## ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH

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#### St. Philip's Church

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#### **Parish Staff**

Pastor:

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441-4902 Fr. Bryan Kujawa

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441-4908 Luke Alexander

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Nancy Goodman 441-4907

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441-4900 Tammy Johnson

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**Brad Arel** 

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#### St. Philip's School Staff 218-444-4938

Principal:

ext 4941 Jana Norgaard

School Office Staff:

441-4940 Stephanie Glen Kerry Frauenholtz 441-4942 441-4943 Rachel Midgarden

#### **Sister Parish**

St. Charles Pennington

2500 Scenic Hwy NE, Pennington, MN Sat. at 4:00 PM (Memorial Wknd to Labor Day)

#### Newman Catholic Ministries

BSU/NWTC

All sacramental events take place at St. Philip's Church.

#### St. Philip's Clothing Depot

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Tues through Sat • 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM Manager:

Norma Himmelright

Assistant Manager:

Shirly Curtis

#### **Spiritual Direction**

Tamara Moore

Please call the Parish Office for information.

#### **Diocese of Crookston**

Victim Assistance Coordinator:

Cindy Hulst, LSW • 218-281-7895

Greetings on the 4th Sunday of Lent,

March 22, 2020

The pace of change in this world, in this day and time, is unbelievably swift. The Covid-19 virus is rapidly changing how we live and how we interact with one another. St. Philip's is a community of believers that will be working hard to make sure we stay in contact and in prayer centered on Jesus.

That is most important: we stay centered and pray: asking Jesus, inviting him into the difficulties we are experiencing. We also ask Jesus for protection especially for those most vulnerable among us.

As a priest, it is our vocation to be a sacramental presence among the people of God. The day is here when the people of God are not able to receive the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus at Mass, in the manner in which we are accustomed. I am deeply aggrieved about that. A great joy for a priest is to bring Jesus to His people. The limitations placed on us can cause concern. Will we be able to go to the hospital or nursing home for Viaticum... YES. Will we be available for reconciliation...YES. Will we celebrate a funeral service ...Yes. Will scheduled marriages take place... YES. But all these events are within the limitations placed around us.

By going to the St. Philip's website (www.stphilipsbemidji.org) you will be part of the weekend Mass celebrated at St. Philip's. Also on our website is a link to view daily Mass by Bishop Robert Barron. It is important we stay connected. Call either Fr. Maschio at 218-441-4902 or myself at 218-441-4901 and we will set aside a time to celebrate reconciliation with you.

Do not be afraid to call, email, or text asking for assistance. Volunteers are stepping forward and are willing to help. It is a sign of our Christian response. Please spend time with our volunteer on the phone when we call, share your concerns, your thoughts, help us to know how to best reach you so we can remain the parish family that is a community of love and concern.

The Paschal Mystery is the life of Jesus as he lived, suffered, died and rose from the dead for each of us. Today, we are called to die to our self, our desires and be obedient for the sake of the greater community.

It is my prayer, together we will flood the heavens with prayer for an end to the Covid-19 and we will have the healing presence of Jesus be in and through all of us in our thoughts, prayers and actions.

Blessings,

Fr. Chuck

**Please Note:** School and parish staff are adapting as quickly as possible to everchanging events. Teachers are revolutionizing how they teach and support your children in their education. All staff members will continue to work remotely in accordance with established guidelines. Please visit stphilipsbemidji.org to find email addresses so you can stay in contact.

#### **Your Parish Representatives:**

Parish Council Members: Ben Baird, Anita Froelich, Jim Gorham, Cynthia Haskin, Rich Marsolek, Elizabeth Mathews, Sophia Morin, Mary Scofield, Tracie Walter

Finance Council Members: Jeff Cwikla, Amy Haskell, Claude Sand

School Council Members: Will Beise, Erin Curran, Sarah Haman, Christine Louvar, Trudy Peterson, Scott Winter

Trustees: Kevin Erpelding, Tracie Walter



#### **Mass Intentions**

For Week of March 23 to 29

#### Monday, Mar 23

+Margaret Gilmour

#### Tuesday, Mar 24

+Tim Vencel

Special Intentions for Verna Mae Lehmann

#### Wednesday, Mar 25

+Fr. Don Braukmann Special Intentions for Virginia Welle

#### Thursday, Mar 26

- +Carolyn Dondelinger
- +Margaret Keavney

#### Friday, Mar 27

+Nathan Schuette

#### Saturday, Mar 28

For the People

#### Sunday, Mar 29

+Bob Krugler

See note concerning Mass **Intentions** 

### **Daily Readings**

For March 23 to 29

#### Monday, Mar 23

Is 65:17-21 Ps 30:2,4-6,11-12a,13b

#### Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday, Mar 24 Ez 47:1-9,12 Ps 46:2-3,5-6,8-9 Jn 5:1-16

#### Wednesday, Mar 25

Is 7:10-14,8:10 Ps 40:7-11 Heb 10:4-10 Lk 1:26-38

#### Thursday, Mar 26

Ex 32:7-14 Ps 106:19-23 Jn 5:31-47

#### Friday, Mar 27

Wis 2:1a,12-22 Ps 34:17-21,23 Jn 7:1-2,10,25-30

#### Saturday, Mar 28

Jer 11:18-20 Ps 7:2-3,9-12 Jn 7:40-53

#### Sunday, Mar 29

Ez 37:12-14 Ps 130:1-8 Rom 8:8-11 Jn 11:1-45

## Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 22, 2020

Rejoice Jerusalem, and all who love her!

#### Sacramental Life

#### **Baptisms**

Parents or prospective parents who wish to present a child for Baptism are asked to attend a baptism preparation class (currently suspended until further notice). Please call the Parish Office at 444-4262 for more information.

#### **Marriages**

Congratulations! Please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible (six months or more in advance) so that we can work with you to prepare for the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony.

#### **Pastoral Visitations**

If you desire a home visit, communion for the homebound, or the Sacrament of Anointing the Sick, call the Parish Office. We want to be part of your life.



EMFI ZED The St. Philip's Catholic Community welcomes through the waters of baptism Morgan Elise Haman, daughter of William & Sarah Haman. May she be filled with the Holy Spirit.

St. Philip's extends condolences to the family of **Lois Statton**, mother of Terry Statton. May she find rest and peace, and may her family find comfort in . \\mathrm{\text{MPathre}} God's love.



### Parish Life

#### Mass Intentions for St. Philip's

I'm sure you are wondering about the steps we are taking with the Mass intentions that have been scheduled here. Fr. Chuck or Fr. Maschio will continue to say daily Mass Monday through Friday privately (two Masses Tues., Wed., and Thurs.), so your intentions will be fulfilled as before. For the weekend Masses they will say one Mass on Saturday and one on Sunday. Once during the week a "For the People", which is a required intention, will be said. The remainder of the Sunday intentions have been moved to other days in the future. If you have requested a special day to have a Mass said, we are sorry for the necessity to move it to a different date. Thank you for your understanding.

Hurley's Religious Goods sale at St. Philip's has been cancelled due to COVID19 recommendations. Instead, you can shop & order online at: https://hurleysrg.com/

#### **COVID-19 Caregivers**

St. Philip's has several folks who will run necessary errands, grocery shop, pick up prescriptions, etc for those who are unable to do so themselves. This includes those of you who are the most susceptible to this disease.

If you have a need, please call the Parish Office, 444-4262, and we will send over a caregiver. Also, if you would like to join the team of caregivers, give us a call and we will add you to the list. Thank you!

#### **Lenten Enrichment Ideas**

During this season of Lent, there are a variety of "at home" ways to deepen your relationship with Jesus... check out any of the following websites for a variety of Lenten resources. The chapel is available for you during regular office hours, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mon-Fri.

weare.franciscan.university/lent
dynamiccatholic.com (*Best Lent Ever*)
blessedisshe.net
proverb31.org
formed.org

"Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the Lord looks into the heart." (1 Samuel 16:7)

How often do we invest our time, talent, and treasure in creating an appearance that does not matter at all to God? We strive to impress with our clothing, home, career, possessions, car, and other marks of distinction. But none of these illusions of greatness will impress God. Instead, He will look into our hearts to see how much we loved Him, how much we loved others and how we showed that love by the way we used our time, talent, and treasure here on earth.



**180 babies saved (that are known of) since February 26.** 40 Days for Life vigils continue worldwide. The danger of ABORTIONS has not decreased with Covid-19.

### **Stewardship of Financial Resources**

#### **Total Actual Contributions**

Week #37 (Weekend of Mar 15)

\$ 9,132.00

#### **Fiscal Year to Date**

Last: \$752,498.13 ~ Current: \$715,884.64

#### Faith in Our Future Campaign

Pledged to Date: \$2,727,962.70 ~ Paid to Date: \$1,476,148.78

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#### Last Week's Mass Attendance

	Mar 14	5:30 p.m.	104
	Mar 15	7:30 a.m.	98
	<u>Mar 15</u>	9:00 a.m.	207
	<u>Mar 15</u>	11:00 a.m.	149
	Mar 15	6:30 p.m.	73
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Preschool Sunday School is canceled for the rest of the year. Many thanks to the Sunday School Catechists (Camille Moreno, Clare Niner and Tina Stearly) for helping our little ones learn and grow in our faith!

Children's Liturgy of the Word is canceled for the rest of the year. Many thanks to the CLOW Leaders (Ellie Morin, Lisa Martin, Amy Haskell, Kirsten Zachman and Sarah Haman) for helping to make the Sunday Gospel reading relevant to our children!!



#### St. Philip's Clothing Depot

St. Philip's Clothing Depot will be closed for business until April 15. This includes dropping off your donations. Thank you for your patronage and patience.

The same loving God who cares for you today will take care of you tomorrow and every day. God will either shield you from suffering or give you unfailing strength to bear it. Be at peace, then, and put aside all anxious thoughts and imaginations.

~St. Francis de Sales

### Options for maintaining offertory giving (during COVID-19 crisis and beyond).

Thank you for your ongoing support of St. Philip's Catholic Community through offertory giving. Your financial contributions are crucial to our parish fulfilling its financial obligations. We look forward to when we can again present our stewardship gifts in community during Mass, but until then, there are additional options to consider. (You may use these options at any time—not just when Masses are canceled.)

- Use weekly envelopes to share your offertory gift(s). You may write one check for the whole month and include a note about how you want funds directed (between offertory and special collections.) Put the envelope (it has your envelope #) in an envelope and mail it to St. Philip's Church, 702 Beltrami Ave. NW, Bemidji, MN 56601.
- Authorize electronic fund transfer from your checking account. Call the Parish Office for more information.
- Give online at stphilipsbemidji.org (set up a recurring gift or give individual gifts.)

Call 218-444-4262 or email <a href="mailto:mhchadwick@stphilipsbemidji.org">mhchadwick@stphilipsbemidji.org</a> for more information. Note: If you do not receive envelopes in the mail (and have not already set up a recurring gift), we may not have complete contact information in our records. You can call the office, send an email to <a href="mailto:tjohnson@stphilipsbemidji.org">tjohnson@stphilipsbemidji.org</a> or fill out a registration form at stphilipsbemidji.org.

To the St. Philip's Catholic Community Members,

Thank you for your devotion to our faith and service to our parish community. We want to be a source of relevant information and to provide resources that will support you in your faith. We need prayer and each other during these challenging times. Please don't hesitate to reach out to us or other parish staff members with questions, suggestions or concerns. We recommend visiting stphilipsbemidji.org and following our Facebook page (StPhilipsBJI) for real-time updates. We want to keep you updated without overwhelming you. This message provides news from the Diocese of Crookston and St. Philip's.

**From the Diocese of Crookston (Bishop Hoeppner).** (This decree applies to all parishes, chapel and religious houses in the Diocese of Crookston. Link to complete message at stphilipsbemidji.org):

- All public celebrations of the Holy Mass are cancelled (with the exception for funerals and weddings noted below). All Masses offered by priests are to be private, according to the Liturgical Norms and not open to the public.
- Sunday remains a holy day and, although dispensed from the obligation to attend Holy Mass on Sundays, the faithful are encouraged to observe the Lord's Day by watching Mass online or on TV and by making a "spiritual communion." Resources available at <a href="https://www.crookston.org/covid19">www.crookston.org/covid19</a>. We are exploring options to provide direct access to Masses. Information will be forthcoming.
- There are to be no Communal Penance Services. (Individual Celebration) of the Sacrament of Penance may be celebrated. Additional hours when the priest(s) are available may need to be offered. It is recommended that penitents make use of the screen in reconciliation rooms.
- Funerals and weddings with Mass may be celebrated with no more than 10 persons present.

#### From St. Philip's Parish

- At this time, no liturgical ministries, choirs, meetings, or activities will take place.
- The faithful are encouraged to continue attending Adoration (there will be no exposition), practicing "social distancing" and limiting the number of persons present to no more than 10 persons.
- All other public, parish activities are cancelled or suspended. We will re-evaluate as developments occur.
- The Parish Office will remain open 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. with limited staff. Please conduct as much business as possible by phone or electronically. Financial obligations, Faith in Our Future pledges and weekly offertory may be paid via mail or online at stphilipsbemidji.org (please call the office at 218-444-4262 for assistance navigating the site).
- We will continue to create a weekly bulletin. In it, we will provide resources and information to keep you connected to your faith and our community. You can access the weekly bulletin at stphilipsbemidji.org (click on the BULLETIN button.)
- Staff and volunteers will be reaching out to check in with registered parishioners in the coming weeks. If you haven't registered yet, you can do so online at sphilipsbemidji.org.
- Our staff still will be working to support our community. Email will be the recommended mode of communication.
- All memos and information will be posted on our website at stphilipsbemidji.org.

As we all know, this is an evolving situation. We will adapt and learn new ways to fulfill our mission, "to accomplish God's work." In the words of our Holy Father, Pope Francis we should, "live this difficult moment with the strength of the faith, the certainty of hope and the ardor of charity."

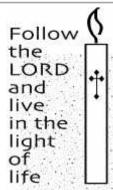
#### JPII Camp—Into the Deep

"Do not be afraid. Do not be satisfied with mediocrity. Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." ~ Saint John Paul II

Saint John Paul II Camp is for youth entering grades 7-9 who have a desire to deepen their faith, live in that faith and share their faith with others. Throughout the camp, youth will be encouraged and mentored as they engage in prayer, worship, leadership development, spiritual reflection and service. The five-day experience is designed to encourage and equip youth for discipleship. Spots are limited, so encourage your youth to register soon. Register at www.crookston.org/jp2camp.

There are 2 options to attend JPII Camp. Week 1 is from July 5 to 9, 2020. Week 2 is from July 12 to 16, 2020. Cost is \$325 per student, family rates are available.

The 2020 Camps will once again be held at **Northern Pines Camp**, 20033 County Road 1, Park Rapids, MN 56470.



#### **American Red Cross**

St. Philip's would like to partner with the American Red Cross to sponsor two 6-hour blood drives a year in Bemidji. In order for us to do this, we are asking for a volunteer from our parish to coordinated this effort. This would entail recruiting donors, setting up the dates, spaces, and arranging for volunteer helpers during the blood drives. We do have one person that is willing to help be an organizer, but would like someone to partner with in this effort. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office at 444-4262. Thank you for your consideration to this worthwhile cause!

## Thrivent Financial Choice Dollars can benefit St. Philip's

Did you know you can direct your Thrivent Financial Choice Dollars to St. Philip's? March 31 is the deadline to designate these charitable gifts. Ask your Thrivent Financial adviser for information. Don't let your Choice Dollars go unused. Thanks!

#### THE GRACES WITH THE FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY

Pope Saint John Paul II, in his encyclical, *Dives in Misericordia*, pointed out that devotion to the divine mercy is a continuation of the great Paschal Mystery of Jesus Christ: His dying, rising, His victory over sin and death, and His gift of new and everlasting life.

The graces promised by Jesus for the Feast of Divine Mercy is greater than a plenary indulgence. A plenary indulgence consists of the remission of temporal punishments for committed sins, through going to confession on or before Divine Mercy Sunday, praying for the intentions of the Holy Father, and receiving communion. The slate is wiped clean. The Divine Mercy indulgence includes remission of punishments and guilt, if the person completes the indulgenced act.

Beyond the indulgence of the feast day, more grace was promised through living out the devotion of divine Mercy.

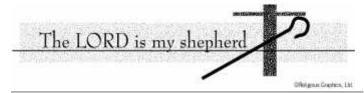
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#### Rummage and Bake Cancelled

**Sacred Heart Church of Wilton** has postponed the rummage and bake sale event scheduled for Saturday, March 28. A new date will be announced as soon as arrangements can be made.

#### **Are You Up-to-date?**

Much of the information sent to parishioners is via email. If you are not getting emails from us the chances are good that either 1) we do not have an email address for you or 2. the email address we have is incorrect. Please call the Parish Office or email tjohnson@stphilipsbemidji with your information. The same goes for any address or phone changes. We appreciate your assistance in keeping our records current!



#### **CCHD Summer Internship Opportunity**

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) is the domestic, anti-poverty social justice program of the U.S. Catholic Bishops. The CCHD is offering a local paid internship for Catholics in the Diocese of Crookston to help promote the important work of CCHD and to offer experience working with and on behalf of those in poverty.

The internship will provide practical work in carrying out the mandate of CCHD, opportunities to develop relationships with community leaders, reflection on Catholic Social Teaching, and opportunities for sharing the experience with other CCHD interns. The internship is paid at an hourly rate of \$14/hour and requires 30 - 40 hours a week, beginning with a mandatory training, May 27-29, and ending mid-August, with the possibility of extending the internship into the Fall of 2020. Those with good communication skills, and a strong interest in Catholic Social Teaching are encouraged to apply. Please visit www.crookston.org/employment to download the application and information regarding the submission of resumes. Contact Formator of Discipleship, Bob Noel with any questions: bnoel@crookston.org or (218) 281-4533 ext. 439 Applications will be accepted through Friday, March 27th. Interviews will be conducted the first week of April.

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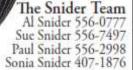
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