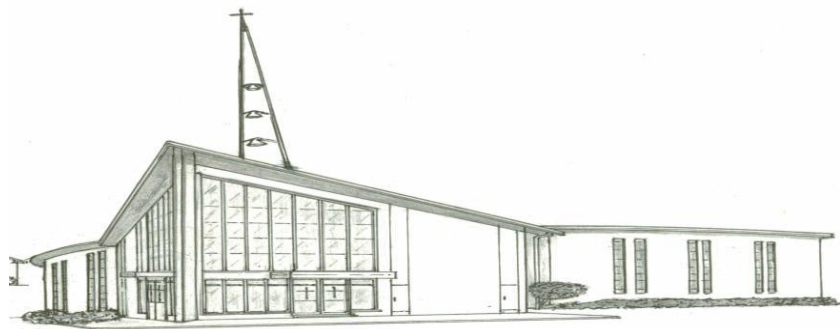


**Church of Saint Philip Neri
Pennsburg, PA 18073
September 17, 2017**



Rev. Robert A. Roncase, Pastor
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Deacon Patrick J. Kennedy
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Joan Lampart, Coordinator of Parish Outreach
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Dianne Linden, Administrative Assistant CFLC
Anita Fuhs, Youth Minister

Parish Phone Numbers:

Rectory	215.679.9275
Youth Ministry	267.733.2572
Religious Education/PREP	215.679.7839
Catholic Family Life Center	215.679.2237
Parish Hall	215.679.8116

Fax Numbers:

Rectory	215.679.0386
Religious Education/PREP	215.679.8370
Catholic Family Life Center	215.679.8370

Church & Rectory Address:

1325 Klinerd Rd; Pennsburg 18073

Hours: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Email Address: ofcmgr@spnparish.org
Website Address: www.spnparish.org

Religious Education Office Summer Hours:

26 E. Sixth Street, East Greenville, PA 18041
Monday & Friday: Offices are closed
Tuesday & Thursday: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm
Wednesday: 12:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Email address: prep@spnparish.org

Neri Center Address

575 Main Street, East Greenville, PA 18041

Catholic Family Life Center Address

26 E. Sixth Street, East Greenville, PA 18041
Email address: tdeweese@spncflc.org
Website Address: www.catholicfamilylifecenter.com

Youth Ministry Office hours: (East Greenville)

Tuesday & Thursday: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Wednesday: 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Email address: youthministry@spnparish.org

ROSARY: Prayed in the Chapel

Saturday after the 9:00 AM Mass
Monday at 1:00 PM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION in St. Anne Chapel

Monday:
9:00 am - 5:00 PM
Tuesday - Friday:
9:00 am - 7:00 PM
Saturday:
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

First Friday's:

10:00 AM - 7:00 PM followed by Benediction.

FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS

For a floral arrangement to be placed at the altar, please call the rectory.

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday – Vigil Mass – 5:00 PM
Sunday – 7:30 AM; 10:00 AM
Holy Day Masses as announced

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE - St. Anne Chapel

The Chapel is open Monday thru Saturday until 7:00 PM for your visits to the Blessed Sacrament.

Daily Mass is celebrated in the Chapel attached to the rectory:

Monday - 5:00 PM
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday - 8:00 AM

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays: 4:00 – 4:45 PM
or: at the Rectory BY APPOINTMENT.

BAPTISMS: Please call the Rectory to schedule

2nd Sunday Baptisms are held **at** the 10 AM Mass
3rd Sunday Baptisms are held at 11:30 AM

SPONSORS: Sponsors for Baptism and Confirmation need to be at least 16 years of age, to be confirmed, attend Mass weekly, and if married, be in a valid marriage.

PRE-JORDAN CLASSES

Call the Rectory Office to schedule.

MARRIAGES

Arrangements should be made at least SIX MONTHS before the date of the wedding.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Stop by or call the rectory between 9:30 am - 4:30 pm

SHUT-INS

Call the Parish Outreach Office.

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Call the Rectory Office.

OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We are the Catholic Parish Community of St. Philip Neri, answering Christ's call to discipleship through Word, Sacrament and Service. We proclaim God's hope and love to all.

Serving at Mass
Extraordinary Ministers

Sept. 24
Lectors

5:00 pm - Dave Boone
Teri Boone
Priest
Deacon
Courtney Highleyman
Claire Holcombe
Sharon Shaak
Alice Swift
Barbara Jaruszewski
Mike Misiak
Doug DiTondo
Linda DiTondo

Bob Ellis

7:30 am - Priest
Deacon

Bob Leidy

10:00 am - Priest
Deacon

Bob Keeley
Barbara Lear

Twenty-Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time
September 17, 2017

Monday, September 18
9:00 am - 5:00 PM - Adoration in the Chapel
5:00 pm - Joan Jordon, (Mary Fisher)

Tuesday, September 19, Saint Januarius
8:00 am - Esther Moser, (Paul & Maureen Moser)
9:00 AM - 7:00 pm - Adoration in the Chapel

Wednesday, September 20, Saint Andrew Kim Taegon
Paul Chong Ha-sang
8:00 am - Irwin Yerger, (SPN Senior Group)
9:00 am - 7:00 pm - Adoration in the Chapel

Thursday, September 21, Saint Matthew
8:00 am - Pete Penrose, (Rita Latshaw)
9:00 am - 7:00 pm - Adoration in the Chapel

Friday, September 22
8:00 am - Luigi Lavni, (Tom & Cheryl Pirri)
9:00 am - 7:00 pm - Adoration in the Chapel

Saturday, September 23, Saint Pius of Pietreicina
10:00 am - 4:00 pm - Adoration in the Chapel
5:00 pm - Virginia Thompson, (Ann Bykowski)

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 24, 2017

7:30 am - Living and Deceased Members
of the Parish.

10:00 am - 7th Anniversary, Cathryn Rothenberger
(Sandy Rothenberger)

WE INVITE YOUR PRAYERS

For the sick, those in hospitals, nursing homes, also for their caregivers; and all those we hold close in our hearts.

Please pray in particular for:

Joan Pongia; Michael Quigley.

For those who have died, and in particular for **Werner Eisenmann** and **William Utley Jr.**, grant them eternal rest and peace.

PARISH NEWS

SPN AT LARGE PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS -
SPN Parish Council At-Large Members welcome any questions or comments you may have.

Tony Bauer: ajbauer337@gmail.com

Ray Carr: bigdaddy2530@gmail.com

Kevin Charlton: mpcharlton@comcast.net

Matthew Fuhs: matthew.fuhs@comcast.net

Karen Katrinak: karenkat1@verizon.net

Theresa Walker: cheg1978@comcast.net

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

September 11, 2016	September 10, 2017
Envelopes: \$ 5,990.50	\$ 4,512.00
Online: 1,936.00	1,971.00
Loose: 1,251.00	691.00
Children: 26.00	9.00
Total: \$ 9,203.50	\$ 7,183.00
Missions Collection:	\$ 416.00

Special Second Collections: September

For those who do not receive Sunday collection envelopes or if you are an On-Line Giver, the following special collections are:

Black & Indian Missions; 100th Anniversary.

SEPTEMBER 2017:

Week at a Glance

Monday – September 18

Holy Rosary Hour 1:00 pm - Chapel

Tuesday - September 19

Adoration in the Chapel: 9:00 am - 7:00 pm
Boy Scouts 7:00 pm Parish Hall

Wednesday – September 20

Adoration in the Chapel: 9:00 am - 7:00 pm
Garden Club 5:00 pm
PREP Class 6:30 pm CFLC

Thursday - September 21

Adoration in the Chapel: 9:00 am - 7:00 pm
Bible Study 7:00 pm Neri Center
Praise and Prayer 7:30 pm Chapel
RCIA 7:00 pm Rectory

Friday - September 22

Adoration in the Chapel: 9:00 am - 7:00 pm
Bible Study 9:00 am Neri Center
Frontier Girls 6:30 pm Parish Hall

Saturday - September 23

Adoration in the Chapel: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
Parish Hall NOT AVAILABLE

Sunday - September 24

Children's Liturgy of the Word at 10AM Mass
NO Little Church
SPN Senior Club BASKET BASH

BIBLE STUDY

The St. Philip Neri Parish Bible Study will begin its Fall Session on "The Bible Timeline - New Testament" starting Thursday, September 21st at 7:00 PM and Friday, September 22nd at 9AM (for those unable to make evening session).

This will be an eight (8) week Study ending Thursday, November 16th and Friday, November 17th. We will meet at the Neri Center, East Greenville. If you would like to study the New Testament, this is for you.

Please contact Joan Lampart: 215.529.5686; jmlampart@verizon.net or spnoutreach@spnparish.org. If you are new, you must register so materials are available for you.

RITE of CHRISTIAN INITIATION of ADULTS

(RCIA)

The RCIA is in the process which the Catholic Church employs to educate and initiate all new adult members into the Catholic Community.

If you or someone you know would be interested in exploring the possibility of becoming a member of the Catholic Church, you or they would need to participate in this process. In addition, the RCIA is also designed to bring persons who were baptized Catholic, but never finished their Sacraments into full Communion with the Church.

We will begin our Sessions on Thursday, September 21st at 7:00 PM in the Rectory Meeting Room and run through Easter of 2018. If you are interested in exploring this possibility, please contact Deacon Mike Franks to set up an appointment.

You can reach Deacon Mike at: 484.919.9603 or email to: deaconmikefranks@verizon.net.



SPN SENIOR CLUB 2017 CALENDAR

- Sept. 24 Basket Bash
- Sept. 27 Celebrate the 50's
- Oct. 10 Trip to Penn's Peak:
Tribute to Barbara Streisand
- Oct. 25 Halloween Party
- *Nov. 15 Salute to Veterans
- Dec. 1 American Music Theatre
Christmas Show
- *Dec. 13 Seraphims from St. Mary
Catholic School

CHURCH BREAKFAST

SPN Church Breakfast was held on Sunday, September 10th with 329 people in attendance!

There were three (3) winners for a FREE Breakfast:

Bill Brant, Sue Cimorelli & Cindy Keyser

October 8th is the next Breakfast; save the date!

St. Philip Neri Church

All-You-Can-Eat Buffet Breakfast!

Sunday, October 8 ... 7AM-12PM

215.679.8116

Scrambled eggs . bacon. sausage
scrapple. chipped beef.
home fried potatoes . cereal . toast
Milk . coffee . hot tea . 3 juices

Omelette Station: prepared to order - always
with a minimum of 4 different ingredients.

Pancakes - plain & one topping

Make your own Waffles:

Fix'n Bar: yogurt, granola, fresh fruit

Homemade Egg Rolls for sale!

For every 100 sold breakfasts, one FREE will be
given away!

Seniors (60 & up): \$8.00

Adults (11-60) \$9.00

Ages 4-11: \$5.00

4 & under: \$1.00

checks & major credit cards are accepted.

COME-N-GO BINGO

St. Philip Neri Parish Hall

FREE Admission

Saturday - October 21, 2017

Doors open at 6:00 pm

Games begin at 6:30 pm

Cost: \$.25/game

50/50 cash pots;

special bonus & gift prize pots.

Menu: hot/cold foods & drinks

**If you bring a non-perishable item to benefit
Open Link, you play two free games of Bingo!**

Sponsored by: KOC 6614

More info call: 215.679.6405

The 2017 Fall/Winter Program Catalog will be
mailed soon to your homes - there are new
programs and events the entire family will enjoy!

REGISTRATION: NOW OPEN ONLINE

www.catholicfamilylifecenter.com.

Register by phone at (215) 679-2237.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

2017 Fall Program Kick-off:

Tuesday, 9/19 - Celebration of St. Therese of
Lisieux Part 1: "Everything is Grace: The Way
and Life of St. Therese of Lisieux" - Brother
Joseph Schmidt, FSC, will discuss his biography
on the spiritual journey of St. Therese of Lisieux
- 7:00 - 8:30 pm - Neri Center

Sunday, 10/1 - Celebration of St. Therese of
Lisieux Part 2: Shower of Roses St. Therese of
Lisieux - Carmelite Monastery - Benediction and
shower of roses procession on the Feast Day of
St. Therese of Lisieux - 1:30 - 5:00 pm -
Coopersburg

Cost: \$5.00 for both events.

Sat. 9/30 - Beginning Spanish for Adults - 9:30
am - CFLC

Mon. 10/2 - Molly Maguires - 7:00 pm - CFLC

Tues. 10/3 - Walking Club Challenge - 1:00 pm
- CFLC

Tues. 10/3 - Venerable Solanus Casey - 7:00
pm - CFLC

Thurs. 10/5 - Walking Club Challenge - 10:00
am - CFLC

Thurs. 10/5 - Mahjong - 12:30 pm - CFLC

Thurs. 10/5 - Sally's Music Circle - 6:00 pm -
CFLC

Thurs. 10/5 - Chair Yoga - CFLC

SAVE THE DATE:

Saturday, October 14 - Warren County Winery
Train and Tour! - 9:45 am - 4:30 pm. Trip
includes Perkiomen bus to Phillipsburg, NJ,
steam locomotive to vineyards, wine
tasting/hors d'oeuvres, lunch.

Cost: \$65.00 includes transportation, train,
tour, and lunch

Registration Deadline: Saturday, October 7

The Joyful Heart Lounge and Library has library
volunteer assistant positions available.

Call Tom Dewees at: 679.2237 for details.

SPN CATHOLIC FAMILY LIFE CENTER

LITTLE CHURCH:

We are still accepting Registrations for Little Church - This program is designed for our three (3) year olds (by May 1st) - Kindergarten Church members. The children learn about our faith while attending and participating in a child friendly Church Service. Little Church takes place during the 10:00 AM Mass in our Parish Hall Meeting Room. This Program is FREE, but, you do need to register. Little Church will start this Sunday, September 17th.

Give a St. Philip Neri Memorial Gift!

For a donation of \$35 or more, there is a beautiful Folder recording the gift and donor to be presented to the family.

In memory of **Claude Balduzzi**; requested by: Jennifer Fout; Carlo & Mary Ellen Giovannitti; Lisa Giovannittii; Samantha Benfield; Robert & Mary McCarty; Eugene & Caroline Mainiero; David & Amy Rea; Richard & Nancy Canamucio; Alice Schindler; Barbara Rombola; Kenneth & Marsha Schwartz; Rita & Joe D'Urso.

PARISH OUTREACH

FRIENDLY VISITOR MINISTRY'S APPEAL

The Friendly Visitor Ministry is a Social Service Program which began in August 2001. SPN Friendly Visitors visit the homebound either in their home or in the local Nursing Home on a routine basis.

Due to the response from our parishioners during our recent appeal, we now have thirteen (13) visitors **but are in need of more!**

If you feel this might be your calling to provide companionship to a person in need, call the Parish Outreach Office - Joan Lampart: 215.679.9275 or the Ministry Leader, LaRue Emmell at: 215.679.3086. There is a short Orientation Program.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

Vocation Office for Diocesan Priesthood

Priesthood:
A Life worth living.
A Call worth considering.
www.HeedTheCall.org

IHM Sisters' Night
September 22, 2017
Friday, 6-9pm
Villa Maria House of Studies
1140 King Road
Immaculata, PA 19345

Young women (16-35) are invited to share informally with IHM Sisters. Join us for a fun night of prayer, cookout, and wiffle ball! For further information contact Sister Marianne, 610.889.1553 or ihmvoc@gmail.com

AREA NEWS

METANOIA

This is an active community of Catholic young adults in western Montgomery County PA. The group supports Catholics in their 20's and 30's who are looking to deepen their faith and meet fellow Catholics in the area. Our ministry includes: Theology on Tap, faith based meetings, community service, retreats and outdoor events. We meet on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 PM unless otherwise noted.
metanoiayoungadults@gmail.com

September:

Tuesday, September 19 - Theology on Tap at Appalachian Brewing Co., in Collegeville. Doors open at 7:00 PM and Talks begin at 7:30 PM - Guest Speaker is Fr. Michael Mullan

Tuesday, September 26 - Holy Hour at Mary, Mother of the Redeemer, North Wales - 7:30PM.

October:

Tuesday, October 10 - Bible Study at Corpus Christi Parish, Lansdale at 7:30 PM

Friday, October 13 - Campfire at St. Eleanor's Parish, Collegeville at 7:30 PM

Tuesday, October 17 - Theology on Tap at Appalachian Brewing Co., in Collegeville. Doors open at 7:00 PM and Talks begin at 7:30 PM - Guest Speaker is Dr. John Brehaney

Tuesday, October 24 - Holy Hour at Mary, Mother of the Redeemer Parish, North Wales - 7:30 PM.

Friday, October 27 - Pumpkin Carving Social at The Rose's House, Audubon - 7:30 PM.



Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time.

Sunday, Sep 17, 2017

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Forgive, for goodness sake!

We are told in today's reading that the unforgiving servant will be "tortured" for failing to forgive another, after having been forgiven himself. Because a parable is a symbolic way of talking about a profound truth, we can take the word *tortured* metaphorically and ask, "In what way are we 'tortured' when we fail to forgive?" Failing to forgive leaves us hostage to our hurt. Unable to move on, we are captive to our own resentment. Unwilling to accept the imperfections of others, we can become judgmental. The end result of the failure to forgive is bitterness—a painful, torturous emotional state. When Jesus tells us to forgive, "not seven times, but 77 times," it is for our own well-being. Forgive someone today!

TODAY'S READINGS: *Sirach 27:30–28:7; Romans 14:7-9; Matthew 18:21-35 (130). "How often should I forgive?"*

Monday, Sep 18, 2017

Do I hear an amen?

Like the centurion who came to Jesus for a healing, we're aware that we fall short of having "earned" the great gift of the presence of Jesus "under our roof" or in our lives. But Jesus chooses to dwell with us, imperfect as we are. As Pope Francis says in *Misericordiae Vultus*, our salvation depends on mercy. Mercy is the "ultimate and supreme act by which God comes to meet us."

Mercy is the "bridge that connects God and man, opening our hearts to the hope of being loved forever despite our sinfulness." A daily awareness of our own "unearned rewards" helps us to share our spiritual wealth with others.

TODAY'S READINGS: *1 Timothy 2:1-8; Luke 7:1-10 (443). "Lord, do not trouble yourself, for I am not worthy to have you come under my roof."*

Tuesday, Sep 19, 2017

MEMORIAL OF JANUARIUS, BISHOP, MARTYR

Faith will see us through

The stories of early Christian saints are often larger-than-life. So it is with Saint Januarius (third century). According to legend, Januarius was thrown into a fiery furnace by the Romans during a time of intolerance toward Christians. To everyone's amazement he emerged unscathed. Taken figuratively, the story says a lot about how faith can help us in the face of intolerance when it comes to things like race, gender, immigration status, and so on. We may be subject to the fiery furnace of prejudice, but our faith can save us. It can remind us that we are all the beloved of God and it can move us to action for a more just world.

TODAY'S READINGS: *1 Timothy 3:1-13; Luke 7:11-17 (444). "Let the children come to me, and do not prevent them."*

Wednesday, Sep 20, 2017

MEMORIAL OF ANDREW KIM TAE-GŎN,

PRIEST, AND PAUL CHŎNG HA-SANG, AND

COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

Stretch your faith

Being an example of faith to others means extending the branches of your life outward. Extend a branch a little farther today and say a silent prayer for someone in your life who is struggling. The martyrs Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, and their companions

were part of a church in Korea that began entirely with laypeople. In difficult times of persecution they were buoyed by others in their faith. Do not doubt the power of a lived faith that extends beyond your arms and into others' hearts.

TODAY'S READINGS: *1 Timothy 3:14-16; Luke 7:31-35 (445)*. "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish."

Thursday, Sep 21, 2017

FEAST OF MATTHEW, APOSTLE AND

EVANGELIST

Take your seat at the table

The names of the apostles are integral to our story of faith, but in truth, we know very little about many of them. Bits of information from the gospels and Acts of the Apostles do allow a glimpse of their lives in the first Christian community. The rest we can only prayerfully imagine. We know that Matthew collected from his Jewish kin the hated Roman tax and that he associated with other tax collectors and "sinners." What we can prayerfully imagine is Jesus sharing a meal with them, and then we might wonder if we would have joined them at table.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13; Matthew 9:9-13 (643)*. "I have come to call not the self-righteous."

Friday, Sep 22, 2017

Women belong in the picture

Women, as today's gospel makes clear, accompanied Jesus in his ministry. They left their families to follow him and offered financial support for his mission. They stood by him at the cross, and all four gospels place women at the tomb when the resurrected Christ is revealed. As scripture scholar Elizabeth Johnson points out in her groundbreaking book *Consider Jesus: Waves of Renewal in Christology*, "Jesus Christ included women in his community, not as subordinates to

males, but as equal sisters to their brothers." Many of us, men and women alike, still struggle with seeing women in their fundamental humanity as equals to men. Think about the ways you overlook women when it comes to spiritual leadership.

TODAY'S READINGS: *1 Timothy 6:2c-12; Luke 8:1-3 (447)*. "Some women were with Jesus who had been cured by him: Mary, called Magdalene, Joanna, Susanna, and many others."

Saturday, Sep 23, 2017

MEMORIAL OF PIUS OF PIETRELCINA, PRIEST

Aid comes first

When Saint Pius of Pietrelcina—Padre Pio as he's widely known—decided he wanted to build a free hospital for the poor up the road from his friary, he started with a piece of land and a few friends and supporters. Four years later, in 1956, he had one of the most modern hospitals in Europe. Since the padre's death in 1968, the facility, which he wanted to be a "place of prayer and science," has quadrupled in size and stands as a dramatic tribute to the desire to help others and the determination to follow through. What seeds of service can you plant and cultivate?

TODAY'S READINGS: *1 Timothy 6:13-16; Luke 8:4-15 (448)*. "A sower went out to sow his seed."

Families must be registered at St. Philip Neri to attend.

Please print all information.

Student's Last Name _____ First Name _____ Middle _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____ Birth Date _____

Parents Names _____.

Phone Number _____.

(Information and updates will be sent out via email)

Email Address _____.

I wish to Volunteer: (please check here) _____

*Confidential: If you are separated or divorced; please describe parental rights, if any of former spouse. **(This is only requested for the safety of your child when they are picked up from the School.)**

(Name) _____ (Info.) _____

To assist your child's catechist, please note anything which they should be made aware
(Allergies, medications, learning difficulties, ADD, ADHD.)

- 3 years old by May 1st**
- 4 years old Pre-School _____.
- 5 years old Pre-School _____.
- 5/6 attending Kindergarten School _____.

Sacrament Information

Baptism Date: _____.

Church: _____.

City/ State: _____.

SPN YOUTH NIGHT BONFIRE

WHEN

**September 17th
5:30pm - 7:30pm**

WHERE

**Parish Hall
1325 Kliner Rd., Pennsburg Pa 18073**

FEATURING

**music • marshmallows •
hot dogs • faith • social •**

WWW.SPNNPARISH.ORG/YOUTH-MINISTRY.HTML

**7TH-12TH
GRADE
EVENT**



**RSVP TODAY
Anita Fuhs**

**Text or Call
267.733.2572**

Email

Youthministry@snnparish.org

**Please bring a
chair and your
own roasting
stick**

**SPN SENIOR CLUB LUNCHEON
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2017**



**IF YOU LOVE ROCK N' ROLL
COME AND 'PUT A DIME IN THE JUKEBOX' AND
'STROLL' DOWN MEMORY LANE**

11:30 AM - Parish Hall

RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST! Deadline September 22, 2017

Call Rita Latshaw at 215.679.7009



Suggested Offering for the lunch is \$5.00 pp