

Fourth Sunday of Advent - December 22, 2019

Baptism & Marriage

Arrangements are made by appointment - call for details.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

We are the first Parish to continuously host an Annual Forty Hours Devotion.

Adoration at St. Philip Neri Church: Friday - 3:00—7:00 p.m.

Our Mission

Saint Philip Neri Parish is a welcoming Roman Catholic Parish of believers that is rich in faith and history.

We celebrate the Eucharist and Liturgy as the center of our parish life at our two churches of St. Philip Neri and St. Stanislaus.

We strive to bring Jesus Christ into our everyday lives and our community through prayer, service, outreach, and evangelization, with our hearts always focused on the Gospel.

Reconciliation

Saturday—3:45 p.m.—4:15 p.m.—SPN Sunday—8:15 a.m.—SS

Please Pray For The Deceased Especially Viola Smolarski.

Please Pray For The Sick

Especially Joseph Suarez, Robert Levi, Francis Casper, Pat Grosso, Jennifer, Katherine Chavis, Tina Marchitelli, Kim W., Jessica Paley, Dianne Kane, Joe Prusinowski, Kathy Brinn, Sandra Kelly, Patrick, Paul Scheb, Lillian Drozdowski, Fran Chupka, Linda Lessor, George Shelton, Jessica, Evelyne Norris, Carolyn & Richard McLeer, Edward Allen, Steven Stanton, Peggy R., Franny L., Elizabeth Steel, Margaret Dailey, Tom Sweeney, Nick L. Joe C., Isabella L., Ella D'Angelo, Franny, Richard Wardle, Mark Scherer, Martin Fahy, Kelly, Fran, Andy Batavick, Chris Smith, Mae Palmer, Walt M., Glenda L. Wrenn, Regina Tresoikas, Dawn Penrose, Dionne, Anita, Kay, Barb Heinze, Nick S., Joni Gowdy, Terry W., Cecilia Dougherty, Maryann Dabovich, Ron Smith, Joe Bede, Anna M., David Connors, Marie Colfer, Dorothy Kelly, Leslie Knott, Maureen Dissinger, Dottie McAllister, Paul Carr, Frank Mascio & All Sick Parishioners.

Masses from the Week

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2019

4:30 Vigil SPN +Christopher Arnold by Family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2019

8:30 AM SS +Helen Mlynarski

by Tillie Garczynski

11:00 AM SPN +Norma & John Olszewski by daughter Janet

MONDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2019

7:30 AM SS +Helen Mlynarski

by Henry & Kathleen Cieplinski

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2019 CHRISTMAS EVE

7:30 AM SS +Emily Zapalski

5:15 PM at St. Agnes-St. John Nepomucene Church

7:00 PM SPN Christmas Eve Vigil 9:00 PM SS Christmas Eve Vigil

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2019 CHRISTMAS

8:30 AM SS Christmas Day Mass 11:00 AM SPN Christmas Day Mass

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2019

7:30 AM SPN +For All Parishioners

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2019

7:30 AM SPN +Florence Kuczynski

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2019

8:00 AM SPN +Rose E. Braciale by Barbara Braciale 4:30 Vigil SPN +Genevieve Toczylowski by Family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2019

8:30 AM SS +White Eckes Family

by Lynda Eckes

11:00 AM SPN + Joan Donnelly

Sanctuary Lamps

The Sanctuary Candle is burning in the Main Church:

In Memory of Michael & Mary Subotich from Denise & Tina Kane

The Sanctuary Candle is burning in St. John Neumann Chapel for:

Health & Blessings for Fr. Maloney

The Candle is burning in Outside Blessed Mother Shrine for: +Florence Kuczynski



Ministry Schedule

LECTORS—DECEMBER 21-22, 2019

Saturday 4:30 Vigil Lector Needed Sunday 8:30 AM Tillie Garczynski

11:00 AM Clarc King

LECTORS—DECEMBER 28-29, 2019

Saturday 4:30 Vigil Lector Needed Sunday 8:30 AM Lynda Eckes 11:00 AM Lector Needed

Readings for Next Weekend December 29, 2019

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Reading I

Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5

"Blessed are those who fear the Lord

And walk in his way."

Reading II

Colossians 3:12-21

Gospel

Matthew 2:13-15



Offerings

DUE TO THE EARLY TRANSMISSION DATE OF THIS WEEK'S BULLETIN, THE OFFERINGS FOR DECEMBER 15 WILL APPEAR IN DECEMBER 29 BULLETIN. THANK YOU.

Thank you very much for your generosity throughout the year.

Donations

A \$5,000 donation was made to St. Philip Neri Parish from the Estate of Joan Donnelly

<u>Lampki</u>

- 1. +Deceased Members of Kupiec & Heys Family.
- 2. +Jennie & Joseph Dabovich of. son John.
- 3. +Jennie & Joseph Dabovich of. daughter Maryann.
- 4. +Frank Karvell of. Wife.
- 5. +Mr. & Mrs. Frank Zalewski of. Daughter.
- 6. +Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Nevaline of. Niece.
- 7. +Frank & Leon Morris of, Niece.
- 8. +Joseph Zalewski of. Sister.
- 9. +Henry & Jean Cieplinski & Edward & Anna Donnelly of. Henry & Kathleen Cieplinski.
- 10. +Alfreda & Zygmunt Plocha of. Joanne & Leon Plocha.
- 11. +Frances & Henry Jaworski of. Joanne & Leon Plocha.
- 12. +Leon Z. Plocha of. Wife
- 13. +The Barczak Family of. Bernard Barczak.
- 14. Blessings for Fr. Maloney.
- 15 +Joe & Bob Chupka from Mom.
- 16 +Mary Ann Bielec from sister Fran Chupka.
- 17. + Joe Figurski of. Emily Zapalski.
- 18. Health & Blessings for Michael Mazur of. Emily Zapalski.
- 19. + Emily Zapalski.
- 20. Health & Blessings Helene Frederico
 - of. Regina Tresoikas.
- 21. Health & Blessings Barbara & Dennis Klukiewski of. Regina Tresoikas.
- 22. +Irene & James Krouse of. Daughter & Family.

EDUCATION GRANT RECEIVED AT OUR LADY OF HOPE SCHOOL: Quinn Charitable Foundation is awarding Our Lady of Hope a grant of \$27,750 to support the mission of Catholic education at OLH School. The grant was awarded in appreciation for providing the children of South Philadelphia with a rigorous Catholic education. On behalf of the entire educational community of Our Lady of Hope, we would like to thank the foundation for this spectacular gift to our school.

<u>Tours/Registration Information for Our Lady of Hope School</u> - You can contact Ms. Cody at the school office **(215-467-5385)** or via email at **pcody@ourldayofhopephilly.com**. We currently are taking registrations for the 2020-21 school year.



"Like the shepherds of Bethlehem, may we too, with eyes full of amazement and wonder, gaze upon the Child Jesus, the Son of God. And in his presence may our hearts burst forth in prayer: 'Show us, Lord, your mercy, and grant us your salvation' (Ps 85:8)."

Pope Francis

Sacraments of Initiation for Children

Looking for all children who are in the 2nd grade (**First Reconciliation** and **Holy Communion**) and 7th grade (**Confirmation**) or in any grade in between that have not received First Reconciliation and Holy Communion. This includes catholic, public, private and home Schoolers. We offer a Parish Retreat for each Sacrament and if your child is not being catechized at a Catholic School or Religious Education Program, we will provide total catechesis and preparation for reception of the Sacraments. In some cases, parents can home school the child with assistance from the parish.



Please contact the Rectory and your information will be forwarded to Maryellen Carroll, the Director of Religious Education.



New Year's Day Masses Mary Mother of God

Tuesday, December 31 6:00 p.m. Vigil Mass – SPN

Wednesday, January 1

CONGRATULATIONS JACQUELINE COVAL

Hallahan Catholic Girls' High School is pleased to announce that the following students have achieved Academic Honors for the First Quarter of the 2019-2020 school year:

Parish: St. Philip Neri Parish

Jacqueline Coval—Class of 2020—First Honors.

DECORATING FOR CHRISTMAS

TODAY, December 22

at 11:45 a.m. (after the 11:00 a.m. Mass) On Sunday, December 22, after the 11:00 a.m. Mass, we need volunteers to help bring boxes with decorations downstairs from the choir loft and to begin putting up our Christmas decorations.

Please join us!

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Sunday, December 29 (after the 11:00 a.m. Mass) On Sunday, December 29 after the 11:00 a.m. Mass, please join us for a Special Holy Family CAM with Christmas goodies and song.



My Dear Parishioners,

On this last Sunday of Advent, we begin to hear the circumstances surrounding the birth of Christ as recorded in St. Matthew's Gospel. Christ's entry into human history begins with the compassion of Joseph the carpenter. Joseph puts aside his own hurt and embarrassment and welcomes the child as his own. God's birth in our midst depends on human partners like Mary and Joseph who are willing to believe the impossible, to claim the unwanted, to love the helpless and neediest, and to dare to hope in *Emmanuel*—"God is with us."

Every one of us is called to be Joseph - to welcome God in our midst. In the mystery of Christmas, God's *yes* depends on our *yes*. How can you take the role of Joseph this Christmas by bringing the compassion and forgiveness of God into a difficult and strained situation?

Sincerely,

Father Ed



Christmas Eve Vigil Masses:

7:00 p.m.—St. Philip Neri Church

9:00 p.m.—St. Stanislaus Church

Christmas Morning Masses:

8:30 a.m.—St. Stanislaus Church

11:00 a.m.—St. Philip Neri Church

Christmas Flower Donations—Honor of / Memory of

Matthew Adams Christopher Arnold Kathleen Bachich Green Gina Baiocco Francine Baiocco Sophie Boyle Thomas Boyle Henry P. Brinn, Jr. & Family Bruy Family Eileen Bucia Helen Bucia Joseph Bucia **James Burke** Jean & Henry Cieplinski Diana Clayton Mr. & Mrs. Gina Cresci **Curcio Family** Jean D'Amicŏ Mary Deery Regina DiCiacco DirRienzi Family Iean Dobrzanski John Dobrzanski Joseph Dobrzanski Rose Dobrzanski Anna & Edward Donnelly Joan Donnelly Pop's Donnelly John Drake Bob & Jeanne Eckes Rebekah Ehehalt Joe Figurski Joanne Fontana Foy Family Stephen Green Hennessy Family Sam & Lillian Holton Mary Jane Hunt The Huntzman Family Frances & Henry Jaworski The Kane Family Joseph Kane Thomas M. King II Tommy King III Bella Kreschollek Florence Kuczynski Helen & Edward Kwasizur Ellen & Marty Labb Helen Maher Martin Family Mazur Family

Mike & Fran McGonigle Anna Messner Mester Family Renette Metkowski Willy & Fran Mohoreanu The Moock Family Katie Morris **Naulty Family** Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Nevaline Nicolais Family John Olszewski Norma Olszewski Anna & Tom Otto Pakech & Cassidy Family Edward Patchell Edward Patchell, Ir. **Betty Philips** Alfreda & Zigmunt Plocha Leon Z. Plocha Alice Reilly Mr. & Mrs. Bill Richards Mary & Michael Rovnak Mary & Michael Ryan Metro & Teresa Schernecke Gregory Schettler Joseph Serad Mary & Ernest Serad Charlotte Skalski David Smiith **Hugh Smith** Rita K. Smith **Iack Stermel** George & Cass Stuski Kazimierz & Genevieve Toczylowski Iohn Weaver Fred & Lucy White Iosie Wierzbicki Rosemary Williams-Searle Frank Wisniewski Yannone & Panzera Families Mr. & Mrs. Frank Zalewski Emily Zapalski Walter Zuroick

Christmas Donation

A \$100.00 donation was made for the Christmas Holiday "In Loving Memory of The Bolc Family from Pat & Joey."