

CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP & ST. JAMES

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday - 8am-4pm (closed for lunch from 12-1:15pm);
Also, Monday - 5pm-8pm

Priests: Fr. John J. Barbella, Pastor, ext. 407
Fr. Tom Ganley, ext. 402
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Saints Philip and James School
(908) 859-1244
Mrs. Donna Kucinski, Principal

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Mrs. Jo-Ann Scott, Director

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Mr. Paul Kucinski

Parish Cemetery
Mr. Mark Sandt, Superintendent

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



32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time + November 11, 2018

● FOR YOUR INFORMATION ●

FROM FR. JOHN'S DESK...

I'd like to start my words today by wishing a very Happy Veterans Day to all the veterans of our parish. We owe you a tremendous debt of gratitude and appreciate the sacrifices you made for our nation. I assure you of my prayers today and each and every day.

In our troubled world, I find that I appreciate our veterans more and more. Perhaps you do, too. My experience with veterans over the years is that they tend to be level-headed and ready to help at a moment's notice. I see this in many of the veterans I know in our own parish. For this also I want to thank these fine men and women.

You may notice our ushers counting the crowds at Mass this month. The reason is that our bishop asks that each parish conduct such a count at every Sunday (and Saturday evening) Mass during the month of November. The diocese uses this information for a number of reasons, such as deciding how many priests a parish needs. It is also a measure of a parish's vitality. (P.S. That being the case, this would be a good month to make sure we all get to Mass regularly!)

A special thank you is also due to all those who planned and participated in the Alumni Mass at our parish school last Sunday. About 250 people gathered at the school for Mass, breakfast, and fellowship. Fr. Pat Boyle, OFM – our faithful weekend helper and himself an alum – celebrated the Mass and gave a very nice talk afterward. Fr. Tom – our hospital chaplain and associate pastor – who is also a P'burg Catholic Alum, concelebrated and gave the Benediction at the conclusion. I was happy to be there for the breakfast and for Fr. Pat's talk – which was well worth hearing. Again, I am eternally grateful to the School Advisory Council for all the work they did on this fine event!

I also want to thank everyone for the fine attendance at Holy Mass on All Saints Day! It was wonderful to see so many people here for the Holy Day. Coming to Mass on those days is a great witness to our Faith – and a great source of blessing and grace both for those who come and for our entire parish.

Thanks also to those who came to pray for the holy souls on All Souls Day. Please know that we will be remembering the Holy Souls in Purgatory at Mass throughout the month of November – and keeping the All Souls envelopes near the Altar, too. I ask that everyone make a point of saying a prayer for those souls every day during this Month of All Souls.

Please also say a Hail Mary for me each day, too. Let's also pray for those away from home in the service of our country, for vocations to the priesthood and religious life, and for peace.

Have a great week!

Fr. John



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Saint Update:

With the first marking period over, we look forward to the month of November. We have so much to be thankful for during this season. We are especially thankful for our students, families, staff, and supporters. It is because of all of you that our students are able to receive a Catholic School education. Our school has begun a Thanksgiving Food Drive. Please send in non-perishable foods. Hams are also appreciated. All donations will be given to Catholic Charities in Phillipsburg. We also are hard at work with our Blessings in a Bag Program. This effort, coordinated by our Student Council, will be assisting with collecting personal items for the homeless in the surrounding Phillipsburg area. Our students are working so hard on both of these projects, and we cannot express how proud we are of their efforts to assist those in need.

Tickets are also on sale now 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

11/15 – S. Freeman, R. Calaman, S. DiLeo, B./M. Derr, J. Troxell, E. Liberto, F. Romero-Zelada; **11/17** – S. Oluwole, N. Harris, J. Byrne, H. Chamberlain, J. Lopez, K. Basel

COLUMBIETTES ANGEL BRACELET SALE

The Columbiettes are holding an Angel Bracelet sale after Masses on the weekend of November 10/11. Limited bracelets, but orders can be taken. Monies made support our seminarians and postulants. – Judy Leone, President.

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY!

Last weekend welcomed into the Parish Family through the Sacrament of Baptism: JEREMIAH DAVID ALLEN, son of M/M Kyle Allen; MATEO FLORES ROJAS, son of Elfego Flores Dolores & Griselda Rojas Ramirez; EMMANUEL JARIEL MORALES, son of Kevin Earl & Jamiska Morales; LEONARDO IVAN ASUNCION REYES, son of Serafin Asuncion & Alejandra Reyes

ATTENTION CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

If you haven't done so already, please remember to return any forms from your packet that are now due.

GIVING TREE MEETING

Anyone who would like to help create the ornaments for the Giving Tree is invited to our meeting on Thurs., November 15, 2018 at 6:00pm in the Parish Meeting Room. Bring a hole punch, a pen, and a cheerful smile. Refreshments will be served.

PRAYER SERVICE FOR OVERDOSE & SUICIDE VICTIMS & THEIR FAMILIES

On Fri., November 16th, there will be a Prayer Service in the Chapel at 7:00pm for the families and friends who have lost loved ones by overdose or suicide. Come and join us in this comforting service. Bring a picture of your loved one.

HOLIDAY BLUES WORKSHOP

Feeling depressed or afraid to face the holidays? Join us at the Phillipsburg Library on Sat., November 17th at 10am to find ways to cope with the holidays. Refreshments to follow.

FOOD FOR THE NEEDY BAKE SALE

Food for the Needy Committee is holding a Bake Sale in Mercy Hall after the Sunday morning Masses on November 18th. Please support their efforts.

K. OF C. CHRISTMAS CARD SALE

The Knights of Columbus will be offering Christmas Cards for sale at all Masses on the weekend of November 17/18, 2018. Please support their efforts.

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP HEALING MASS

The SPSJ Divine Mercy Prayer Group invites you to their monthly Healing Mass on Wed., November 28th at 7pm at St. Philip and St. James Church. Our celebrant and Guest Speaker will be Fr. John Primach. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy at (908) 200-6763.

"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, 6pm & 10pm, Saturdays at 10am & 3pm, and Sundays at 1pm, 2pm, 3pm & 4pm...or an hour of your choice and/or on our Substitute List.
Phone Camille at (908) 387-0001.

POSITION AVAILABLE

A part-time nurse is needed at Saints Philip and James School. RN preferred. Please contact Mrs. Kucinski at (908) 859-1244 to apply.

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION PICTURES

First Communion and Confirmation pictures from this past year are still available to be picked up at the Church Office during regular office hours.

THANKSGIVING DAY DINNER

Don't be alone this Thanksgiving. Join us for the Thanksgiving Day Dinner on Thurs., November 22nd at 12:00 noon in Mercy Hall. For reservations, call (908) 454-9880 and leave your name and phone number.

PARISH BLOOD DRIVE

The Parish Family Blood Drive will be held on Sun., November 25, 2018 from 7:45am to 12:45pm. The Blood Drive will be held in the parking lot in a blood mobile. Registration will take place in the hallway of Mercy Hall. To set up an appointment, please call the Church Office (908-454-0112). Won't you consider donating blood? Remember...the life you save may be your own!

CHRISTMAS WREATH & GRAVE BLANKET SALE

Christmas Wreath and Grave Blanket sales have begun! Please call (610) 554-6645 or email Marianne Cicalessi at macicalessi3@gmail.com. Orders must be placed by November 16th.

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.

THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who traveled near and far to attend our all-class Alumni Mass and Breakfast. It was so wonderful seeing and reconnecting with all of you. Thank you also to the committee who worked so hard to make this event such a wonderful morning. We cannot express our gratitude enough to the Alumni who donated the breakfast, and Flynn's for preparing such an excellent meal. We look forward to creating many more wonderful memories with all of you!

MARCH FOR LIFE BUS TRIP

Join us for the March for Life in Washington, DC, on Fri., January 18th. Come and walk with us to the Capitol to stand up for Life! It is an amazing experience to walk with over a half million people. Bus will leave Saints Philip & James School on Roseberry Street at 6:30am. We will stop for dinner, and arrive back around 10:30pm. To reserve a seat, call (908) 454-9880 and leave your name and phone number.

CALLING ALL 7TH & 8TH GRADE BASKETBALL PLAYERS!

Bethlehem Catholic High School will be hosting try-outs for the Girls' Freshmen Basketball team: Fri., November 16th from 7:30-9pm; Sat., November 17th from 4pm-6pm; and Mon., November 19th from 7:30-9pm. Attendance for all dates is encouraged. For more information, contact Jose Medina at gbasketball@becahi.org or (610) 703-7003.

ST. MARY'S CRAFT SHOW

St. Mary's Altar Rosary Society Craft and Vendor Show, will be held on Sat., December 1st from 9am-2pm at St. Mary Church, 830 Fifth Avenue, Alpha. Food and beverages available...bake sale...theme basket raffle, \$500 Visa Gift Card raffle. Handicapped accessible.

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!

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

In this season of Thanksgiving, why not celebrate your marriage and its many blessings by attending a Marriage Encounter Weekend? A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. The next Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held January 25-27, 2019. Early registration is advisable as space is limited. Phone (732) 904-9636 for registration and information.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Immaculate Conception Parish, located at 316 Old Allerton Road, Annandale, will hold its 5th Annual Christmas Concert, featuring Fr. Alphonse Stephenson and "The Orchestra of St. Peter by the Sea" on Sun., December 9th at 3:00pm. The concert will feature Christmas music and will include selections from Opera, Classical and Broadway. Additional information and advance tickets are available by calling (908) 735-7319 or email the parish office at parishoffice@iccannandale.org.

FOOD FOR THE NEEDY

"Real generosity is doing something nice for someone who will never find out." – Frank A. Clark. Be Nice: Remember – "Food for the Needy" Collection – First Sunday of each month.

● **MINISTRY** ●

November 17/18, 2018
SATURDAY EVENING

4:30pm

Acolyte: Joey Socci
Ministers: Frances Ludwig & William Casey; C1 – Dorothy Kays, C2 – Charlene Hummell, C3 – Judy Leone, C4 – Edward Socci
Lector: Mary O'Sullivan
Servers: Chiazam Odinna & Mathias Gahles & Nicholas Socci

SUNDAY MORNING

7:00am

Acolyte: Brendan Hasara
Ministers: Immaculata Durnin & Mary Duaine
Lector: Susan Gerhardt
Servers: Blake Sweigert &

9:00am

Acolyte: Raymond Zelada & Franco Zelada
Ministers: Anne Coyle & Eileen Kerrigan; C1 – Matthew Markus, C2 – Eileen Catalli, C3 – Ines Berlucho, C4 – Lynn Markus
Lector: Theresa Duaine
Servers: Cael Troxell & Grace Troxell & Brooke Troxell

11:00am

Acolyte: Jason Palazzo & KJ Kassick
Ministers: Pat James & Patricia Palazzo; C1 – Denise Kassick, C2 – Theresa Richey, C3 – Robert Hopkins, C4 – Kevin Kassick
Lector: Aidan Lavigne
Servers: Logan Shoudt & Lillie Chismar & Alexander Brahm

5:30pm

Acolyte: Joseph Stolte
Minister: Allison Frasca
Lector: Rosemary Carnali
Servers: Sebastian Mendoza & Julian Mendoza

NURSING HOME TEAMS

Lopatcong Care Center

11/11/18 – Sharon & William Hillhouse

11/18/18 – Melody Talpas & Diane Volk

Brakeley Care Center

11/11/18 – Joseph Gourniak & Mario Madawela

11/18/18 – Denise & Kevin Kassick

Phillipsburg Care Center

11/11/18 – Pat Flynn & Carol Bevilacqua

11/18/18 – Dorothy Kays & Robert Ellwood

● MASSES FOR THE WEEK ●

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11

7:00 – Richline Family by Martha Richline
 9:00 – Ludevina Angelozzi by Yola & Enzo Marinelli
 11:00 – Rita DeCoste by Deacon Enock & Ines Berluce
 1:00 (SP) – For the People
 5:30pm – Msgr. William A. Gilfillan (A)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12

6:45 – Gizella Ditze by Judy Komurke
 8:00 – Stanley J. Witinski by Theresa & Al Richey
 12:10 – M/M Michael Kirby by Family

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13

6:45 – Herb Vaughn by Cammy
 8:00 – Kazimierz & Joanna Malopolski by Family
 12:10 – Vince Catalli by Daryl Liro

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

6:45 – Rhea Gilet by Deacon Enock & Ines Berluce
 8:00 – Ludevina Angelozzi by Husband, Gino
 12:10 – Izarek Family by Lou Ann Napoli

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15

6:45 – Carmella Piperata by M/M Roger DiVittorio
 8:00 – Elfrieda Pergosky by Theresa & Al Richey
 12:10 – Jorge Jelkh

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16

6:45 – Thomas Mulvihill by Mary Duaine
 8:00 – Jean Connolly by Ed & Margaret Connolly
 12:10 – Americo & Ada Rossini by Family

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

7:00 – Lou Rizzo by Fulse Family
 8:00 – Marie Ganz by Fran Fulse & Family
 4:30pm – Margaret MacIntyre by Family

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

7:00 – Louise & Joseph Brancale by DeFuria Family
 9:00 – Evo Gobbi by Wife, Rose
 11:00 – Joseph Petchonka, Sr. & Laura McDonald (A) by Margaret Petchonka & Charbel & Miray Boudaher
 1:00 (SP) – For the People
 5:30pm – Joseph Riotto (A) by Family

Stewardship of Treasure

November 4, 2018: \$13,052.00

All Saints Day: \$2,467.00

All Souls Day: \$1,678.00

October's On-line Contributions: \$7,665.50

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 ●

11 - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Veterans Day

Columbiettes Angel Bracelet Sale

10:00 - Conf. Room - RCIA Mtg.
 12:00 - Conf. Room - 33 Days to Morning Glory Series
 1:00pm-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 2:30 - CH - Baptism Ceremony

12 - Monday - St. Josaphat

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 6:30 - MH - Catholic Daughters Mtg.
 7:00 - HFC - Novena (Day 2)
 7:30 - PMR - Catholic Apologetics Class

13 - Tuesday - St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

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.

14 - Wednesday

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 10:15 - MH - Prayer Shawl Ministry
 7:00 - MH - Food for the Needy Mtg.
 7:00 - HFC - Flame of Love Devotions (Holy Rosary)
 7:00 - PMR - Divine Mercy Prayer Group Mtg.

15 - Thursday - St. Albert the Great

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 5:30 - MH - Legion of Mary
 6:00 - PMR - Giving Tree Mtg.
 7:00 - CH - Choir Rehearsal
 7:00 - HFC - Blue Army
 7:00 - MH - Bingo

16 - Friday - St. Margaret of Scotland

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 8:30-11:00 - MH - Food for the Needy Committee Thanksgiving Food Sorting
 6:00 - Flynn's - SSPJ Tricky Tray/Auction
 6:30-8:30 - OUR - Youth Group Mtg.
 7:00 - HFC - Overdose/Suicide Prayer Service

17 - Saturday - St. Elizabeth of Hungary

K. of C. Christmas Card Sale

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 9:00 - CH - Confession
 11:00-2:00 - MH - Confirmation Retreat
 11:00 - HFC - Cenacles of Life
 3:15-4:15 - CH - Confession
 5:00-6:30 - PMR - Spanish Family Gathering
 7:00 - MH - Bingo

18 - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Adopt-A-Missionary Collection - K. of C. Christmas Card Sale

7:00-1:00 - MH - Thanksgiving Food Drive Collection / Bake Sale
 10:00 - MH - Confirmation Class
 12:00 - Conf. Room - 33 Days to Morning Glory Series
 1:00pm-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 2:30 - CH - Baptism Ceremony

MASS CELEBRANTS FOR NOVEMBER 17/18, 2018

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