

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
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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

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



5th Sunday of Easter + May 19, 2019

● FOR YOUR INFORMATION ●

FROM FR. JOHN'S DESK...

By now you have all heard the sad news that our long-time secretary, Cathy Steigerwalt, died suddenly last weekend. She will most certainly be missed by our parish- especially by those who have worked closely with her over the years. I can honestly say that working with Cathy was a pleasure, and I will miss her immensely.

As per her family's request, the Funeral Services will be private. However, we will have a Memorial Service for her in our Church this Monday, May 20th, at 7 PM. Everyone is welcome to come and pray for Cathy. We will ask God to care for Cathy's soul, give comfort to her family, and strengthen our faith in Jesus' Good News about Heaven and Eternal Life. I hope many of you will be there.

After the service, everyone is invited to Mercy Hall for fellowship. I don't know about you, but the most helpful things to me when someone dies are my faith and my family. The Memorial for Cathy on Monday will be a time to renew our faith and be together as a parish family.

As sad as Cathy's passing was, there were some very wonderful events in our parish last weekend. We celebrated First Holy Communion for the second week in a row, and we were blessed to see so many beautiful, faith-filled children receive Jesus sacramentally for the first time. Their wonder and joy was so uplifting – reminding me of Jesus' admonition that we should strive for a child-like faith!

At the 11 AM Mass last Sunday, we continued our celebration of the Month of Mary with a traditional May Crowning. Many of the First Communicants participated in it. Again, it was great to see the simplicity and joy of these children. I'm sure our Blessed Mother was well pleased!

Speaking of our Blessed Mother, we are celebrating the anniversary of the Blue Army Prayer Group in our parish at today's 11 AM Mass. The Blue Army is a group of people with special dedication to our Blessed Mother and the message she brought to us at Fatima. Essentially, that message was a call for humanity to turn anew to God through prayer and penance. I am grateful to the Blue Army Prayer Group for taking her message to heart!

As usual, I ask you to pray a Hail Mary for me each day. We rely more than we know upon the graces God pours out to us in answer to each other's' prayers. Please also pray for our dear Cathy and her family. And, as always, let's pray for a strong faith and for peace.

Have a great week!

Fr. John



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Saint Update:

It is hard to believe how fast this school year has gone. Thank you to everyone who worked so hard on the Walk-A-Thon! We are very excited for our first ever Food Truck Festival taking place June 1st. We are also very eager for our upcoming Carnival, which will be taking place on new summer dates (June 26th-30th.) We hope to see you at both events!

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

5/23 (Final Thursday Bingo - Guaranteed Jackpot Payout) – S. Behme, G. Tickle, L. DeGaralmo, C. Piccolo, A. Matlock, G. Mino ; **5/25** (Final Bingo- Guaranteed Jackpot Payout) – G. Siano, E. Bott, L. Phillips, S. Guikema, W. Emmanuel, F. Tricoche

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY!

Recently we welcomed into our Parish Family through the Sacrament of Baptism: LOGAN MATTHEW PICKEL, son of Matthew and Alison Pickel.

GIFT MINISTRY FELLOWSHIP

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!

EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR

The St. John Neumann Pastoral Center invites you to join their Eucharistic Holy Hour! It will be held on Fri., June 21st at 6pm, located on 146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway, NJ 08854.

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.

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 and Sun., June 9 after the 11am and 1pm Masses. All proceeds will benefit the Our Lady of Guadalupe Committee.

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.

DATE NIGHTS FOR A JOYFUL MARRIAGE

St. Anne's Marriage Ministry invites couples to a Date Night in their Church Meeting Room, which includes BYOB, appetizers, catered dinner and dessert, presentation by Dr. Kyle and Lisamarie Beiter, and a display of Fr. Kevin Kelly's artwork! \$35.00 per couple (\$40.00 at the door), pay by cash or check to Catholic Church of St. Ann, 45 Anderson St., Raritan, NJ 08869. RSVP to Ken and Madeline Swartz at (908) 872-0282.

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.

CHAPEL CLOSED

This is a reminder that our Holy Family Chapel will be closed on Monday, May 27th for Memorial Day.

"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.

ST. ANTHONY BUS TRIP

The Annual St. Anthony Street Festival Bus Trip to the Little Italy of the Bronx is on Friday, June 14th. Holy Mass will be celebrated at Noon followed by shopping, dining, and enjoying the festivities. The cost is \$45.00, and a Bronx Zoo option is available with separate admission. Please contact Camille at (908) 319-2719 for more information.

MEMORIAL DAY MASSES

Rev. Msgr. Joseph Celano will celebrate an outdoor Memorial Day Mass at 10am May 28th rain or shine, on the Resurrection Cemetery grounds, Hoes Ln. and Park Ave., Piscataway, NJ. At the same time, Rev. Msgr. John Fell will celebrate Mass at Holy Cross Cemetery, 840 Cranbury South River Rd., Jamesburg, NJ. A wreath laying ceremony will also be held. All are welcome! Contact the Cemeteries Office at (800) 943-8400 or cemeteries@dimetuchen.org, or visit www.diometuchen.org/cemeteries

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!

"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 currently 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>.

FESTA CELEBRATION

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church Parishioners will hold their annual Festa celebration and fundraiser from May 31st to June 2nd at Holy Cross Park near Easton. The festival features food, entertainment each night, Basket Raffles drawing on June 2nd, and a Polka Mass on June 2nd at 2:30pm. The Festa opens on May 31st at 6pm, June 1st at 5pm, and June 2nd following the Polka Mass, rain or shine. For more information, call (610) 253-7188, or visit www.stanthonyeaston.com.

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 25/26, 2019

SATURDAY EVENING

4:30pm

Acolytes: Elisabeth Talpas & William Haussman

Ministers: Margie Markus & Melody Talpas; C1 – Ronald Rossini, C2 – Keith Gallagher, C3 – William Casey, C4 – Thomas Casey

Lector: Lisa DeGerolamo

Servers: Mark Talpas & Andrew Haussman & Anthony Ventura

SUNDAY MORNING

7:00am

Acolyte: Mark Zgoda

Ministers: Immaculata Durnin & Barbara Balas

Lector: Susan Gerhardt

Servers: Steven Fulse & Sofia Grimshaw

9:00am

Acolyte: Zackary Payran & Jason Divinagracia

Ministers: Donna Kucinski & Rosemary Carnali; C1 – Elizabeth Divinagracia, C2 – Kyle Allen, C3 – Brittany Allen, C4 – Mario Madawela

Lector: Theresa Duaine

Servers: Paxton Payran & Brett Bruckman & Joseph Cruz

11:00am

Acolyte: Lianna Krouse

Ministers: Pat James & Carol Bevilaqua; C1 – Maureen Speer, C2 – Mary Brogan, C3 – Gloria Cervasi, C4 – Samuel Fatta

Lector: Yvonne Montague

Servers: Ricky Krouse & Andrew Sretenovic & Lillie Chismar

5:30pm

Acolyte: Blaise Erz

Minister: Yakubu Miles

Lector: RYanne Bigelli

Servers: Lacy Allen & Zakery Allen & Isaiah Miles

NURSING HOME TEAMS

Lopatcong Care Center

5/19/19 – Theresa Richey & Margie Markus

5/26/19 – No Service (Memorial Day)

Brakeley Care Center

5/19/19 – Valerie Patti & Charlene Hummell

5/26/19 – No Service (Memorial Day)

Phillipsburg Care Center

5/19/19 – Pat James & Allison Frasca

5/26/19 – No Service (Memorial Day)

● **MASSES FOR THE WEEK** ●

SUNDAY, MAY 19

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

MONDAY, MAY 20

6:45 – Mother's Day Novena
 8:00 – Joanna Malopolska by Family
 12:10 – Margaret Ann McFadden by Jeanie Bolcar

TUESDAY, MAY 21

6:45 – Ludevina Angelozzi by Jim Sciascia
 8:00 – Emil Pergosky by Niece, Barbara
 12:10 – Millie Piperata by Debbie and Joe Stefano

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22

6:45 – Mary Jabbour by Bob and Dee Ellwood
 8:00 – Kay Volpe by Rose “Honey” Bladies
 12:10 – Frank and Matilda Viscomi by Lucy Haney

THURSDAY, MAY 23

6:45 – Manny Francisco by the McGuire Family
 8:00 – Blanche Flynn by Family
 12:10 – Elfrieda Pergosky by Theresa and Al Richey

FRIDAY, MAY 24

6:45 – Carmen Colatriano by Eileen Mondzak
 8:00 – Vince Piersante by Wife, Lorna Rosznagle
 12:10 – Mother's Day Novena

SATURDAY, MAY 25

7:00 – Giuseppe Viscomi by Joan Curto
 8:00 – Henry Gambello (A) by Daughter, Theresa
 4:30pm – Deceased Members of Anthony Marina Family by Family

SUNDAY, MAY 26

7:00 – George DeFuria by the DeFuria Family
 9:00 – Bonny Beidelman by Joan Beers
 11:00 – Deceased Members of the Bevilacqua and Emery Families by Deacon Larry and Carol Bevilacqua
 1:00 (SP) – For the People
 5:30pm – Norman Rosznagle by Norman Rosznagle, Jr. and Family

● **CALENDAR** ●

19- 5th Sunday of Easter

12:00 – MH – Consecration Class for Our Lady of Guadalupe
 1:00 pm- 11:00pm – HFC – Adoration
 2:30 – CH Baptism Ceremony

20 - Monday – St. Bernardine of Siena

8:30am-11:00pm – HFC – Adoration
 7:00 – MH – 4th Degree K. of C. Mtg.
 7:00 – HFC – Novena (Day 9)
 7:30 – MH – K. of C. Mtg.

21 - Tuesday - St. Christopher Magallanes

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 9:00 - MH - Legion of Mary
 6:00 – CH/Flynn’s – Serra Club Mass/Mtg.
 6:30 - MH - Legion of Mary
 7:00 - HFC - Cenacles of Life
 7:00 – CH – Hispanic Ministry
 7:30 - MH - Boy Scout Troop Mtg.

22 - Wednesday – St. Rita of Cascia

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

23 - Thursday

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 7:00 - CH - Choir Rehearsal
 7:00 - HFC - Blue Army
 7:00 - MH - Bingo
 7:00 – MH – Consecration Class for Our lady of Guadalupe

24 - Friday

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

25 - Saturday

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

26- 6th Sunday of Easter

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

Stewardship of Treasure

May 12, 2019: \$11, 870.00
 Catholic Relief Services: \$86.00
 Mother's Day: \$607.00
 April On-Line Contributions: \$8,584.50
 Easter 2019: \$34,196.00

Parish Capital Campaign

Total Pledged as of 4/5/19: \$1,493,656.23
 Total Collected as of 4/5/19: \$774,675.21

*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 25/26, 2019**

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