

STS. PHILIP & JAMES CHURCH

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Evening: 4:00 P.M.

Sunday: 8:00, 9:30 A.M. (Spanish),
11:30 A.M. (Choir)

Weekdays: 9:00 A.M.

Holydays: 9:00 A.M. & 7:00 P.M.

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 3:00 - 3:45 P.M.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA:

Saturday after the 4:00 P.M. Mass

BAPTISM:

Arrangements must be made, in advance, by calling the Church office for an appointment.

MARRIAGE:

Requires a Marriage Preparation Program. Please contact a Priest, or Office at least 6 months in advance.

CHOIR:

Schedule Arranged Monthly

OUTREACH - EVANGELIZATION MINISTRY:

Meets 3rd Sunday of the Month after 11:30 Mass.

THE LADIES GUILD:

Meets the 1st Sunday of the Month after the 11:30 Mass.

YOUTH GROUPS:

Boy Scouts meet Saturday at 10:00 A.M.

Cub Scouts meet Saturday at 10:00 A.M.

Altar Servers meets 4th Sunday of the month after 11:30

Mass Scouts Sunday is the second Sunday of every month 11:30 Mass

MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND:

The ministry to the aged and homebound is a vital part of our parish life. The aged and homebound, themselves, or a designated relative, are asked to contact the parish office so that the Sacrament of the Eucharist might be made available to them. Please notify us when serious illness occurs, or when a parishioner is hospitalized, or when someone is confined at home because of illness, handicap, or age.

STS. PHILIP & JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Pastor.**

PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

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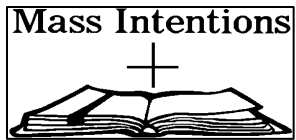
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Beverly Simmons, Catherine Lavelle, Diane Dixon, Mimi Caesar, Shirley Fearon, and Fr. Steven Masinde AJ.



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**THIRD SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 22, 2023**



Sun. JANUARY 22 – THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 – Special Intention for SPJ Parishioners
9:30 – Special Intention for SPJ Parishioners
11:30 – Special Intention for SPJ Parishioners

Mon. JANUARY 23 – USA: DAY F PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN

9:00 – Special Intention for SPJ Parishioners

Tue. JANUARY 24 – SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES

9:00 – Special Intention for SPJ Parishioners

Wed. JANUARY 25– THE CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL, APOSTLE

9:00 – In Loving Memory of Marie L. Pollard+ Birthday

Thu. JANUARY 26 – SAINTS TIMOTHY AND TITUS

9:00 – Special Intention for SPJ Parishioners

Fri. JANUARY 27 – WEEKDAY / SAINT ANGELA MERICI

9:00 – In Loving Memory of George B. Simpson+ Birthday; Fitzroy Coutain+

Sat. JANUARY 28 – SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS

4:00 – Special Intention for SPJ Parishioners

PRAYER INTENTION FOR MONTH OF JANUARY:

Prayer is reserved for the period of one month. Additional requests can be made individually for more prayer time, as needed: Monica Baafi, Vickie Akalonu, Sheila Aspinall and Ariela DeBrecore, Caesar-Dume family, Barbara Mason Family.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading – “The burdens that were once laid upon the people have been vanquished” (**Isaiah 8:23 – 9:3**).

Psalms – “The Lord guides and saves me” (**Psalms 27**).

Second Reading – “Paul exhorts the believers at Corinth: As there is one Christ, so too must there be no divisions among you.” (**1Corinthians 1:10-13, 17**).

Gospel – “After calling his first disciples, Jesus goes throughout Galilee teaching, proclaiming the gospel, and curing the people” (**Matthew 4:12-23 [12-17]**).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Heb. 9:15, 24-28; Ps. 98:1-6; Mk. 3:22-30, or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer

Tuesday: Heb. 10:1-10; Ps. 40:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11; Mk. 3:31-35

Wednesday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk. 16:15-18

Thursday: 2Tm. 1:1-8 or Ti. 1:1-5; Ps. 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk. 4:21-35

Friday: Heb. 10:32-39; Ps. 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40; Mk. 4:26-34

Saturday: Heb. 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk. 1:69-75; Mk. 4:35-41

Sunday: Zep. 2:3; 3:12-13; Ps. 146:6-10; 1Cor. 1:26-31; Mt. 5:1-12a



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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children; St. Vincent; St. Marianne Cope

Tuesday: St. Francis de Sales

Wednesday: The Conversion of St. Paul; Week of Prayer for Christian Unity ends

Thursday: Ss. Timothy and Titus

Friday: St. Angela Merici

Saturday: St. Thomas Aquinas

EFFORTLESS

The only thing that comes to a person without effort is old age.

HEART

In prayer it is better to have a heart without words than words without a heart.



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SANCTUARY LAMP

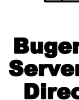
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THE ALTAR BREADS

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**Pius
Altar
Music**



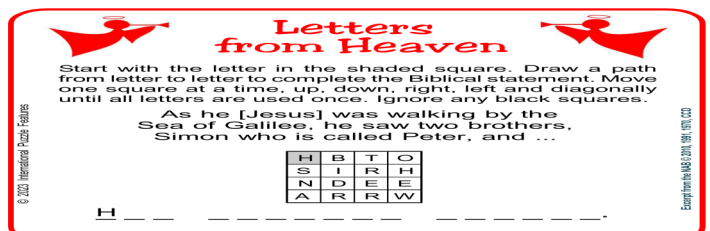
**Bugembe,
Server and
Director**

Alyssa Amate-Perez, Anastasia Bugembe, John Bugembe, Onyeomachi Ndukwe, Faith Kanu, Naima Cuffy, David Egwuogu, Jude Egwuogu, Aldair Estrada, Joan Garcia-Sosa, Leonel Herrera, Victor Herrera, Marie Martinez, Cristal Munoz, Kesidee Ndukwe, Chidera Okeke, Angelina O'Neal, Anthony O'Neal, Jesus Perez, Vanessa Perez-Mejia, Jude Uzuogunam.

Shirley Fearon, Lector Scheduler

Barbara Mason, Beverly Simmons, Karen Aya, Shirley Fearon, Olga Blake, Myriam Hollis, Agnes Asafu-Adjei, Oby Ndukwe, Tina Carrington, Mimi Caesar-Dume, Patience Onyegwara, Gladys Castillo, Maritza Breton, Cristina Sanchez-Marin, Margaret Odume.

for SPJ Parishioners



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GENUINE FREEDOM

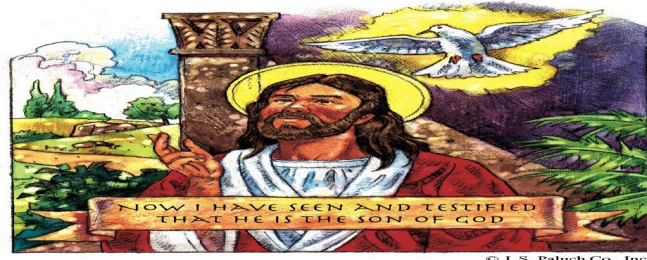
People thirst for genuine inner freedom. They yearn for the life which Christ came to give in abundance.



PARISH REGISTRATION & LETTERS OF ELIGIBILITY

Membership and a sense of belonging is the basis for granting letters of eligibility to act as God parents or Sponsors which can only be issued to active members of the parish who are not only registered but are in good standing with the Church that is, they attend Church regularly and evidence supports it. If married, their marriage must have taken place in conformity with the laws of the Church and receive sacraments.

It is also our pastoral policy that only registered parishioners can receive the Sacrament of Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, and Marriage besides Christian Burial. This is so because of the communal nature of the sacraments. By their very essence, sacraments call us into a family of faith intended to build a bound of unity as an ecclesial body of Christ's faithful here on earth. So it is more than just one fulfilling the Christian obligation as a Christian parent or mere administration of the rites, it is a call to common faith with a specific local Church in which ones intends to nurture his/her faith.



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PSALM 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. In verdant pastures he gives me repose; Beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul. He guides me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walked in the valley I fear no evil; for you are at my side With your rod and staff that give me courage. You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes; You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life; And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for years to come. Amen



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CATHOLIC PRAYER CORNER

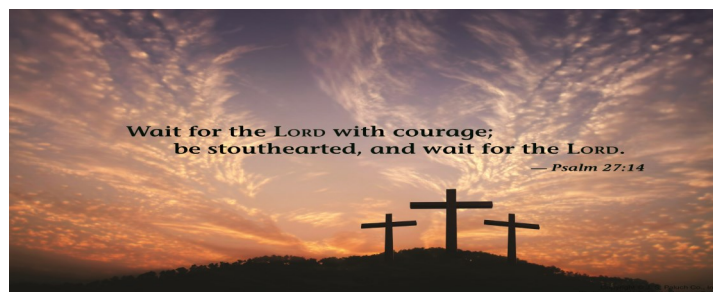
Respect for Life Prayer

O God, our eyes behold the beauty of your creation, and our ears catch the sounds of your power. We hold our lives sacred because they are your gift. Bring us to greater awareness of the sanctity of human life and to sorrow for the times we have ignored or offended it. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

OUR FASCINATING FAITH

Ordinary Time

Between the end of the Christmas season and the start of Lent, the liturgical year begins a period known as Ordinary Time. That season is interrupted by the seasons of Lent and Easter, and then resumes again after Pentecost. The English translation of the Latin name for this season has received much criticism because of our association of the word "ordinary" with something of lesser value, the opposite of something special. Critics point out that Sunday is the original feast day of the Church, that there is nothing at all "ordinary" about our weekly celebration of the Lord's dying and rising. Translators explain that in this context the English word "ordinary" retains the root meaning of "ordinal," something counted "in order," and that the Sundays throughout the year are in fact named by their numerical order. It is helpful to understand how all five of the "special" seasons of the liturgical year (Advent, Christmas, Ordinary Time, Lent, Easter) fit together to unfold the single mystery of Christ. As we continue the year now with Ordinary Time, we are mindful that what we celebrate is indeed as "extraordinary" an experience of God's grace as one could ever imagine.



GOD'S LOVING CARE

Two readings today refer to the northeast region of ancient Israel: "the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali." Upon hearing these names, some of us might consult maps and determine exactly where these regions lie. Others might let the unfamiliar names drift by unnoticed. If no maps are handy—but we don't want to ignore the references completely—consider this: we might not know the latitude and longitude of Zebulun and Naphtali, but God does. We praise God for watching over every inch of land and sea, caring perfectly for each creature on the planet. While Isaiah celebrates the depth of God's care with "abundant joy and great rejoicing," Saint Paul begs us to remember how the Lord shows this loving care: through the cross. In today's Gospel, Jesus calls Peter, James, and John to follow him. We follow too, confident that God accompanies us, wherever we are.

Amazing Grace



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Amazing grace! How sweet the sound That saved a sinner like me! I once was lost, but now am found, Was blind, but now I see! T'was grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved. How precious did that grace appear, The hour I first believed! The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures. He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures. Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come. 'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, And grace will lead me home. When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we'd first begun.