ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH

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May 7, 2023

St. Philip's Church

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Please call the Parish Office for information.

A number of our youth will be receiving their First Holy Eucharist at the Masses this weekend. In addition to keeping the First Communicants in our prayers, it would also be a good practice to revisit the teachings from the saints and Church Fathers regarding the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist.

St. Ignatius of Antioch was a disciple of the Apostle John. He was the third bishop of Antioch, an important center of Christianity in the apostolic period. Around 110 AD, St. Ignatius wrote seven letters to various churches on his way to be martyred in Rome. In his letter to the Romans, he writes: I have no taste for corruptible food nor for the pleasures of this life. I desire the Bread of God, which is the *Flesh* of Jesus Christ, who was of the seed of David; and for drink I desire His *Blood*, which is love incorruptible.

St. Justin Martyr was born about the time the last Apostle, St. John, died in Ephesus. Justin converted in Ephesus around 130 AD, where he was instructed by disciples of St. John. He is considered the greatest Christian apologist of the second century. Around 150 AD, in his famous *Apology* to the Emperor at Rome, St. Justin writes: We call this food Eucharist; and no one is permitted to partake of it, except one who believes our teaching to be true... *For not as common bread or common drink do we receive these*; but since Jesus Christ our Savior was made incarnate by the word of God and had both flesh and blood for our salvation, so too, as we have been taught, the food which has been made into *the Eucharist* by the Eucharistic prayer set down by Him, and by the change of which our blood and flesh is nourished, *is both the Flesh and the Blood of that incarnated Jesus*.

St. Irenaeus is another very important early Church Father. He was bishop of Lyons and lived from 140-202 AD. St. Irenaeus studied under St. Polycarp, who was another disciple of St. John the Apostle. St. Irenaeus is considered the greatest theologian of the immediate post-apostolic period. Around 195 AD, St. Irenaeus writes: He [Jesus] had declared the cup, a part of creation, to be *His own Blood*, from which He causes our blood to flow; and the bread, a part of creation, He has established as *His own Body*, from which He give increase to our bodies.

These early Church Fathers prove that early Christians firmly believed in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. We also notice that St. Ignatius was personally instructed by St. John the Apostle. St. Justin Martyr and St. Irenaeus each had direct contact with St. John's disciples. These three men are first-and second-generation disciples of the author

of John chapter 6. Who could be in a better position to tell us whether Jesus was speaking literally or figuratively about the need to eat His body and drink His blood? No one. These witnesses are as close as we can get to the apostolic Church. Their testimony is irrefutable and unmistakable: the original Christian Church believed in the Real Presence from the very beginning.

Every time we receive our Lord in the Holy Eucharist, we receive a gift beyond comparison. Whether we are receiving Him for the first time or the thousandth time we cannot fully comprehend the goodness of our Lord in the Eucharist. In the words of St. John Vianney, "There is nothing so great as the *Eucharist*. If God has something more *precious*, He would have given it to us."

In Christ, Fr. Michael

Mass Times

Saturday 5:30 PM Sunday 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, & 11:00 AM Monday 8:30 AM Tuesday 6:30 PM Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 8:30 AM

Reconciliation Times

Saturday 4:00 PM Sunday 8:45 AM, 10:30 AM or by appointment, call 444-4262 to schedule



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Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 7, 2023

Behold, I am with you always, alleluia!

Mass Intentions

For Week of May 8 to 14

Monday, May 8

8:30 AM Mass: Special Intentions for Robin Tacheny

Tuesday, May 9

6:30 PM Mass: +Carol Blair

Wednesday, May 10

8:30 AM Sch Mass: +Patricia Nugent

Thursday, May 11

8:30 AM Mass: +Bob Evans

10:30 AM Mass (Neilson Place): +Helen Kohn

Friday, May 12

8:30 AM Mass: Special Intentions for Fr. Bill DeCrans

Saturday, May 13

5:30 PM Mass (Confirmation): +Ira Batchelder

Sunday, May 14

7:30 AM Mass: For the People 9:00 AM Mass: +Don Carlson 11:00 AM Mass: +Bev Tolman

Daily Readings

For Week of May 8 to 14

Monday, May 8

Acts 14:5-18 Ps 115:1-2,3-4,15-16 Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday, May 9

Acts 14:19-28 Ps 145:10-11,12-13ab,21 Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday, May 10

Acts 15:1-6 Ps 122:1-2,3-4ab,4cd-5 Jn 15:1-8

Thursday, May 11

Acts 15:7-21 Ps 96:1-2a,2b-3,10 Jn 15:9-11 Friday, May 12

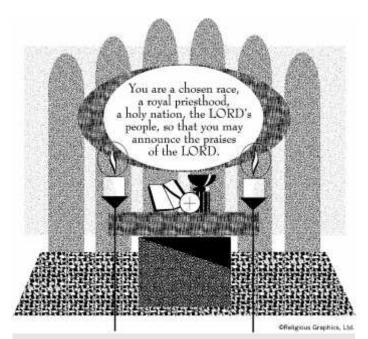
Acts 15:22-31 Ps 57:8-9,10,12 In 15:12-17

Saturday, May 13

Acts 16:1-10 Ps 100:1b-2,3,5 Jn 15:18-21

Sunday, May 14

Acts 8:5-8,14-17 Ps 66:1-3,4-5,6-7,16,20 1 Pt 3:15-18 Jn 14:15-21



This Week in the Parish

Monday, May 8

7:30 AM Monday's With Mary (Church)

9:00 AM to 8:00 PM Adoration (Chapel)

3:00 PM Little Flowers (Social Hall)

6:00 PM Young Women's Bible Study (St. Elizabeth Rm)

7:00 PM AA Mtg (St. Kateri Rm)

Tuesday, May 9

5:15 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal (Church) **7:00 PM** School Council Mtg (St. Kateri Rm)

Wednesday, May 10

9:20 AM Rosary (Chapel)

5:30 PM Block Party Committee Mtg (St. Kateri Rm)

6:30 PM Confirmation Rehearsal (Church)

Thursday, May 11

10:30 AM Communion Service (Goldpine)

5:00 PM to 6:30PM Disciples Dinner (Social Hall)

Friday, May 12

10:30 AM Bible Study (St. Kateri Rm)

Saturday, May 13

9:00 AM All Pro Dads (Social Hall)

4:00 PM Reconciliation (Chapel)

5:30 PM Confirmation Mass

Sunday, May 14

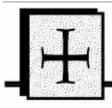
8:35 AM Rosary (Chapel)

8:45 AM Reconciliation (Chapel)

9:00 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word (St. Elizabeth Rm)

10:05 AM Baptism Class (St. Kateri Rm)

10:30 AM Reconciliation (Chapel)



The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

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Safe Environment

If you or someone you know has been the victim of sexual misconduct on the part of a priest, deacon, or individual representing the Diocese of Crookston, its parishes, or its schools, your first call should be to law enforcement. In addition, the diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator is available at 218-281-7895 (24-hour confidential number).

Sacramental Life

Baptisms

Parents who wish to have their child baptized, will need to complete the online Baptism Information form, which can be accessed by scanning the QR code. Once the form is received, you will be con-



tacted. The next class will be June 4. Please contact Kris Jensen at 218-441-4944 or kiensen@stphilipsbemidij.org for additional 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.

Anointing of the Sick or Pastoral Visit

If you are ill or will be having surgery and would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick, please call the Parish Office to set up a time to meet with Fr. Bill, Fr. Michael or Fr. Christon. If hospitalized, be sure to indicate you are Catholic upon hospital admittance.

The St. Philip's Catholic Community welcomes through the waters of baptism, Hadley Grace Eck, daughter of Jesse & Taylor Eck, and Marilyn Rose Jilek, daughter of Dwight & Alyssa Jilek.



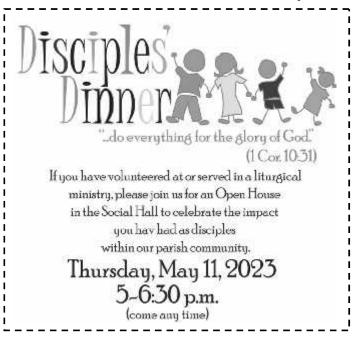


St. Philip's extends condolences to the families of Mary Kay Klein and Kaye Huch, mother of Brian Huch. May they find rest and peace, and may their families find comfort in God's love.

Parish Life

New Bible Study Starting Soon

We are currently taking names of anyone interested in a new bible study which will start sometime in June, Fridays at 10:30 AM in the St. Kateri Rm. The study is "Light from Light" by Bishop Robert Barron. It is a theological reflection on the Nicene Creed. The workbook cost will be approximately \$26, payable at the start of the study. Must be preregistered—call the Parish Office, 218-444-4262, no later than May 19.



Stewardship of Financial Resources

Monthly Contributions

Monthly Total as of 4/30/23 \$ 93,605.88 **Monthly Budget:** \$105,749.89

Fiscal Year-to-Date (Jul 1 to Jun 30)

YTD Actual: \$875,368.42 YTD Budget: \$1,057,499.98

2023 Diocesan Annual Appeal

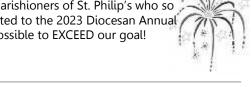
Parish Goal: \$81,917 **Actual:** \$83,287.25 (101.67%)

STEWARDSHIP ~ A HABIT OF THE HEART

You did it!!

Many thanks to all parishioners of St. Philip's who so generously contributed to the 2023 Diocesan Annual Appeal, making it possible to EXCEED our goal!

Jesus loves you, Fr. Bill



Could this be your calling?

Are you looking for a church activity where you can let your creative juices flow and make a great contribution to St. Philip's biggest event? The End of Summer Block Party committee is looking for such people to run the Silent Auction. The time has come for the planning committee to start meet, so we need you! If this interests you, call the Parish Office and speak to Tammy to find out more! 218-444-4262.

WITH PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING TO ALMIGHTY GOD

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Crookston cordially invites you to celebrate the Ordination to the Priesthood of

Deacon John Joseph Wilebski

Saturday, the twentieth of May in the two thousand and twenty-third year of the Lord at ten o'clock in the morning

> Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception 702 Summit Avenue Crookston, Minnesota Reception to follow

THANK YOU to the following volunteers who delivered Meals on Wheels: Dick Robinson, Ann and John Carlson, Margaret DeMers, Pat Lind, Moe Webb, Steve Christlieb, Bob and Don Pohl. Your willingness to give of your time is appreciated immensely. St. Philips next week to deliver meals will be July 10-14. Call 218-556-3087 (leave message) if you would like to know more about this volunteer opportunity.

CHURCH NOW that the snow is FINALLY gone, its time for us to "think gardening". We're searching for individuals who would like to clean up the plant beds around our campus. If this is something that interests you,

call the Parish Office for further information. 218-444-4262.

Let's celebrate Fr. Vincent Miller's 25 years of Priestly ministry!

St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Moorhead. Sunday, May 28, 2023 with a Mass of Thanksgiving at 10:00 AM.



Picnic lunch after Mass. Open House 2:00 to 4:00 PM. *No RSVPS are required.



Front Lines (April 25) video webcast reveals stunning results of 40 Days for Life spring campaign. *Results include 672 babies saved from abortion—that are known of worldwide. *Two more abortion workers who became pro-life and left their jobs for a total of 247 all-time. *Three abortion facilities CLOSED FOREVER!

To watch the video, see 40daysforlife.com; April 26, 2023 Blog



Congratulations to the following children who received our Lord for the first time on May 6 & 7, 2023

Harper Conger Catherine Curran Emma Dickson Hank Dufault Alejandra Duran Solvera Duran Alexander Efta JR Lennix Fratzke Henry Haack Ethan Hemstad Peter Hodapp Samuel Holy Reed Jenkins Natalie Johanneck Miles Johnson Kylie Khong Leo Kretzschmar Scout Lauer

Reid Lindseth William Mathy Louis Maxwell Stella McCollum Vaida Metcalf Audrey Moran Ariana Moreno Waylon Mulkey Mariah Peters Gavin Roscoe Lilith Ruport Levi Schaefer Cooper Siems Hailey Skaja Gigi-Michele Spence Lucas Splettstoeszer Evelyn Templin Violet Van Ert

Please keep the following individuals in your prayers:

Brandi Green, Joyce Morin, Eddie Giron and Ann Loeffler * If you are in need of prayer from your St. Philip's family, please contact the Parish Office to have your name added to the prayer list, 218-444-4262.

Hey Dad's and Kids... Join us for the next Bemidji Area All Pro Dads







Dad's Day Breakfast +1 Saturday, May 13 ~ 9:00 to 10:30 AM

St. Philip's Social Hall

In honor and celebration of Mother's Day, we'd like to extend a special invitation to all mother figures to plan on joining us for this very special morning. It will be an opportunity for the entire family to spend some quality time together while creating a couple amazing gifts for both Mom and the family!

For more information go to our website, www.allprodad.com or for questions, email bemidjiallprodads@gmail.com

The next All Pro Dad is scheduled for Saturday, June 10.





Cat.Chat Vacation Bible School

MARVELOUS MYSTERY The Mass Comes Alive July 31 to August 4, 2023 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Join us as we take a closer look at the Mass, so we can better understand it and deepen our love for Jesus in the Eucharist. Through faith lessons, music, games, crafts, and snacks children will discover more about the Mass, while growing their love for Jesus in the Eucharist.

The Marvelous Mystery VBS is for children age 4 (by September 1, 2023) through 5th Grade (2023 - 2024 school year). Register at: https://stphilipsbemidji.org/vacation-bible-school

Volunteers are needed to help children learn and grow during this fun, faith-filled week. Volunteers can be in 6th Grade and older. Volunteer at: https://stphilipsbemidji.org/vbs-volunteer-opportunities. Contact Kris for Registration or Volunteer information – 441-4944.

Final call for Pastoral Council nominations

Elections for this advisory council are scheduled for May 19 & 20 with duties to start July 1. Representatives meet once a month (except July) to address needs of the parish and advise the pastor. Get Nomination forms in the Parish Office or at stphilipsbemidji.org. Current Pastoral Council members are listed in the back of the bulletin. Contact the Parish Office to get contact information for them to learn more about this important role.

Clergy Days

Our priests will be attending an annual diocesan meeting for priests May 15-18. They will not be available these days. Communion Services will be held in place of daily Masses.

Ministry Schedule

May 13/14 ~ Sixth Sunday of Easter

| | Saturday, May 13 5:30 PM (Confirmation) | Sunday, May 14 7:30 AM | Sunday, May 14 9:00 AM | Sunday, May 14 11:00 AM |
|----------------------------|--|--|--|---|
| SACRISTAN | Connie Aagard | Brad Arel | Allison Hopkins | Sue Hengel |
| CAPTAIN EMHC | Connie Aagard | Brad Arel | Jamie Glen | Connie Aagard |
| ЕМНС | Glenn Aagard Myrna Corvelli Lisa Freise Stacey Ness Ericka Pickett Janet Moris (sub req.) | John Carlson David Hoefer Shirley Skon Help Please Help Please Help Please Help Please Help Please | Joann Gardner George Gardner Thomas Kern Bernie Marshall Cindy Marshall Pat Welch Help Please | Sue Hengel Gary Johnson Kim Klinger Patti Van Camp Karen Williams Help Please Help Please |
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| LECTOR 1 | Peggy Neumann | Phil Hodapp | Sue Hendricks | Sue Hengel |
| LECTOR 2 | James Hodges | Sue Bruns | Elizabeth Buxton (sub req.) | Connie Aagard |
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| USHER | Todd Djonne Chris Hanevold Mark Moris Dick Robinson | Cooper Malkowski Kirk Malkowski Bob Murray Help Please | John Marcum Luke Rud Casey Rupp Ian Spaeth | Dave Cwikla Kerri Hartman Frank Homer John Miesen |
| GREETER | Charity Hanevold Marsha Stebe | Jennifer Hoefer Calli Malkowski Help Please Help Please | Help Please Help Please | Ryan Aylesworth Rita Lauderbaugh |
| HOSPITALITY/ FELLOWSHIP | | Pat Bartels Colleen Schulke | Bernadette Aguilera Jan Busch Eleanor Morin Help Please | Ann Miesen Karen Schaar Karen Williams Sue Wright |

Your Parish Representatives:

Parish Council Members: Dave Brooks, Jamie Glen, Marilynne Hodapp, Mike Hougen, Kim Klinger, Betty Lindy, Tracie Walter, George Whalen.

Finance Council Members: Grant Frenzel, Amy Haskell, Roger Heger, Kay Mack, Kirby Washburn

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

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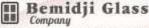
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