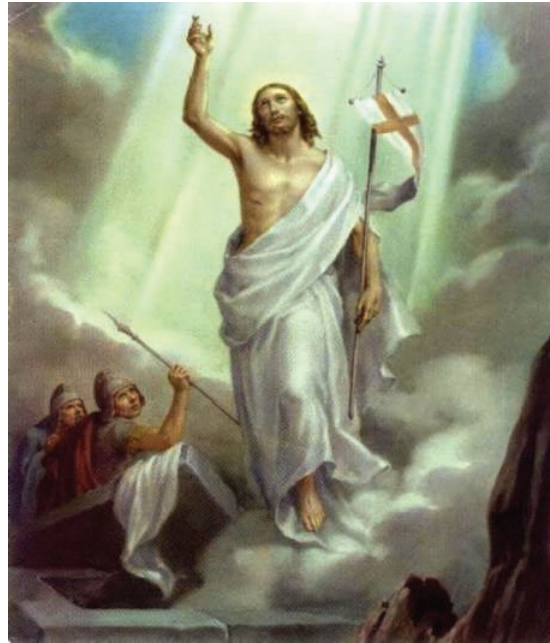


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Easter Sunday – April 5, 2026



Parish Mass Schedule

Saturday Evening Vigil Mass

5PM

Sunday Morning

7:30AM - No Music

9:30AM & 11:00AM

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday through Saturday 8:30AM

Holy Day Mass Schedule

6:30AM, 8:30AM, & 7PM



Our parish community extends a welcome to our guests and visitors. We welcome you to our Church to share our faith and celebrate the Eucharist. Please go to our website: www.saintphilipnerichurch.com for more information or if you have any questions or want to register call the Church Office at 610-834-1975. In order to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Holy 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 and active with a parish. Young adults who turn 26 or complete higher education and continue to reside within our area should register individually.

Parish Staff

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Mrs. Sharon Otto, *Director of Religious Education*

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Barney McGee, *Parish Accountant*

**Parish Office is open Monday to Friday
from 7:30AM to 5PM.**



**Confessions are heard every Saturday from
3:45PM to 4:45PM or by appointment,
call 610-834-1975 to schedule.**



We Pray for our Beloved Deceased
For all those souls who have gone on before us marked with the sign of faith, most especially, Francis Cunnane, and the souls in purgatory. May God, in His mercy, grant them eternal rest and give peace to those who mourn.

Family Rosary

Join the Knights of Columbus on Wednesday, April 8th at 7PM in the Church for our rosary.

Bring your special intentions to our Blessed Mother, asking for her powerful intercession.



Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament in the Church on Monday, April 13th, 9AM to 5PM.

**Church Office will be closed on
Easter Monday, April 6th.**



Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 5th

7:30AM –Deceased Members of the
Herron & McGee Families
9:30AM – Susan M. Fisher
11AM – Ennis & Blunt Families

Monday, April 6th

8:30AM – **No Mass**

Tuesday, April 7th

8:30AM – George Szparagowski, Sr.

Wednesday, April 8th

8:30AM – Rose Marie Klemick

Thursday, April 9th

8:30AM – Anthony Conti

Friday, April 10th

8:30AM – Jack Hoffman – 12th Anniversary

Saturday, April 11th

8:30AM - Louis & Fortunata Vitacolonna
Vigil – Joseph Giulii



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in
memory of Madeline Moser,
req'd by Eileen Gravinese.
A candle will burn at the statue of the
Blessed Mother,
for special intentions of Paul Davis.
A candle will burn at the statue of
St. Joseph for the Souls in Purgatory
req'd by Eileen Gravinese.
Bread & wine used at all Masses this
week are in memory of George & Mary
Barr, req'd by Georgeanne Foster.

Christians to the Paschal Victim
Offer your thankful praises!



Please pray for our sick, the home-bound, and those in
nursing homes, we particularly remember:

George Alburger, Elisa Berry,
Jimmy Breen, Nancy Bogdon, Tom Bonk, Charlie
Dickman, Claire DiDonato, Lou Fare, Kathleen
Grundy, Andrew Donohue, Emily Donhauser, Lisa
Dougherty, Dolores Downes, Eileen Drab, Catherine
Hangholt, Johnny Higson, Suzanne Kulliver, Ed
Kortonick, Judith Lins, Phyllis Luther, Joan Marine,
Terrence Martin, Rowan McNichol ,Randy
Milakofsky, Donovan Mitchell, Anne Navarra,
William Pinto, Maria Prince, Baby Colson Robert
Riday, Patrick Ryan, Nicole Sachs, Michael Shaw,
Chris Solarski, David Sparacino, Betty Sparks, Brian
Stenz, Amy Swift, Patricia Trioli, Frank Tulino, and
Dyane Westerfer.

May God strengthen them in their struggle.

Are you a Parent who has Lost a Child?

An informal group of moms & dads get together to
talk or just listen. Contact Jeanne Keough at 215-
200-6070 or Karen Montgomery at 215-920-5269.

Pre Jordan / Baptismal Instruction

If you are having your first child baptized, the
archdiocese requires the parents to attend a Pre-
Jordan Class. Deacon Mike Cipressi hosts these
virtual classes on a monthly basis.
Call the Church Office at 610-834-1975.

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Christ yesterday and today;
the beginning and the end;
the alpha and the omega.
All time belongs to Him, and all the ages,
to Him be glory and power
through every age and forever.
Amen.



Dear St. Philip Neri Family and Friends,
We give praise and thanks to God for the graces and blessings He has given us.

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. We give praise and thanks to God for the graces and blessings on this
Easter morning, we hear the astonishing news: the tomb is empty.

Mary Magdalene runs to tell Peter and the beloved disciple. They come, they see, and slowly
they begin to believe. What once held death now holds nothing at all.

But the Gospel invites us to look deeper. Yes, the tomb is empty—but our lives are not.

Our lives are filled... filled with burdens we carry: our faults, our fears, our worries, our
loneliness, the dark and hidden places we would rather no one see. Easter is not just about an empty tomb
long ago. It is about what we bring to the tomb today. Bring everything to Jesus. Bring your sins—Jesus has
already conquered them. Bring your fears—Jesus has already overcome them. Bring your grief and
loneliness—Jesus has already entered into them. Bring even the darkest parts of your life—the places that
feel sealed, forgotten, or beyond hope. Because the truth of Easter is this:

There is no tomb so closed that Christ cannot open it.

There is no darkness so deep that His light cannot reach it. Jesus has conquered sin and death. Not partially.
Not temporarily. Completely. And because of that, the tomb is no longer a place of endings—it has become
a place of transformation and new life. What we place there does not remain the same. For in Christ our

sin is met with mercy. Our fear is met with peace. Our despair is met with hope. Our death is
met with new life. This is the great exchange of Easter. So do not stand at a distance like a spectator to the
empty tomb. Enter into it. Bring your whole life with you. Let Christ fill what feels empty. Let Him shine
light where there is darkness. Let Him breathe new life where things feel dead or lost. And then, like Mary
Magdalene, like Peter and John, we are sent. We do not leave the tomb the same way we entered.

We leave filled—with grace, with hope, with new life.

The tomb is empty...

but our lives are now filled with the risen Christ.

And that changes everything.

Alleluia.

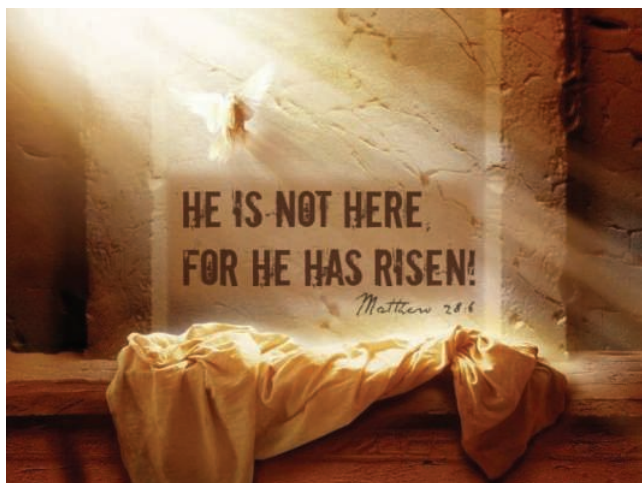
Please invite someone to Mass today.

St. Philip Neri, pray for us.

Have a blessed Easter,

Fr. Szparagowski

Easter Blessings to our Parish Family



*On behalf of myself, Fr. Redcay,
Fr. Dooner, Deacon Mirenda,
Deacon Mike and Deacon Rob,
we pray that you and your
families have a very blessed
Easter. May the message of
Easter sustain you and yours in
your journey of faith.
May His peace be with you all!
Fr. Szparagowski*

A Thank You from the Patrician Society

Please extend to your St. Philip Neri parishioners once again our warmest good wishes and thanks for their wonderful efforts in making the beautiful Easter baskets for distribution among our client families. The grocery store gift cards will also be very useful in helping us to provide the regular food packages that we give out all through the year.

The Patrician Society currently works with 2,700 unique families and we do it all because of the kindness of folks like you.

Best wishes to all in this holy season!

Liam Murphy, Executive Director



Adoration to Pray for Vocations

Spend one hour each week before the Blessed Sacrament praying for vocations. For locations go to: www.heedthecall.org/vocations/resources



Baptism

Baptisms are scheduled on the 2nd & 4th Sunday of every month immediately following the 11AM Mass. Godparents need Letters of Eligibility, for first time parents the Pre-Jordan Class is required. Call the Church Office at 610-834-1975 to make arrangements.

Marriage

Arrangements must be made with a priest at least 6 months prior to wedding date. Pre-Cana classes are required, contact Church office at 610-834-1975.

Anointing of the Sick

Primarily intended as prayers and anointing for healing from serious illness or as a spiritual preparation before surgery. Last Rites or Extreme Unction are for those in danger of imminent death. Call rectory or Church Office.

Metropolitan Tribunal

The Tribunal is available to help people who have experienced divorce and who may wish to remarry in the Church. If you are divorced and want to marry in the Church or remarried outside the Church call 215-587-3750 or go to: www.archphila.org

Project H.O.P.E.

A group of concerned parishioners who are willing to assist others in need of rides to doctor's appointments or to Church, Call Brigid Isackman at 267-879-6534



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St. Monica Club

Do you have a loved ones who have drifted away from the Church? Join us on Tuesday, April 21st in the Convent Chapel as we pray together, support one another, and share hope in God's faithfulness. For more info contact: Sharon Otto at 484-804-1875.



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Heavenly Father, on this holy morning
we rejoice and give you praise,
for the stone has been rolled away and
Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ,
has risen in glory.

Send forth Your Holy Spirit upon Your
Church, that we may proclaim with joy;
Alleluia Christ is risen!

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



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Pope St. John Paul II

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