

Church of Saint Philip Neri
Pennsburg, PA 18073
May 6, 2018



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Church & Rectory Address:

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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

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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

Monday's at 1:00 PM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION in St. Anne Chapel

Monday – Friday:

9:00 am - 7:00 PM

Saturday:

9:00 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's: Communion Service: 8:00 AM

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, be baptized and

Receive the Sacraments of Communion

and Confirmation, 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.

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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.

Ascension Thursday

Serving at Mass

Extraordinary Ministers

5:00 pm – Dawn Ellis
Priest
Deacon
John Burke

9:00 am – Marianne Peters
Priest
Deacon
Christine Kemp

7:00 pm – Marlene Leidy
Priest
Deacon
Bob Schwind

Serving at Mass

Extraordinary Ministers

5:00 pm – Dave Boone
Catherine Cahill
Priest
Deacon
Lee Johnson
Mike Dougherty
Dawn Ellis
Bob Ellis
Claire Holcombe
Marci Jaman
Dave Moser
Trudy Moser

7:30 am – Maureen Moser
Paul Moser
Priest
Deacon
Tony Pongia
Joan Pongia

10:00 am – Christine Adelsberger
Steve Adelsberger
Priest
Deacon
Bob Brennan
Eleanor Brennan

May 10

Lectors

B. Ellis

T. Gilmore
J. Gilmore

E. Koch

May 13

Lectors

G. Plosa
J. Warnas

J. Gilmore
T. Gilmore

T. Benner
W. Benner

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 6, 2018

Monday, May 7

9:00 AM – 7:00 PM - Adoration in the Chapel

Tuesday, May 8

5:00 PM – Mary Watko, (friend)

9:00 AM - 7:00 PM - Adoration in the Chapel

Wednesday, May 9

8:00 AM – Kenneth Latshaw, (Rita Latshaw)

9:00 AM - 7:00 PM - Adoration in the Chapel

5:00 PM – Vigil for Ascension: For those enrolled in the Memorial Society.

Thursday, May 10, The Ascension of the Lord

9:00 AM – Patricia Cody, (family)

9:00 AM – 7:00 PM – Adoration in the Chapel

7:00 PM – First Anniversary, Ellen Valeriano
(Jan Valeriano)

Friday, May 11

8:00 AM – Beatrice Dzurenda, (Paul Bauman)

10:00 AM – 7:00 PM – Adoration in the Chapel

Saturday, May 12, Saint Nereus & Achilleus

10:00 AM – 4:00 PM – Adoration in the Chapel

5:00 PM – For the Living and Deceased members of the Parish.

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 13, 2018

7:30 AM – For the names of those Mothers

Living and Deceased on the Altar.

10:00 AM – For the names of those Mothers

Living and Deceased on the Altar.

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: **Sister Marianne Baker, Alexa Boyd, Kai Boyd Michael Quigley & Gary Statton.**

For those who have died, and in particular for **Baby Elfie Evans & Joseph K. Shosh**, grant them eternal rest and peace.

PARISH NEWS

SAINT PHILIP NERI

AT LARGE PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

welcome any questions or comments you may have.

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HOUSE BLESSINGS

House Blessings can be arranged by calling or emailing Shirley Misiak at the rectory - Monday Friday: ofcmgr@spnparish.org. The request will then be recorded and then forwarded to one of the Deacons who will follow up with a phone call to schedule a visit.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

May 7, 2017	April 29, 2018
Envelopes: \$ 5,684.00	\$ 5,168.00
Online: 1,986.00	1,338.00
Loose: 590.00	659.00
Children: 52.00	11.00
Total: \$ 8,312.00	\$ 7,176.00

SPECIAL SUNDAY COLLECTIONS:

May 2018

For those who do not receive Sunday collection envelopes or if you are an on-line giver, the following special collections are:

Catholic Home Missions, Ascension Thursday, Parish Debt 2nd Quarter, 100th Anniversary

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 **Stanley Poslosky**; requested by: John & Mary Ann Poslosky.

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

CAR SHOW 2018

The next meeting is Tuesday – May 8th in the Parish Hall at 7:00 PM.

SPN SENIOR CLUB CALENDAR 2018

May 23:

Luncheon

Mother's & Father's Day Celebration

June 27:

Lunch

Maintaining Physical Balance – David Brewer

July 10:

Bus Trip to Atlantic City Casino

July 25:

Senior Club Luncheon –

Life Long Learning – Eliza Mann

August 20:

Bus Trip to Hunterdon Hills Playhouse –
“Nun sense”

August 22:

Luncheon

Speaker: Kevin Crilley – Green Lane Park:
“Then and Now”

September 26:

Luncheon

“Navigating the Government Systems for Senior Services”

October 11:

Bus trip to Penn's Peak:

“An afternoon with Dolly & Kenny”

October 24:

Luncheon/Halloween Party

November 14:

*Luncheon:

Honoring our Veterans – Missing Man

November 30:

Bus Trip to American Music Theatre: “The First Noel”

December 19:

*Luncheon:

St. Mary's School/Children's Choir

Nominations for Members at Large Positions

Parish Council is still accepting nominations for Members at Large positions. This is your last chance to nominate a candidate. Email to the rectory office by Monday morning – May 7th.

SPN CHURCH HOAGIE SALE

Tuesday – June 5

CHEESE, HAM, ITALIAN or TURKEY

12:00 NOON – 6:00 PM

Orders are to be placed by May 29th

Call Rita: 215.679.7009

St. Philip Neri Church

All-You-Can-Eat Buffet Breakfast!

Mother’s Day: Sunday, May 13: 7AM - 12PM

The first 200 Mothers will receive a plant.

Scrambled Eggs. Bacon. Sausage.

Scrapple. Chipped Beef. French Toast

Home fried Potatoes. Cereal. Toast

Milk. Coffee. Hot Tea. 3 Juices

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

Make your own Waffles:

Fix'n Bar: yogurt, granola, fresh fruit

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.

KOC COME-N-GO BINGO

SPN PARISH HALL

FREE ADMISSION

Saturday – May 19, 2018

Doors open at 6:00 PM

Games begin at 6:30 PM

Cost: .25/game

50/50 cash pots and special bonus and 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!

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Just a reminder that the group meets every Wednesday in the Saint Anne Chapel from 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM.

For more information, call Jan Valeriano at 215.668.3854.

SPN SENIOR CLUB CASINO TRIP

Tuesday – July 10:

Resorts Casino

Group Package: \$25 FREE Slot play p/person

9:00 AM depart SPN

11:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Resorts Casino

7:00 PM – return to SPN

Cost per person: \$30 due on or before June 10

Cost includes:

Deluxe Motor coach transportation and Resorts Slot Play.

Cost does not include gratuity for Driver.

To reserve a seat:

Contact Gerri 215.679.8235 or email to:

gerraha@comcast.net or:

Gail: 215.679.2511

SPN SENIOR CLUB NEWS

The SPN Senior Club held its monthly luncheon on April 25th will 93 members in attendance.

Our birthday winner was Janet Kendra; the 50/50 winner was Mary McCarty.

A big THANK YOU to all who volunteered making this a successful Event! Don't forget to call with your reservation by May 18th for the next luncheon; see Flyer in Bulletin.



Registration is required for ALL Programs!

Thank you to all who contributed to the Mother of Mercy House in April – through your generosity, we delivered 172 items!

CFLC – month of May: non-perishable donations request for Mother of Mercy House.

The SPN CFLC is supporting the Mother of Mercy House in Philadelphia, a charitable organization that works to enhance the

presence of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia in the Kensington and Allegheny neighborhoods. For the month of MAY, we are requesting the following non-perishable items:

- Fruit cups
- Canned items (tuna, soup, vegetables, pasta, etc.)
- Macaroni and cheese

These items can be dropped off when you arrive for evening programs, or during the day Mon.-Fri. from 8:30 am - 3:30 pm at the CFLC, 26 East 6th Street, East Greenville, PA 18041.

NOTE: The CFLC is in the process of choosing programs for our Fall 2018 schedule. We would like to hear your suggestions on what Programs you would like us to include!

Email or call: Tom Dewees: tdewees@spncflc.org or phone 215.679.2237!

Monday - May 7: "Age of Anxiety in TV and Film": 7-8:00 PM - CFLC - Hear how film and TV reflected the "Age of Anxiety" when WWII ended and the fear of nuclear war began! Cost: \$5.00.

Tuesdays 1-2 PM/Thursdays 10-11 AM - Walking Club Challenge! Newcomers welcome! This group begins at the CFLC and walks around the block, increasing the distance as the group progresses. Cost: Free.

Tuesday - May 8 - Introduction to Amateur Astronomy: (it's not what you think!) 7:30 PM - DARK CFLC - Learn the balance between equipment and basic knowledge of the sky - there are many paths to explore. Cost: \$5.00.

Friday, May 11: Friday Night Movie - God's Not Dead: 2-7PM - Neri Center Teacher Grace Wesley helps students understand history. When a student asks a question about Jesus, Grace's response lands her in trouble. She faces an epic court case that could cost her the career she loves and expel God from the class room and public square! Cost: Free

Movie rescheduled: Monday, May 14 (formerly February 16) - Hidden Figures - The untold story of three brilliant African-American women at NASA who were the brains behind the launch of astronaut John Glenn into orbit that turned around the infamous 20th Century Space Race! 7:00 pm - Neri Center. Cost: Free

JOYFUL HEART LOUNGE AND LIBRARY - All DVD Blu-Ray movies previously shown on Friday evenings and Saturday afternoons are available to rent out for free! Hours are Tues/Wed/Thurs 8:30 am - 2:00 pm and Tues/Wed/Thurs/Fri from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

Fr. Matt Guckin will be directing a 24-hour Young Adult Retreat, ages 18 to 35 yrs., May 11-12. Megan Mastroianni, Archdiocese of Philadelphia Office of Young Evangelization will be the featured speaker. Prayer and Praise under the Stars, Holy Hour, Reconciliation, outside firepit and uplifting music. "*Our Continual Conversion to Christ*" is the theme.

Register early at 610-644-0400 or online at www.malvernretreat.com

Fr. Larry Richards, international author, evangelist, TV and Radio Host will be directing a 24-hour retreat for men on June 8-9 entitled, *Be A Man*. This is the first time he has preached at Malvern Retreat House and we invite all men, of all ages to attend this dynamic, life-changing retreat. Register early at 610-644-0400 or online at www.malvernretreat.com

VOCATION OFFICE

B.B.V.C. 2018 - July 13, 2018

Boys in Grades 6, 7, and 8 are invited to a summer day of fun, food, and faith at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary with the Philadelphia Seminarians! The registration fee of \$25 includes supplies, lunch and dinner. To Register, or for more information, visit: heedthecall.org/event/BBVC

Quo Vadis Days 2018

High school men are invited to gather for this 4-day, 3-night camp with the Philadelphia Seminarians. The camp includes dynamic talks, small group discussions, meaningful prayer experiences, and a fun environment including a ropes course, swimming pool, lake, basketball, soccer, frisbee, and more. A sliding scale registration fee of \$25-\$300 includes lodging, meals, t-shirt, and activities.

To register or for more information, visit: <http://heedthecall.org/event/quovadis/>

Questions? Contact the Vocation Office for the Diocesan Priesthood at (610) 667-5778

Archdiocesan Catholic Women's Conference

Saturday – October 27: 9AM-4PM
National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa

Featuring tracks in:
English, Spanish and American Sign Language

Registration:

General Admission \$55 dollars
Groups of 5 or more \$45 dollars
College students \$20 dollars
Religious Sisters/
Consecrated Women \$15 dollars

This conference is expected to sell out in mid-September – so grab your friends and register today! For more information, check out website: Catholicwomensconference.org/spread-the-word

Red Hill Band 118th Annual Spring Concert

Sunday – May 20th

UPPER PERK HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

2:00 PM

Admission: **FREE**



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

Sunday, May 06, 2018

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The age of idols

Celebrity rules. Or so it seems. Every headline, photo shoot, and news crawl seeks to remind us that no matter what we're doing at the moment, someone's living a reality that is *so much cooler*. We may secretly desire to be one of the beautiful people, to taste the sweetness of that success. Consider that folks who do command a high public profile like Pope Francis, Archbishop Desmond Tutu, and the Dalai Lama have all repeated that they are mere mortals, doing nothing more than we all should be doing. Want fame? Pursue sainthood.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; 1 John 4:7-10; John 15:9-17 (56)*. "Peter, however, raise him up, saying, 'Get up. I myself am also a human being.'"

Monday, May 07, 2018

EASTER WEEKDAY

Come stay at my house

God has bestowed so many gifts on creation. In fact, the world is here in the first place because God's love overflowed—God wanted to share the divine love. God even sent Jesus and became human so as to invite people more deeply into life in God. So shouldn't the response to all this generosity be a generous one in which we welcome God into our lives, are open and inviting with God in prayer, and honor and care for our world and its creatures? Start opening doors today.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 16:11-15; John 15:26-16:4a (291)*. "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home."

Tuesday, May 08, 2018

EASTER WEEKDAY

Make way for the Spirit

Much has been written about the importance of a "ministry of presence"—of being with people in times of need. Important as presence is, there is also a "ministry of absence," said noted spirituality author Henri Nouwen. We should never forget that it is the Holy Spirit ultimately who brings healing and comfort to people and that we need to trust God to do the work that only God can do in human hearts. There came a time when the risen Christ had to depart, but with assurances the Holy Spirit would be with us always. Sometimes your absence serves in a way your presence can't.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 16:22-34; John 16:5-11 (292)*. "But I tell you the truth, it is better for you that I go."

Wednesday, May 09, 2018

EASTER WEEKDAY

When Christians are in the margins

Often in stories of the church, both ancient and modern, you hear in the headlines about the scoffers. The anonymous faithful are relegated to the margins and the footnotes. “Is God dead?” the cover of *Time* magazine inquired funereally in bold red letters on a stark black background in 1966. It would hardly make the back page to reply: Not in the hearts and lives of believers. The pages of the New Testament are sprinkled liberally with folks who encountered Jesus or the apostles and came to faith. Good news travels quietly. Make a little noise with yours.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; John 16:12-15 (293)*. “Some began to scoff [at Paul] . . . But some did join him, and became believers.”

Thursday, May 10, 2018

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD;

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION (IN SOME AREAS)

Reading the signs

Signs are not destinations. They may assist us in getting where we're going, tell how far we've come or what to do next, but they're not intended to be goals in themselves. Early Christians viewed certain signs as indicators of spiritual authority: the ability to heal, inspired speech, command of dark forces, or facing dangers without harm. Saint Paul warned us not to become enchanted with power for its own sake. Instead, we should consider the needs of the community and how best to serve. Name some modern signs that someone is demonstrating with genuine spiritual authority.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:17-23 or 4:1-13; Mark 16:15-20 (58)*. “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven?”

Friday, May 11, 2018

EASTER WEEKDAY

Then, now, and later

Faith can seem like a time-travel video game. We look to the past, but the past is also present, and the present always looks to the future (for an example, think of the Mass). We learn the kingdom of God is within and among us—but not yet fulfilled. We worship and follow a Lord who appeared in human flesh, left in body but remained in Spirit, and will come again to usher us into the eternal. No wonder we get a little lost sometimes! Here's your compass: The world is broken but God still thinks it's good. Through Jesus, God calls us to help restore that goodness in ways large and small. And, finally, one day that work will be done.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 18:9-18; John 16:20-23 (295)*. “I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy away from you.”

Saturday, May 12, 2018

**MEMORIALS OF NEREUS AND ACHILLEUS,
MARTYRS**

Strike a blow for peace

In the early years of the church it was a matter of debate whether Christians should belong to the Roman army, although many did. Two of the martyrs remembered today, Nereus and Achilleus, were members of the elite Praetorian Guard, but after they became Christians they refused to serve and were eventually exiled and executed. At the end of the fourth century Pope Damasus had an inscription made in their honor, which read in part: “O miracle of faith! . . . they become converted . . . they throw away their shields, their armor, and their blood-stained javelins. Confessing the faith of Christ, they rejoice to bear testimony to its triumph.” What bold and perhaps risky paths can you take to live out what you believe? TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 18:23-28; John 16:23b-28 (296)*. “Ask and you will receive, so that your joy may be complete.”

BASKET-A-MONTH



Sponsored by the St. Philip Neri Senior Club

This weekend the Basket for April will be on display at all Masses **and** at Bingo on Sunday, May 6th. By now you have seen how great the April basket is and know that is valued at **over \$200.00**

Tickets are \$2.00 each OR 3 for \$5.00

**The drawing for the April basket will be held:
at the Senior Club luncheon on May 23, 2018.**

Winner need not be present and will be contacted by a committee member.

It will also be publicized in the parish bulletin

**On May 23, 2018 the May basket will be on display and tickets can be
purchased at the:**

Senior club luncheons, all Masses, bingo, breakfast, etc.

If you have any questions, please contact Dawn Ellis @ 215-679-2160



SPN SENIOR CLUB LUNCHEON

& Basket-A-Month drawing

WEDNESDAY: MAY 23, 2018

11:30 AM - PARISH HALL

Theme: Mother's and Father's Day Celebration

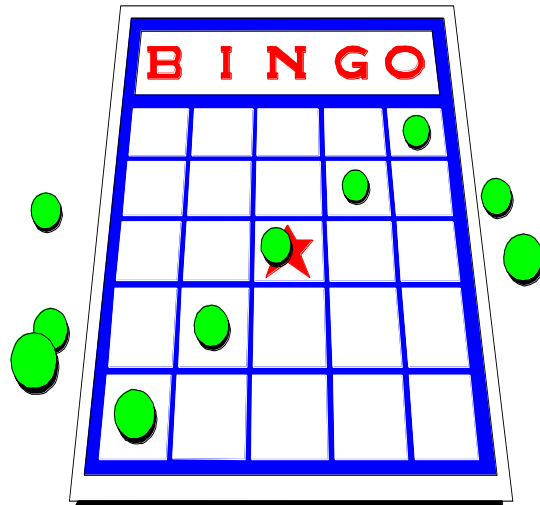
Reservations are a must:

Call Rita Latshaw at 215.679.7009

Reservation deadline is May 18, 2018

Suggested lunch offering is \$5.00 pp

REMINDER: Bring all your loose change for the Christmas Coin Jar



This Sunday – May 6, 2018

Working Team #1

Bingo begins at 1PM

Doors open at 12 NOON

Parish Hall

1325 Kliner Rd – Pennsburg

215.679.8116

All Regular Games Prize is \$50

Final Cover All-Special – Prize is \$500

Great food available!!