

The Epiphany of the Lord - January 5, 2020

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

<u>Please Pray For The Deceased</u>

Especially Barbara Skowron and All Our Relatives and Friends.

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 for the Week

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4, 2020

4:30 Vigil SPN +Frank & Marge Moock

by Alex & Marge Schernecke

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2020

8:30 AM SS +Helen Mlynarski

by Joanne Plocha

11:00 AM SPN For All Parishioners

MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2019

7:30 AM SS +Ginny Kelly

by Marge & Alex Schernecke

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2019

7:30 AM SS +Dominic Colaizzo

by Tucker Brown

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2020

7:30 AM SS +Virginia Kelly

by the Arnold Family

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 2020

7:30 AM SPN A Special Intention

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10, 2020

7:30 AM SPN + Margaret Otto

by John & Dianne Kane

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11, 2020

8:00 AM SPN +Florence Kuczynski

by Henry & Kathleen Cieplinski

4:30 Vigil SPN +Emily Zapalski

by Maryann Dabovich

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12, 2020

8:30 AM SS +Joseph & Jennie Dabovich & son,

Joseph P. Dabovich, Sr.

by John Dabovich

11:00 AM SPN +Dominic Colaizzo

by Joanne Plocha



<u>Sanctuary Lamps</u>

The Sanctuary Candle is burning in the Main Church: For All Sick Parishioners

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

THANK YOU

To All who sent cards or left tasty goodies and gifts at the Rectory.

Your well wishes for Christmas and the New Year are greatly appreciated
The Priests who serve you at

St. Philip Neri Parish

Readings for Next Weekend January 12, 2020

The Baptism of the Lord

Reading I

Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 29:1-2, 3-4, 9-10

"The Lord will bless is people with peace."

Reading II

Acts of the Apostles 10:34-38

Gospel

Matthew 3:13-17

Read the passages online @ http://usccb.org/bible/books-of-the-bible/index.cfm

St. Phílip Nerí Parísh Sacraments

Confirmation April 19, 2020 First Holy Communion May 3, 2020 First Penance Lent t/b/a

Spiritual Support for Addiction: Hope in Christ

Seeking spiritual support in the journey towards recovery? Many parishes around the Archdiocese are extending God's merciful and loving hand to those who have an addiction as well as their families and loved ones. The Hope in Christ: Spiritual Support for Addiction webpage provides a central location for resources, ongoing support, events, and testimonies that are happening throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Visit Archphila.org/hope for new postings for Catholic resources available to you or a loved one.

Offerings

December 22, 2019

Regular Collection	\$ 1,829.00
Online Parish Giving	325.00
Regular Collection 12.23.18	2,904.00
Christmas Donations to date	\$ 1,325.00

Thank you very much for your generosity throughout the year.

<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. Rosalie Tonietti of. Regina Tresoikas
- 18. John Tresoikas I of. John & Regina Tresoikas
- 19. Health & Blessings Joseph Oliver of, John & Regina Tresoikas.
- 20. Health & Blessings Babcia Helen Fijal
 - of. John Tresoikas Jr. & Dawn Matteson
- 22 Aunt Marcie Tresoikas
 - of. John Tresoikas Jr. & Dawn Matteson
- 23. Mom Mom Sarah Tresoikas of John Tresoikas Jr. & Dawn Matteson
- 24. +Irene & James Krouse of. Daughter & Family
- 25. +Mazur Family of. Michael Mazur.
- 26. +Czaika Family of. Michael Mazur.
- 27. +Marcia E. Berman of. Michael Mazur.



TODAY'S COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

"We have see his star in the East, and have come with gifts to adore the Lord." Matthew 2:2



"When the journey is uncertain and you fall, God, rich in mercy, will extend his hand to pick you up."

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.

Dear Jesus,

as You led the Three Kings to You by the light of a star, please draw us ever closer to You by the light of Faith. Help us to desire You as ardently as they did. Give us the grace to overcome all the obstacles that keep us far from You. May we, like them, have something to give You when we appear before You. Amen

If you are homebound or know someone who is homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, please call the Rectory at 215-468-1922 or email us at

Please pray for the intentions of our sick & deceased and their families and loved ones.

Please pray for an end to abortion.

PUTTING THINGS AWAY

On Sunday, January 12, Baptism of the Lord, after the



11:00 a.m. Mass, we will be putting away Christmas Decorations for another year. Please join us and lend a hand. We especially need helpers to carry boxes of decorations to the choir loft. Thank you.

Fuel Assistance Program

The cost of home heating will have a major impact on monthly budgets. To assist people with these rising costs, the Pennsylvania Home Heating Fuel Assistance Rebate Program (LIHEAP) is now in progress.

This Fuel Assistance Program is available to people of all ages within the income guidelines. For example, individuals with a monthly income less that \$1,591 or a two-person household with a monthly income under \$2,113 qualify for the grant. Call United PolAm Social Services at (215) 923-1900 Monday through Friday between 10 A.M. and 4 P.M. A staff worker will explain the eligibility requirements, answer your questions and assist you in completing an application. This grant is provided to all who qualify and does not have to be repaid. All inquiries are strictly confidential.



My Dear Parishioners,



A well-circulated Hasidic tale tells the story of a rabbi quizzing his students. He asked, "How can we determine the hour of dawn, when the night ends and the day begins?"

One of the students suggested, "Day begins when, from a distance, you can distinguish between a dog and a sheep."

"No," answered the rabbi. Another student asked, "Is it when you can distinguish between a fig tree and a grapevine?"

Again the answer was, "NO." "Please tell us the answer then," said the students.

"It is," said the rabbi, "when you can look into the face of other human beings and you have enough light *in you* to recognize them as your brothers and sisters. Up until then, it is night and darkness is still with us."

Today we celebrate Epiphany, the joyous realization that our God has manifested the good light of forgiveness and redemption in our world. While we remember with gladness the One whose birth made light live and move among us, we also have to admit that the darkness of which the rabbi spoke continues to overshadow many of us and our communities. To put it another way, the mystery Paul was privileged to reveal—that all peoples of the earth are coheirs, members of the same body and copartners in the promise of Jesus through the Gospel—has not yet been fully realized among us. As long as there are divisions, as long as there is bias, prejudice and ethnic hatred, we continue to find ourselves in darkness that longs for the dawn. Therefore, as we celebrate this feast of Epiphany, we are to recognize and realize its challenge: to be living reflections of the light of Christ for all people.

Sincerely,

Father Ed

P.S. Father Oliver (who is back to work in Rome) and I thank you for your many kindnesses shown us over the past few days.

You may have heard that I have been relieved of my responsibilities at St. Agnes-St. John Nepomucene Church and Parish. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Wishing you many blessings in this New Year!

Father Ed.