

Church of Saint Philip Neri
Pennsburg, PA 18073
April 1, 2018



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Parish Phone Numbers:

Rectory	215.679.9275
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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
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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.

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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**

5:00 pm – Linda Benko
Dave Boone
Priest
Deacon
John Burke
Mike Dougherty

7:30 am – Mary R. Giambrone
Barbara Jaruszewski
Priest
Deacon
Anthony Pongia
Joan Pongia
Jo Ellen Carr
Ray Carr
Charles Doherty
Judith Doherty
Jan Valeriano
Mary Weber

10:00 am – Amanda Charlton
Kevin Charlton
Priest
Deacon
Maryanne Charlton
Renee DeGrassi

Easter Sunday of **The Resurrection of the Lord** **April 1, 2018**

Monday, April 2
8:00 AM – Communion Service
9:00 AM – 7:00 PM - Adoration in the Chapel

Tuesday, April 3
8:00 AM – In Thanksgiving to
the Blessed Mother, (Peggy Bambrick)
9:00 AM - 7:00 PM - Adoration in the Chapel

Wednesday, April 4
8:00 AM – Deceased members of the
Amato & DeStefano families,
(Mary R. Giambrone)
9:00 AM - 7:00 PM - Adoration in the Chapel

Thursday, April 5
8:00 AM – Jeanmarie Ruggiero,
(Patty & Kevin Gashlin)
9:00 AM – 7:00 PM – Adoration in the Chapel

First Friday, April 6
9:00 AM – James Goodfellow, (Mary Goodfellow)
10:00 AM – 7:00 PM – Adoration in the Chapel

Saturday, April 7
10:00 AM – 4:00 PM – Adoration in the Chapel
5:00 PM – For the Living and Deceased Members
of the Parish.

Sunday of Divine Mercy **April 8, 2018**

7:30 AM – Doug Breidenbach,
(Jim & Denise Breidenbach)
10:00 AM – Lester Kemp, (Christine Kemp)
3:00 PM – Divine Mercy Service & Benediction

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:
Michael Quigley.

For those who have died, grant them eternal rest and peace.

PARISH NEWS

SAINT PHILIP NERI
AT LARGE PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS
Welcome any questions or comments you may have.
Tony Bauer: ajbauer337@gmail.com
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CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS: 2017

Any parishioner requesting a copy of their contribution statement for 2017, call the rectory office between 10:00 AM and 4:00 PM or email to: ofcmgr@spnparish.org. Statements are mailed upon request only.

HOUSE BLESSINGS

House Blessings can be arranged by calling or emailing Shirley Misiak at the rectory during business hours, Monday thru Friday (9:30 AM – 4:30 PM) (215.679.9275) or email to: ofcmgr@spnparish.org to make a request.

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

Collections for Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday will be published in the Bulletin dated April 8, 2018.

SPECIAL SUNDAY COLLECTIONS: **April 2018**

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

Mother's Day & 100th Anniversary.

PARISH IMPROVEMENTS

In response to parishioner's inquiries, if you would like to make a donation to a specific project being considered by the Church, please put your check or cash in an envelope and place the project you want to donate to on the front of the envelope and put it in the Sunday collection or drop off at the Rectory.

Your dollars will be put towards your specific project. The top four (4) projects currently being looked into are:

1. New Church Roof
2. New Church AC
3. Repaving Church Parking Lot
4. Refurbishing of Church Organ

2nd Quarter Liturgical Ministers Schedule:

The new Schedule will be available next weekend and will begin with Sunday, April 8. Hard copies of the Schedule will be available in small room near Vestibule and will also be posted on the Website.

2nd Quarter Greeter Schedules:

Copies are available for pickup in small room near Vestibule.

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.

SPN SENIOR CLUB CALENDAR 2018

April 25:

Luncheon

Speaker: Dr. Stephen Eiss on Aging Eyes

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



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
April 8, 2018
3:00 PM in church

Jesus requested Saint Faustina that the Sunday after Easter be officially established in the Church as the Feast of Mercy: "On that day, the very depths of My Tender Mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach The Fount Of My Mercy." (Diary, 699)

Call Dawn Ellis at: 215.679.2160 for any additional information or questions.

Friendly Visitor/Martha Ministry Meeting

There will be a combined meeting with Friendly Visitor and Martha Ministry on Wednesday, April 4th in the Rectory Meeting Room beginning at 1PM. Any questions, call Joan Lampart - Parish Outreach Coordinator: 215.679.9275.

BINGO

This is a reminder that Bingo will be held on Sunday, April 15 at 1PM in the Parish Hall. There is NO Bingo on April 1st



NOTE: SOLD OUT - WARREN COUNTY SPRING WINERY TRAIN TRIP for Saturday, May 12.

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! Also check out our periodicals and magazines. Hours are Tues/Wed/Thurs 8:30 am - 2:00 pm and Tues/Wed/Thurs/Fri from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm.

St. Philip Neri Church

All-You-Can-Eat Buffet Breakfast!

Sunday, April 8th: 7AM - 12PM

215.679.8116

Scrambled eggs . Bacon. Sausage.

Scrapple. chipped beef.

Pancakes: plain & one topping

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

Homemade Baked Goods & 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.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

Spring Contact Meeting for the Office for Persons with Disabilities - April 28. The Workshop will consider how to foster active participation in worship for children with disabilities and their families.

The disability contact/advocate for each parish is asked to attend. Clergy, parish staff, parents and other parish volunteers are welcome to attend. Go to www.opdarchphilly.org

Mother of Children with Disabilities Retreat: Tuesday, May 1 at Malvern Retreat House, Sr. Suzanne Mayer IHM will direct a retreat for mothers and grandmothers who are raising children with disabilities and also those who have adult children with disabilities.

There will be time to pray, reflect, and chat with other mothers.

Go to www.opdarchphilly.org to register.

Are You Called to Be a Deacon?
Archdiocese of Philadelphia
Minister of the Word · Minister at the Altar ·
Minister of Charity

While all the baptized are called to share in the mission of Jesus Christ according to the gifts of the Holy Spirit, those who are ordained also offer service in a way proper to the Sacrament of Holy Orders. A deacon's ministry entails proclaiming, preaching and teaching God's Word, assisting the bishop and priest at the Liturgy, assisting at funerals, ministering to the sick and dying, leading the community in prayer and in sacramental liturgies, baptizing, witnessing marriages, and exercising administrative leadership in the Church. ***A permanent deacon, who may be married, is a member of the clergy and shares in the hierarchy of the Sacrament of Holy Orders.*** Through the Sacrament of Holy Orders, the deacon is configured to Christ the Servant. It is Christ the Servant who acts through the ministry of the deacon.

Want to Learn More... We invite Catholic men (and their wives if married) with a deep spiritual life who are between the ages of 29 and 55, and would like to discern a call to serve Jesus Christ and His Church within the Archdiocese of Philadelphia as permanent deacons to take the next step and contact us for more information and to register for the upcoming Permanent Diaconate Information Night.

2018 Permanent Diaconate Information Night

Thursday - April 19: 7:00 PM - 9:00PM

Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary - Vianney Auditorium
Registration for this event is required. Please email the following information to Laura Nimmons at lnimmons@archphila.org

• Name • Address • Age • Parish • Email • Marital Status •
If married, wife's name •

You Are Made New: A Retreat for Women

We invite you to join us as we encounter Jesus in a personal, powerful way through praise and worship music, inspiring speakers, healing prayer, personal coaching and reflection, and a time of adoration.

The mission of this retreat is to unleash the power of God, through the Holy Spirit, and invite Him to change our hearts and transform our lives! You will leave with tools to help you continue the transformation back home. **April 27-28, 2018** at Pope John Paul II High School, Royersford, PA
Presenters: Father Stephen DeLacy, Megan Mastroianni of Anthem Philly, De Yarrison, CPCC, Mark Griswold, Worship Leader; Visit the website: <https://youaremadenew.com/made-new-freedom-retreat/> or call De Yarrison at 610.287.2989

Sunday, April 29, 2018 -- 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Event: Find Your Greatness: Four Habits That Will Transform Your Life

What are your habits? Are they helping you become the best version of yourself? Come learn about four simple habits you can develop that will lead you to becoming the person God created you to be.

Based on Matthew Kelly's book "*The Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic*" this half-day event will help you reach your full potential. Come join us for a very special experience that will be spiritually enriching and entertaining.

Location: Saint Stanislaus Parish, 51 Lansdale Ave., Lansdale, PA

Speaker: Dr. Allen Hunt from Dynamic Catholic
To learn more and to purchase tickets: Visit the website: www.DynamicCatholic.com/Lansdale or call 859-980-7900.

AREA SCHOOL NEWS

Saint Aloysius Parish School - Pottstown

Grades PreK3 thru 8th Grade

REGISTRATION IS OPEN TO NEW FAMILIES

Saint Aloysius Parish School has opened registration to new families for the 2018-2019 School year. Our school offers an education for students beginning at 3 years old in our PreK3 program thru 8th grade. You are invited to schedule a guided tour by calling the main office at 610-326-6167.

For more information about Saint Aloysius Parish School please visit the school website at: www.saintaloyssiusschool.com.

Noteworthy: The cost of Saint Aloysius Parish School Pre-K program is much more cost effective than area daycare. The average price of daycare per day is \$40.00 while a Saint Aloysius education for Pre-K3 and Pre-K4 is \$25.00 or less.

Registration is on a first come, first served basis.

AREA NEWS

Mass for those suffering from Addiction

Saturday - April 21

Sacred Heart Church

Royersford PA

Mass at 11:00 AM

All are invited.

Addiction has touched far too many families and taken far too many of our loved ones. Join us that we may draw strength from one another in the power of our faith.

PENN FOUNDATION
Behavioral Health Services

Understanding Autism: Tips and Tools for
Being an inclusive House of Worship

Individuals with autism and their families have unique needs. Learn and share more about what it means to have autism and how you can provide a supportive worship environment.

Tuesday, April 10

8:00 AM | Breakfast and fellowship

8:30 AM | Presentation

July 24th - July 27th, 2018

PILGRIMAGE to:

SAINTE-ANNE-DE-BEAUPRÉ SHRINE

10 018 Avenue Royale, Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré
(QC), G0A 3C0 CANADA

Sine as early as 1665 with the writings of an Ursuline nun, Blessed Marie de l'Incarnation, the pilgrimage history of Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré is one that is marked by extraordinary events which continue even to this day. Join us to celebrate Mass on her feast day July 26th, 2018.

The Pilgrimage Tour includes round trip bus fare and hotel accommodations. Meals are not included. To learn more about the Shrine you can go to: <https://sanctuairesainteanne.org/en> For more information about the tour you can go to www.saintannepilgrimage.myevent.com.

For a brochure please contact Randy Pagnotta at theevangelist@mctus.net and in the subject line put "Saint Anne's Pilgrimage - interested in more information", or call 610-564-0921. If you cannot join us we would be happy to take your petitions to the Shrine for you. Send an email to theevangelist@mctus.net and in the subject line put Saint Anne's Petition.

SPECIAL NOTE: Passports are required for entry into Canada.



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

Sunday, Apr 01, 2018

**SOLEMNITY OF THE RESURRECTION OF
THE LORD (EASTER SUNDAY)**

This is the day

Easter isn't a footrace, as the first disciples demonstrate. It doesn't matter when you come to faith, whether you were baptized as an infant or just last night. You don't win points for what you understand at the mouth of the empty tomb, whether you've studied 20 centuries of dogma about it or just rely on a gut feeling that this event changes everything. Mary Magdalene, Peter, and the beloved disciple each perceive the tomb and its significance from different angles—yet they all spend their lives as witnesses. Go and live like Easter makes a difference!

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Colossians 3:1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8; John 20:1-9 or Mark 16:1-7 (42, 41) or, at an afternoon or evening Mass, Luke 24:13-35 (46). "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad."*

Monday, Apr 02, 2018

**MONDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF
EASTER**

Time stands still

A young monk chided his novice master for having prayed at the Easter Monday Mass, "On this Easter day . . ." "Certainly, you should have sung 'in this Easter season,' "

the novice explained. “After all, Easter is over.” The wise older priest pointed out—much more gently than deserved—that Easter Day itself lasts eight days, a full week, and only then do we move into the Easter season. Like the obliteration of the reign of death that Easter is, time itself is set on its head. Like the wedding day that, in many cultures, is simply too overflowing with joy to be contained in a single 24 hours, the spirit of hope that is Easter will not be confined. May it rise in your heart *this Easter Day!*

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 2:14, 22-33; Matthew 28:8-15 (261)*. “*This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.*”

Tuesday, Apr 03, 2018

TUESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

A place in the heart

Sometimes, in the least suspecting places, we can find miracles. For Mary Magdalene it was a tomb where she had gone to weep and grieve the death of Jesus. But instead she found life. She experienced the risen Jesus and became the first person to proclaim that to the world. Somehow in the midst of her grief and sense of loss, Mary left a tiny space for hope that allowed her to recognize the voice of Jesus as he called her name. The possibility for miracles great and small is with us every day. Leave open a space within your heart—you just may hear your name being called.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 2:36-41; John 20:11-18 (262)*. “*Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, ‘I have seen the Lord.’*”

Wednesday, Apr 04, 2018

WEDNESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

What do you expect?

The disciples walking the road to Emmaus after Jesus’ death were disappointed—they had expected from him something other than what they saw, and they assumed his mission had failed with his death. There is a lesson in that, taught by Jesus later in the same story when he breaks the bread and opens their eyes: Our expectations can blind us to the blessings right in front of us. Keep your expectations in check and you might find all you could ever hope for, and much more, right in front of your eyes.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 3:1-10; Luke 24:13-35 (263)*. “*We had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel.*”

Thursday, Apr 05, 2018

THURSDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

Be brave

The Acts of the Apostles, which we read throughout the season of Easter, is a riveting account of faith, courage, healings, conversions, and a miraculous escape from prison. It is the story of how God, through the power of the Holy Spirit, intervened in the lives of Jesus’ disciples to ensure the spread of his word throughout the world. The courage of the first followers of Jesus is truly inspirational. Take some time to read Acts this month. Then consider: “In what ways is God inviting me to live more courageously? What is keeping me from responding to that invitation?”

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 3:11-26; Luke 24:35-48 (264)*. “*To this we are witnesses.*”

Friday, Apr 06, 2018

FRIDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

Breakfast anyone?

Meeting friends for breakfast is such a delight. There's something about the morning meal together that makes life feel good. The story of the risen Jesus inviting his friends to breakfast strikes that familiar note of unity and peace. Yet the disciples named in the story were all characters that had crossed Jesus in one way or another: Peter the denier, Thomas the doubter, Nathanael the cynic, and the Zebedee brothers, who persisted in their childish sibling rivalry. The morning repast was a reconciliation service—and a nice way to start the day. Let that same spirit of unity and reconciliation begin your day today.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 4:1-12; John 21:1-14 (265)*. "When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread."

Saturday, Apr 07, 2018

SATURDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF

EASTER

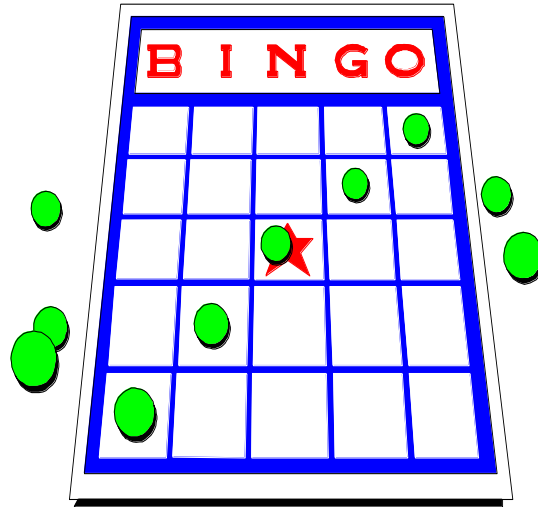
Do the right thing

Sometimes you have to do what's right even in the face of opposition. Whether it's no reward at best or open hostility at worst, the world around you doesn't always approve of what you know to be the best thing. The apostles ran into the same problem—in fact, they were on both sides of it. When the religious authorities ordered them not to speak or teach in Jesus' name, they refused to obey. On the other hand, when Mary Magdalene came to some of these same disciples with news of the risen Jesus, they did not believe her. Of course it's unwise to always reject what others think of you.

But when faced with a difficult situation, ask God for the wisdom and the strength to do what is right and good.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 4:13-21; Mark 16:9-15 (266)*. "Whether it is right in God's sight to listen to you rather than to God, you must judge."

ST. PHILIP NERI – SUNDAY BINGO



Sunday – April 15, 2018

Working Team #4

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!!

