

Saints Philip and James Parish

Exton, PA

March 5, 2023



Sunday Mass Schedule

Vigil: 4:00 pm

8:30, 10:30AM, 12N & 5:30PM

Monday through Saturday

Holy Mass 8:30AM

Saints Philip & James Rectory

107 North Ship Road Exton, PA 19341

Phone: 610 363 6536 • www.sspj.net

Rectory Hours Monday thru Thursday 9AM—5PM

Closed 12N - 1PM

Sunday 9 AM—1 PM

Parish Clergy

Rev. Joseph C. Dieckhaus, J.C.L., Pastor

Rev. James W. Cassidy, O.S.A., *in residence*

Weekend Assistance

Rev. Christopher J. Drennen, O.S.A. *Malvern Prep*

Saints Philip & James School

Pre-K, K, Grades 1–8: 610 363 6530

Sister Teresa Ballisty, IHM, *Principal*

Parish Religious Education

Sister Marie Garman, IHM, *Director*

Office: 610 363 1307

Parish Staff

Mrs. Barbara A. Doyle

Parish Office Manager

Mr. Michael McCafferty

Business Manager

Mrs. Carmel Kropp

Office of Liturgy Planning

Christian Initiation (formerly RCIA)

Mrs. Marie Romano

610-363 6530 X 152

CYO Information

cyo.sspj.net

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Remember your mercies, Lord, your tenderness from ages past. Do not let our enemies triumph over us; O God, deliver Israel from all her distress.

COMMUNION: This is my Son, my beloved, in whom is all my delight: listen to him.

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Saturday March 4, 2023

4:00 PM Gregory McCarthy

Sunday March 5, 2023

8:30 AM Dolores Kennedy

10:30 AM The Bowles & Lamb Families (L)

12:00 PM Teresa Holman

5:30 PM Mitch Pardue

Monday March 6, 2023

8:30 AM Joseph Stecz

Tuesday March 7, 2023

8:30 AM Deacon Frank Bizal

Wednesday March 8, 2023

8:30 AM Teresa Holman

Thursday March 9, 2023

8:30 AM Thomas Marx

Friday March 10, 2023

8:30 AM Deacon Frank Bizal

Saturday March 11, 2023

8:30 AM Jacqueline A. Newmiller

4:00 PM Francis Duma D'sa

Sunday March 12, 2023

8:30 AM Bill Davis

10:30 AM Tony DeMaiores

12:00 PM Joseph Longo

5:30 PM Rosemary Murphy



Bulletin Announcements for Easter, April 9 should be to the rectory by March 28.



St. Mary's Chapel is open for
Visits to the Blessed Sacrament
Monday - Friday
9 am - 7 pm
Exposition all day Wednesday

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Monday 7 PM to 8PM, Saturday 3PM to 4PM
Sunday 8 AM—8:30AM

March 5, 2023
Second Sunday of Lent

**Please
pray for
the sick**

Thomas Melvin, Baby Calvin,
Cathy Motznik, Richard Brane,
Edward Gaudreau, Martin Flaherty,
Mary Dennison, Linda, Lily Walker,
Joseph McCormick, MaryAnn
Harkins, Tracy Peacock, John
Ganski, John Coyne, Bridget Dougherty, Debbie
Blazeywski, Sherri Lane, Bill Oxenford, Mason
Ellingsworth, Lori Mergen, Jerry McHale,
Kellen Leister, Heather Murphy.



**Pray for the safety of those serving
Our Country:** Matthew Kleponis,
Jay McElvenny, Brent Grafmuller,
Cole Iannarino, Connor Iannarino,
Matthew Boland, Liam Hansen,
Daniel DiLuigi.

Please call the rectory if you would like a family
members name added/removed to either list.
Thank you.



Please remember all our deceased
benefactors in your prayers especially
Dorothy Janofsky.
**"Those whom we love and lose are no
longer where they were before. They
are now wherever we are."**

St John Chrysostom



Sacrament of Matrimony Couples
must make arrangements to meet with a
priest at least six months in advance. The
next Pre-Cana will be Sunday, April 16
2023. For more info or to register call 610-
363-6536.



Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated the
Second & Fourth Sundays of most
months at **1:00 PM** in the Church.
NO BAPTISMS ON APRIL 9 EASTER

Baptismal Instruction The next
scheduled class is **March 19, 2023** at 10:00 AM in the
Rectory Meeting Room. Call Rectory to register 610-
363-6536.



Dear Sisters and Brothers,

From St. Agnes Outreach Services:

Dear Father Dieckhaus,

Father, once again we send our deep gratitude and appreciation for all the good your parish shares with people in need in our community. We are most grateful for the very generous Christmas gifts to the families who come to the Church for assistance. We thank you for the many ways through out the year in which you partner with us in feeding the hungry and welcoming the stranger, educating the children of immigrant families and healing the sick who come to our medical clinic,

We are confident that it is Christ himself who receives your gifts and He who will bless you and your parishioners. We remember you at Morning Prayer in the Day Room. May God continue to bless you with His love and His grace.

LENT 2023

Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. In addition, all Catholics 14 years old and older must abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Wednesday 2:15 PM Church (with school children) March 8, 15, 22, 29;

Palm Sunday April 2

Vigil Mass, Saturday, April 1 - 4:00 PM

Sunday - 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 Noon, & 5:30 PM

Incense will be used at 4 PM, 10:30 AM, 12 Noon and 5:30 PM Masses

Palm will be blessed and distributed at all Masses

Parish Lenten Penance Service – Wednesday, April 5

Brief Parish Penance Service with Confessions - 7:00 PM

N.B. This will be the last opportunity for confession until after Easter

No confessions on Holy Saturday, Easter Sunday or Monday

THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

HOLY THURSDAY - April 6

9:00 AM Mass for those unable to attend 7:00 PM Liturgy

Incense will be used at 7:00 PM Mass

Solemn Mass of The Last Supper - 7:00 PM followed by

Procession to, and Adoration in St. Mary's Chapel until 10:00 PM

GOOD FRIDAY - April 7

Visits start in St. Mary's Chapel at 9:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Solemn Liturgy of Our Lords Passion in church - 3:00 PM & 7:00 PM

HOLY SATURDAY- April 8

No morning Mass

Chapel Blessing of Easter Meals 10:30 AM

(N.B. NO 4:00 Mass)

Easter Vigil Mass - 7:00 PM

Incense will be used at the Vigil Mass

EASTER SUNDAY - April 9

8:30 AM- 10:30 AM - 12:00 Noon & 5:30 PM

Incense will be used at the 10:30 AM, and 12 Noon Masses

CELEBRANT SCHEDULE March 11/12, 2023

4:00 PM Fr. Cassidy
8:30 AM Fr. Cassidy
10:30 AM Fr. Dieckhaus
12:00 PM Fr. Dieckhaus
5:30 PM Fr. Drennen

Stewardship Update 35 Weeks through February 26, 2023

	Sunday	Christmas	Total
Budget	1,029,412	115,000	1,144,412
Actual	<u>1,026,861</u>	<u>76,076</u>	<u>1,102,937</u>
Variance	-2,551 -0.2%	-38,924 -33.8%	-41,475 -3.6%

Thank you for your generous Support of SSPJ Parish



SSPJ Helping Hands Volunteers

A hand is here for the asking! We are a volunteer group and ready to help our fellow parishioners with temporary needs. We make meals, visit, drive for errands and doctor appointments, groceries, and church. Ask if you think we can lend a helping hand or if you would like to join our volunteer group.

For more info contact LeeAnne Kaminski 610.524.9335. HelpingHands.sspj@gmail.com

Bethesda Project – A Social Outreach

The SS. Philip and James parish family continues to provide on-going support of the Bethesda Project. This is a program which provides emergency shelters, transitional and long-term housing for Philadelphia's homeless population.

By way of explanation, one ministry of the Bethesda Project is in constant need of useable towels, toiletries (shampoo, toothpaste, etc.), men's new underwear (sizes M, L and XL) and twin flat white sheets. These items allow the homeless to shower, freshen up and change into clean undergarments. It gives them a fresh start and lends dignity to their person.

If you would like to participate, donations of the listed items can be placed in the designated container found in the church vestibule. Contact Lou Ruggeri (484-889-5239) for more info.



BINGO

Every Monday

From 11:30 AM Until 3:00 PM

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Contact Mike Reitman
genereitman@gmail.com



Contact Jim Evans
jim8646@comcast.net

SSPJ Food Drive

Monetary donations are requested for The Lord's Pantry and West Chester Food Cupboard on the weekend of 3/17-3/18. These cash/check donations will allow the pantries to purchase food through their wholesalers at up to 50% discount – resulting in twice as much food in the pantries. Donations can be placed in the Food Drive box in the vestibule. Any questions, please contact Jeanine Lubeck @ jlubeck@laser-view.com.

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me."

Matthew 25:35

Registration for New Families

We want you to be a part of our Parish Family! Whether you are a returning Catholic, a newcomer to the area, or someone with an interest in the Catholic faith, we want to welcome you to our Church home. Stop in our Rectory Office Monday thru Thursday 9-5 closed 12-1 or Sunday from 9-1.

Moving On? Please let the rectory know if you are moving out of SSPJ Parish, so we can remove you from our registry.



Follow SSPJ CYO on Social Media

Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/SSPhilipandJamesCYO>

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Instagram at https://www.instagram.com/sspj_cyo/

Register for SSPJ CYO Spring Sports

SSPJ CYO Spring Sports include Track & Field, Baseball, Softball & Lacrosse. Baseball is \$200, Track & Field is \$115, Subnovice Track is \$50. Softball and Lacrosse fees are tbd for now. For question, please email cyo@sspjparish.net or to register, visit cyo.sspjparish.net



SSPJ'S THRIFT SHOP HOURS

Thursday 3:30 to 7:00 pm

Saturday – 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Sunday—1:00 pm- 4:00 pm

**SHOP WILL BE CLOSED FROM
February 26 reopen on March 18**

**COME CHECK
US OUT!**

There's
something for
everyone!

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**All Bulletin Announcements need to be to the rectory
by Monday 12 noon for the upcoming weekend.**

Respect Life - A Charitable Act for Lent - 40 Days for Life 2023 Campaign

With prayer and fasting, **40 Days for Life** campaigns beseech God to change hearts of mothers and fathers against abortion. Join others praying for one hour outside the planned parenthood facility on 8 South Wayne Street, West Chester (any day through April 2 from 7 AM to 7 PM). Our parish is assigned to pray Friday, March 31 from 7 AM to 7 PM. Information and signup sheets are in the Narthex or contact Bob Lisowski, rmlisowski@gmail.com, (610)574-5131.



St Philip and James Prayer Shawl group will meet on Friday, **March 10 @ 9AM** in the rectory meeting room. All knitters and crocheters are welcome to join the group. If you have any questions please call Kathy at 610 363

1720 or kpenderghest@verizon.net (We are no longer accepting yarn and projects can be worked on at home)

Spiritual Adoption Baby Shower

You are Invited!

Sunday, May 7, 2023
3:00-5:00pm

Saints Philip and James
Rectory Meeting Room

*Unwrapped gifts will be donated to
five local pregnancy centers. Please see
suggested gift list.*

Finger sandwiches, salads, desserts and beverages (water, lemonade, coffee) will be served. If you are willing to contribute any of these menu items, please indicate what you will bring when you RSVP.

RSVP to Fran Lisowski at
flisowski421@gmail.com or at 610.363.7449
by Sunday, April 30th

Spiritual Adoption Baby Shower

Suggested Gift Items:

- Diapers-sizes 1-5
- Baby Wipes
- Ointment
- Baby Lotion
- Baby Shampoo
- Dreft Baby Detergent
- Rattles or Teethers
- Receiving Blankets
- Newborn onesies
- Bibs
- Pacifiers
- Baby Bottles
- Baby Formula- Enfamil brand or Similac 360 Total Care
- Baby Gear:
 - Bathtub seat
 - Pack and Play
 - Baby Monitor
 - Stroller

Please do not wrap the gifts!

Looking for a way to enrich your Lent?
Consider helping Partners in Outreach with
Operation Easter Outfit 2023

Once again, we are using Sign-Up Genius for a virtual egg distribution.

Scan the QR code that will take you directly to a sign-up genius where you can select a child and then purchase an outfit for that child. You may also go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0D49ACA82FA6FB6-easter> to sign up.



Once on the site you will find the clothing needs of the children. If you would like to purchase an outfit for a child this year, please use the "Sign-Up" button to select the child (or children), then click on "Submit and Sign-Up" and provide your contact information (Name, e-mail address and phone number) to complete the registration. You will receive an e-mail to confirm your selection.

Please return the clothes to the narthex the weekend of March 11-12 Please include the name of the child along with the ID code with the clothing. We suggest dresses for girls and khaki style pants and collared button-down or polo shirts for boys. Accessories are not recommended.

If you want to participate, but do not care to shop, you can mail a donation to Partners In Outreach, P.O. Box 21, Chester Springs, PA 19425 or donate online at www.partnersinoutreach.org
Thank you for your continued support of Operation Easter Outfit.



The Saints Philip and James Home & School Association is excited to celebrate **"Roses & Races," this year's Spring Fundraiser.** The event will be held on **April 22, 2023** at the Hilton Garden Inn in Exton. Ticket purchases **AVAILABLE NOW via QR code;** we hope you will join us!

The annual fundraiser is our largest of the year and supports many activities in the school, including facility upgrades, student activities/events and new educational technologies. **Today, we are asking for your kind consideration as a sponsor/donor for the event.** Family and business sponsorships will be recognized in our event program, bulletin, and online on our school spirit wear store and social media pages.

SPONSOR NOW via QR code.

Please contact the event leads at sspjfundraiser@gmail.com, if you would like to participate or you have any questions

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We invite all parishioners and their families to experience a wonderful 7-part video series titled THE SEARCH on FORMED.ORG Together, as a parish community we will progress through the videos, one each week during Lent. Once you have logged into **FORMED**, select the menu PROGRAMS, then select THE SEARCH. As you scroll down this page, you can explore the Trailer and any of the seven episodes.

This week on THE SEARCH: To find clues as to the meaning of life, we first look at ourselves. Who am I? Is there more to me than matter? If you're just a body, then satisfaction in life should come from tending to simple bodily needs. Fill your stomach, be comfortable. But there's more to you than that. You are material and immaterial. And that unseen part of you craves for so much more. As C.S. Lewis once said, "If we find ourselves with a desire that nothing in this world can satisfy, the most probable explanation is that we were made for another world." Join our parish this week as we watch Episode II of THE SEARCH - Who Am I? Consider these questions as you watch: Why was I created? What is more important to me than being the person God made me to be?

On **FORMED** this Lent; parishioners are invited to receive daily, Lenten, email, video reflections (about 3 mins in length) from Dr Tim Gray, President of Augustine Institute, by signing up at daily.formed.org

"The Catechism in a Year" and "The Bible in a Year" (with Fr. Mike Schmitz) are available on Apple Podcasts. Both can be found at: <https://podcasts.apple.com> > podcast.

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Pierogie	Jalapeno	1 Dozen	\$7.50	x	_____	=	_____
Pierogie	Spinach & Feta	1 Dozen	\$7.50	x	_____	=	_____
Ravioli	Cheese Ravioli	1 Dozen	\$7.50	x	_____	=	_____

Total Pierogies and/or Ravioli \$ _____

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Orders can be placed in a plain envelope marked "SSPJ Pack 105 Fundraiser" & dropped in the collection basket during Mass through Sunday, MARCH 26, or mailed to: SSPJ Rectory – 107 N. Ship Rd – EXTON, PA 19341

ALL MAIL-IN ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY SUNDAY, MARCH 26
Please include payment with orders, and checks should be made payable to: **SSPJ PACK 105**



what's happening at SSPJ

Our Pre-K through 5th grade Panthers had a special visit from local author and parishioner "Dr. Joe" Denham. As a pediatric physician, Dr. Joe has embarked on a career as a children's book author. His books inspire and empower young children, Pre-K thru grade 5. Dr. Joe has authored several books, including "Alex and His Magical Colors" and "Clara Cloud and the Lost Explorers". Thank you for visiting Dr. Joe!



Scan the QR code to learn more about SSPJ today!



St. Patrick's Day Word Search



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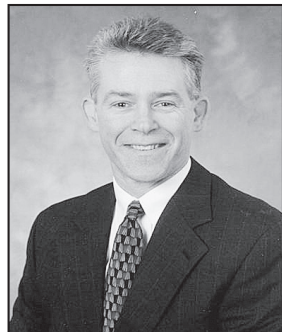
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