



St. Philip the Apostle Parish

Third Sunday of Lent

March 4th, 2018

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Mass Times

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00pm

Sunday Masses: 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30am

Daily Mass (Tuesday-Friday) 9:00am

Holy Days of Obligation: 9:00am & 7:00pm

Vigil 5:00pm

Reconciliation/Confession

Saturday: 3:45-4:30pm

Religious Ed Classes

September until May for all children four years old through 12th grade. Classes are held on Sunday. Religious Education Office: 717-872-5653 (Sundays), 717-872-2166 (Monday-Friday).

Baptism

Baptisms are normally held on the third Sunday of the month following the 11:30am Mass. Please call the parish office to register and to attend the mandatory baptism class. Letters of eligibility are due to the office before the baptism will be scheduled.

Marriage

Couples must contact the parish office nine months prior to the intended date. Participation in an Engaged Encounter or Pre-Cana program is required.

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is an adult catechistic class. Contact the parish office 717-872-2166.

Parish Membership

Please call the parish office if you wish to join our parish family, move out of the parish, change your address or phone number. All who are over 18 years of age should be registered as adults in the church even if you are still living with your parents!

Website: www.stphilipmillersville.org

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday: 9:00am-4:30pm

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Handicapped and Wheelchair Accessible**

Stewardship Prayer

Heavenly Father, we pray for your blessing and wisdom so that we might recognize the gifts and graces given to us by the power of your Holy Spirit. Please help us to use these gifts to foster stewardship in our parish. We give our utmost gratitude to you and ask this in your precious name, Amen.

Parish Mission Statement

Jesus Christ said to St. Philip the Apostle, "Come follow Me." The parish community of St. Philip's seeks to live as disciples of the Lord by living our faith through service to others. Based on a strong faith, a guided hope and a well rooted love, we encourage all to walk that journey with Christ with humility and courage.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 3rd

5:00pm Parishioners of St. Philip's

Sunday, March 4th

7:30am Bill, Marie & Kevin Pillion

9:30am Clayton Bennett-Schnee

11:30am Edward Bross

Monday, March 5th No Mass

Tuesday, March 6th

9:00am Ronald Smith

Wednesday, March 7th

9:00am Peter Jude Sahd

Thursday, March 8th

9:00am Helen Anderson

Friday, March 9th

9:00am Edward Kraynak

Saturday, March 10th

5:00pm John & Mary

Sunday, March 11th

7:30am Parishioners of St. Philip's

9:30am Ron Smith

11:30am Robert Phillips

The Third Sunday of Lent

We are reminded in today's Gospel that Jesus wasn't always pleased with the deeds of man. He was angry because the merchants who were selling were cheating the people even in the Temple! They missed the whole purpose of the law to love God and love your neighbors. During lent we abstain from things so that we can grow closer to the Lord. Jesus fasted for 40 days in the desert to grow closer to the Father. So we also fast. Our fasts aren't as severe. We abstain from eating meat on Fridays, which really isn't much of a sacrifice if we love sea food, pizza or grilled cheese sandwiches. We aren't starving. Then we fast two days during lent, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Again, not much of a fast since we are permitted to eat, just not as much as we normally would. But now-a-days the emphasis is switching from "giving" up to "building" up and alms giving. As we journey along in lent, we can use the remaining days to institute new behaviors, such as giving up negative comments, or if we give up alcohol, then donate the money we saved to a homeless shelter. Changing our negative behaviors into positive actions is always a good thing and certainly should bring us closer to the Lord. For some of us just biting our tongue when others are spewing out their anger can be a challenge. For others, the recent violence in schools might be an opportunity to help by reaching out to children to show them how to deal with their anger, or grief or how to help identify those in their schools who are on the fringe of a violent outbreak. There are many ways we can become a positive influence in the world today. Jesus' righteous anger in the temple was meant to show the merchants that what they were doing was wrong. We only have to look around us and pray, "Lord how would you have me bring your light into that situation?" Sometimes we are called to speak out. Sometimes we are called to be silent and pray. Sometimes we are called to action like serve in the soup kitchen, or in the Religious Ed class room. Fasting during Lent doesn't have to be around food but can and should include giving of oneself. Even a homebound person might be able to send encouraging cards or letters, e-mails or phone calls. There are many ways to share God's light and love. All we have to do is look for one that is possible for us, pray, and then do it! God Bless you!

Remember in your prayers those whom are sick and homebound especially: Jeff Reese, Jean Trotter, Margaret (Peggy) Braun, Armella Smith, John Leonard, Greg Hanson, Al Matyi, Keith Saylor, Florence Haertter, Artie Chodkowski, Johanna Chodkowski, Diane Spano, Michael J. Spano, Mary Warnell, Sally Messina, Bill Henry, Melissa Sherlock, Carlene Axe, Alexander DiGuiseppe, Debbie Joline, Tom Schaller, Angelica Zander, Richard Mercandetti, Jeff Tracy, John Mikita, Celi Shaeffer, Rosemary Harney, Joe Fliss, Maria Wendt, Rose Turnowchyk, Dottie Moser, Felecia Campbell, Nancy Straw, Linda Losito, Sue Bleacher, Rudy Oleksa, Bruce Wendt, Dale Goodman, Jerry Buchko, Tom Malloy, Rebecca Davenport, Rosemary Matyi, Drew & Emily Sahd, Georgia Ransom, Paul Derr, Kerlee Fox, Charles Fowler, Minda Phillips, Barbara Dochat, Patricia Shoemaker, James Anderson, Catherine Mills, Nancy Fisher, Maryann B. & Thomas Griffin, John & Barbara Hackash, Barbara & Michael Horvath, Florence King. For all our parishioners who are hospitalized, in hospice centers or in nursing care facilities not listed above. May God's healing touch be upon them and all in need of His healing for this we pray, Amen.

Parish Information

Rosary: The rosary is prayed every Tuesday through Friday at 8:35am and Saturday evening at 4:40pm.

Communion to the homebound: Eucharistic Ministers visit every Sunday except the Sunday following the first Friday of the month; the Priest visits on first Fridays. Please call the parish office if you or a family member are homebound, have been admitted to the hospital or nursing facility.

Sponsor Certificates: Sponsors of the Sacraments can be issued to practicing members of the parish. Please stop by the office to complete sponsor forms.

Guidelines for the prayer list: Your family member's name will remain on the list for 4 weeks. Please call the parish office to have it continue on the list.

Bulletin Deadline: Information for the Bulletin is due 9am on Thursday the previous week. Announcements are due by 5pm on Wednesday. Send to:

KANspach@hbgiocese.org

Today's Readings

First Reading -- God gives the law through Moses (Exodus 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]) or Exodus 17:3-7.

Psalm -- Lord, you have the words of everlasting life (Psalm 19) or Psalm 95.

Second Reading -- We proclaim Christ crucified(1 Corinthians 1:22-25) or Romans 5:1-2, 5-8.

Gospel -- Many began to believe in Jesus' name when they saw the signs he was doing (John 2:13-25) or John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42].

Readings for the Week

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14

Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137:1-6; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21 Alternate readings (Year A): 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: First Scrutiny

Wednesday: Ss. Perpetua and Felicity

Thursday: St. John of God

Friday: St. Frances of Rome; Abstinence



Washing of the Feet

We are in need of 12 people to volunteer on Holy Thursday at Mass for the Washing of Feet after the homily. If you would be so kind as to volunteer, please call the office and talk to Linda.

The Lord is close to the broken hearted,

Save those whose spirit is crushed!

-Psalm 34:19

Collections February 25th, 2018

Last Year:	\$	8,648
This Year:	\$	10,793
On Line Giving	\$	1,515
Budgeted weekly:	\$	12,304
Budget Surplus		4.



Thank you!

Year to Date Budget Detail

YTD Budget	\$	407,814
YTD Actual	\$	414,041
YTD Surplus	\$	6,231

Please remember St. Philip's in Your Will!



Divine Mercy... Presents the truth and the call of the gospel to our present age. This message of the Divine Mercy was proclaimed by Pope John Paul II, in his encyclical "Rich In Mercy", as the message of our age. Pope John Paul II says, "The Church must consider it one of Her principal duties....at every stage of history and especially in our modern age...to proclaim and introduce into life the mystery of mercy, supremely revealed in Jesus Christ." Divine Mercy... **Remember...** following the regular 9am Wednesday Mass the Friends of Divine Mercy pray the chaplet and meditate on Jesus Intention for the day, (all within approx. 20 minutes) in church in front of the Divine Mercy picture portrait. **All are welcome, bring a friend!**



Annulment I

What is an annulment? Because there are so many myths and misunderstandings, let's set the record straight. An annulment is a declaration by the Catholic Church that after careful investigation, there were flaws or "defects" in a relationship that prevented it from becoming a valid marriage. An annulment, or decree of nullity, does not "erase" the civil contract of marriage. It simply means that after thoroughly investigating, the Church has declared that a marriage ...as understood by the Church...was not valid; that there was never a sacramental marriage from the beginning. The Church's interest is in the spiritual and personal aspects of marriage. The Church's teachings are, of course, the teachings of Christ Himself, who said in Matthew 19, "What God has joined together, no human being must separate." He goes on to say, "I say to you, whoever divorces his wife (unless the marriage is unlawful) and marries another, commits adultery." If you, like a lot of people, have questions call the Harrisburg Tribunal Office or St. Philips Parish Office. They can guide you through the process.



The 2018 **Bishop's Annual Lenten Appeal** is off to a great start. Thank you to all who have pledged to this year's appeal. We need everyone to contribute. If you have not yet made a gift to the appeal, we invite you to do so today. Every dollar raised to make our goal supports important Diocesan ministries and services and every dollar raised over our goal will be kept in the Parish to help. Thank you!

St. Philip's is a Tithing Parish

10% of this Sundays Collection goes to:

March 4th Resurrection School

March 11th Bishops Annual Lenten Appeal

March 18th Friendship Community

March 25th Catholic Relief Services

April 1st St. Philip's Poor and Needy



This Week...

Sunday, March 4th

RE am

10:30am Christine Donut Social

Monday, March 5th

1pm Guys & Dolls-Gym

6:30pm Boy Scout-PAC

Tuesday, March 6th

5:45pm Girl Scout-PS

6:30pm Cub Scout-PAC

7:00pm Bible Study- 2nd Greatest Story-MPR3

Wednesday, March 7th

9:30am Divine Mercy- Church

5:00pm Girl Scout

7pm RCIA-YL

Thursday, March 8th

6:30pm Build & Ground-MPR1

7pm Men Club Board-PAC

7pm Choir-Church

Friday, March 9th

9:45am Lectio Divina-MPR1

4pm Lenten Meal

7pm Stations

Saturday, March 10th

Food Collection

6pm St. Patrick's Day Pot Luck Dinner, 10am Setup

Sunday, March 11th

Daylight Savings Time- Move Clocks Forward 1hr

Food Collection

3pm CHWC Bingo- 1:30pm Doors Open

If a bad person wrongs you, forgive the person, lest there be two bad people.

-Anonymous



St. Philip's Event Committee presents...

St. Patrick's Day Pot Luck Dinner on Saturday, March 10, 2018 from 6-9pm. Featuring the North American, Mid-Atlantic Champions, The Paloma School of Irish Dance & the talented violinist Alyson Thorp! Sign Up in the Church lobby or on our sign-up genius page through our website. Bring a dish to share for 12 people. We will provide the paper ware, drinks and dessert. Come out for this Free event and bring your family or friends!

Lenten Meal 4:00 – 6:30 PM

March 9, 16, 23

Menu

Fish Fillet Sandwich \$3.50, 4 Fish Sticks \$3.00

2 Slices Pizza \$3.00

4- Mozzarella Sticks w/ Marinara Sauce \$3.50

Fried Cod Sandwich \$4.00, Crab Cake Sandwich \$6.00

Platters

(Platters Include: Mac & Cheese, French Fries, Vegetable, Cole-slaw)

Baked / Fried Cod \$10.00, Fish Fillet \$7.50

1 Crab Cake \$8.00, 2 Crab cakes \$11.00

Side Orders

French Fries \$2.00, Mac & Cheese \$2.00

Stewed Tomatoes .50, Cole Slaw .75

Cold Drinks \$1.00



CHWC Vendor Bingo ... Come join us for an afternoon of games and good company on Sunday, March 11th, 2018. Doors open at 1:30pm and games begin at 3:00pm. There will be 20 regular games of bingo. Prizes are valued over \$50 from various vendors. Additional specials will be played for great prizes. We will also have a variety of raffle baskets and a delicious food menu. Proceeds benefit the youth and adults traveling for a week of service at Catholic Heart Work Camp. Thank you for your support! Call the office for tickets. \$18 for 20 games. Extra game tickets and 50/50 tickets can be purchased. 717-872-2166



Our Parish Penance Service is Sunday, March 18th at 3pm. We will have priests from various parishes to help hear confessions. Please use this venue to bring the whole family out to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation. Have a blessed lent!



The Men's Club will be holding their final **Train Show** of the season on Saturday, March 17. The show runs from 9:00am to noon and will be held in the Church gym. There will be many tables of trains and train related items for sale. There is a \$4.00 fee to attend. If anyone needs information about the show or are interested in selling or knowing more about their trains, please call Charlie Sauer at 717-872-8481.



Director of Religious Education Position St. Philip the Apostle Parish is seeking a Parish DRE. This position requires a Bachelor's or Master's in Theology, Catechetical, Religious Education or related field in addition to 3 years experience and must have basic Catechetical certification and be in the process of attaining the advanced Catechetical Certificate. Candidates should e-mail their resume, cover letter, and Professional recommendations to: havey@hbgiocese.org. Job description is available at www.stphilipmillersville.com



Parish Manager Position... St. Philip the Apostle Parish is seeking a Parish Manager. The ideal candidate will have in-depth Administrative, Financial and Buildings and Grounds experience. This full time position requires a 4 year degree in Accounting, or Business Administration and 8-10 years' experience in a similar position. The salary is commensurate with experience. Benefit Package is included. Send your cover letter and resume to: Executive Search Committee, St. Philip's Parish 2111 Millersville Pike, Lancaster PA 17603 or email shavey@hbgiocese.org. Job description is available at stphilipmillersville.com

Food Collection March 10th & 11th: List of Needs



- Ready to eat canned or pouch meals
- Canned pasta, stews, chili, etc.
- Pouched (shelf stable) microwave meals
- Peanut butter, Jelly
- Canned tomato sauce, vegetables,

beans, Canned fruit

Meal helpers, Macaroni & cheese

Rice, boxed mashed potatoes, pasta

After School snacks: granola bars, fruit snacks, crackers, etc.



The Girl Scout troops that meet at St. Philip's will be selling Girl Scout Cookies after all Masses on February 24th & 25th, March 3rd & 4th and March 10th & 11th. Thank you for your support! **On March 10th & 11th buy a box of cookies to be donated to Ronald McDonald house in honor of Angelica Zander.** Also, on Feb. 24 & 25th and March 10th & 11th they will accept credit cards, checks or cash.



LCHS Happenings... Swim Team Fundraiser...

Lancaster Catholic's Swim Team is hosting a fundraiser sponsored by the Black Key Escape Room in Millersville. By using the code LCSwim for ticket purchases or the code LCSwimGC on gift card purchases, a portion of the proceeds will be donated directly to the swim team. To reserve your Escape Room, go to www.MillersvilleEscapeRoom.com. The fundraiser will take place until March 31st. The **Alumni Citation Committee** is pleased to announce the 2018 class of award winners. **Outstanding Professional Achievement:** Michael & Donna (Marrow) Snyder, 1984; Michael McDonald, 1976. **Service to Humanity:** Charles & Diane (Schuelkens) Monaghan, 1966; Marcie Ditzler Taylor, 1987. **Service to LCHS:** John (Jack) Booth, 1969; Donald Discavage, 1962. The honorees will receive their award at a luncheon to be held Saturday, March 10 at the Hamilton Ballroom at Wheatland Place. The event begins with a reception at 1:00 with lunch at 1:30 and the awards presentation after lunch. Everyone is invited and welcomed to attend this function. Reservations (\$30 a person) may be made by contacting Lori Wagner at lwagner@lchsyes.org or by calling the Advancement Office at 717-509-0313 by Monday, March 5th. The **Purple & Gold Gala** will take place on Saturday, April 7, 2018 from 6 pm - 11 pm at the Lancaster Country Club, honoring, The Saint John Paul II Excellence Award Winner, Mr. Walt Legenstein '65. If you would like to attend this event, please contact Advancement at 717-509-0313 for more information or you may purchase your tickets online at lchsyes.org.



A Woman's Concern Banquet-Annual

Partners Dinner- will be held on Thursday, April 5, 2018-6:30pm at Calvary Church in Lancaster. Abby Johnson will be joined by two other women who chose to leave the abortion industry. Tickets are complimentary, with a love offering to benefit A Woman's Concern. Reservations required by March 26th. Go to pregnancylancaster.com/events. To sponsor this event contact Mary Ann Albertini at 717-394-1561x5

I, the LORD, am your God . . .

You shall not have other gods besides me.

-- Exodus 20:2a, 3



The Second Greatest Story Ever Told

You must be ready to get out of the house and leave winter behind by now! Our **Spring "Bible Study"** will begin on **Tuesday evening March 6th at 7pm**. The program will run for **10 weeks**. We will be doing the final study in the **Father Michael Gaitley's** series **Hearts Afire Divine Mercy in The Second Greatest Story Ever Told..** This is based on his book **The Second Greatest Story Ever Told.** Father Gaitley wraps up the story of Divine Mercy. "The panorama of Divine mercy is fully revealed as a transformative reality" in this amazing video series. Don't worry if you have not caught the whole series, this program can stand alone. For more info and to register please contact **Sue Rineer 717-940-9825.** Leave a message if I don't pick up and I will get back to you.