SAINT PHILIP NERI CHURCH

FEBRUARY 16, 2020 6^{TH} SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

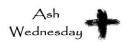
Second Collection - Aged & Infirm Priests Second Collection Next Weekend Capital Replacement Fund



"What eye has not seen, and ear has not heard, and what has not entered the human heart, what God has prepared for those who love him." Paul to the Corinthians



This week our sanctuary lamp will burn in memory of Joseph & Rita Tursi requested by Pat & Joe D'Alessandro.



Ash Wednesday-February 26th

Masses are at 6:30Am, 8:30AM & 7PM, ashes will be distributed during these Masses. There will be a prayer service (no Mass) at 12:05pm with distribution of ashes.



Msgr. Vance's Golden Jubílee 1970-2020

Mark your calendars, this spring Msgr. Vance will be celebrating the 50^{th} anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood. There will be a Mass of Thanksgiving followed by a reception on March 22^{nd} , stay tuned, details to follow.

Sacrament of Penance

Confessions are heard every Saturday from Noon to 1PM, or by appointment, call 610-834-1975 to schedule.



Monday

6:30AM Robert Getz -10th Anniversary

8:30AM Wally Flamm

Tuesday

6:30AM Richard O'Connor

8:30AM Sr. Maureen James Barr, SSJ

Wednesday

6:30AM Regina Varone 8:30AM John Galleo

Thursday

6:30AM Bonnie Gowen 8:30AM Joe DeSalvo

Friday

6:30AM Deceased Members of the

Santo Caruso Family

Saturday

8:30AM Margaret & Charles Ponietowicz



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: Angelo Amoroso, Baby Rayna, Andrew Bambrick, Michael Basara, Bella Jones Borkowski, Marita Boyce, Marc Burdick, Audrey Michelle Cacchio, Lou Cacchio, Barry Cahill, Vince Cellucci, Ava Love Conley, Hunter Cranage, Charlie Dickman, Joseph DiGiovanni, Dr. Robert Domanski, Emily Donhauser, Lisa Dougherty, Dolores Downs, George & Roseann Eberwine, Christopher Greuters, Andrea Harrison, Joseph Hoch, Charles Kropp, Anne Lintner, George, Mary & 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, Baby Addison Pfeffer, William Pinto, Ann Purkin, Jim Rafter, Baby Harper Ann Renshaw, John Reynolds, David Sandy, John Schaifer, Gena Schindler, Donna Schoen, Tim Schwartz, Baby Liyana Selvanathan, Michael Shaw, Kristin Shearon, Monica Skrocki, Robert Smith, Brian Stenz, Yvonne Stephens, Amy Swift, Kena Thompson, Mary Vogel, Wendi Wagoner, and for all those who are hoping and praying for organ transplants.

<u>We Pray:</u> For those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith, especially Albert J. LaBrusciano, Georgiana Papa, Jeanette Perkins, Dorothy Suhadolnik, James S. Smith and Betty Zbrzeznj.



<u>We Welcome:</u> Finley Marie, daughter of Daniel & Kirsten Overcash who was baptized here at St. Philip's.



Parish Mass for Healing & Anointing of the Sick Saturday, March 7th at 2PM

The Catechism defines the purpose of this Sacrament as "a conferral of a special grace on the Christian experiencing the difficulties inherent in the condition of grave illness or old age" (Catechism, 1527). If you need transportation call Sharon Otto at 484-804-1875 or email spnprep@spnschool.org

Parish Lenten Mission - March 9th & 10th

Living the Catholic Life / Fullness of Purpose
Could there be more to our faith experience, than what we have come to know? Dynamic speaker Ken Yasinski will be leading our 2 day parish mission. The Mission is designed to help answer life's most meaningful questions. Why was I created? Where is joy found, does my Catholic Faith matter? Ken will make relevant the timeless truths of our faith. Ken will speak at all Masses on March 7th & 8th.

Baptismal Instruction / Pre Jordan: The next session is scheduled for Monday, March 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.

"God cannot give us a happiness and peace apart from Himself, because it is not there. There is no such thing."

C.S. Lewis

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 Tuesday, March 24th 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.

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.

"For me prayer is a surge of the heart; it is a simple look toward heaven: it is a cry of recognition and of love; embracing both trial and joy"

St. Theresa of Lisieux



Stations of the Cross Every Wednesday evening in Lent at 7PM

Retrouvaille: Tens of thousands have healed their marriage through Retrouvaille. Marriage problems, difficulties or crises? Join us on February 21-23 at Malvern Family Life Center, call 215-766-3944 / www.HelpOurMarriage.org

St. John's Hospice: The month of February contains a day set aside for "random acts of kindness". Could you consider doing a random act of kindness for your fellow man this month by donating a casserole to St. John's Hospice? Your casseroles go directly to feed the hungry and homeless. Additionally, St. John's is happy to accept donations of gently used or new men's clothing. Casserole donations can be homemade or store bought. Frozen casseroles and/or clothing donations can be dropped off at 2311 Mulberry Lane before or after all Masses on Saturday, February 29th & Sunday, March 1st and by 9AM on Wednesday March 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

<u>Project Hope:</u> 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!

Catholic Relief Service: Operation Rice Bowl is back! Please pick up your collection box at the doors of the Church. Alms are used to aid the poor and needy around the world. Boxes will be collected before Easter. Thank you!

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.

Man Up Philly: The 12th Annual Catholic Men's Conference will take place on Saturday, March 7th at Neumann University. Last year 1200 men attended the conference, this is a wonderful opportunity for men to get together and share their faith. Go to www.manupphilly.com for information.

St. Raphaela Center: Celtic Day of Prayer on March 11th from 9AM to 2:30PM. Come for a day of reflection led by Sr. Megan Brown, RSM a dynamic presenter who has done extensive study in Celtic spirituality, call 610-642-5715 for more information.



Marianist Family Retreat Center, Cape May Point April 3-5 - Cost: \$140pp, dbl occ.

Join with other women in an exploration of your own story and stories of women in faith. A team of women has prepared this weekend of rest and renewal, Eucharist and other prayer experiences. Contact: Anthony Fucci, 609-884-3829 or email, mfrc@capemaymarianists.org



SPN WOMEN'S GUILD /ANNUAL SUZY JO DONUT SALE

After Masses on Saturday February 22nd and Sunday February 23nd

½ DOZ DONUTS - \$5 or 1 DOZ DONUTS - \$10

THANKS FOR SUPPORTING OUR WOMEN'S GUILD!!

The fact that there is a highway to hell and a stairway to heaven says a lot about anticipated traffic numbers.



Laughter works Wonders!

A friend was in front of me coming out of Church one day, and the pastor was standing at the door to greet everyone. He grabbed my friend by the hand and pulled him aside and said, "You need to join the army of the Lord!" My friend replied, "I'm already in the Army of the Lord, Father." "If that's true," said the pastor, "how come I only see you on Christmas and Easter?" My friend whispered back. "I'm in the Secret Service."

"As the soul is the life of the body, so the Holy Spirit is the life of our soul." St. Peter Damian Feast day is February 21st

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.

Contribution Statements for 2019: Call 610-834-1975 or email, bmcgee@spnchurchlh.org if you would like a copy of your contribution statement for last year's donations. Thank you for your generous support!



Upcoming Anniversary Events

March 8th to 10th – Parish Mission

April 25th – Senior USO Canteen

Spring, 2020 – Family Movie Night

September 13th – Closing Mass & Dinner at Presidential Caterers



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!

We have Scrip Cards in the Church Office & on sale in the vestibule after Masses.

You can buy gift cards for over 780 retailers (www.shopwithscrip.com) and earn a rebate on every card.

St. Francis Inn: With the New Year brings new challenges at the Inn. Out most urgently needed items are: DEODORANT, moisturizer, POWDERED MILK, coffee, large tea bags, SUGAR, oatmeal (5 minute only), THERMAL UNDERWEAR (men's & women's), diapers (sz PREEMIE, newborn & sz 6), pull ups (sz 3T-5T), baby formula & wipes, spray air freshener/deodorizers, spray cleaners (disinfectant, cleanser, etc.), toilet paper, paper towels, tissues (boxes & pocket size), Chapstick, men's (boxers) & women's underwear (all sizes), men's shoes & boots, warm clothing, cloth dish towels, non-perishable food & lots of PRAYERS. We have an Amazon.com wish list if you would like to send us items directly: click on St Francis Inn. Donations may be dropped off at the Muller's porch, 472 Poplar Lane in Whitemarsh Woods or in the box in the Church vestibule. Our complete list of needs can be found on the front of our donation box. Eternal thanks for all you do to keep us going!

<u>Miraculous Medal Shrine:</u> Young Adults, join us for a half day retreat of good conversation, food, drinks and talks focused on you and your ministry as a young adult. The day includes identifying your spiritual gifts and using them to glorify our Lord through your work and daily life.

Saturday, March 7, 11:30 to 5:30/Mass at 12:05 pm Contact: Carolina Soares at csoares@cammonline.org