

JANUARY

4

2026



ST. PHILIP NERI

CATHOLIC CHURCH

WELCOME!

CONNECT!

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www.facebook.com/spnchurch

MASS TIMES

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Friday...6:15AM, 9:00AM
First Saturdays.....9:00AM

WEEKEND MASSES

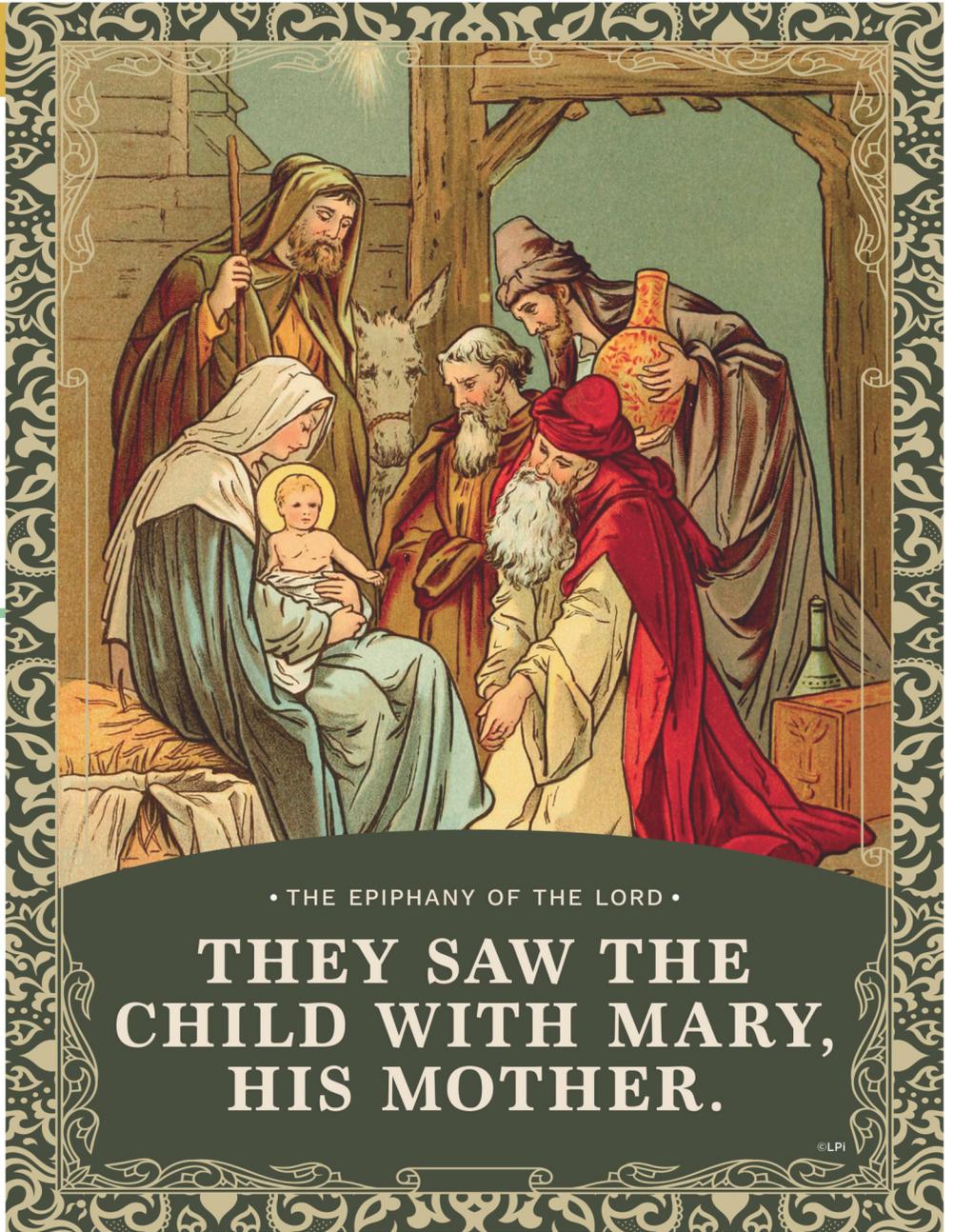
Saturday Vigil.....4:00PM
Sunday.....7:30AM, 9:00AM,
.....11:00AM & 6:00PM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday.....9:30AM-6:00PM

CONFESSIONS

Saturday.....2:30PM-3:30PM
Sunday.....5:00PM -5:45PM
First Saturdays.....8:00AM-8:45AM
At any time by appointment.



• THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD •

THEY SAW THE CHILD WITH MARY, HIS MOTHER.

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WELCOME, NEW
PARISHIONERS!



Please register by signing the book in back of church or call the Church Office at (504) 887-5535

OUR STAFF

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Andrew Rudmann, Pastor
Rev. James Martin Nobles, OP, Parochial Vicar
Deacons Thomas P. Lotz & Brett C. Barrios
Mrs. Staci M. Gelpi, Director of Parish Administration
Mrs. Ruby Kirsch, Director of Religious Ed.
Mrs. Angela Evans, Director of Liturgy & Evangelization
Mr. James Rosenbloom, Director of Sacred Music
Mr. Michael T. Koerber, Organist

SCHOOL STAFF

Mr. Richard Hill, Principal
Mrs. Sandee Paul, Assistant Principal
Mrs. Megan Caire, Coordinator of Religious Ed.
Mrs. Crystal Vaccaro, Business Manager
Mrs. Rhonda Tortorich, Office Manager
Mrs. Lori Robinette, Early Learning Center Director

SACRAMENTS



BAPTISM

If you are interested in having your child Baptized, please call the Church Office.



RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

Homebound visits can be arranged for our Parishioners by calling the Church Office.



MATRIMONY

Arrangements are to be made with the Church Office ideally a year in advance or at least six months in advance.



FUNERALS

When someone in the family passes, it is preferred that the family contact the Church Office to notify the priest before contacting the funeral home. Funeral visitation may be held in church.



RECONCILIATION

Saturday.....2:30PM-3:30 PM

Sunday.....5:00PM -5:45 PM

First Saturdays.....8:00AM-8:45AM

or you may call the Church Office for an appointment



ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If you have a family member in need of anointing, please call the Church Office.



CONFIRMATION

Our Confirmation program is for high school juniors. If you are an adult seeking Confirmation please call the Church Office.



OCIA

If you are interested in becoming Catholic or just learning more about Catholicism, OCIA meets every Sunday following the 9:00AM Mass.



+ IN REMEMBRANCE +

Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Mary T. Smith** and **Sydney Conzelmann.**

The Sanctuary Candle for Saturday, January 3rd - Friday, January 9th is offered in memory of **Anna Shaffer.**



MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 3RD - THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS

4:00PM St. Joseph (G.S.), Stephen Buras, Vincent Valentino Family, Raymond & Jean McCabe & Family, Lauren McCabe Griffith, Emmet & Vicky Johnson & Family, Eugene J. McCabe & Family, Dr. Joseph Trapani, Joey Trapani, Mary Young, Fred Reynolds, Dr. John Murphy, Jr., Most Sacred Heart of Jesus (G.S.), Sylvia T. Hebert, Special Intention Jon & Glenda Winn, Special Intention Grace Schmitt, Our Lady of Guadalupe (G.S.), Special Intention Errol & Tammy Winn

SUNDAY, JANUARY 4TH - THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

7:30AM J.F. & Randy Abadie and David Folks

9:00AM Doris Kennedy

11:00AM Karen DiZinno, Cyndi DiZinno, John & June DiZinno, Lawrence, Naomi, & Daniel Hedrick, Thomas & Helen Aber, Mona D. Miller, Kris Ibos, Lori Aleman, Bob Brockhoff, Janet Pesce, Josephine Doskey, John Matthew Aguilar, Special Intention Carol Morales & Family, Marlene Adams, Charles E. Settoon, Sr., Barbara Burger Aguilar, Robert Adams, Special Intention Most Reverend Gregory M. Aymond, D.D., Pearl Ferrera, Tony Ferrera, Edward J. Ryan, Jr., Mary McCarthy, Frency & Josie Mariande, Carol Mariande, Steven Ryan, Bennie & Alvis Collura, Special Intention Staci Gelpi

6:00PM All Parishioners

MONDAY, JANUARY 5TH - ST. JOHN NEUMANN

6:15AM Msgr. A. Charles Kenney

9:00AM Rev. Lee John Saloy

TUESDAY, JANUARY 6TH - ST. ANDRE BESSETTE

6:15AM Deacon Ed Cannon

9:00AM Deacon Ben Hausknecht

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7TH - ST. RAYMOND OF PENYAFORT

6:15AM Deacon Jerry Harrison

9:00AM Marie Helmke

THURSDAY, JANUARY 8TH

6:15AM Special Intention Christine Keen

9:00AM Karen Hebert

FRIDAY, JANUARY 9TH

6:15AM Anna Shaffer

9:00AM Diana LeBlanc

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY...

Joseph A. Attardo, Jr., Kay Bacino, James Balsamo, Jr., Tad Bartlett, Arnold Benitez, Ileana Benitez, Jeannie M. Black, Dale Borne, Nancy Buckheister, Robert Buss, Sadie Carey, Conzelmann Family, Carol Delaune, David DiZinno, Bernard Duffy, Kate Dussouy, Marie Eckert, Nora Fatzer, Angelique Foster, Darlene Frosch, Tommy Frosch, Vicki Fuselier, Sonny Gambino, Anita Garland, Clarence Giarrusso, Charlie Gillies, Jerry Godfrey, Kathy Godfrey, Debbie Gremillion, Will Haines, Helen Hausknecht, Desiree Hymel, Julie Jacob, Johanna Lae, Carlie Lehrmann, Charlotte Le Jeune, Martha Longman, Laura Marshall, Gayle Melville, Declan Mills, George Montegut, Sr., Janice Montelepre, John Montelepre, Deardra Mumme, Michael Perez, John Peri, Bill Pittman, Mary Pittman, Barbara Sandeman, Grace Schmitt, Kenny D. Schurb, Gail Schneider, Connie Smith, Ryan Smith, Jamie Theriot, Barbara Tobin, Beth Todd, Natia Trapani, Vicki Marchese Wilson, and Gloria Woods



THIS WEEK...

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 4
EPIPHANY**

9:00AM OCIA - Mass at 9AM Church followed by session Parishioners' Center

MONDAY, JANUARY 5

9:00AM School Mass Church
6:00PM Parish School of Religion School Campus
7:00PM Powerful Prayer of Women Church

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7

1:00PM Flame of Love Meeting Rooms
7:00PM Women's Bible Study Meeting Rooms

THURSDAY, JANUARY 8

9:30AM-6:00PM Adoration Church
9:30AM Grandparents' Club Meeting Meeting Rooms
7:00PM Choir Rehearsal Church

FRIDAY, JANUARY 9

6:00AM Men of Faith Meeting Rooms
9:45AM Coffee & Fellowship Meeting Rooms
6:00PM Liturgical Ministers Appreciation Dinner Parishioners' Center

SATURDAY, JANUARY 10

SUNDAY, JANUARY 11

9:00AM OCIA - Mass at 9AM Church followed by session Parishioners' Center



UPCOMING EVENTS

- JANUARY 15** Young at Heart
- JANUARY 18** First Communion Mass of Enrollment
- JANUARY 19** Parish Office Closed
- JANUARY 26** First Communion Parent Meeting

Join us for
Epiphany Mass

MASS TIMES
Saturday, January 3, 2026 - 4PM
Sunday, January 4, 2026 - 7:30AM, 9AM, 11AM, & 6PM

2026 Calendars & Home Blessing Kits will be handed out at all Masses.

HOME BLESSING TRADITION
It is a tradition to bless our homes with chalk on Epiphany each year, because this is the day the three Wise Men visited the home of the Holy Family. During this blessing, we invite God into our home & ask for His protection throughout the year. We mark our thresholds with 20 + C + M + B + 26, the initials of each Wise Man & the new year.

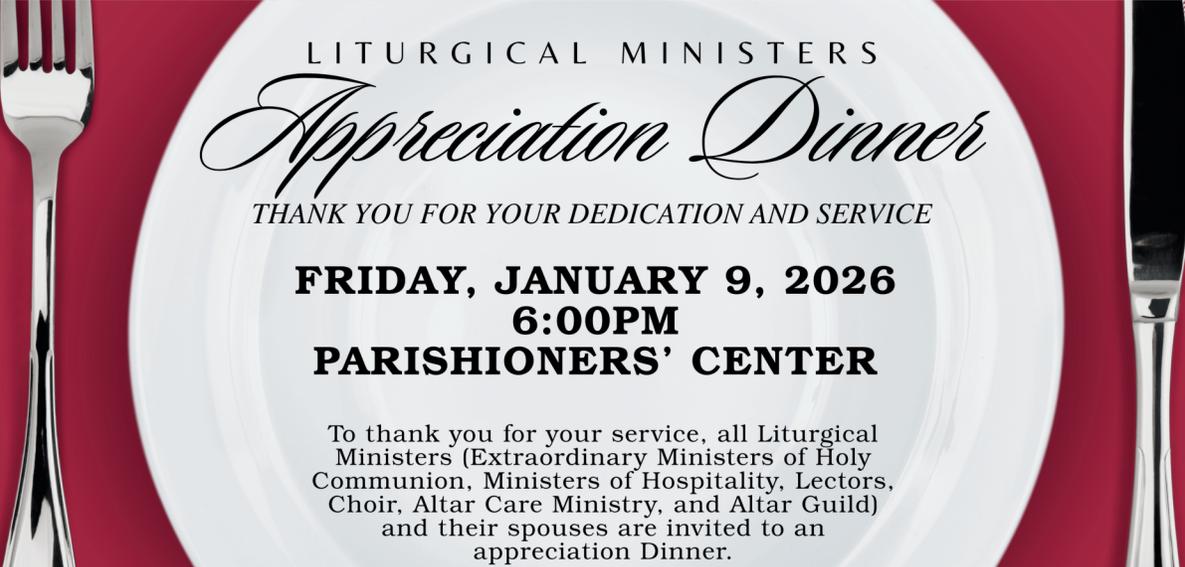
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LITURGICAL MINISTERS
Appreciation Dinner
THANK YOU FOR YOUR DEDICATION AND SERVICE

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 9, 2026
6:00PM
PARISHIONERS' CENTER**

To thank you for your service, all Liturgical Ministers (Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Ministers of Hospitality, Lectors, Choir, Altar Care Ministry, and Altar Guild) and their spouses are invited to an appreciation Dinner.





LIVING OUT THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL

When I was 22, I went on a pilgrimage to Rome for the Jubilee Year of 2000. I was traveling light with just a backpack, one blue shirt and black pants, little money, and no Italian. I had a few close friends and one goal: to reach the Eternal City. Despite the challenges and deprivations, I felt alive in a way I had never known before.

When do you feel most alive? I'd wager it's not when you're most comfortable or surrounded by stuff. Rather, it's when your life is aimed at something great; when you're on a meaningful and challenging journey with good friends.

That's the image the Magi give us in today's Gospel. They set out from the East not with certainty, but with hope. They study the signs, discipline their attention, and journey together, offering the best they have when they find the newborn King.

The Church gives us their story at the start of the year to reawaken something in us. We are not meant to drift. We're meant to journey as pilgrims. The Jubilee Year of 2025 may have ended, but our pilgrimage has not. Like the magi, the closer we get to Christ, the more alive we become.

-Father John Muir



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BAPTISMAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Baptized in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

Hannah Elise Manning,
daughter of **Perry & Mary Manning.**

Perry William Manning, III,
son of **Perry & Mary Manning.**

Emmett Paul Lacombe,
son of **Chase & Ashley Lacombe.**

Luxlee Wilde Vath,
daughter of **Tiffany Vath.**

Thank you

Thank you for packing our church this Christmas! It was a true joy to see so many faces filling our pews. We look forward to welcoming you back each and every week at Mass.



SANCTUARY CANDLE

Beginning December 27th, we will be offering the Sanctuary Candle as an intention for your loved one. The Sanctuary Candle will be lit from Saturday through Friday the offering is \$10. Please call the Parish Office at (504) 887-5535 to enroll your loved one.

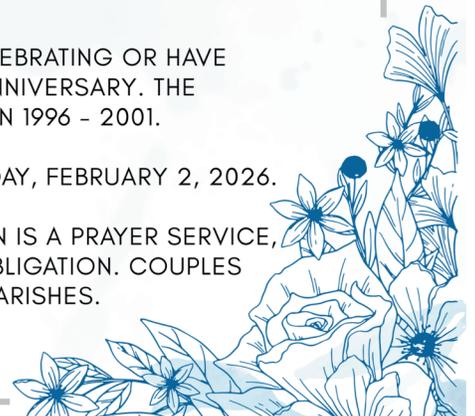
ARCHDIOCESAN SILVER ANNIVERSARY

THE OFFICE OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THE ANNUAL SILVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION WILL BE HELD ON
SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2026, 3:00 P.M. AT OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CATHOLIC CHURCH, NEW ORLEANS.

THIS PRAYER SERVICE WILL HONOR COUPLES WHO ARE CELEBRATING OR HAVE RECENTLY CELEBRATED THEIR TWENTY-FIFTH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY. THE CELEBRATION IS OPEN TO COUPLES MARRIED BETWEEN 1996 - 2001.

TO REGISTER, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR PARISH OFFICE BY MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2026.

PLEASE NOTE: THE SILVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION IS A PRAYER SERVICE, NOT A MASS AND WILL NOT FULFIL THE COUPLE'S SUNDAY OBLIGATION. COUPLES SHOULD PLAN TO ATTEND MASS AT THEIR HOME PARISHES.



LETTER FROM FR. ANDREW



Dear St. Philip Family,

“Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again: rejoice!”

We rejoice in this moment because God has chosen to give us a Saint! St. Sydney Conzelmann went to be with Jesus for all eternity on Christmas night and we now have a special intercessor in heaven! St. Sydney was such a bright light in our community. So full of life and adventure, always smiling, and so ready to love every person in her life. She was one of my best friends and a friend to so many of us.

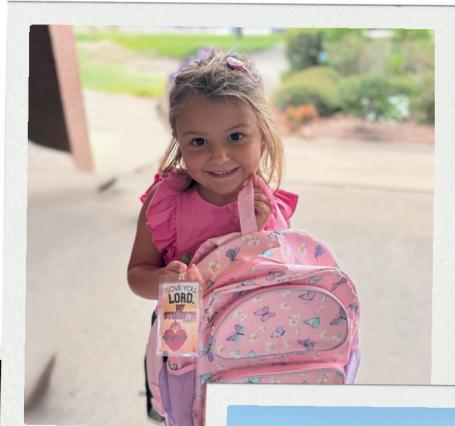
Even though there is much cause for rejoicing, we have a very difficult road ahead of us. She is in heaven, but we are still here and now we miss her so much. It is ok for us to be sad, confused, or even angry - at times, we do not understand God's plan. However, we must persevere in prayer and continue to surround her family and friends with all of our love and support. Please pray for the Conzelmann family and for all of our SPN students and teachers as we return to school this Monday. Pray especially for her little friends in Kindergarten. In a particular way, I invite you to please pray the rosary for these intentions. We need the Blessed Mother to wrap all of us in her mantle of love.

Sydney loves Jesus and she loves all of you. The greatest gift that we can give to her at this time is to care for her family and friends and to give our own lives to Jesus. St. Sydney does not want to spend heaven without us! She wants us to become the saints that God is calling us to be so that we can be with her and with Jesus forever. So now is the time to return to God with all of your heart!

Please know that I love you all and I am here for you. If you are in need of any support in this time of grief and loss, please do not hesitate to reach out to me.

St. Sydney, Pray for us!

In Christ,





KAROLING ON KAWANEE

Thank you to everyone who participated in Karoling on Kawanee! Your voices and joyful spirits brought old-fashioned Christmas caroling to life as we shared songs of the season throughout our community. From visiting the health care center to stopping at homes along the way, you helped spread Christmas cheer, comfort, and hope to those who needed it most. What a beautiful way to share the light and love of Christ this Christmas season.



CHILDREN'S NATIVITY

We wish you a happy birthday—Baby Jesus is here! Thank you to all of our wonderful children who participated in our annual Nativity and so beautifully helped tell the story of our Savior's birth. Your joyful hearts and willing spirits reminded us all of the wonder, hope, and love of that holy night. What a blessing it is to celebrate Christmas together as a parish family!



FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

What a gift it was to see our own families gathered for Family Mass on the Feast of the Holy Family, worshipping together and placing Christ at the center of our homes. May the Holy Family continue to guide, strengthen, and bless every family in our parish.



ONE DOWN... TWO TO GO!!

CONGRATULATIONS! Beautification goal is complete!
 Thank you so much to our 445 generous pledges! Now **TWO MORE GOALS TO GO!!** Let's keep going SPN Family!



CAMPAIGN PLEDGE PAYMENT ENVELOPES ARE NOW AVAILABLE.
 IF YOUR CHOSEN PAYMENT METHOD WAS CASH OR CHECK, PLEASE PICK UP YOUR PAYMENT SCHEDULE PACKETS IN THE PORTE COCHERE VESTIBULE.

PLEDGE YOUR GIFT BY SCANNING OR GOING TO
 spnparish.net/dream