

**Church of Saint Philip Neri  
Pennsburg, PA 18073  
June 5, 2016**



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**Tuesday & Thursday:** 9:00 am - 2:00 pm  
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**ROSARY: Prayed in the Chapel**

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

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

1<sup>st</sup> Friday from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM in the Chapel,  
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; 5:00 PM  
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  
Saturday - 9:00 AM

**CONFESSIONS**

Saturdays: 4:00 – 4:45 PM  
Sundays: 9:15 - 9:45 AM & 4:15 - 4:45 PM *or*:  
at the Rectory BY APPOINTMENT anytime.

**BAPTISMS:** Please call the Rectory to schedule  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Baptisms are held **at** the 10 AM Mass  
3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

**MARRIAGES**

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

**NEW PARISHIONERS**

Welcome to your new home!  
Please stop by or call the rectory between 9:00 am -  
4:00 pm to fill out a registration card.

**SHUT-INS**

Please call the Parish Outreach Office.

**SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

Please call the Rectory.

## 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 - Lee Johnson  
Catherine Cahill  
Priest  
Deacon  
Marci Jaman  
Linda Franks

7:30 am - Jim Michels  
Chuck Rodgers  
Priest  
Deacon  
Maureen Moser  
Paul Moser

10:00 am - Renee DeGrassi  
Mike Dougherty  
Priest  
Deacon  
Jenny Josko  
Christine Kemp

5:00 pm - Priest  
Deacon

### **June 12**

#### **Lectors**

S. Hunsberger

John Gilmore  
T. Gilmore

Hank Brodlo  
M. Brodlo

Matt Horvath  
Judy Horvath

## **Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**June 5, 2016**

Monday, June 6, Saint Norbert

5:00 pm - Stella Roney,  
(Annette, Irene & Richard Traenkle)  
9:00 am - 5:00 pm - Adoration

Tuesday, June 7

9:00 am - 7:00 pm - Adoration in the Chapel  
8:00 am - Arlene Schanley

Wednesday, June 8

9:00 am - 7:00 pm - Adoration in the Chapel  
8:00 am - Brian Mokriski, (Bob & Barbara Schwind)

Thursday, June 9, Saint Ephrem

10:00 am - 7:00 pm - Adoration in the Chapel  
8:00 am - Paul & Vera Fronheiser (Estate)

Friday, June 10

10:00 am 7:00 pm - Adoration in the Chapel  
8:00 am - Annie Yerger, (The family)

Saturday, June 4, Saint Barnabas

10:00 am - 4:00 pm - Adoration in the Chapel  
9:00 am - Stanley & Dolores Misiak  
5:00 pm - Hilda Zinn, (Bill & Pat Coughlin)

## **Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**June 12, 2016**

7:30 am - Second Anniversary, Frank Grim  
(Parents - Francis & Delia)

10:00 am - Joseph J. Josko III, (Jenny Josko)

5:00 pm - Tenth Anniversary, Robert Smith Jr.  
(Bob & Barbara Schwind)

### **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: **Elva Bolognese, Jean Caputo, Paul Gilmore.**

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

### **JUNE 2016: this week at a glance**

#### **Monday - June 6**

Adoration in the Chapel: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

#### **Tuesday - June 7**

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

#### **Wednesday - June 8**

Adoration in the Chapel: 9:00 am - 7:00 pm  
Garden Club 5:00 pm

#### **Thursday - June 9**

Adoration in the Chapel: 10:00 am - 7:00 pm  
Men's Basketball 8:00 pm  
Pennsburg Manor Nursing Home Mass at 2:15 pm

#### **Friday - June 10**

Adoration in the Chapel: 10:00 am - 7:00 pm  
SPN Quilting 1:00 pm Parish Hall

#### **Saturday - June 11**

Adoration in the Chapel: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm  
Breakfast setup 7:00 am Parish Hall

#### **Sunday - June 12**

Masses: 7:30 am; 10:00 am & 5:00 pm  
Confessions: 9:15 am - 9:45 am & 4:15 pm - 4:45 pm  
Knights of Columbus Meeting 7:30 pm Rectory  
Parish Breakfast 7:00 am - 12:30 pm Parish Hall  
NO Children's Liturgy of the Word  
Men's Basketball 8:00 pm Parish Hall

### **Upcoming Meetings**

Adoration - Monday, June 13, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm - Chapel  
Charismatic Prayer Group - Monday, June 13 - 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm - Chapel

Holy Rosary Hour - Monday, June 13 - 1:00 pm - Chapel  
 Prayer Shawl Ministry - Monday, June 13 - 7:00 pm - Neri Center  
 Respect Life Ministry Meeting - Monday, July 13 - 7:00 pm - Rectory Meeting Room  
 SPN Quilting - Monday, June 13 - 1:30 pm - Parish Hall Meeting Rooms  
 Adoration - Tuesday, June 14 - 9:00 am - 7:00 pm - Chapel  
 Boy Scouts - Tuesday, June 14 - 7:00 pm - Parish Hall  
 Car Show Committee Meeting - Tuesday, June 14 - 7:00 pm - Rectory Meeting Room  
 Adoration - Wednesday, June 15 - 9:00 am - 7:00 pm - Chapel  
 Garden Club - Wednesday, June 15 - 5:00 pm  
 Adoration - Thursday, June 16 - 9:00 am - 7:00 pm - Chapel  
 Men's Basketball - Thursday, June 16 - 8:00 pm - Parish Hall  
 Adoration - Friday, June 17- 9:00 am - 7:00 pm - in the Chapel  
 SPN Quilting - Friday, June 17 - 1pm - Parish Hall Meeting Rooms  
 Adoration - Saturday, June 18 - 10:00 am - 4:00 pm - Chapel  
 NO Children's Liturgy of the Word - Sunday, June 19  
 Men's Basketball - Sunday, June 19 - 8:00 pm - 10:00 pm - Parish Hall

**PARISH NEWS**

**SUNDAY COLLECTIONS**

May 31, 2015	May 29, 2016
Envelopes: \$ 6,305.50	\$ 4,726.00
Online: 1,648.00	1,647.00
Loose: 402.00	1,164.00
Children: 32.00	3.00
Total: \$ 8,387.50	\$ 7,540.00

**ONLINE GIVING**

**Go green** with St. Philip Neri Church by signing up for **Online Giving**.

Online giving is a secure and personalized way to give to the parish. It also can stand on its own as a means of a donation or can be used in conjunction with your offering envelopes.

You have the option to keep receiving your regular offering envelope packets if you wish. (www.spnparish.org)

**Special Second Collections:**

June 2016

For those who do not receive Sunday collection envelopes or if you are an On-Line giver, the following second collections are:  
 100th Anniversary; Father's Day and Holy Father Peter's Pence.

**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.

**BAPTISMS**

Second Sunday: during the 10:00 AM Mass.

Third Sunday: after the 10:00 AM Mass.  
 at: 11:30 AM

**ST. PHILIP NERI PARISH BREAKFAST**

**All-You-Can-Eat Buffet**

**Sunday, June 12th; 7AM - 12:30 PM**

- Scrambled eggs . bacon . sausage
- Chipped beef . Home fried potatoes . cereal . toast
- Milk . coffee . hot tea . 2 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

**Pancakes:**

Plain and a Specialty

**Homemade baked goods for sale & also . . .  
 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 and major credit cards are accepted.

donations of baked goods are much appreciated; if you can help out, call Rita: 215.679.7009

### **SPN CATHOLIC FAMILY LIFE CENTER**

The Summer Trips are now open for registration:

#1. Philadelphia Zoo, Sunday, June 26. We will be leaving from the Catholic Family Life Center at 11:00 a.m. and will leave the zoo at 5:00 p.m. Cost: Adult \$30.00/Children (2-11) \$26.00. Reservations are required.

#2. Hershey Park, Saturday, July 17. Leaving from the Catholic Family Life Center at 8:00 a.m. and will leave the park at 5:00 p.m. Cost: Ages: 9-52 \$52.00/Ages: 70+ \$40.00/Ages: 55-69 \$48.00/Ages 3 - 8 \$47.00 Registration is required.

#3. Reading Fightin Phillies, Sunday, August 7. Leaving from the Catholic Family Life Center at 2:00 p.m. and will return after the game. Reading Health System Character Pool Party and Reading Health System Character Pool Party Buffet. Buffet includes, BBQ Chicken, Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Mac & Cheese, Corn, Pasta and Potato Salad, Chips, Smiley Fries, Fruit, Cookies and Pepsi Products. You will also be able to have a Family Play Catch on the Field at 3:00 p.m.; "Hands On Science Day"; All Fans Run the Bases after the game. Game time is 5:05 p.m. Price includes Transportation, Dinner, Game Ticket Adults: \$38.00/Children (2-11) \$32.00. Registration is required.

#4. Butterfly Garden, Saturday, August 20. We will meet at the Catholic Family Life Center at 1:30 p.m. and be traveling to Pottstown to visit Ron Richael's butterfly garden. He will be giving a talk on the flowers he grows to attract butterflies. We will be carpooling. Registration is required. Cost is Free!

Please contact the Catholic Family Life Center at 215-679-2237 to register or check our website: [www.catholicfamilylifecenter.com](http://www.catholicfamilylifecenter.com).

See You at the "Center".

### **RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY**

The next Respect Life Ministry Meeting is Monday, June 13 at 7:00 pm in the Rectory Meeting Room. Email Mark Nunan at: [marknunan@dejazzd.com](mailto:marknunan@dejazzd.com) if you would like to be a part of this Ministry.

### **CAR SHOW COMMITTEE MEETING**

The Car Show Committee will meet on Tuesday, June 14 at 7:00 PM in the Rectory Meeting Room.



### **UPCOMING SENIOR CLUB EVENTS:**

- June 22nd: Line Dancing w/Ken Woulf
- July 14th: Day trip to Resorts Casino
- July 27th: Cook Out
- August 24th: Attracting and enjoying Butterflies by Kevin Crilley - Green Lane Park
- Sep. 25th: Basket Bash - (Senior Club Fund Raiser)
- Sep. 28th: Luncheon
- Oct. 19th: Trip to Penns Peak Real Diamond
- Oct. 26th: Halloween Party; Margaret Harner on Ghost Stories
- Nov. 16th: Thanksgiving Luncheon
- Dec. 2nd: Day trip to American Music Theatre Christmas Show
- Dec. 14th: Seraphims Choral Group from: Saint Mary's School

### **St. Philip Neri Parish:**

#### **FOURTEENTH ANNUAL CAR SHOW**

Friday, July 22, 2016

4:00 PM - 9:00 PM

(registration begins at 3:00 PM)

Rain date: Saturday, July 23

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

(registration begins at 9:00 AM)

Great food, Indoor Flea Market,

Music by Hodge Podge

For more information:

call Shirley at 215.679.9275 (daytime) or Pete at 215.679.6942 (evenings).

**Volunteers** will be needed for Security, kitchens and registration.

If you would like to volunteer, fill out a volunteer form; call Shirley at the rectory office or email Doris: [spnvolunteers@yahoo.com](mailto:spnvolunteers@yahoo.com).



COMING SOON

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!

SPN BASKET BASH

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2016

Sponsored by the SPN Senior Club



### SPN SENIOR CLUB NEWS

The SPN Senior Club had its monthly gathering on May 25th with over 120 members attending! Thank you for your continued support of our Program. We also thank everyone that provided a dessert. It is truly appreciated!

Congratulations to this month's winners: The May birthday winner was Barbara Schott and the 50/50 prize went to Eleanor Brennan. Door prizes went to Janet Albert, Joan Pongia and Gail Fillman.

The next Senior Club Gathering is June 22nd! Don't forget to call Rita Latshaw to register. Come out and learn to Line Dance. See Flyer in today's Bulletin for more information.

### ST. PHILIP NERI CHURCH

#### HOAGIE SALE

**CHEESE, HAM, ITALIAN or TURKEY**

**TUESDAY - July 12**

**12:00 PM - 6:00 PM**

**COST: \$5.00**

**Orders due: July 5**

**Call Rita: 215.679.7009 or Pat: 215.679.5675**

### One Hundredth Anniversary Countdown!

#### **ST. PHILIP NERI PARISH**

The Historical Committee is looking for Articles of Historical significance pertaining to St. Philip Neri Church and School; for example: Sacramental documents and religious items from Green Lane Chapel and East Greenville Church. Items from the Parish School might be old Yearbooks or pictures. These items will be displayed in a locked glass case in the Parish Hall and/or the Catholic Family Life Center during the time of our 100th Anniversary in 2019. Items can be loaned temporarily or donated to the Church. Call Eileen: 610.850.4945 or Kelly: 484.347.7875.

### **PREP/RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

#### **PREP REGISTRATION 2016/2017**

In case you forgot . . .

Any child entering First Grade thru Sixth Grade should be enrolled in our Parish Religious Education Program unless they are attending Catholic School. Registrations are being accepted and are available on our parish website: [www.spnparish.org](http://www.spnparish.org). Call Wendy Benner at 215.679.7839 if you have questions. Note the summer hours for PREP are: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday only 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

#### **CLOW (Children's Liturgy of the Word):**

CLOW will not take place for the Summer. We will resume September 12.

### **ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS**

#### **Vocation Office for Diocesan Priesthood**

#### **HELP WANTED:**

Courageous, committed men to do the work of the Lord.

Consider the Priesthood.

[www.HeedTheCall.org](http://www.HeedTheCall.org).

#### **CatholicPhilly.com**

Visit [CatholicPhilly.com](http://CatholicPhilly.com) for Catholic news in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia every day. Sign up for a free, weekly email newsletter at [catholicphilly.com](http://catholicphilly.com) newsletter.

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

## **SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 2016**

### **TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME; WORLD**

#### **ENVIRONMENT DAY**

#### **It's time for a family reunion**

“Everything is related,” Pope Francis writes in *Laudato Si'*, “and we human beings are united as brothers and sisters on a wonderful pilgrimage, woven together by the love God has for each of his creatures and which also united us in fond affection with brother sun, sister moon, brother river, and mother earth.” Recognizing that everything's connected underscores that we are more than just stewards of God's Creation—we are related to everything because of our common Creation. So, on this World Environment Day, maybe it's time we treat Mother Earth more like a part of the family.

TODAY'S READINGS: *1 Kings 17:17-24; Galatians 1:11-19; Luke 7:11-17 (90)*. “O Lord, be my helper. You changed my mourning into dancing.”

## **MONDAY, JUNE 6**

### **FEAST OF NORBERT, BISHOP**

#### **Don't get too comfortable**

It's easy to go with the flow when life is moving along swimmingly. While those times are pleasant, they generally lack challenge and growth. When difficulties eventually arise—and they always do, sometimes quite suddenly—it's an opportunity to take stock and strive to become a better Christian, as the privileged Saint Norbert did. A near-fatal storm shook Norbert out of his cushy life and into one as an itinerant preacher who walked around barefoot in the snow. A bit extreme perhaps, but a reminder nonetheless that you don't reach sainthood by remaining comfortable for too long.

TODAY'S READINGS: *1 Kings 17:1-6; Matthew 5:1-12 (359)*. “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”

## **TUESDAY, JUNE 7**

### **A month of fasting and charity**

Today Muslims around the world begin the yearly observance of Ramadan, a month to commemorate the first revelation of the Quran to Muhammad. The word *Ramadan* comes from the Arabic word for “scorching heat or dryness.” While most of us associate Ramadan with fasting, charity is also very important during this month, and many will give to the poor above and beyond the required fixed percentage of savings. Prayerfully adding an extra observance to fasting and charity is a good way to join our Muslim brothers and sisters in solidarity for an end to “heat and dryness” in our world.

TODAY'S READINGS: *1 Kings 17:7-16; Matthew 5:13-16 (360)*. “You are the salt of the earth . . . You are the light of the world.”

## **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8**

### **Kingdom come**

Jesus preached constantly about the coming of the kingdom of God, which began on earth with his death and Resurrection. According to the church, it's up to us Christians to further the kingdom until it's brought into perfection at the end of time. Pope John Paul II wrote, “The kingdom of God is the manifestation and the realization of God's plan of salvation in all its fullness.” A kingdom of love, peace, and justice, extending to all and lasting forever—now that sure is something to work for, by living as Christ did.

TODAY'S READINGS: *1 Kings 18:20-39; Matthew 5:17-19 (361)*. “Whoever obeys and teaches these commandments will be called greatest in the kingdom of heaven.”

## THURSDAY, JUNE 9

### FEAST OF EPHREM OF SYRIA, DEACON, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

#### Pearls of wisdom

Saint Ephrem was a fourth-century deacon, poet, teacher, preacher, and hymn writer. One hymn compared the purity of a pearl to the Body of Christ: “I began to look at [the pearl] from one side and from the other: it looked the same from all sides . . . In its clarity I saw the Clear One who does not grow opaque; and in his purity, the great symbol of the Body of Our Lord, which is pure.” Pearls are indeed precious, but belonging to the Body of Christ is priceless. We’re nourished and supported in community. Invest some time in your faith community; you’ll be investing in a pearl of great price.

TODAY’S READINGS: *1 Kings 18:41-46; Matthew 5:20-26 (362)*. “Settle with your opponent quickly while on the way to court with him.”

## FRIDAY, JUNE 10

#### Screen it out

Modern life is screened in on all sides—by smart phones, tablets, desktops, televisions. Maybe it’s time to practice a little old-fashioned *custodia oculorum*—custody of the eyes. Quaint as it might sound, the practice is both challenging and rewarding. As Molly Jo Rose puts it in *U.S. Catholic*, custody of the eyes simply means holding yourself accountable for what you choose to focus on. If the eye really is the window of the soul, doesn’t it make sense to at least install a shade you can lower from time to time? Before you roll your eyes at the idea, give it a try. Go an hour without staring at a screen and see how you feel. Congratulations—you are on the way to reclaiming ownership of your vision!

TODAY’S READINGS: *1 Kings 19:9a, 11-16; Matthew 5:27-32 (363)*. “Everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart.”

## SATURDAY, JUNE 11

### FEAST OF BARNABAS, APOSTLE

#### Encourage one another

Barnabas appears on the scene of the early Christian community as a man named Joseph who sold some of his property and gave the money to the apostles. The apostles changed his name to Barnabas, which means “son of encouragement,” and he took his place alongside Paul and other early missionaries who formed Christian communities. Barnabas’ legacy of faith, courage, and generosity has endured for more than 2,000 years. To honor him today, speak a word of encouragement to someone or make a contribution to support the ministry of your parish community.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Matthew 5:33-37 (580: Gospel 364)*. “He encouraged them all to remain firm in their commitment to the Lord, since he himself was a good man.”

**SPN SENIOR CLUB  
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22, 2016  
PARISH HALL - 11:30 AM**

**FREE  
LINE DANCE  
LESSONS**

**COME AND ENJOY A GREAT LUNCH,  
SOCIALIZE WITH FRIENDS  
AND LEARN THE  
THE BASICS OF LINE DANCING WITH:  
OUR INSTRUCTOR - KEN WOULF**



A reservation is requested **by Friday, June 17, 2016**  
Call Rita Latshaw at 215-679-7009

Cost of lunch: \$3.00 per person

**REMINDER!!!!**

**DON'T FORGET YOUR DONATIONS FOR THE:  
SPN SENIOR CLUB BASKET BASH**





# \$10,000 GIVEAWAY!

Help us to reach 100,000 students and young adults  
with a message of **love, courage and chastity!**



Buy a chance to win \$10,000!!

**Grand Prize: \$10,000**  
**2nd Prize: \$2,500**  
**3rd Prize: \$1,000**

*Only 1,000 Tickets being sold!*  
**Tickets are \$100**

**Drawing: June 22, 2016 at Generation Life Banquet**

The demand for **Generation Life's** young adult speakers continues to grow and we urgently need your financial support to meet this demand!

The **Family Life Educational Foundation** funds public and social media campaigns that persuade expectant mothers to give birth to their children, as well as public advertising campaigns with the pro-life and chastity messages.



**For additional information and to purchase tickets contact:**

**Bucks County:**

Stuart & Eileen Stone: 215-579-2470

**Montgomery County:**

Tom & Suzy Coffey: 610-525-5484

Mary McMonagle: 610-834-1654

Mike & Ceil McMonagle: 215-361-3393

Donna Parisi: 610-272-8085

**Chester County:**

Kim Savage: 610-513-9094

Generation Life: 215-885-8760

**Delaware County:**

Paul & Theresa Murtagh: 610-496-7390

Carla Santoleri: 610-361-8447

Dave & Teresa Santoleri: 610-459-0757

**Make checks payable to Generation Life**

Mail to: \$10K Giveaway Committee · 11 McComb Avenue · Glen Mills, PA 19342  
610-558-1026 · [goprolife@santoleri.net](mailto:goprolife@santoleri.net) · [goprolife.org/raffle](http://goprolife.org/raffle)

**Below is a letter that was recently addressed to families whose children attend area Catholic Elementary Schools regarding Parish Subsidies.**

I write this letter on behalf of the Parish Finance Council as they are reviewing and preparing the annual Financial Budget that the Archdiocese requires each year. I am sure that the budget in your home is something that is evaluated often as expenses increase and unexpected issues arise. In the review of the Parish Budget, one item that was of concern for the committee had to deal with the Parish Subsidies paid to our area Catholic Grade Schools. There is a loss of over \$35,000 this past year and the loss has increased over the years. The Subsidy is what a Parish pays to the school for each child that attends a Catholic Grade School (private schools do not receive the subsidies). The Subsidy plus tuition is the actual cost to educate the child. Because of this large loss, the Finance Council's recommendation was that the required amount in the Sunday envelope for a family to receive the Parish Subsidy be increased. Currently, the Sunday required amount falls short of the amount that the parish pays in subsidies to the Catholic Schools. When two or more children attend an area Catholic School, the subsidy paid and the amount in the Sunday envelopes results in a loss to the parish of anywhere between \$1,500 to \$4,000 per family. The Finance Council realizes that we do have a commitment to support Catholic Education, but the commitment should not be so excessive that the parish financially finds itself in difficulty.

Our children at St. Philip Neri attend four (4) area Catholic Grade Schools; each of these schools determine the cost of tuition based on their expenses and school income. The amount of the subsidy is determined as a certain percentage of the cost. Each school has different subsidies based on the true cost of what will be the amount needed to operate the school. For the four (4) area Catholic Schools, the parish subsidy costs per child are the lowest \$1,150 to the highest \$1,518 dollars. This is per child, not per family. St. Philip Neri requires that \$15 is the amount required each week for a family to receive subsidy.

When two (2) children attend a Catholic School, the amount of subsidy paid could range from \$2,300 to \$3,036; for three (3) children - \$3,450 to \$4,554 dollars, while the amount collected in the Sunday envelope to receive the subsidy, the minimum required is only \$780. The result is a tremendous loss to the parish.

The council is aware that because of our commitment to Catholic Education, there will always be a loss; however, the loss must be manageable. The council, therefore, has suggested that the amount in the Sunday envelope be increased to minimize the loss. After a great deal of talking, their recommendation to me was that beginning July 1, 2016, (the beginning of our Fiscal Year), the amounts in the Sunday envelope required to receive subsidies be increased as follows:

For one (1) child attending Catholic School, the envelope amount per week be \$17 for two (2) children attending, the envelope amount be \$20; and for three (3) or more children attending \$25. I have approved their recommendation. Even with this increase, there will still be a tremendous loss in revenue, but we will continue to absorb this loss because of our commitment to Catholic Education. The Council also asks that parish families receiving this benefit be mindful of the generosity of fellow parishioners. They also encourage you to be involved in parish activities and volunteering.

For any family that financially is unable to contribute the required amount in the Sunday envelope, you are reminded to call Deacon Mike each summer to discuss the situation, and adjustments will be made where appropriate. This must be done each summer due to changing financial situations. The parish, likewise, based on Family Income offers Tuition Assistance; however, the amounts given in the past will be greatly reduced due to the fund being depleted. The request for Tuition Assistance, likewise, must be requested each summer and a meeting with Deacon Mike is also required each summer.

God Bless you for your commitment to Catholic Education; it truly is a sacrifice you make for your children.

Sincerely,  
Father Robert A. Roncase  
Pastor