



St. Philip the Apostle Parish

Palm Sunday

March 25th, 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 24th

5:00pm Parishioners of the Parish

Sunday, March 25th

7:30am Ron Smith

9:30am Charles Shirey

11:30am Shirley Baltrus

Monday, March 26th No Mass

Tuesday, March 27th

9:00am Beverly Turnowchyk

Wednesday, March 28th

9:00am Marian Plocinik

Thursday, March 29th

7:00pm Clayton Bennett

Friday, March 30th No Mass

Saturday, March 31st

8:00pm John & Shirley Baltrus

Sunday, April 1st

7:30am Theresa Witkowski

9:30am Parishioners of the Parish

11:30am Mr. & Mrs. Harold Pillion

Remember in your prayers those whom are sick and homebound especially: Ellen Mattis, Jean Petersen, Donna Robinson, 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 DiGuseppe, 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, 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.

Palm Sunday

Jesus rides triumphantly into Jerusalem. What was he thinking, what was he feeling? Here is a crowd honoring him, paving his path with palms. Today he is honored next week he is crucified. What a crazy, mixed up bunch of people. Our world is like that even today. We honor people one day and the next we throw them off their thrones. Politicians, movie stars, athletes, and neighbors, loved one day and despised the next. The scandal that surrounds their lives, the one that sinks them is often very true. Abuse, murder, sexual improprieties, theft, deception and the like have been the downfall of many. Pride went before their fall. But Jesus was not guilty of any of this. Jesus was the innocent lamb that was slain and bruised for our transgressions. He was obedient to his Father's will. Riding in on that donkey, He knew his destiny and yet He still loved us. It's hard to repeat the cry of the crowd, "Crucify Him, Crucify him", when we know we are killing the purest, holiest Man ever to walk our earth. Guiltless and sinless He willingly takes on our sins so that we can become blameless before the throne. How sorry are we that we did this to Him? Yet, everything we do against our neighbor, our family, strangers and enemies we do unto Him. Our response should be, "Save Us!" We too are full of guilt, full of sin, and full of blemish. The only one who can wash away our sins we crucified, even as He called out, "Father, forgive them." Don't you wish that every time you are impatient, every time you speak ill of someone, every time you hold another's faults up that you would remember Jesus' words, Father forgive them. I know I do. I wish I could remember first His love for me and then respond in love to those things which hurt and offend me. I wish I could take back the wrong I have done and make it right. But Jesus knows that we will sin. He knows that we won't be able to right the wrong on our own. That's why He did it all for us. All we have to do is acknowledge our sin, ask for forgiveness and then thank Him for the love he showers on us. God's mercy is never ending. The blood poured out never stops flowing. Claim the precious blood of Christ over your life and move on in His love, loving and forgiving as He loves and forgives us. God bless you!

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

Gospel at the Procession with Palms -- Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (Mark 11:1-10 or John 12:12-16).

First Reading -- In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).

Psalm -- My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Psalm 22).

Second Reading -- Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).

Gospel -- The account of Christ's passion according to Mark (Mark 14:1 -- 15:47 [15:1-39]).

Readings for the Week

Monday: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21

Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15

Friday: Is 52:13 -- 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 -- 19:42

Saturday: a) Gn 1:1 -- 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22;

b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11;

c) Ex 14:15 -- 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18; d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13

e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6

f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 -- 4:4; Ps 19:8-11

g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19

h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Mk 16:1-7

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7 or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Monday: Monday of Holy Week

Tuesday: Tuesday of Holy Week

Wednesday: Wednesday of Holy Week

Thursday: Holy Thursday; The Sacred Paschal Triduum

Friday: Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday); Fast and Abstinence; Passover begins

Saturday: The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night; Holy Saturday

Collections March 18th, 2018

Weekly Offering



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These collections were not available at the time of the bulletin submission.

God has promised pardon to one who repents, but has not promised repentance to one who sins.

--St. Anselm



Divine Mercy...Is particularly relevant for Eucharist adorers. In chapels, throughout the world, people are praying the chaplet for the sick and dying. On occasion of the Great Jubilee of the year

2000, Pope John Paul II imparted a special Apostolic Blessing "to all the faithful who, during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, will be praying the Divine Mercy chaplet for the sick and those who are dying in that hour.

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!**



The Assumption of Mary

The Catholic Church teaches that Mary, "when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken body and soul into heavenly glory." (CCC 966) We call it the Assumption. This dogma of the Church was pronounced definitively by Pope Pius XII in 1950. Where is the evidence for this? In the liturgy for the Assumption, we read from Revelation 12 where St. John talks about the woman "clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars" and how she "had a place prepared by God... The Catechism says that "The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a singular participation in her Son's Resurrection and an anticipation of the resurrection of other Christians." (CCC966) In other words, Mary, as the first Christian, is rightly the first to participate in. This is not something that Mary did on her own. She did not ascend into heaven. She couldn't. Rather, our loving God saw fit to reward the Mother of God "so that she might be the more fully conformed to her Son, the Lord of Lords and conqueror of sin and death."

Jesus did not come to do away with suffering or remove it. He came to fill it with his presence.

--Paul Claudel



Were you married in 1968? In honor of your 50th Wedding Anniversary there will be a special Mass and reception on Sunday, July 8th, 2018 at 2pm at Good Shepherd Parish in Camp Hill. Bishop Ronald W. Gainer will be the celebrant. To receive an invitation, please contact the parish office.

St. Philip's is a Tithing Parish

10% of this Sundays Collection goes to:
March 25th Catholic Relief Services (Dio)

April 1st St. Philip's Poor & Needy Fund

April 8th Our Lady of Angels School

April 15th Holy Land (Dio)

April 22nd SHARE of Lancaster

April 29th Catholic Home Mission Appeal (Dio)



This Week...

Sunday, March 25th

RE am/pm

Palm Sunday

Monday, March 26th

9:30am Guys & Dolls Board Meeting-MPR1

6:30pm Boy Scout-PAC

Tuesday, March 27th

6:30pm Cub Scout-PAC

7:00pm Bible Study-Gym

Wednesday, March 28th

9:30am Divine Mercy-Church

5:00pm Girl Scout-PAC

Thursday, March 29th

9:00am Holy Thursday

Morning Prayer/Confession

7:00pm Mass

Friday, March 30th

Good Friday

9:00am Prayer/Confession

9:45am Lectio Divina-MPR1

2:00pm Good Friday Reading/

Veneration of the Holy Cross/

Holy Communion/Confession

7:00pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 31st

Holy Saturday

9:00am Prayer & Blessing of the Food/Confession

8:00pm Easter Vigil



The Boy Scouts are revving up for their next BBQ Event on April 21st in the Upper Parking Lot. Watch the bulletin for details to come!

Bishops Annual Lenten Appeal

as of 3-11-18

Goal: \$89, 200

Pledges: 10,815

Receipts: 31,709

Balance: 46,676

Percent Of Goal: 48% 180 Contributions

Thank you and God Bless YOU!



Ireland Trip Meeting

All who are already signed up to go to Ireland on April 19th are asked to come to this meeting. Bring your documents you've received from Colette and get all your questions answered on April 5th at 1pm in the Parish Activity Center (PAC) above the parish office. Hope to see you there!



The Passion of Christ

There will be a showing of the movie "The Passion of Christ" on Wednesday evening March 28th at 7pm in the parish gym. This is a free viewing of the video by Mel Gibson and starring Jim Caviezel as Jesus in His Passion, Death, and Resurrection. This video is **rated "R"** due to the graphic depiction of the violence endured by Christ. **Not suitable for children.** Please join us and prayerfully consider what Our Lord suffered for us, as we enter the Easter Triduum. There is a sign-up sheet in the lobby.

We need to be aware that happiness can sometimes sneak in through the door we didn't know we had left open --Anonymous

Do you want to fast this Lent? (Pope Francis)

- Fast from hurting words by using kind words
- Fast from sadness and fill yourself with gratitude
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience
- Fast from worries and trust in God
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful
- Fast from bitterness and fill your heart with joy



Thank you to all the people who volunteered for the foot washing. All the positions have been filled! Thank you for generously 'stepping' forward and offering your foot for our Holy Thursday celebrations.

One of our **daily lectors** is not able to read any longer so we are searching for someone who would be interested helping. Each lector reads Tuesday- Friday and is scheduled about 1 week out of every five weeks, If you come to daily Mass and would be interested in proclaiming the daily reading and the responsorial psalm please contact Annette Schnee 717-397-1482 for more details, Thank You!



Holy Thursday, March 29th

9am~ Morning Prayer/Confession

7pm ~ Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday, March 30th

9am ~ Morning Prayer/Confession

2pm ~ Good Friday Reading of the Passion

Veneration of the Cross/

Holy Communion/Confession

7pm~ Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday, March 31st

9am~Morning Prayer & Blessing of Food Baskets

8:00 pm~ Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday, April 1st

7:30 am, 9:30 am & 11:30 am
~ Easter Masses



Save the Date... The Harrisburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will be hosting the 8th Annual Weekend Retreat, June 8 -10, 2018 (Friday evening until Sunday Noon), at Mount St. Mary's University Emmitsburg, MD. The Retreat Master is Very Reverend Neil Sullivan, Pastor of St. Catherine Laboure Parish, Harrisburg, PA. More details will be coming soon!

TV Mass for the Homebound... Is someone you love unable to join us at church during this holy time of Lent and Easter? For the faithful at home or in healthcare settings, the Heart of the Nation Sunday TV Mass brings spiritual comfort and the blessings of joy-filled hope in our Risen Savior. Please invite anyone you know who cannot get out to church to tune in Catholic Mass on TV or watch online: **Online Video** www.HeartoftheNation.org



Attention... We have had people outside and inside of our parish during Mass hours or social activities asking for money. Our parish policy is to refer them to the office Monday- Friday during our office hours 9am-5pm. Invite them in to worship with us. In the past we have had several bad experiences which led us to tighter controls. We are a Christian community striving to help but it has to be done in an orderly fashion with accountability. Here in the office, we help people through our poor and needy collection. We check information and keep records to discourage misuse & dependency. Thank you for all your kindness and understanding. God Bless You!



Do you Know a Caregiver?

The Advocates for People with Disabilities and Saint Anne's Retirement Community will be hosting the Sixth Annual Prayer and Care Day on **April 7, 2018**, at Saint Anne's Retirement Community. Our day is now called *Caring For Caregivers*. We continue to provide an opportunity for men and women caregivers to refresh body, mind and spirit through prayer and fellowship. If you or you know of someone who generously gives their time and energy as a caregiver, please encourage them to register by email: mdiffendall@stannesrc.org or call 717-285-6539. **Registration is limited to 100 guests.**

Interfaith Shelter Golf Classic



The 16th annual Catholic Charities Interfaith Shelter Golf Classic will take place on Monday, May 14th at Colonial Country Club in Harrisburg. The day includes a registration gift, a boxed lunch, practice area and putting green, 18 holes of golf (scramble format) with cart, and a buffet dinner after golf. Various team and skill prizes available as well as a fantastic sports memorabilia auction and other door prizes. Golfers of all skills and abilities are welcome. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Interfaith Shelter for Homeless Families. Registration is \$100 per player, and various sponsorships with additional benefits are available. For more information, visit www.cchbg.org or contact Christopher Meehan, Catholic Charities Director of Development, at cmeehan@cchbg.org or 717-657-4804.

St. Philip Event Committee presents

BINGO

Game Night

GAMES. FUN. PRIZES.

APRIL 28TH / 6PM

FREE EVENT

NEW Theme and Mystery Basket Giveaway

Dinner and Drinks on us!

RSVP by April 22nd
via Sign-up Genius on our website
www.stphilipmillersville.com
or in the Lobby via the Sign-up Sheet