

CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP & ST. JAMES

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Priests: Fr. John J. Barbella, Pastor, ext. 407
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Saints Philip and James School
(908) 859-1244
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Mrs. Jo-Ann Scott, Director

Sacred Music
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)
Divine Mercy Prayer Group: Wednesday at 7:00pm (Parish Meeting Room)
Legion of Mary: Tuesday at 9:00am & 6:30pm (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



4th Sunday of Easter + May 12, 2019

● FOR YOUR INFORMATION ●

FROM FR. JOHN'S DESK...

Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers, grandmothers, and spiritual mothers in our parish. Today we do well to think of and thank all the special women in our lives. Let's also thank God for sending them to us.

My own mother means the world to me. I'm sure most of you feel the same way about your mothers. Thinking of my mother today brings so many memories and thoughts to mind. Some of those memories are fond ones – like her being one of the only moms in our neighborhood who liked having her children home for summer vacation. Others are serious – like her taking little part-time jobs to help make ends meet. Still others are funny – like the time my brother-in-law and I were doing horribly in a batting cage on a boardwalk in North Carolina. My mother picked up the bat and started hitting line drive after line drive – wowing a bunch of local kids! You can't make this stuff up.

I remember my mother's quiet and practical sense of her faith – and her concern when I first voiced my desire to be a priest. It's not that she didn't want me to be a priest – she was just concerned about how it would work out for me. Countless conversations, meals, and other adventures are among the many thoughts that come to mind this Mother's Day.

Of course, we cannot celebrate Mother's Day without also honoring our Blessed Mother, Mary. Like our own mothers, Mary plays a very important role in our lives. She helps us with our prayers. She teaches us – especially by her example – how to follow Jesus. Her words to the waiters at the Wedding at Cana are the best advice we could ever get: "Do whatever He (Jesus) tells you. (John 2:5).

We will honor Mary with a May Crowning at the 11 AM Mass today (Sunday). Another way we can honor Mary is by completing the Consecration to Our Lady of Guadalupe – one of Mary's many titles. I have extra consecration booklets for anyone who needs one – and will leave some in the foyer of the Church. All you have to do is spend about 10–15 minutes reading and saying the prayers assigned to that day – for nine days. Everyone who does so is invited to make their personal consecration to Our Lady at the 9 AM Mass on Sunday, June 2nd. I personally found the readings and prayers in the booklet to be very inspiring, and hope you will, too.

As always, I close by asking you to say a prayer for me today – and every day. I really appreciate that so many of you pray a Hail Mary for me daily. You are all in my daily prayers. Please also pray for the sick of our parish and for peace.

Have a great week!

Fr. John



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Saint Update:

This week has been a busy week for our Saints! Our choir put on a beautiful performance showcasing a year's worth of hard work. Also, a special thank you to HSA, faculty, staff, and families who coordinated and supported our McDonald's Night. Our Junior High students have been hard at work with a number of their exams this past week. In addition, we are looking forward to our upcoming Walk-A-Thon, this week, which is always an awesome day. It is great to be a Saint!

We are so proud of all of our students who qualified for the state competition for National History Day. A special congratulations to Camilla Zelada, Madison Calaman, and Isabella Perez, as they now move on to the National Competition for National History Day. These ladies won for The Best Group Website, The Triumph and Tragedy of Elizabeth Schuyler Hamilton. We wish them all the best as they represent our school for this competition in Washington, DC in June. Also, congratulations and many thanks to Dr. Mary O'Sullivan for all her leadership, instruction, support, and coaching of this project.

BINGO

5/16 – C. Sumner, B. Falvey, C. Corona, A. Armagno, K. Juliano, J. Baysrali; **5/18** – E. Dean, D. Hasara, K. Basel, S. Price, K. Dorcelly, M. Lombardi

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY!

Recently we welcomed into our Parish Family through the Sacrament of Baptism: EMMERSON GRACE ROSS, daughter of M/M Joseph Ross (this is a name correction)

FLOWER MEMORIAM

The flowers on the altar this weekend are given in memory of Lois Loper from daughter, Joan McCaffrey and in memory of Sis Lilly Stettner & Irene Smith Fleming by Family.

THANK YOU FROM GIFT MINISTRY

The G.I.F.T. Ministry would like to thank everyone who came to enjoy coffee and donuts at Fellowship Sunday on May 5th. Please watch for our upcoming Fellowship Sunday on June 2nd. We'd love to have more parishioners join us!

JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Any men 18 years of age and up interested in joining the Knights of Columbus, should call Al Redondo at (732) 239-1986.

THANK YOU FROM THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

On behalf of the Knights of Columbus, thank you to everyone who supported our Lenten Fish Dinners. – Al Redondo, Grand Knight

"COULD YOU NOT WATCH ONE HOUR WITH ME?"

LIFE = Noise, deadlines, demands and confusion

ADORATION = God's love and peace, holding you in His arms. God comes to us in the silence!

Eucharistic Adoration hours currently in need:
Mondays at 2pm & 8pm, Tuesdays at 9pm, Fridays at Noon, 2pm, 6pm, 7pm & 10pm, 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.

CAMP STS. PHILIP AND JAMES NEWS

As we gear up to prepare for July 8th-11th for Camp Sts. Philip and James, we would like to remind you to register your children and/or grandchildren as soon as possible. Also, beginning May 18/19 we will be asking you to make simple donations: paper cups and dishes, water bottles and similar items which are needed. We want you to be part of this great time for the children of the parish. A donation board will be posted in the back of the Church. Please drop off any donations in the "Camp" box in the foyer of the Church on the weekend of June 1/2. Please pray for the Campers and all those who will be serving the Camp.

CAMP CORNER

Forgot to register your children or grandchildren for Camp Sts. Philip and James, July 8-11? You can do so today. Registration forms are available at all the exits. Just fill out the form and drop it in the basket or return it to the Church Office. We will confirm your registration and send you important details as the date nears.

LEGION OF MARY LIBRARY

May is the month of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Legion of Mary Library has a wonderful selection of books and videos for the entire family to choose from. Open Sundays (excluding holidays) in Mercy Hall from after 9am Mass to 10:45am.

NATIVE SONS CALLED TO PRIESTHOOD

I am happy to announce that the Reverend Mr. Matthew Marinelli and the Reverend Mr. Joseph Illes, native sons of St. Philip and St. James, have been called by the Most Reverend James F. Checchio, Bishop of the Diocese of Metuchen, to the Order of Priesthood. They will be ordained on Sat., June 22, 2019 at the Cathedral of Saint Francis of Assisi in Metuchen, NJ. Please keep them in your prayers.

PRE-K TEACHER NEEDED AT SSPJ SCHOOL

A Pre-K teacher is needed. Early education certification and clearance required. Please contact Mrs. Kucinski at (908) 859-1244 to apply.

CONGRATULATIONS!

On Sun., April 28th, Lisa Hummell received the NJ State Council Columbiettes 2019 Charity Award of Honor for Social Welfare. Lisa works endlessly and tirelessly to serve the homeless, less fortunate and marginalized of our local community and was nominated by the Warren Council Columbiettes. Catholic women honoring Catholic women. Congratulations to Lisa.

EMPANADA AND TAMALES SALE

The Our Lady of Guadalupe Committee will be selling empanadas and tamales outside the front of the church on Sun., May 19 after the 11am and 1pm Masses. All proceeds will benefit the Our Lady of Guadalupe Committee.

HAPPY 160TH BIRTHDAY

Our parish will mark her 160th birthday this year. We will hold a little celebration on Sun., November 17, 2019 at the 11am Mass that day, followed by a simple continental breakfast in Mercy Hall. All are welcome. Please mark the date and watch for details as the date gets closer. We will have a little ad booklet and program for that day. Anyone interested in placing an ad in the book should call the parish office for details.

HOPE'S CLOSET

We recently received donations of beautiful new and gently used Communion clothing. We have a few dresses, suits, and shoes in a variety of sizes. If you are interested in looking through our collection, please stop by the Church Office during office hours. Also, if you wish to donate to *Hope's Closet* after your child celebrates their Communion, we will gladly accept clean Communion clothing at the Church Office.

SUMMER CARE AT SSPJ SCHOOL

Looking for summer care? Look no further! SSPJ will be offering summer care from June 10-August 9. The cost will be \$8.00 an hour, and will run Monday through Friday, 7:00am-6:00pm. Our qualified staff will supervise daily activities, games, crafts, water fun, and more! Pre-registration is required. Please contact (908) 895-1244 to learn more.

SUMMER CUSTODIAN POSITION AVAILABLE

Summer custodian position available at SSPJ School. Perfect summer job for either a high school or college student. Contact Mrs. Kucinski at (908) 859-1244 to apply.

SAVE THE DATE!

SSPJ School will be hosting our first ever Food Truck Festival on Sat., June 1st. The event will feature 15 gourmet food trucks, live music, drinks, and more. Entrance into the event is \$5.00, with children 10 and under attending for free!

SSPJ CARNIVAL

Our Annual Carnival will now be taking place on a new summer date!! Carnival will be held from Wed., June 26 to Sun., June 30. We will again be offering wristband days, as well as pre-sale discounted tickets. There will also be live music, brand new games, fantastic rides, and delicious food. Alumni Night will be June 29th, and First Responders Day will be June 30th.

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!

"THE POETRY OF THE HOME AND THE RESTORATION OF CHRISTIAN CULTURE"

Calling all mothers, young women discerning the vocation to married life, grandmothers, etc. Join us for tea and delicious treats on Sat., May 18, 2019, 1-4pm at St. Vincent de Paul Church, 250 Bebout Avenue, Stirling, NJ, as guest speaker, Mr. Robert Gil, husband of the late Rosie Gil (a mother who exalted the vocation of motherhood) speaks about what we can do in the home to restore a Christian society for our children and our grandchildren. Please RSVP to <https://www.stvincentschurch.org/christian-culture>. A free will donation will be taken up.

"NO ROOF LEFT BEHIND"

Nominate a deserving family for a free roof! "No Roof Left Behind" is a national program that helps contractors give back to the community with a roof giveaway. Offered by Jeff Alte, Jr. Roofing, Siding & Gutters – (908) 859-8558. Must reside in Warren, Hunterdon, Morris or Sussex County, NJ. Must own home and be current on mortgage. Nominate yourself or someone you know. Nomination must be made online. Tell us why your nominee deserves a new roof, and the condition of the roof. Photos are helpful. Four finalists will be selected, and then a public vote will take place for the winner! Winner will be announced August 20th. Deadline is May 31st. Go to: www.alterroofing.com or <https://norooftleftbehind.com/program/nj/1413>.

FOOD FOR THE NEEDY

"A generous man will himself be blessed, for he shares his food with the poor." – Proverbs 22:9. *Remember – "Food for the Needy" Collection – First Sunday of each month.*

● MINISTRY ●

May 18/19, 2019
SATURDAY EVENING

4:30pm

Acolytes: Joey Socci & KJ Kassick
Ministers: Thomas Casey & Edward Socci; C1 – Roger DiVittorio, C2 – Kevin Kassick, C3 – Denise Kassick, C4 – Ines Berluche
Lector: Judy Leone
Servers: Chiazam Odinna & Mathias Gahles & Nicholas Socci

EASTER SUNDAY MORNING

7:00am

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

9:00am

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

11:00am

Acolyte: Jason Palazzo & Michael Juliano
Ministers: Samuel Fatta & Patricia Palazzo; C1 – Theresa Richey, C2 – Paul Juliano, C3 – Karen Juliano, C4 – Robert Hopkins
Lector: Aidan Lavigne
Servers: Alexander Brahm & Andrew Sretenovic & Robby Basel

5:30pm

Acolyte: Joseph Stolte
Minister: Michael Clark
Lector: Ruth Clark
Servers: Logan Shoudt & Julian Mendoza

NURSING HOME TEAMS

Lopatcong Care Center

5/12/19 – No Service (Mother's Day)
5/19/19 – Theresa Richey & Margie Markus

Brakeley Care Center

5/12/19 – No Service (Mother's Day)
3/19/19 – Valerie Patti & Charlene Hummell

Phillipsburg Care Center

5/12/19 – No Service (Mother's Day)
5/19/19 – Pat James & Allison Frasca

● MASSES FOR THE WEEK ●

SUNDAY, MAY 12

7:00 – Bill & Jean Duaine by Son, Bill
9:00 – Ludevina Angelozzi by Gino Angelozzi
11:00 – For the Mothers of the Parish, Living and Deceased
1:00 (SP) – For the People
5:30pm – Alfonso Giordano by Tony & Dolly Loiacono

MONDAY, MAY 13

6:45 – Mother's Day Novena
8:00 – Donna Fleming (A) by Mother & Sisters
12:10 – Deceased Members of the Barbary Family by Family

TUESDAY, MAY 14

6:45 – Shannon Starosciak by Family
8:00 – Mother's Day Novena
12:10 – Dominic Suppo by M/M Anthony Loiacono

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

6:45 – Mother's Day Novena
8:00 – Richard Slutter by Rose Ritz
12:10 – Emil Pergosky (A) by Theresa & Al Richey

THURSDAY, MAY 16

6:45 – Mother's Day Novena
8:00 – Robert Fleming by Ann Marie & Daughters
12:10 – Louis & Ultima Reda by Family

FRIDAY, MAY 17

6:45 – Anthony & Marie Pologruto (A)
8:00 – Mary Finegan by Family
12:10 – Mother's Day Novena

SATURDAY, MAY 18

7:00 – Mother's Day Novena
8:00 – Virginia Rossnagle by Son, Patrick Rossnagle
4:30pm – Special Intention of Nelly Espinal by Family

SUNDAY, MAY 19

7:00 – Joseph Perine, Jr. by Sister, Martha Richline
9:00 – Francis Flynn, Jr. by Yola & Enzo Marinelli
11:00 – Special Intention of the Blue Army Prayer Cell
1:00 (SP) – For the People
5:30pm – Mother's Day Novena

● CALENDAR ●

12- 4th Sunday of Easter

Mother's Day

11:00 - CH - May Crowning
1:00pm - HFC - Adoration
2:30 - CH - Baptism Ceremony

13 - Monday - Our Lady of Fatima

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
6:00 - CH/MH - Catholic Daughters May
Crowning/Priest Appreciation Night/Mtg.
7:00 - HFC - Novena (Day 8)

14 - Tuesday - St. Mathias

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
9:00 - MH - Legion of Mary
6:30 - MH - Legion of Mary
7:00 - HFC - Cenacles of Life
7:30 - MH - Boy Scout Troop Mtg.

15 - Wednesday - St. Isidore

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
7:00 - HFC - Flame of Love Devotions (Holy
Rosary)
7:00 - PMR - Divine Mercy Prayer Group Mtg.

16 - Thursday

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

17 - Friday

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration

18 - Saturday - St. John I

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
9:00 - CH - Confession
10:00 - Conf. Room - Baptism Prep Class
11:00 - HFC - Cenacles of Life
2:00-6:00 - PMR - Spanish Family Retreat
3:15-4:15 - CH - Confession
7:00 - MH - Bingo

19- 5th Sunday of Easter

Adopt-A-Missionary Collection

Empanada & Tamale Sale after 11am & 1pm

Masses

12:00 - MH - Consecration Class for Our Lady
of Guadalupe
1:00pm - HFC - Adoration
2:30 - CH - Baptism Ceremony

Stewardship of Treasure

May 5, 2019: \$11,595.50
Catholic Relief Services: \$1,018.50
Mother's Day: \$2,542.50
April On-Line Contributions: \$8,584.50
Easter 2019: \$34,196.00

Parish Capital Campaign

Total Pledged as of 4/5/19: \$1,490,545.90
Total Collected as of 4/5/19: \$756,527.93

Have you considered on-line giving?

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

<https://spsj.churchgiving.com>

MASS CELEBRANTS FOR MAY 18/19, 2019

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