

CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP & ST. JAMES

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BAPTISM: *Infants should be Baptized as soon as possible. Please call the Church Office to make arrangements.*

CONFESSION: *Pope Saint John Paul II, of blessed memory, said: "Anyone who goes frequently to Communion, must also go frequently to Confession."* **Saturdays: 9am-9:30am and from 3:15pm-4:15pm or by appointment with one of the priests.**

FOR MARRIAGE AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION INFORMATION: *Please call the Church Office.*

DEVOTIONS: Adoration: Monday-Saturday: 8:30am-11:00pm; Sunday: 1:00-11:00pm (Chapel)
Novena (Miraculous Medal): Monday at 7pm (Chapel)
Charismatic Prayer: Wednesday at 7:00pm (Parish Meeting Room)
Legion of Mary: Tuesday at 9:00am & Thursday at 5:30pm (Mercy Hall)

RCIA: Anyone interested in becoming Catholic should contact the Parish Office about the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults—a process which helps adults and older teens learn and ultimately enter the Catholic Church. Fr. John directs this process in our Parish and will be happy to help you in this regard.

IMMIGRATION SERVICES, CATHOLIC CHARITIES – DIOCESE OF METUCHEN: Office has relocated to 700 Sayre Avenue, Phillipsburg, NJ. Hours: Mondays Only from 1:30pm-7pm. Services are provided in English and Spanish. For information, please call (908) 454-2074.

HOLY MASS

Every Catholic who is able has a serious obligation to worship God at Mass on Sunday or Saturday evening.

Saturday Evening: 4:30pm (fulfills Sunday obligation)
Sunday: 7am, 9am, 11am, 1pm (*Spanish*), and 5:30pm
Daily Mass: Monday through Friday: 6:45am & 8am & 12:10pm in the Church; Tuesday: 7pm (*Spanish*) in the Church - 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month; Saturday: 7am & 8am in the Church



29th Sunday in Ordinary Time + October 21, 2018

● FOR YOUR INFORMATION ●

FROM FR. JOHN'S DESK...

I had a nice time at last Sunday's Roast Beef Dinner at our parish school. The Knights, Columbiettes, and all their helpers are to be commended for a job well done. I had both lunch and dinner there – and enjoyed both meals! Even better was the time spent with so many good people that day.

As I was looking ahead in my envelope packet, I noticed that it's time to complete our All Souls Envelopes. That being the case, I thought it would be a good idea to spend some time explaining why we do that.

St. Monica was a woman of great faith who lived in the 300's. During her final illness, her sons asked if she wanted them to send her body back to her native land for burial. Her answer to them was classic: "Bury this old body anywhere. Don't trouble yourself over it. I simply ask you to remember me at the Lord's Altar wherever you are."

St. Monica knew that her sons' prayers would help her get to Heaven (2 Macc. 12:46). She knew that this is especially true of the prayers offered at the Altar – the Holy Mass – which is the most powerful prayer we have. That's why she wanted her sons to have that prayer offered for her when she passed from this life.

It is for this reason that we have a Funeral Mass when a loved one dies. The Funeral Mass is our first and foremost way of remembering those who've died at the Altar of the Lord. While some families today omit the Funeral Mass – and replace it with a simple Funeral Home Service – this should be done only when absolutely necessary.

Our All Souls envelopes are another way of remembering our deceased loved ones at the Altar of the Lord. We write on those envelopes the names of loved ones who have died. The envelopes are then placed near the Altar on All Souls Day (a day the Church sets aside specifically to pray for her dead members) and throughout the month of November (a month dedicated to praying for the souls of our departed brothers and sisters). In this way, our deceased loved ones are included in all the Masses offered that month – especially those of the All Souls Novena. While it is customary to put an offering in these envelopes – that is strictly optional. Any offerings made are used to support the priests who say the Masses for our deceased loved ones.

Yet another way to remember our beloved dead at the Altar is to have Masses said for them. Many people have Mass said on the anniversary of a loved one's death – or their birthday or some other significant day. I personally have Mass offered for each of the deceased pastors of our parish on the anniversaries, and for all the priests who ever served here on both Holy Thursday and the Feast of St. John Vianney (the patron saint of priests). You can do this by contacting the parish office – who will be happy to schedule a Mass for you so long as there is one available on that date (weekends fill up very quickly!). While there is a usual offering of \$10, it is actually voluntary – as with the All Souls Envelopes.

The main point is this: our prayers help our loved ones pass quickly through purgatory and into Heaven. I will spend more time on our belief in purgatory next week. In the meantime, I have place pamphlets entitled "PURGATORY" near the Church entrances. Feel free to take one home, read it, and pass it along to your family.

Please pray a Hail Mary for me today – and every day. Let's also pray for all the victims of the recent earthquakes, floods, and storms – and for our deceased loved ones.

Have a great week!

Fr. John



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Saint Update:

As the month of October continues, we have a number of things to look forward to. On Tuesday, October 23rd, we will be holding our Living Rosary. This is always a beautiful ceremony. All are welcome to attend. It is also hard to believe that the annual Trunk or Treat is right around the corner.

Tickets are also on sale for our Annual Tricky Tray, Dinner, and Auction, which is being held on Fri., November 16th at Flynn's on the Hill. This is such a great evening. Tickets are \$45 and include your entry into the event, dinner, and chances on awesome prizes. Please try to get a ticket with some of your friends.

BINGO

10/25 – C. Giacalone, K. Tichy, R. Lazier, L. Zellers, T. Weadock, S./J. Kugelman; **10/27** – D. Kassick, M. Miles, C. DiCapua, E. Prolog, E. Suansing

PERAGALLO PIPE ORGAN COMPANY PRESENTATION

The Peragallo Pipe Organ Company – who will be doing the work on our 90 year old pipe organ – will be at our parish next Sunday, October 21st at 10am, to make a presentation and answer questions about the work they will be doing. They will be in Mercy Hall after Mass. Please stop by to meet them and keep up to date on what's going on. The Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast will be going on, too. Perhaps we can all grab breakfast and listen to the presentation.

K. OF C. BREAKFAST

The Knights of Columbus will now be holding their monthly breakfasts on the third Sunday of each month. The next one will be held this Sunday, October 21, 2018, from 8am to 11am in Mercy Hall. Cost is \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children. Please come out and support their efforts.

UNBORN PRAYER SERVICE

There will be an Unborn Prayer Service for those who have lost babies in the womb by miscarriage, stillborn, or abortion, on Sun., October 21st at 3:30pm in the Church. It is a gentle, loving service that will bring healing. Confession and 5:30pm Mass will follow it.

CHARISMATIC HEALING MASS

St. Philip and St. James Divine Mercy Prayer Group will be holding their monthly Healing Mass on Wed., October 24th at 7pm in the Church. Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Jim Walling from Blue Army Shrine. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Ensley at (908) 200-6763.

PRAYER SERVICE FOR PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS

On Fri., October 26th, there will be a Prayer Service in the Chapel at 8:00pm for Persecuted Christians. Come and pray with us for all Christians throughout the world who are being persecuted, and for an end to ISIS.

CONSOLING THE HEART OF JESUS SERIES

Draw closer to the Lord by learning how to console His heart in the little things that you do every day, even in your breathing. The Consoling the Heart of Jesus series is held on Tuesdays at 7:00pm in the Parish Office Conference Room. Fr. Michael Gaitley from the Divine Mercy Shrine in Stockbridge, MA, will lead you into a deeper relationship with Jesus through learning how to draw closer to Jesus in his book, and the DVDs.

SPECIAL ALL SOULS DAY MASS

On Fri., November 2, 2018 at 7:00pm, there will be a special Mass celebrated in the Church for the repose of all of our parishioners who passed into eternal life during the last 12 months. If you had a family member or friend who passed away since last All Souls' Day, then please join us for this special Liturgy in which we will pray for them and all the faithful departed.

HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE, MARRIAGE & RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

A Eucharistic Holy Hour for Life, Marriage and Religious Liberty will be held on Sat., October 27th at 8:30am in the Chapel. Please join us to pray for the dignity of human life from conception to natural death, the preservation of marriage, and for our nation that it will remain "one nation under God" with Godly principles and morals.

"COULD YOU NOT WATCH ONE HOUR WITH ME?"

"A thousand years of enjoying human glory is not worth even an hour spent sweetly communing with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament." (Saint Padre Pio)

Eucharistic Adoration hours currently in need: Mondays at 8pm, Tuesdays at Noon & 2pm, Wednesdays at 5pm, Fridays at Noon, 4pm, 6pm & 10pm, Saturdays at 3pm & 4pm, and Sundays at 2pm, 3pm & 4pm...or an hour of your choice and/or on our Substitute List. Phone Camille at (908) 387-0001.

PILGRIMAGE TO NATIONAL SHRINE OF ST. JOHN NEUMANN, PHILADELPHIA, PA

Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of St. John Neumann on Sat., November 10th leaving 8am, which will include a stop at Reading Terminal Market before returning home by 6:30pm. Cost is \$30, which includes \$5.00 Shrine donation. Contact Camille at (908) 319-2719 for reservations. All checks payable to SPSJ Church.

ATTENTION ALL PHILLIPSBURG CATHOLIC, ALL SAINTS, AND SAINTS PHILIP & JAMES ALUMNI!

Please join us for an all-class Alumni Mass and Breakfast on Sun., November 4th, 9:00am at 137 Roseberry Street, Phillipsburg. Mass will take place in the School auditorium, followed by a complimentary breakfast. We hope to see you there.

GLASS ORNAMENTS NOW ON SALE

Hand-painted, glass ornaments are now on sale! These beautiful ornaments, which will be ready prior to Christmas, are only \$20 a piece. They make excellent gifts for the holidays, graduation, RCIA, etc. These ornaments are available with either St. Philip and St. James Church or the school on them. For information, please contact the School Office at (908) 859-1244.

SSPJ ANNUAL TRICKY TRAY

Tickets are on sale now for our Annual Tricky Tray, Dinner and Gift Auction. The event will take place on Fri., November 16th, from 6:00-10:00pm at Flynn's on the Hill. Tickets are \$45 a piece, and include entry into the event, fantastic dinner, entertainment, and automatic chances for prizes. We also have a number of additional ticket bundles for sale. This event is always a great evening. Please contact (908) 859-1244 to reserve your spot.

PRIZE DONATIONS NEEDED FOR FALL TRICKY TRAY

Saints Philip and James School is looking for prize donations for the auction portion of the night. There are a number of great items you could donate for auction. Perhaps you have a vacation time share you would be willing to give. You could also collaborate with another family to create a themed basket of your favorite things. Tickets to sporting events and entertainment are always big hits. If you have professional skills you are willing to offer as an auction item, that would be great, too. You can never go wrong with gift cards. The sky is the limit. We hope you will be able to help us to make this year a great success.

FORMED...A GREAT WAY TO LEARN ABOUT YOUR FAITH!

FORMED is a collection of Catholic Bible studies, talks, movies, and other programs for people who want to learn more about their Catholic Faith. Anyone in our parish can access it by following three simple steps: (1) Google formed.org. (2) Scroll down to where it asks if your parish already subscribes and indicate yes. It will ask you to enter your parish code, which is GMKZ4Q (all capitals). (3) You will then be asked to set up your own account by establishing your own password. After that, you should be in!

HALLOWEEN COSTUMES AND FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED AT CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Please consider donating items to The Thrift Store at Catholic Charities, Phillipsburg. The Thrift Store, open to all community members, sells a variety of gently used and new items that have been donated. Proceeds are directed toward social service programs. Items currently needed are: Halloween Costumes for children, and food donations (canned food, gift cards for grocery stores and in-kind donations). Small household items, accessories, decorative items, linens, new toys, books, seasonal items, CDs and DVD tapes are also accepted Monday through Friday from 10am to 3:30pm. The store is located at 383 South Main Street, Phillipsburg. Tax receipts are available. Phone: (908) 760-6522.

NJ ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL

On Mon., October 29, 2018, the New Jersey General Assembly very likely will vote on the Aid in Dying for the Terminally Ill Act (A1504). The bill would allow physicians to prescribe drugs to end the lives of terminally ill individuals considered to have six months to live. The facts are clear – in California, in Vermont and in Oregon – states that have passed assisted suicide bills – insurance companies have denied individuals expensive healthcare coverage, but offered them low cost drugs to end their life. In an era of cost control and managed care, patients with lingering illnesses may be branded as a financial liability for the insurance company, and decisions to encourage death could be driven by reducing costs. Please contact your state legislators and tell them that you oppose A1504. Log in and send your message to <https://www.votervoice.net/NJCC/Campaigns/57657/Respond>.

BLUE MASS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT

Come pray for those who serve and protect! The 17th Annual Blue Mass for Law Enforcement will be held on Wed., November 7, 2018 at 10:30am at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen. Bishop James F. Checchio cordially invites all the faithful in the Diocese to join him at the annual Blue Mass to pray for and with police officers and law enforcement personnel from the communities and towns from across Middlesex, Hunterdon, Somerset and Warren Counties. Come to represent your parish and town, to support and pray for all our dedicated local, county, state and federal law enforcement officials and to honor those officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice through their service to others. For more information, call (732) 562-2435 or visit <http://diometuchen.org/2018-blue-mass>. A luncheon will be held in the Cathedral Community Room following the Mass. Hosted by the Phillipsburg Police Department.

FOOD FOR THE NEEDY

Children learn by example. Teach yours to be generous to the poor. Let the kids help carry the bags. *Remember – “Food for the Needy” Collection – First Sunday of each month.*

● MINISTRY ●

October 27/28, 2018
SATURDAY EVENING

4:30pm

Acolyte: Vince Bedoya
Ministers: Frances Ludwig & Ronald Rossini; C1 – Robert Ellwood, C2 – Eileen Dean, C3 – Keith Gallagher, C4 – Margie Markus
Lector: RYANNE BIGELLI
Servers: Brett Bruckman & Mathias Gahles & Joshua Romero

SUNDAY MORNING

7:00am

Acolyte: Lucas Anmolsingh
Ministers: Patricia Flynn & Joseph Gourniak
Lector: Susan Gerhardt
Servers: Isabella McKenna & Sofia Grimshaw

9:00am

Acolyte: Zackary Payran
Ministers: Melody Talpas & Eileen Kerrigan; C1 – Donna Kucinski, C2 – Charlene Hummell, C3 – Denise Payran, C4 – Eileen Catalli
Lector: Rosemary Carnali
Servers: Mark Talpas & Paxton Payran & Allan Palos

11:00am

Acolyte: Jason Divinagracia & Michael Juliano
Ministers: Mario Madawela & Pat James; C1 – Elizabeth Divinagracia, C2 – Karen Juliano, C3 – Paul Juliano, C4 – Karen Llanos
Lector: Gerard Llanos
Servers: Jack Juliano & Joseph Cruz

5:30pm

Acolyte: Raeanna Allen & KJ Kassick
Minister: Yakubu Miles
Lector: Denise Kassick
Servers: Lacey Allen & Isaiah Miles & Blake Sweigert

NURSING HOME TEAMS

Lopatcong Care Center

10/21/18 – Paul & Karen Juliano

10/28/18 – Valerie Patti & Charlene Hummell

Brakeley Care Center

10/21/18 – Theresa Richey & Margie Markus

10/28/18 – Barbara Balas & Karen Llanos

Phillipsburg Care Center

10/21/18 & 10/28/18 – Barbara Shaneberger

● MASSES FOR THE WEEK ●

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21

7:00 – Irene Horvath by Gabor Horvath
 9:00 – Ludevina Angelozzi by Husband, Gino
 11:00 – Arthur & Anna Jiorle & Infant Son by Dave & Char Jiorle
 1:00 (SP) – For the People
 5:30pm – Atilio & Evelyn Carnali by Rosemary Carnali

MONDAY, OCTOBER 22

6:45 – Edward & Irene Oxenham by Edward & Margaret Connolly
 8:00 – CJ Koop by SPSJ CCD Staff
 12:10 – Betty Hummell by Rosemary & Brian Patti

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23

6:45 – Rose Pfeiffer by Fran & John Ludwig
 8:00 – Louise Pasquarelli by Debbie Pasquarelli
 12:10 – Special Intention of Blanca Liliam Espinal by Espinal Family

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24

6:45 – Linda & Pete Garcia by Children
 8:00 – Anthony Patti by Helen Patti
 12:10 – Martin Corley by Peggy Corley

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25

6:45 – Luis Espinal by Espinal Family
 8:00 – Michael Frinzi by Rosalie Romeo
 12:10 – Edward Tolosko by Daniel & Terri Starosciak

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26

6:45 – Special Intention of Sonnya & Axel Morales by Family
 8:00 – Joanne Murray by Mary Lilly
 12:10 – Bernard Bladies by Bernie, Jr.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27

7:00 – Gizella Ditze by Bob & Diana Edwards
 8:00 – Mary Mamrak by Family
 4:30pm – Art Ostili by Lusardi Family

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28

7:00 – Irene Horvath by Gabor Horvath
 9:00 – Derek Kehoe by Nana & Pop Pop
 11:00 – Richard Power by Bissonnette Family
 1:00 (SP) – For the People
 5:30pm – Gladys Redondo by Albert Redondo

Stewardship of Treasure

October 14, 2018: \$13,679.00

Parish Capital Campaign

Total Pledged as of 10/5/18: \$1,482,008.00

Total Collected as of 10/5/18: \$489,801.34

God loves a cheerful giver!

If interested in signing up for on-line giving, please go to:

<https://spsj.churchgiving.com>

● CALENDAR ●

21 - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

World Mission Sunday

8:00-11:00 - MH - K. of C. Breakfast
 10:00 - MH - Pipe Organ Presentation
 10:00 - MH - Confirmation Class
 10:00 - Conf. Room - RCIA Mtg.
 1:00pm-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 2:00-7:00 - MH - Spanish Couples Retreat
 2:30 - CH - Baptism Ceremony
 3:30 - CH - Unborn Prayer Service

22 - Monday - St. John Paul II

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 7:00 - HFC - Novena (Day 9)
 7:30 - CH - Catholic Apologetics Class

23 - Tuesday - St. John of Capistrano

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 9:00 - MH - Legion of Mary
 4:00 - SSPJ - CCD Grades 1-7/Confirmation Class
 7:00 - Conf. Room - Consoling the Heart of Jesus Series
 7:00 - HFC - Cenacles of Life
 7:30 - MH - Boy Scout Troop Mtg.

24 - Wednesday - St. Anthony Mary Claret

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 7:00 - HFC - Flame of Love Devotions (Holy Rosary)
 7:00 - CH - Divine Mercy Prayer Group Healing Mass

25 - Thursday

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 5:30 - MH - Legion of Mary
 7:00 - CH - Choir Rehearsal
 7:00 - HFC - Blue Army
 7:00 - MH - Bingo

26 - Friday

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 6:00 - SSPJ - Trunk or Treat
 6:30-8:30 - OUR - Youth Group Mtg.
 8:00 - HFC - Prayer Service for Persecuted Christians

27 - Saturday

8:30 - HFC - Eucharistic Holy Hour
 8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 9:00 - CH - Confession
 9:00 - PMR - Spanish Bible Study
 11:00 - HFC - Cenacles of Life
 11:30-1:00 - MH - SPSJ Soup Kitchen
 3:15-4:15 - CH - Confession
 7:00 - MH - Bingo

28 - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1:00pm-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 2:30 - CH - No Baptisms
 Phillipsburg-Easton Halloween Parade

MASS CELEBRANTS FOR OCTOBER 27/28, 2018

4:30pm – Fr. Pat
 7:00am – Fr. John
 9:00am – Fr. Tom
 11:00am – Fr. John
 1:00pm (SP) – Fr. Leo
 5:30pm – Fr. Leo