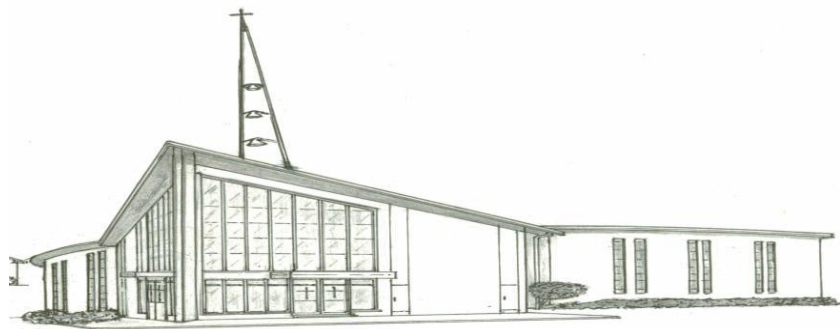


Church of Saint Philip Neri
Pennsburg, PA 18073
October 22, 2017



Rev. Robert A. Roncase, Pastor
Deacon Michael J. Franks
Deacon Patrick J. Kennedy
Rev. Edmond J. Speitel, Pastor Emeritus
Rev. John J. Scarcia, Retired Pastor
Locke Highleyman, Business Manager
Shirley Misiak, Office Manager
Catherine E. Faust, Director of Music
Wendy Benner, Coordinator of PREP/Religious ED
Joan Lampart, Coordinator of Parish Outreach
Tom Dewees, Director Catholic Family Life Center
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

October 29
Lectors

5:00 pm – Dave Moser
Trudy Moser
Priest
Deacon
Barbara Schwind
Bob Schwind

J. Warnas

7:30 am – Jo Ellen Carr
Ray Carr
Priest
Deacon
Bill Gurgick
Lisa Gurgick

B. Boswer
C. Bowser

10:00 am – Terry Benner
Wendy Benner
Priest
Deacon
Judy Horvath
Matt Horvath
Madeleine Gehringer
Leonette Nicolaou
Andrew Souder
Mary Souder
Alicia Tryon
Ed Tryon

E. Koch
D. McCausland

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 22, 2017

Monday, October 23, Saint John of Capistrano
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM - Adoration in the Chapel
5:00 pm – Margaret Rose Borio,
(Paul & Doris Decker)

Tuesday, October 24, Saint Anthony Mary Claret
8:00 am – Intention for the Holy Souls in Purgatory
(Randy & Annamarie Boley)
9:00 AM - 7:00 pm - Adoration in the Chapel

Wednesday, October 25
8:00 am – 52nd Anniversary, Frank Bozzelli,
(The Bozzelli Family)
9:00 am - 7:00 pm - Adoration in the Chapel

Thursday, October 26
8:00 am – Rosemary Anastasia,
(Judith & Duke Doherty)
9:00 am - 7:00 pm - Adoration in the Chapel

Friday, October 27
8:00 am – Jack Buccino, (Drew & Liz Fitchett)
9:00 am - 7:00 pm - Adoration in the Chapel

Saturday, October 28, Saints Simon and Jude
10:00 am - 4:00 pm - Adoration in the Chapel
5:00 pm – Robert Bournique, (Ann Bykowski)

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 29, 2017

7:30 am – Living and Deceased Members
of the Parish.
10:00 am – Gerard J. Schneider Sr.,
(Bob & Marianne Peters)

FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS

The arrangement of Purple and White flowers placed at the Center Altar are in Honor of **Terry and Wendy Benner** in celebration of their Twenty-Fifth Wedding Anniversary.

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The side Altar arrangement of flowers in the Saint Anne Chapel, are in in memory of **Jack Buccino**; requested by Drew & Liz Fitchett.

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:
Philip Myers; Michael Quigley.

For those who have died, and in particular for, **Michael Paonessa, & Florence Pointkowski**, grant them eternal rest and peace.

PARISH NEWS

SPN AT LARGE PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS -
Welcome any questions or comments you may have.

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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

October 16, 2016	October 15, 2017
Envelopes: \$ 5,537.00	\$ 4,591.00
Online: 1,911.00	1,786.00
Loose: 462.00	488.00
Children: 13.00	49.00
Total: \$ 7,923.00	\$ 6,914.00

World Mission Sunday: \$ 1,749.00

Special Second Collections: October

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

All Souls; Mission Sunday; 100th Anniversary.

OCTOBER 2017:

Week at a Glance

Monday - October 23

Adoration in the Chapel 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Holy Rosary Hour 1:00 pm - Chapel

Tuesday - October 24

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

Wednesday - October 25

Adoration in the Chapel: 9:00 am - 7:00 pm
Garden Club 5:00 pm
PREP/Religious Education 6:30 pm Neri Ctr.

Thursday - October 26

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

Friday - October 27

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 - October 28

Adoration in the Chapel: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Sunday - October 29

Children's Liturgy of the Word at 10AM Mass
Little Church 10:00 am Parish Hall
Men's Basketball 8:00 pm Parish Hall



SPN SENIOR CLUB 2017 CALENDAR

Oct. 25	Halloween Party
*Nov. 15	Salute to Veterans
Dec. 1	American Music Theatre Christmas Show
*Dec. 13	Seraphims from St. Mary Catholic School

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.

We also have Living Memorials for those special occasions in life.

MASS BOOK 2018

The Mass Book for 2018 will open next Friday, October 27, 2017 from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Please come to the Rectory.



The St. Philip Neri Senior Club is pleased to advise the Parish Community that the recent fundraiser, Basket Bash, grossed \$17,000 dollars with a net of \$15,000 dollars.

On Monday, October 16, 2017, at the Parish Council Open Meeting, Father Roncase was given a check for \$13,000 dollars for the parish.

We again thank everyone who contributed in any way to make this possible.

Dawn Ellis, President
SPN Senior Club

100th ANNIVERSARY

The anniversary year will be a year of celebration and renewal. It will begin in October of 2019 and continue to October of 2020.

As the committee makes headway, I will keep you informed of the plans and our progress. We will continue with our Sharing Our Blessing Fund until January 2019.

(We have pledged a gift of a minimum of \$100,000 dollars to be given to the Poor of the Valley. A committee formed when we announced this project, will be making recommendation on which organization or organizations will receive this gift). As of now over \$92,000 dollars has been raised; God Bless you for your generosity.

Beginning January 2019 to October 2020, the Counting Your Blessing Envelope will change to a monthly envelope to help pay some of the costs for our Anniversary Year. So we have the pre-Anniversary events, collection of money for the poor, and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in our Chapel. Then the year of celebration itself. What after? This milestone of 100 years needs to be remembered for the generations to follow. The 100th Anniversary Year will be remembered with the 100th Anniversary Chalice. You will be invited to donate a precious gem stone that will be incorporated into the 100th Anniversary Chalice.

This is a few years away and the design of the Chalice will be shared once we begin this project. I am so privileged to be here at St. Philip Neri during these years and I thank God and You for the many blessings given.

PS: Our Historical Committee has been working hard collecting memorabilia and memories. Very soon you will see a very unique timeline and major events in the life of the parish in our Parish Social Hall. They have been working so very hard this past many years. I thank them!

God Bless you,
Father Roncase

Questions in our Suggestion/Question Box

Two (2) questions were placed in our Suggestion/Question Box before summer.

1. One asked about the possibility or need of another Restroom in the Church building. Many times there have been long lines – especially to the women’s room. Unfortunately, there is no space available for renovations in the church for the addition of a women’s or any Restroom. The construction cost of changing the ladies room would be an extremely huge cost and the addition of toilets would need approval from government officials since we have a Septic System and are not connected to any sewage lines. Ladies should feel free to use the men’s facilities; this is a private one person room in the rear of the Church which does lock. I ask that you all be considerate of the time spent in the restroom facilities and only use them if or when absolutely necessary. Please also try to keep them presentable for the next user.
2. A second question asked about the possibility of having individual Votive Lights in our St. Anne Daily Mass Chapel, similar to those in the Church. I had been thinking about this for many years. Through the generosity of a parishioner here at St. Philip Neri, a small Votive Candle Stand has been purchased and as soon as it is received, will be placed in our Daily Mass Chapel.

WE REMEMBER MASS

We pray for, and we are united with our families and friends who have died during the past year. We are united with them through the Communion of Saints.

We remember them. We remember with them. Our annual Remembrance Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, November 14th at 7:00 PM in Church.

All are welcome to come and celebrate the lives of our deceased in this Mass of Remembrance. A reception will follow in the Parish Hall.

SPN CATHOLIC FAMILY LIFE CENTER

The 2017 Fall Program has been mailed to your home - we have many new programs! Please check out the Family Option as well!

REGISTRATION IS STILL OPEN FOR ALL PROGRAMS

To register: www.catholicfamilylifecenter.com, or mail form from program catalog with check made payable to CFLC at 26 East 6th St., East Greenville, PA 18041, or phone 215-679-2237.

We are in the process of looking into new programs for our spring schedule and beyond. We would like to hear your suggestions for programs that would be of interest to you and your family.

You can email your suggestions to office@spncflc.org or phone 215-679-2237. Thank you!

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS - SEATS STILL AVAILABLE:

11/4 - Steeples and Steel - Take a ride through the South Side of Bethlehem in which steelworkers lived in the 1800s and early 1900s.

Learn about the churches and cemeteries of their communities; and ride to the Bethlehem Steel site for a history of the plant and area. Registration deadline 10/28.

11/6 - Hilarious Magic of Sam Sandler - Enjoy America's only full-time deaf magician as he combines magic with comedy with jaw-dropping illusions and music for the entire family! Registration deadline 11/1.

11/13 - Ringing Hills Chorus - Listen to the barbershop harmony of this chapter of The Sweet Adelines International as they perform many memorable songs from the 1960s! Registration deadline 11/6.

Joyful Heart Lounge and Library - New Days/Times:

Tuesdays/Thursdays/Fridays:
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm.

Other days/times by appointment only.

FALL CLEAN UP

Date: Saturday, November 4

Time: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

(RAIN DATE: November 11)

Can you help out for a few hours? The Garden Club of St. Philip Neri will be cleaning up the Church grounds and many hands are needed.

Call Lee Johnson: 215.679.6309 for more information/details.

Coffee and donuts will be provided.

AREA NEWS

METANOIA (metanoiayoungadults@gmail.com)
October - December

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.

November Agenda:

Wednesday, November 1 - Mass at St. Titus in East Norriton at 7:00 PM

Tuesday, November 14 - Theology on Tap at Appalachian Brewing Co.
Doors open at 7PM; Talks begin at 7:30PM
Speaker - Stump the Priest Panel

Tuesday, November 21 - Bible Study at Corpus Christi, Lansdale at 7:30 PM

Tuesday, November 28 - Holy Hour at Mary, Mother of the Redeemer in North Wales: 7:30PM

December Agenda:

Tuesday, December 12 - Bible Study at Corpus Christi at 7:30 PM

Tuesday, December 19 - Christmas Party at Appalachian Brewing Co.
Doors open at 7PM; Talk begins at 7:30 PM



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

Sunday, Oct 22, 2017

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Give a little back

Pastoral Care Week, sponsored by the National Association of Catholic Chaplains, was established to recognize the many ways church professionals respond with attentive listening to those with physical, emotional, or spiritual concerns. Hospitals, prisons, nursing homes, and your local parish will accept volunteers who wish to donate their time for this important work. So cut loose a couple of hours a week and give them to someone in need. Be a generous giver.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Isaiah 45:1, 4-6; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b; Matthew 22:15-21 (145). "Teacher, we know that you are a truthful man and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth."*

Monday, Oct 23, 2017

MEMORIAL OF JOHN OF CAPISTRANO, PRIEST

Keep the margins in mind

Mission San Juan Capistrano, of the returning swallows fame, was founded by Spanish settlers on All Saints' Day in 1776 and named for today's saint, Giovanni Capistrano, a 15th-century Italian "warrior priest" who led a Crusade at the age of 70! The Spanish settlers in the Americas were warriors in their own right, taking land and imposing conversions to Catholicism when necessary. At the same time many of the clergy in the missions that dot what is today the U.S.

Southwest did their best to ease the harshest aspects of Spanish colonial domination. The church finds itself working within all kinds of social orders and regimes. May it stand with the vanquished and marginalized and for justice and mercy.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Romans 4:20-25; Luke 12:13-21 (473). "Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions."*

Tuesday, Oct 24, 2017

MEMORIAL OF ANTHONY MARY CLARET, BISHOP

Weave a holy life

Saint Anthony Mary Claret was a successful weaver before he entered the seminary. Born near Barcelona in 1807, he spent the rest of his life—as priest, then bishop—weaving together two strong elements of his personality: the mystic and the man of action. He was deeply prayerful and also a prolific author. He preached more than 10,000 sermons in his life, often to great gatherings of the poor who felt marginalized by the church. He stands as a great example of how to blend prayer and action in our own busy lives. What are the elements in your life that need to be woven together as a beautiful tapestry—your gift to God?

TODAY'S READINGS: *Romans 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Luke 12:35-38 (474). "Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival."*

Wednesday, Oct 25, 2017

Be ready for a pleasant surprise

In scripture and tradition we remember and celebrate the past—but in the present. What has been applies very much to how we live now. We also look to the future in hope, when all Jesus stood for and taught will be fulfilled. We think of

this time as his return, his coming again, when he will be with us again in his fullness. And like the past, the future has a lot to do with the present. What we hope for shapes what we do now. That's why Jesus tells his disciples to be ready, especially because his coming again will be unexpected. But if we are ready, the only surprise will be a joyous one, like a surprise visit from a friend or loved one.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Romans 6:12-18; Luke 12:39-48 (475). "You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."*

Thursday, Oct 26, 2017

Baptism by fire

Imagine having the insight to realize that your mission would lead without fail to your persecution and death. Now imagine having the courage to remain faithful to that mission—despite the cost. The next time you feel stressed out by the demands of your own calling (and don't we all feel that way at least some of the time?), pause to consider the stress that Jesus was under. Say a quick prayer asking Jesus to send you the courage you need to face your own trials.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Romans 6:19-23; Luke 12:49-53 (476). "I have a Baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed!"*

Friday, Oct 27, 2017

Clear the air

We spend a lot of time worrying about the weather. Nothing captures national attention like a brewing hurricane or a string of tornadoes or an earthquake. Weather programming is a fixture of any local news program, and one of our first questions on waking up in the morning is often, "What's the weather like today?" Not much has changed (except the technology) since Jesus' time. He pointed out that for all the attention folks paid

to storm clouds in the west or wind from the south, they didn't seem to be able to tell right from wrong when dealing with one another. Before checking today's forecast, take a moment to examine the "climate" of your interpersonal relationships. Dispel the storm clouds and bring some sunshine to those nearest and dearest.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Romans 7:18-25a; Luke 12:54-59 (477). "Why do you not judge for yourselves what is right?"*

Saturday, Oct 28, 2017

FEAST OF SIMON AND JUDE, APOSTLES

Let your faith inform your citizenship

The apostle Simon is called the "Zealot," a name that suggests he was zealous for the Law or possibly connected to the Zealot movement, which revolted against the Romans in A.D. 66. Perhaps we do better to admire Simon's zeal for God more than his alleged sympathies for violent change. In matters political, let the words of the Second Vatican Council's document on the church in the modern world be your guide: "The church . . . is not identified in any way with the political community nor bound to any political system," the Council wrote. "Christ . . . gave his church no proper mission in the political, economic, or social order. The purpose which he set before her is a religious one. But out of this religious mission itself comes a function, a light, and an energy which can serve to structure and consolidate the human community according to the divine law."

TODAY'S READINGS: *Ephesians 2:19-22; Luke 6:12-16 (666). "Jesus went up to the mountain to pray."*



SPN SENIOR CLUB IS HAVING A HALLOWEEN PARTY
(Costumes are optional)

PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF
TRICKS AND TREATS!

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2017

11:30 AM - PARISH HALL

Reservations are a must!

Call Rita at 215.679.7009

Deadline: October 20, 2017

Remember to bring your canned goods for our
donation to Open Link for Thanksgiving

Suggested Offering for Lunch is \$5.00 pp

Building Families  Building Faith

ST. PHILIP NERI
CATHOLIC FAMILY LIFE CENTER

**STEEPLES AND STEEL TOUR!
BETHLEHEM, PA
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2017
8:30 AM – 1:00 PM**



Join us! These tours take you back to the era of immigration of the late 1800's and early 1900's. We'll learn about the South Side Bethlehem ethnic communities, the steelworkers, and their churches and cemeteries. The first part is led by a South Bethlehem Historical Society guide who will drive us through steelworker churches on Bethlehem's South Side. We'll stop at St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church and cemetery to hear the history of the church and cemetery, the final resting place of many steelworkers. From there we'll visit the plant site of Bethlehem Steel to hear the history of the Bethlehem Steel plant. We'll ride back to St. John's Windish Lutheran Church for a short tour and an enjoyable Eastern European goulash lunch! We will board the bus back to CFLC to return by 1:00 pm.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE OCTOBER 28

Go to www.catholicfamilylifecenter.com to register!

Cost: \$45 includes transportation, tours, and lunch

Name: _____ *Email: _____

Address: _____ *Home Phone: _____ *Mobile: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

*Required for contact in case of change or cancellation

Or send in this form with check payable to CFLC at 26 East 6th St., East Greenville, PA 18041 or phone 215-679-2237

THE HILARIOUS MAGIC OF SAM SANDLER!!!

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2017

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM - NERI CENTER



Join us for an evening of entertainment with the Hilarious Magic of Sam Sandler! Sam is America's only full-time deaf illusionist who combines magic and comedy with jaw-dropping illusions, music, and audience participation! He creates unique and spectacular shows that kids and adults will enjoy - a real family experience!

REGISTRATION DEADLINE NOVEMBER 1

Go to www.catholicfamilylifecenter.com to register!

Cost: \$15/adult; \$5/ages 6-18; children under 6 free

Name: _____ *Email: _____

Address: _____ *Home Phone: _____ *Mobile: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

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