageantry of Saints Concert*, dinner in the Empress Room afterwards, cost is \$15.00/pp. Call Theresa Smith at 215-646-7636 for information.

"To make mistakes is human; to stumble is commonplace;
to be able to laugh at yourself is maturity."

William Arthur Ward

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, go to www.malvernretreat.com for more information.

Helping the Needy: St. Alphonsus HTN Ministry will be collecting furniture for needy families during the month of September & October. The collection is specifically for bedroom dressers, chests, end tables, lamps, kitchen and dining room room tables & chairs, loveseats and small sofa's. Please call 215-346-6416 or email: htnministry@gmail.com

Lily's Loop 5K Run: This foundation supports babies & their families with unexpected and urgent needs due to premature birth. Sr. Marie Bambrick, SSJ from our convent is looking for members to be on her team and support it by sending a donation for the Oct 12th run. Donations can be completed on-line or simply drop it off in the Church office. You can walk the 5K vicariously! Please visit the website for details: www.lilyshopefoundation.org.



October 2nd is the Feast of the Guardian Angels. Their role is to represent individuals before God and to watch over them always.

Jesus' words in Matthew 18 best supports the belief:
"See that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that their angel in heaven always look upon the face of my heavenly Father." Say a little prayer of thanks to your guardian angel!

Catholic Womens Conference: Join over 1300 Catholic women for a day of fun, friendship, faith formation and prayer. The theme is *Unique and Unrepeatable: Your mission as a Catholic Woman* to be held at Nat'l Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa on Saturday, October 26th, 9AM-4PM go to www.catholicwomenconference.org for more information.

Chestnut Hill Meals on Wheels: A community based, non-profit devoted to meeting the daily nutritional needs of any of its neighbors challenged by illness, disability or age. The cost is \$9.00 a day for 2meals or \$4.50 for 1 meal, meals can be delivered 1 to 5 days per week. Call them at 215-233-5555 for more information.



SPN Knights of Columbus Council 16868
always welcomes new members, if
interested please call the Church Office.