

# CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP & ST. JAMES

430 South Main Street, Phillipsburg, NJ 08865

Phone: (908) 454-0112 Fax: (908) 454-0125 Website: [spsj.org](http://spsj.org)

For Emergencies, please call (908) 455-4346.

**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

**Deacons:** Deacon John Flynn, Deacon Enock Berluce, Deacon Larry Bevilacqua,  
Deacon Rob Fisher

**Parish Secretary:** Nancy Ensley

**Bookkeeper:** Maria DeSapio

**Saints Philip and James School**

(908) 859-1244

Mrs. Donna Kucinski, Principal

**Religious Education (CCD)**

(908) 859-1244, option 9

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 – 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month; Saturday: 8am in the Church

Grateful  
to  
God

**15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time + July 14, 2019**

## ● FOR YOUR INFORMATION ●

### **FROM FR. JOHN'S DESK...**

I want to start by thanking everyone for their generous support of the Mission Co-op Collection last weekend. As usual, our parish responded generously to the call to "teach all nations" by supporting Franciscan Works in Liberia. Thanks again to one and all.

As I write these words, our historic pipe organ is being dismantled and carried from our Church. It will be transported to the workshop of the Peragallo Pipe Organ Company where it will be completely renovated and returned for service in a few months. Our music ministers will use a keyboard and other instruments in the meantime to support our singing and chanting.

The work on the pipe organ is another tribute to the generosity of our people. Your support of the ongoing Capital Campaign has already provided much improved lighting and electrical work in our Church, a new roof on our school gym, upgraded electricity in our rectory, and improvements to our school's heating and ventilation system. Before the summer is over, the steeple will have many repairs made to it, and the school's parking lot will be repaved. It inspires me to see how the people of our parish family take care of our spiritual home!

Before sitting down to write this column, I visited Camp Sts. Philip and James. The 'camp' is being run by the Sisters of Jesus, Our Hope, in lieu of our usual Vacation Bible School. Assisting them are a great number of parents and older brothers and sisters. It was so nice to see the younger children engaged in projects (today's centered on our Blessed Mother) that help them learn the Good News in fun ways. They will also participate in adoration (with Deacon Larry's help.) A special word of thanks is due to the sisters and all the other helpers!

It was really nice to see so many people at last week's 9 AM Mass and reception for Fr. Leo. He is a wonderful priest and a fine gentleman who will be missed by our whole parish. I will always be grateful for the many kindnesses he showed me personally during his all too short stay in our parish. Please join me in praying for him as he continues to serve our Lord.

Remember that our summer seminarian, Tim Eck, will be leading a Bible Study in Mercy Hall for the next several Wednesday evenings (July 17-August 25). I hope many people will take advantage of this opportunity to learn about God's Word. My conversations with Tim have shown him to be a real student of God's Word whose insights are worth hearing.

Over the years, you have read many times about my visits to my mother's home. My visit this past Sunday was unique as I spent it helping her pack up my old room. She has decided to move into a one floor home not far from where she lives now. Aunt Andrea is doing the same thing.

Neither of them is in a situation where they have to make this move. In fact, I often say my mother is in better shape than me! But, they are both looking ahead, which is a good thing.

Please say a Hail Mary for me today, and every day, if you can. I pray for you daily and greatly appreciate your prayers. Let's also pray for peace and a successful completion of all our parish projects!

Have a great week!  
Fr. John



Saints Philip and James School  
137 Roseberry Street  
Phillipsburg, NJ 08865  
(908) 859-1244 – <http://sspjnj.org/>  
Follow us at:  
[facebook.com/sspjschool](https://www.facebook.com/sspjschool)

### **Saint Update:**

It is not too late to take advantage of our referral program! Refer a new family to our school, and if the new family enrolls and completes the next school year, you receive \$500 back towards your own family's tuition.

New Family Night will take place on Wednesday, August 14<sup>th</sup>. Start times for the evening are as follows: Pre-K at 6:30pm, Kindergarten at 7:00pm, and Grades 1-8 at 7:30pm. Students in grades 1-8 are welcome to come with their parents to the event.

### **WELCOME TO THE FAMILY!**

Recently, we welcomed into our Parish Family through the Sacrament of Baptism: MARCOS ALEXIS TRUJILLO RAMIREZ & LAKEN ESPINOZA.

### **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.

### **SCRIPTURE REFLECTION**

15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time – "Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'" (Luke 10:37). This was Jesus' command at the end of the Good Samaritan story. Did you know the Samaritans and Jews despised each other? The moral of the story is to love our neighbor. This means loving someone you may not know or someone that looks different than you or someone that you don't like all without expecting anything in return.

### **PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE**

The Pilgrim Virgin Statue is a beautiful, visible reminder of Our Blessed Mother who constantly intercedes for us. Legion of Mary invites you to welcome her into your home for one week. Please contact Mary Ann at (732) 539-4592 or Camille at (908) 319-2719.

### **SSPJ SOCCER REGISTRATION**

SSPJ Soccer Registration is still open! Please contact Kevin Perna at [sspjsoccer@gmail.com](mailto:sspjsoccer@gmail.com), or call (908) 296-4288.

### **LEGION OF MARY LIBRARY**

July is the month of the Precious Blood. 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.

### ***SAVE THE DATE!***

Sts. Philip & James School Annual Yard Sale will take place on August 9 & 10. Donations of gently used items may be brought to the school Monday through Friday, from 8am until 3pm. Donations are greatly appreciated! Volunteers are needed to sort and price items this summer and during the yard sale. Please contact Mrs. Arrianna Scarponi for specific times at [scarponi.arrianna@spsj.org](mailto:scarponi.arrianna@spsj.org).

### ***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.

### ***SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER NEEDED AT SSPJ SCHOOL***

SSPJ School needs a special education teacher. Certification and clearances required. Please contact Mrs. Kucinski at (908) 859-1244 to apply.

### ***"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."... St. Padre Pio  
**Eucharistic Adoration hours currently in need:**  
**Mondays at 2pm, 3pm & 8pm, Tuesdays at 3pm & 10pm, Fridays at Noon, 2pm & 10pm, Saturdays at 8am & 3pm, and Sundays at 1pm, 2pm, 3pm & 4pm...or an hour of your choice and/or on our Substitute List.** Phone Camille at (908) 319-2719.

### ***WARREN COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE BOOTH***

Volunteers are needed for the Warren County Right to Life booth at the Warren County Farmer's Fair from Saturday, July 27<sup>th</sup> - Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> to cover time slots for a few hours or whenever possible. Your help would be greatly appreciated. For more information, please call (908) 852-4383.

### ***CHILDREN'S PICNIC AT SSPJ SCHOOL***

Join us for a picnic with your favorite teddy bear, action figure, or stuffed animal! On July 17<sup>th</sup> from 11:00am-12:30pm, we will be hosting a picnic event for children and parents to come learn more about Sts. Philip & James School, including a free hot dog lunch, outdoor activities, a story, and more! Please RSVP to Sierra Fenton at [fenton.sierra@spsj.org](mailto:fenton.sierra@spsj.org) by July 12<sup>th</sup> to reserve your spot.

### ***LEBANESE HERITAGE DAYS***

Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church will hold their 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Lebanese Heritage Days celebration on Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> from 5pm to Midnight and on Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup> from 11am to 10pm. There will be a variety of Middle Eastern foods, dance troupes, and entertainment. Admission is free. Lebanese Heritage Days will be held rain or shine.

### ***SNEAKERS FOR LITTLE SOULS***

Blessing in a Bag Ministries will be collecting "Sneakers for Little Souls." We will collect sneakers, underwear, socks and school supplies for the school children of Phillipsburg. You will be able to take a tag from the front of the Church on the weekend of August 3-4, and then return the items on the weekend of August 17-18. If you don't wish to shop, you may make a monetary donation.

### ***PARISH SUNDAY READINGS BIBLE STUDY***

Starting Wednesday, July 17, seminarian Tim Eck will be leading a Bible Study every Wednesday night starting at 7pm in Mercy Hall. There will be short lessons on how to approach and understand scripture followed by an explanation of the readings for each week's Sunday readings. So, if you would like to enter more deeply into the readings at Mass, or you want to read the Bible but don't quite understand what is going on, or you just want to understand Sacred Scripture more deeply, join us on Wednesdays to study the Bible.

### ***GOLF OUTING AND FUNDRAISER***

The Church of the Annunciation of Bloomsbury, NJ is hosting their 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Outing and Fundraiser at Architects Golf Club in Lopatcong on Friday, October 11. Registration and range begins at 10am, and the day includes lunch, shotgun start, and cocktails/buffet dinner, ending with awards at 7pm. Contests include closest to pin, pot of gold, putting contest, longest drive, and hole-in-one. For more information, contact Janet Kukoski at (908) 894-0983 or [AnnunciationGolf2019@gmail.com](mailto:AnnunciationGolf2019@gmail.com), Pat Carroll at (908) 878-2737 or [patcarroll1958@yahoo.com](mailto:patcarroll1958@yahoo.com), or Bill Tighe at (908) 391-9016 or [w.tighe@yahoo.com](mailto:w.tighe@yahoo.com).

### ***MIRACULOUS MEDAL SHRINE PILGRIMAGE***

The Miraculous Medal Shrine Pilgrimage will take place on Saturday, October 12. The cost is \$35 and includes a shrine donation. The day begins with departure at 7:00am and includes a talk on the Miraculous Medal, tour of the Shrine and group photo, a visit to the gift shop, personal prayer and reflection, Miraculous Medal and Novena, Holy Mass and Investiture in the Miraculous Medal, lunch, which you must bring, and ends with departure from the Shrine at 1:30pm. Contact Camille at (908) 319-2719 for reservations. Anyone with financial challenges can contact Fr. John confidentially.

### ***LEGION OF MARY DAY***

Legion of Mary Day will be celebrated on Saturday, July 27<sup>th</sup> at the Blue Army Shrine in Washington from 10am to 4pm with prayers, confessions, conferences, Holy Mass celebrated by our pastor, Fr. John, Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and time to visit the Shrines and Chapels. Gift Shop and Snack Bar will be open as well as tables to bring your own food. Everyone is welcome to join the Awakening of the Legion Spirit of Evangelization. For more information, please contact, Michael White at (732) 910-2070.

### **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](http://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!

### **RESOURCE FOR SEXUAL ABUSE SURVIVORS**

Are you, or someone you know, a survivor of child sexual abuse by a priest or deacon in the state of New Jersey? If so, please contact the Independent Victim Compensation Program created to offer financial settlements to abuse survivors. The IVCP will remain open through December 31, 2019. Apply directly online at [www.njdiocesesivcp.com](http://www.njdiocesesivcp.com).

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR A SAFER WARREN COUNTY**

The Domestic Abuse & Sexual Assault Crisis Center is looking for volunteers, which are utilized throughout the entire agency. Volunteers can work directly with clients by taking on-call shifts on our crisis response teams, meeting with clients in court, or answering our hotline. Volunteers are also needed to help with our Wardrobe of Hope clothing boutique, special events, and community outreach. For more information and to apply, please visit [dasacc.org/volunteer](http://dasacc.org/volunteer).

### **HAPPY 160<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY!**

Our parish will mark her 160<sup>th</sup> birthday this year. We will hold a little celebration on Sunday, 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 an ad booklet and program for that day as well. Anyone interested in placing an ad in the book should call the parish office for details.

### **CATHOLIC CHARITIES**

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Metuchen is offering Counseling and Wellness Services. If you, or someone you know, needs counseling or is impacted by addiction, we can help. Individual and family therapy for children and adults is available. For an appointment, call (800) 655-9491.

### **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 ●**

**July 20/21, 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 Odimma & Mathias Gahles & Nicholas Socci

**SUNDAY MORNING**

**7:00am**

Acolyte: Brendan Hasara

Ministers: Immaculata Durnin & Mary Duaiame

Lector: Susan Gerhardt

Servers: Blake Sweigert & Isabella McKenna

**9:00am**

Acolytes: Raymond Zelada & Franco Zelada

Ministers: Kyle Allen & Brittany Allen; C1 – Lynn Markus, C2 – Eileen Catalli, C3 – Anne Coyle, C4 – Matthew Markus

Lector: Theresa Duaiame

Servers: Cael Troxell & Grace Troxell & Brooke Troxell

**11:00am**

Acolytes: 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**

7/21/19 – Frances Ludwig & Bill Casey

7/28/19 – Bob Hopkins & Ronald Rossini

### **Brakeley Care Center**

7/21/19 – Eileen Catalli & Kelly Perna

7/28/19 – Mary Duaiame & Yakubu Miles

### **Phillipsburg Care Center**

7/21/19 – Rosemary Carnali & Maria Gural

7/28/19 – Tom Casey & Edward Socci

● **MASSSES FOR THE WEEK** ●

**SUNDAY, JULY 14**

7:00 – Jimmy Richline by Mother  
 9:00 – Ludevina Angelozzi by Gino Angelozzi  
 11:00 – Arthur & Anna Jiorle & Infant Son by Dave & Char Jiorle  
 1:00 (SP) – For the People  
 5:30pm – Special Intention by Camille Rapinesi

**MONDAY, JULY 15**

6:45 – Gerard Ferrari by Terri & Danny Starosciak  
 8:00 – Grace Barna by the Baltz, Talpas & Luzzetti Families  
 12:10 – Augusto and Stella Pasquini & Children, Nephew, and Grandsons by Jean Pasquini

**TUESDAY, JULY 16**

6:45 – Lillian Nicnick by Robert, Sabrina & Francesca Ellwood  
 8:00 – Deceased Members of the Anthony Marina Family by Family  
 12:10 – Joseph & Vesta Kiss by Sister

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 17**

6:45 – Gildo DePaolis by Rich Mantoni  
 8:00 – Nelson J. Bucci by Mary Brogan & Marjorie Blodgett  
 12:10 – Theresa Napoli by Lucy Haney

**THURSDAY, JULY 18**

6:45 – Anna Marie Cervasi by Sandy & Ed Narlesky  
 8:00 – Dolly Marino by Alfonso Marino  
 12:10 – Edward Bolcar (A) – by Jeanie Bolcar

**FRIDAY, JULY 19**

6:45 – Samuel Indorato by Family  
 8:00 – Helen Pordan-Witlan by PCHS Class of 1962  
 12:10 – Richard & Cheryl L. Rutt

**SATURDAY, JULY 20**

8:00 – Family of Salvatore & Carmella Todaro  
 4:30pm – Margaret (Peg) Brotzman by Children & Grandchildren

**SUNDAY, JULY 21**

7:00 – Marie Ganz by the Fulse Family  
 9:00 – Mary & Carmine Angelozzi by Family  
 11:00 – Carmella Piperata by Deacon Larry & Carol Bevilacqua  
 1:00 (SP) – For the People  
 5:30pm – Mary Jane & Dave Krauk by Betty Lilly

● **CALENDAR** ●

**14- 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time**

10:00am – Scapular Investment  
 1:00pm-11:00pm – HFC – Adoration  
 2:30pm – CH – Baptism Ceremony

**15 – Monday – St. Bonaventure**

8:30am-11:00pm – HFC – Adoration  
 7:00pm – HFC – Novena  
 7:30pm – MH – K. of C. Mtg.

**16 – Tuesday – Our Lady of Mount Carmel**

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

**17 – Wednesday**

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

**18 – Thursday – St. Camillus de Lelis**

8:30am-11:00pm – HFC – Adoration  
 7:00 – HFC – Blue Army

**19 – Friday**

8:30am-11:00pm – HFC – Adoration

**20 – Saturday – St. Apollinaris**

8:30am-11:00pm – HFC – Adoration  
 9:00 – CH – Confession  
 9:30am – MH – Legion of Mary Curia  
 11:00 – HFC – Cenacles of Life  
 3:15-4:15 – CH – Confession

**21 – 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**“Adopt-A-Missionary” Collection**  
 1:00pm-11:00pm – HFC – Adoration  
 2:30 – CH – Baptism Ceremony

**MASS CELEBRANTS FOR  
 JULY 20/21, 2019**

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

***Stewardship of Treasure***

July 7, 2019: \$13,119.83  
 Mission Co-op Collection: \$3,917.00  
 Sisters of Mercy: \$65.00  
 May On-Line Contributions: \$8,493.50

***Parish Capital Campaign***

Total Pledged as of 6/7/19: \$1,499,375.90  
 Total Collected as of 6/7/19: \$789,742.15

*Have you considered on-line giving?  
 If interested in signing up for on-line giving, please go to:  
<https://spsj.churchgiving.com>*