

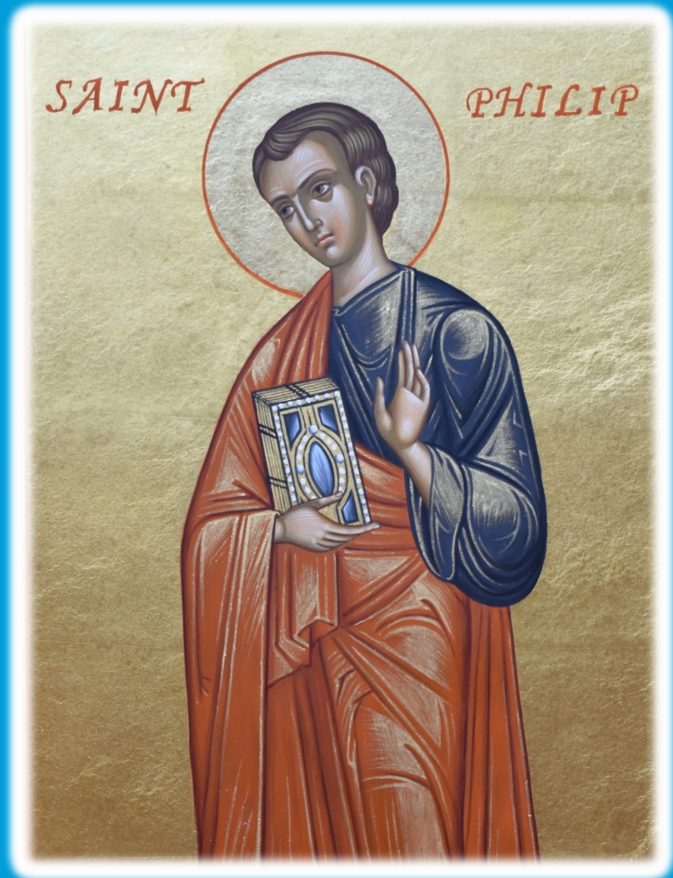
August 22, 2021

# St. Philip the Apostle

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Sunday Mass Schedule

5:30pm (Sat. Eve.)  
7:00am, 10:00am,  
12:00pm

Reconciliation

Saturdays -5pm Before Mass  
Private Reconciliation by  
appointment, call rectory

Devotions

Recitation of Rosary—Daily  
(After 8:30am Mass)  
Miraculous Medal Novena—  
Saturdays after 8:30am Mass  
Temporarily Suspended  
Divine Mercy

Weekdays

7:00am & 8:30am

Saturdays

8:30am

Holy Days

5:30pm (Eve)

7:00am, 8:30am

12:10pm & 7:00pm

Music Ministry

Basil Pizzuto, Director  
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Barbara Weiner, Children's Choir

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Dr. Richard Filipek  
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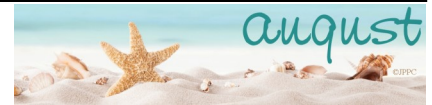


Baptism is celebrated on the third Saturday of the month. Call the rectory office to schedule your child's baptism.

Marriages should be scheduled at least 12 months in advance. To plan the Sacrament of Marriage, please contact one of the parish priests.

Anointing of the Sick—If you would like to invite one of our priests to visit and pray with you, please call the rectory.

*Mass Intentions for the Week*

**Saturday, August 21<sup>st</sup>**  
 8:30 am † Salvatore Talamo  
 5:30 pm † Andrew & Evelyn Wozniak

**Sunday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
 7:00 am For the People  
 10:00 am † Josephine Catania  
 12:00 pm † Lee Watrous

**Monday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
 7:00 am † Rob Florek  
 8:30 am † Felix & Caroline Sergio

**Tuesday, August 24<sup>th</sup>**  
 7:00 am † Ernestine Avia Gioia  
 8:30 am † Michael J. Longo

**Wednesday, August 25<sup>th</sup>**  
 7:00 am God's Blessings for Mary Vandermast  
 8:30 am † Eileen Fay - First Anniversary

**Thursday, August 26<sup>th</sup>**  
 7:00 am † Anthony Meritai, NAF  
 8:30 am † Eleanor & Jack Fitzgerald

**Friday, August 27<sup>th</sup>**  
 7:00 am † Agnes & Mathias Vandermast  
 8:30 am † Paulo Remuszka

**Saturday, August 28<sup>th</sup>**  
 8:30 am † Carmelo Virga  
 5:30 pm † Stephen & Frances Rosty

**Sunday, August 29<sup>th</sup>**  
 7:00 am † Rose & Jules Ciulla  
 10:00 am For the People  
 12:00 pm Babies in the Womb and their Families

*\*Reminder—The 7am Saturday Mass returns September 4th and the 8:30am Sunday Mass returns September 5th.*

*Weekly Collection*

Due to vacation schedules and bulletin deadlines, the collections taken on August 15th will be posted on August 29th. Thank you.

The *Sanctuary candle* will burn in loving memory of **Alexander & Helen Yoda**, donated by Yoda family.

The *Holy Family candle* will burn in loving memory for the **Paulo Remuszka**, donated by the Remuszka Family.

The candle at the shrine of *St. Jude* will burn in loving memory of **Phil & Carol Sergio**, donated by Lucille Sergio.

The candle at the shrine of *St. Anthony* will burn in loving memory of **Gara Family** donated by Nancy Gara.

The candle at the shrine of *St. Therese* will burn in loving memory of **Wickham & Zastrow Families**, donated by Carol Zastrow.

*The hosts, wine, Holy Family candle, Sanctuary candle and the candles at the shrines of St. Jude, St. Elizabeth, St. Anthony and St. Therese are open for many months throughout the year. If you would like to offer these in memory of a loved one or for the intentions of someone, please call the rectory office.*

*Please pray for the sick members of our parish:*

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| ✠ Betty Agnello     | ✠ Wanda Kozloski    |
| ✠ Ross Alfieri      | ✠ Beverly Kunz      |
| ✠ Millie Antenucci  | ✠ Claire Kwiakowski |
| ✠ Kathy Barone      | ✠ Justin Langfield  |
| ✠ Jacob Berard      | ✠ Lena Lepore       |
| ✠ Georgine Brancato | ✠ Lee Migliorelli   |
| ✠ John Carrera      | ✠ Bill Meurer       |
| ✠ Michael Carroll   | ✠ Jackie Meurer     |
| ✠ John Choma        | ✠ Lena Pizzullo     |
| ✠ Michele Cuomo     | ✠ Daniel S.         |
| ✠ JoAnn Daleo       | ✠ Mary Sestanovich  |
| ✠ Jim Fasano        | ✠ Carmela Skunda    |
| ✠ Sarah Garcia      | ✠ Stephen Stupalski |
| ✠ Rosalie Gerber    | ✠ Pamela Swenson    |
| ✠ Larry Gulitti     | ✠ Katie Williams    |
| ✠ Marie Kenny       |                     |



*Please Pray for the Deceased*

Catherine Vernieri

*Thank you for the continued support of our Church.*



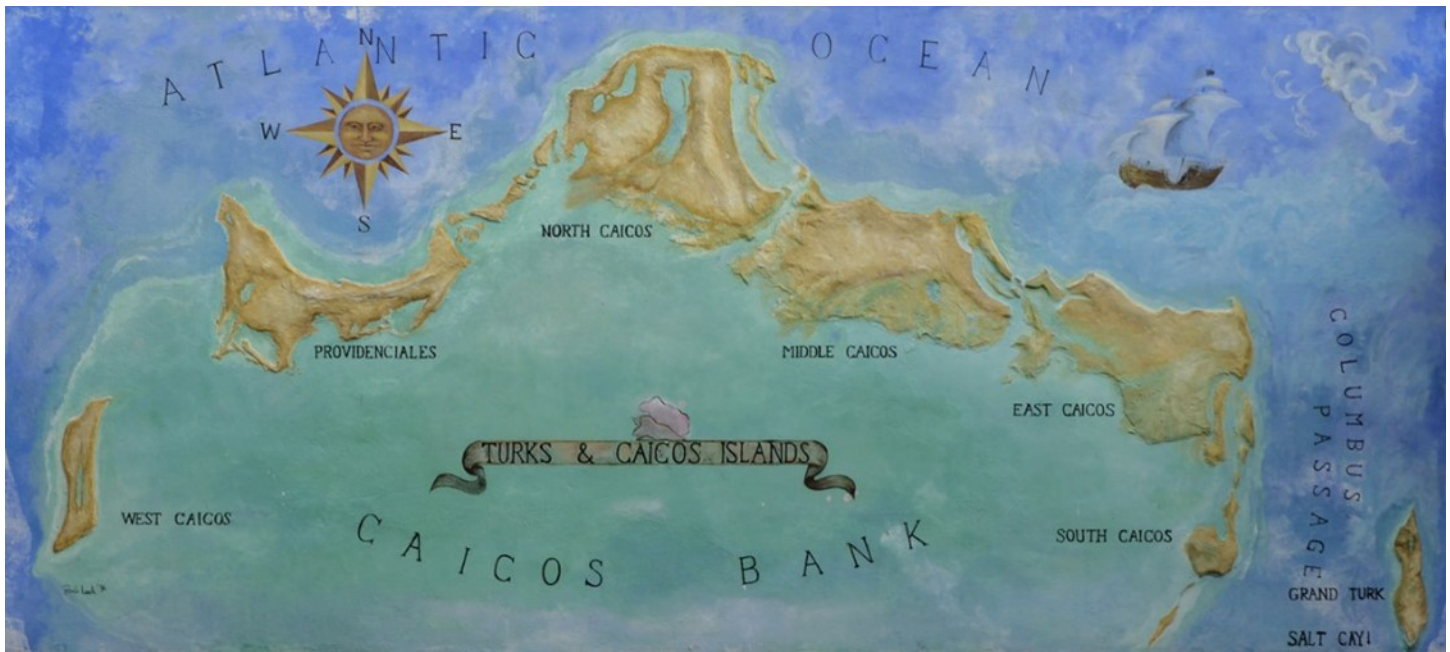
Praised be Jesus Christ!

Due to vacation schedules I am writing this column before the Festival, so I am unable to report back to you about how we did. That will have to wait until next week, but this year's was on track to be another major success, so allow me to thank all who volunteered.



As we announced in church recently we continue to follow current COVID procedures, based on both state government and archdiocesan guidelines. Should things change we will adapt to the latest recommendations. Thanks to all of you who have cooperated over the past fourteen months of the pandemic. Many people have commented that compared to some other churches we have done an outstanding job in making Mass-goers feel both safe and welcomed.

This weekend we welcome a missionary priest to our parish for our annual Missionary Coop Appeal. Fr Paul Passant is here to speak on behalf of the work being done among the Catholic population in the Turks and Caicos Islands. Since 1998 the Archdiocese of Newark has been responsible for staffing and supporting the Church there. Every parish in the archdiocese is required to participate in this annual appeal. It serves as a means to remind us that we exist as part of a broader Church and that we have an obligation to support our brothers and sisters in Christ. Every now and then it is good for us to stop and reflect upon our own blessings and think about those who go without some of the basics we take for granted: food, clean water, health care, education, a safe place to call home. The missionaries who serve Turks & Caicos Islands are involved in assisting the local people in many ways, including, but not exclusively, spreading the Good News of Jesus. Your support both monetary and in prayers are an important part of supporting this missionary part of the Church's work. We will have a second collection today to benefit this mission.



Finally, if you have not yet registered for our next blood drive on August 24, I strongly urge you to participate. As I said from the altar recently, there are few things we do in life by which we can actually say we may have literally saved a life. But blood donations are life-savers. As someone who received blood during closed heart surgery as a child, I can attest to its value. Please make a reservation now.

In the Lord's Love,  
Fr Bruce

*Lectionary Spirituality*



21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 22, 2021

First Reading: Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b

Second Reading: Ephesians 5:21-32

Gospel: John 6:60-69

The Book of Joshua is the sixth book of the Bible. As Moses' successor Joshua leads the people across the Jordan River into the Promised Land. In today's text Joshua invites the people to participate in a ceremony celebrating the covenant that the LORD has made with them. They are called to decide whom they will serve, "the LORD, the God of Israel" (v.2) or "the gods your ancestors served beyond the River" (in Egypt) or "the gods of the Amorites in whose country you are dwelling" (v.15). Their response, acknowledging all the good he has done for them is that, "we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God" (v.18).

Today we end our encounter with John's Bread of Life Discourse. The evangelist tells us that "many of his disciples" (v.60) had a hard time with Jesus' words. Like the Israelites in our first reading they are called to make a choice. We hear that many "returned to their former way of life and no longer accompanied him" (v.66). For our evangelist they are rejecting Jesus' offer of eternal life. Jesus then turns to the Twelve, asking, "Do you also want to leave?" (v.67). As is often the case, Peter answers for the group when he says, "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life...you are the Holy One of God" (vv.68f.).

Today's longer reading from Ephesians is often viewed as a problematic text for the modern audience. The author's directive, "Wives should be subordinate to their husbands" (v.22) is based on an understanding of common household codes followed in the Greco-Roman world. Our author is encouraging the Christian community to follow contemporary modes of conduct, which viewed the husband/father as being in charge of the household. He then goes on to instruct the husbands to, "love your wives...as Christ loved the church" (v 25). The overall point of the passage is to encourage harmony and love within the Christian household.

*For Reflection:* Do I take time to reflect on Christ's presence in the Eucharist as the source of eternal

life? Do I treat others in my household with the respect they deserve?

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*Turner Articles:* Last week we began offering a series of articles on the Mass. These articles, written by Fr Paul Turner, provide insight into the primary official public prayer of the Church, the Mass. The fathers of the Second Vatican Council authorized a revision of the Mass over fifty years ago, but there is still some confusion and controversy surrounding it, as evidenced by recent news articles, particularly in the Catholic press and on websites associated with more traditional Catholics. We hope you find these columns enlightening.

*Novus Ordo*

The ordinary form for Mass in the Roman Catholic Church today has been with us since 1969. It is perhaps the greatest fruit of the Second Vatican Council. This form is sometimes called by its Latin title, the *Novus ordo*, or the "new order." The council authorized the celebration of this new Mass in vernacular languages. The new Mass may be celebrated in Latin, but Catholics around the world have mostly preferred to pray it in their native tongue.

Language was not the only change to the Mass. Some duplicate parts were eliminated, the Penitential Act was added, the selection of Scriptures was vastly enriched, the Prayer of the Faithful was inserted, and a variety of Eucharistic Prayers were approved. The calendar was revised, as were many prayers for contemporary needs and occasions.

All of this was done so that the texts and rites could "express more clearly the holy things they signify" (*Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy*, 21), that the parts of the Mass and the connections between them would be clearer, and that we could participate more actively and devoutly (50). It took a few years for all the new texts to appear, and revisions continue regularly. The post-Vatican II Mass has become cherished by a generation of Catholics.

Its initial appearance disturbed some believers who were comfortable with the preceding format. Some of them even doubted that a Church council

had the authority to make these changes, even though Popes John XXIII and Paul VI approved the developments.

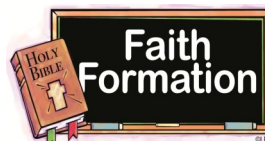
No matter what language is used, the revised order of Mass expresses the faith of the Catholic Church—our belief in God, the continuing influence of the Holy Spirit, and a living liturgy, through which we give praise and share our communion.

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## Nurture Your Faith



## Returns in September



Faith Formation is accepting registration for the 2022 school year. Those that were registered for 2021 received a link to re-register for the 2022 school year. If you have a child in 1st through 8th grade & would like to enroll in our Faith Formation classes, please visit our website <https://stphilipb.org/registration-form> or contact the office at 201-843-2240.

*We are looking for Catechists willing to teach young children and help them to grow in the Catholic faith. We will guide you as to how you can join our dedicated team of wonderful Catechists. Thank you.*



God's Special Children, a religious education program for children with special needs, is currently accepting registrations for their 2021-2022

year. The program is designed to address the unique learning needs of children with Autism Spectrum disorder, learning disabilities, anxiety, ADD/ADHD, Oppositional Defiance Disorder and others. Classes will begin on Sunday, September 19th at 11am. If you have any questions regarding this program, kindly call or text the program director, Monica Maniscalco at 917-992-7904.



## Prayer & Life Workshops By Ignacio Larranga

A liberating and healing Workshop made possible through the knowledge of God and of oneself. Its emphasis is on love transforming power rather than fear and punishment. Learn to pray and learn to live. Are you looking to have a personal relationship with God? This is the opportunity knocking at your door. Each Tuesday for 14 weeks beginning Aug 24 from 7pm to 9pm. Everyone is welcome. For information call Elsa Marin 201-414-3345.

# 50 YEAR

## Golden Jubilee

Fr. Matthew warmly invites you to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of his ordination on Sunday, September 12th.

There will be a special Mass at 2pm followed by a luncheon reception in the auditorium. All are welcome.

### ST PHILIP'S RESPECT LIFE MINISTRIES

**GIVE BLOOD** At this time of year blood supplies run dangerously low. The Bloodmobile will be at St Philip's on August 24<sup>th</sup>. Reservations are required. See our website or visit: [vitalant.org](http://vitalant.org)



**SAVE LIFE**

### In Touch Ministry:

#### Do You Know Someone Who is Homebound?



Our "In Touch Ministry" makes phone calls to the homebound. Volunteers are ready to make a phone call to "check in" with those who cannot come to us. If you know someone who would benefit from a regular phone call from one of our parishioners, please contact the Main Office.



### Word of Life Reflection from the US Bishops

"God's love—individual, real, unchanging—is the true source of our worth, identity, and dignity. It really is not a question of who we are, but rather whose we are. Because his love will never change, nothing can reduce our God-given dignity, and nothing can diminish the immeasurable worth of our lives."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities  
*How to Build a Culture of Life*

*Traveling Divine Mercy Image*

**“By means of this image, I shall grant many graces to souls.”, Jesus told St. Faustina.**



We are offering weekly opportunities to host the traveling image of Divine Mercy. Many have recorded testimonies of the graces received while the image was in their homes.

Please pick up the image at the rectory on Friday and return it the following Thursday. The image will come in a tote bag with a stand for display and other informational/devotional materials. Please see the sign up book in the back of the church and select a week to host the image.



*Catechists*

At the conclusion of Matthew’s Gospel Jesus commissions

his apostles to go and “make disciples of all nations” by baptizing them and teaching them. Faith formation is a lifelong process but the first years are crucial, laying the foundation.

During the first six years of a child’s life much of this task falls to parents, godparents and other immediate family members. But once a child begins grammar school there are more formal ways of “teaching the faith”.

Years ago we spoke of “CCD”, “Sunday School” or “religious education”. But “faith formation” is the preferred title these days since we realize that we are not only providing an education, we are nurturing faith, helping our children grow spiritually as they grow physically, emotionally, intellectually and morally. The goal of this process is spiritual transformation as we seek to touch hearts, both young and old. And many catechists will tell you that they “get more out of it” than the children as it is an occasion for them to deepen their own faith.

Many of our catechists are involved in guiding our children through this stage of the journey; others work with adults. (That’s another column) All of them are volunteers and we provide training for them since most of them do not have a degree in theology. Most of them have been volunteering for a good number of years and they are in good company. Among some famous catechists: Charles Schulz, creator of the Pea-

nuts comic strip, President Jimmy Carter and fellow-Catholic Stephen Colbert. Please consider being part of our Faith formation team.

Our program for children has two options: the weekly classroom-based program and the monthly Family Based Religious Education Program, which involves the parents more directly in handing on the faith. For more information contact Peter O’Brien.



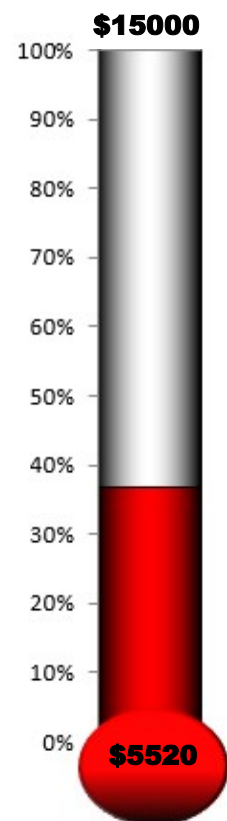
PLEASE NOTE: If you would like to bring up the gifts at Mass, please speak with one of the ministers before Mass, indicating your interest.

Our ushers have been asked to invite different people to bring up the gifts at weekend Masses as a sign that the gifts, along with our monetary offering, are presented by the community to God. In particular, if you have arranged for the Mass intention, it is especially appropriate that you bring up the gifts.

<i>Celebrants for Aug 28/29</i>		
August 28	5:30PM	Fr. Marek
August 29	7:00AM	Fr. Marek
	10:00AM	Fr. Bruce
	12:00PM	Fr. Bruce



**As of 8/13, we had received \$5,520.00 in raffle tickets for the BIG DRAWING on Sunday, Aug. 22th at 9:00pm. Help us reach our \$15,000 goal by returning your raffle tickets. The big winner could be YOU! Need more tickets? We have them! Call the rectory office or pick them up from the hospitality team after Mass.**



# Annual Appeal <sup>the 2021</sup>

## Catholic Stewardship *in Action*

Thanks to all who contributed to the archdiocesan Annual Appeal so far.

St Philip's is at about 78% of our goal; the number of contributors is up and so is the average amount pledged. Thank you for your generosity.

If you haven't yet contributed, please consider supporting the work of the Church of Newark and help us reach our goal. Additional pledge forms are available in the rear of the church or from the Main Office. For more information, please see Fr Bruce.

### Other Ways to Donate to St. Philip's



#### Text to Give

To securely make a gift to St. Philip the Apostle, text a dollar amount to (201) 733-4101. You will be asked

to complete a one-time registration page with your billing and contact information. After this registration, you can give any time by texting a dollar amount to our phone number.



#### Have You Considered Faith Direct?

Do you wish to make life easier by donating electronically to St.

Philips? Consider an online enrollment at Faith Direct. No envelopes!

### St Philip's and **amazon smile**

St Philips is an Amazon Smile charity. This means that when you make a purchase from Amazon, after designating us as your "Smile" charity, we will receive a donation of 0.5% from Amazon based on **any** purchase you make. You only have to sign up once and then make your purchases through the Amazon Smile link. While it doesn't sound like a lot of money, it can add up to a considerable amount if enough people participate. Please share this message with anyone you know who shops at Amazon.

Sign up by visiting the link on our webpage or visit Amazon's Smile page and search for St Philip the Apostle, Saddle Brook.

## Stewardship Reflection

August 22, 2021 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"If it does not please you to serve the Lord, decide today whom you will serve...As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord."* JOSHUA 24:15

When we commit to serve the Lord, we must be willing to become a disciple in the work of the Lord. A disciple is a person who spends time in prayer every day, joyfully participates in charitable works and generously supports their local parish and Church mission. If we say we serve God, we must actually do something and not merely talk about it!



### Quotable Quotes

*"Frequent and daily Communion, as a practice most earnestly desired by Christ our Lord and by the Catholic Church, should be open to all the faithful..."*

Sacra Tridentine, 1905

Pope St Pius X—Feast Day August 21

### Please don't take a vacation from Mass.

**Attending Mass each week is a serious obligation. To locate a church while traveling, visit [masstimes.org](http://masstimes.org)**



**Sanctuary Candle** at the tabernacle is to remind us of the presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament.



**Holy Family** is the ultimate role model for families. Let them intercede for you.



**St. Elizabeth** is the patron saint of Catholic schools and grief.



**St. Jude** is the patron saint of hope and impossible causes.



**St. Anthony** is the patron saint of the elderly, fishermen, the poor & the finder of lost articles.



**St. Therese** is the patron saint of sick people, florists, aviators & priests.

*Sacraments at St. Philip's*

**Baptism**—3rd Saturday of the month at 12:30pm or 2:30pm. To begin preparing for your baby's birth into the Christian Community, please call the Rectory. A Baptismal preparation class for the parents/godparents is scheduled for the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm in the Rectory Meeting Room.

**Marriage**—Couples taking this most important step in life are helped to deepen their relationship with one another, to strengthen their communication skills, to grow in their understanding of married life, and to strengthen their relationship with Christ and His Church. Marriages should be scheduled at least 12 months in advance. This allows the couple time to prepare for their marriage at a more relaxed pace. Those who would like more information about celebrating the Sacrament of Marriage at our parish should contact one of the parish priests.

**Anointing of the Sick**—Our priests would like to visit and pray with the sick members of our parish to give spiritual care to those that cannot attend Mass. When the Church cares for the sick, it serves Christ Himself in the suffering members of his Mystical Body. The Church shows this by visiting those in poor health, raising them up through the sacrament of anointing and by nourishing them with the Eucharist during their illness.

This Sacrament is not just for those in danger of death, but for anyone who suffers from serious or chronic physical or emotional illness or who struggles with the infirmities of age. Those scheduled for a surgery or hospital stay may request this Sacrament prior to entering the hospital.

If you would like to invite one of our priests to visit and pray with you, please call the rectory.



*Have You Been Asked to be a Godparent?*

Godparents represent the Church to the child and the child to the Church. They profess faith in the child's name and promise to assist the child in living out his/her baptismal commitment. Indelibly marked by baptism,

the child must be encouraged to live the Christian life, instructed and supported by the Christian communi-

ty. All members of the Body of Christ share this responsibility, but godparents assume it in a special way.

Choosing a godparent can be a challenge. Some families consider it an honorary title to be automatically bestowed on siblings or cousins. Resentment may follow if they are not chosen. There may be friends or family who are not Catholics. Godparents promise to help a child become faithful Catholics. Those who are not faithful themselves can hardly make such a promise. Only one godparent is required by Canon Law. The person must be designated by the one who is to be baptized or their parents. 1. A godparent must intend to fulfill his/her function as a Godparent. 2. He/she must be a Catholic who has been Confirmed. 3. He/she must be at least sixteen (16) years old. 4. He/she must live a life in harmony with the Church. 5. A godparent cannot be the mother or father of the person to be baptized. 6. A non-Catholic Christian cannot be a godparent but he/she can be a witness as long as there is one Catholic godparent.



*Importance of Mass Intentions*

As Catholics, we believe that there is inestimable value in "having a Mass celebrated" for a particular intention. A Mass may be offered in thanksgiving for our blessings, family, health and answer to prayers. A Mass may be offered for the intentions of another person (such as on a birthday), or, as is most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died. We must never forget the infinite graces that flow from the Sacrifice of the Mass which benefit ones soul. Masses offered for us during our life can help us obtain the great grace of a happy and holy death.

The most beautiful gift one can give to another person is a gift of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. No material gift can ever compare to or equal the Infinite Value of the Holy Mass. Masses offered for our departed loved ones and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory is a great act of charity. As a Spiritual Act of Mercy consider, then, to have Masses offered for yourself and your family, living and dead. Use the Infinite Treasure of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Mass intentions are scheduled at the Rectory Office.



## Are You Registered at St. Philip's?

Do you regularly attend Mass at St. Philip the Apostle, but have never formally registered? It's easy. Either come to the Rectory or visit our website: [www.https://stphilipb.org](http://www.https://stphilipb.org) and complete a registration form and return it to the Rectory.



### Why Should You Register?

All members of the parish *should* be formally registered. However, you need be formally registered if you wish to arrange a Baptism, Confirmation or Wedding in the parish. Registration is also our only means of certifying anyone for sponsorship letters for the sacraments.



### Help Wanted

St Philip's is looking for individuals familiar with video recording and editing to join our team recording weekend Mass so we can continue to stream it on our website and broadcast it on local cable television. Please contact Fr Bruce if you are interested.

### Rachel's Vineyard Retreats

*"Let the Church always be a place of mercy and hope, where everyone is welcomed, loved, and forgiven."*

**Pope Francis**

The Church can also be a place to heal. We are called to "be merciful like the Father." So many are suffering from the effects of abortion. Where can they heal? Where can they feel safe and loved?

The Archdiocese of Newark Respect Life Office will be hosting two upcoming Rachel's Vineyard retreats to heal the wounds from abortion.

Retreat dates are September 10-12, 2021 (English) and October 22-24, 2021 (Spanish).

Contact the *Respect Life Office* for more details by calling 973-497-4350 (Spanish option 2) or e-mail [Cheryl.riley@rcan.org](mailto:Cheryl.riley@rcan.org) (English) [elvinedoderaquelin@rcan.org](mailto:elvinedoderaquelin@rcan.org) (Spanish)

*"He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds."* **Psalm 147:3**



## How to Report Abuse

The Archdiocese takes very seriously any & all allegations of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, religious and lay staff of the Archdiocese. We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform us immediately so that we may take appropriate action to protect others & provide support to victims of sexual abuse. Individuals who wish to report an allegation of sexual misconduct may do so by calling the Archdiocesan office of Child & Youth Protection at 201-407-3256.

### Shelter our Sisters

**Crisis Hotline: 201-944-9600**

Shelter Our Sisters is dedicated to assisting victims, and their children, of domestic violence by turning fear into safety, helplessness into strength, & isolation into hope.



### Alternatives to Domestic Violence

**Crisis Hotline: 201-336-7575**

**Domestic Violence** (ADV) Division of the Bergen County Dept of Human Services, which is exclusively devoted to domestic violence intervention. ADV offers a full range of specialized services: crisis intervention, counseling, legal advocacy & assistance, court appearance preparation, court accompaniment, individual, group, & family counseling, information & referral to other needed services, community education and professional training.



### Troubled Marriage?

See [helpourmarriage.com](http://helpourmarriage.com) or [retrouvaille.org](http://retrouvaille.org).

This is a Catholic-based program open to all faiths. For registration call 973-723-7090.

### Pregnant and in need?

Help is available at [OptionLine.org](http://OptionLine.org), 1-800-712-HELP

### Homeless and pregnant?

Call Good Counsel Home at 1-800-723-9331, [goodcounselhomes.org](http://goodcounselhomes.org)

### Hurting from an abortion?

Visit [AbortionForgiveness.com](http://AbortionForgiveness.com)

# To Whom Shall We Go?



Then Jesus turned to the Twelve and asked, "Are you also going to leave?" Simon Peter replied, "Lord, to whom would we go? You have the words that give eternal life."  
~John 6:67-68

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## GOD BLESS OUR TROOPS

- ★ 1st LT Claire Betterbed
- ★ CPT Elizabeth Betterbed
- ★ LT Thomas Betterbed, DDS
- ★ PFC. Joseph Camilleri
- ★ CPL Joseph Decker
- ★ CPT Erik J. Filipek
- ★ PFC Andres Guerrero
- ★ SPC Ben Hansen
- ★ GMSR James V. Swank



## Prayer for the Safety of Soldiers

Almighty and eternal God, those who take refuge in You will be glad and forever will shout for joy. Protect these soldiers as they discharge their duties. Protect them with the shield of Your strength and keep them safe from all evil and harm. May the power of Your love enable them to return home in safety, that with all who love them, they may ever praise You for Your loving care. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Doors open at 6:00pm  
 Early Bird game 7:15pm  
 Regular schedule 7:30pm  
**Volunteers/Callers Needed**  
 Call Vicki 201-843-2024

## Upcoming Events:

- Every Friday —BINGO 7:15pm
- Aug 18-22—Summer Festival of Fun
- Aug 21-22—Turks & Caicos Mission
- Aug 24—Prayer & Life Workshop Begins (14wks)
- Aug 24—Blood Drive
- Aug 28—Covid Testing
- Sep 8—Bereavement Group Begins (4wks)
- Sep 12—Fr. Matthew's 50th Jubilee Celebration
- Sep 18—Food Truck Festival
- Sept 25-26—Cross Catholic Outreach
- Sep 25—Spiritual Reflection with Sr Donna Ciangio, OP
- Oct 9—Pot Luck Supper
- Oct 23-28—Mission Retreat with Bro. Michael Moran

## Readings for the Week

- 17; Mt 24:42-51
- Friday:** 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12; Mt 25:1-13
- Saturday:** 1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Mt 25:14-30
- Sunday:** Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5; Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
- Monday:** 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a, 9b; Mt 23:13-22
- Tuesday:** Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51
- Wednesday:** 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab; Mt 23:27-32
- Thursday:** 1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14,

