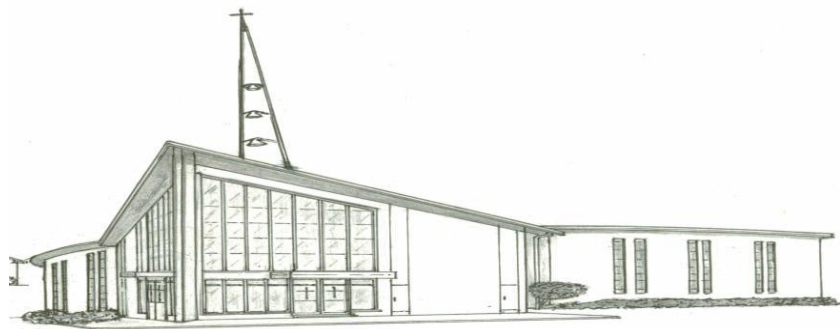


**Church of Saint Philip Neri  
Pennsburg, PA 18073  
July 3, 2016**



**Rev. Robert A. Roncase**, Pastor  
**Rev. Raymond W. Smart**, retired; resident  
**Deacon Michael J. Franks**  
**Deacon Mark J. Meinzer**, Business Manager  
**Rev. Edmond J. Speitel**, Pastor Emeritus  
**Rev. John J. Scarcia**, Retired Pastor  
**Shirley Misiak**, Office Manager  
**Catherine E. Faust**, Director of Music  
**Wendy Benner**, Coordinator of PREP/Religious ED  
**Tom Dewees**, Director Catholic Family Life Center  
**Diane Cunningham**, Adm. Assistant CFLC  
**Anita Fuhs**, Youth Minister  
**Sister Patricia Kelly, M.S.B.T.**, Parish Outreach

**Parish Phone Numbers:**

<b>Rectory</b>	215.679.9275
<b>Youth Ministry</b>	267.733.2572
<b>Religious Education/PREP</b>	215.679.7839
<b>Catholic Family Life Center</b>	215.679.2237
<b>Parish Hall</b>	215.679.8116
<b>Parish Outreach</b>	215.679.2282
<b>Neri Center</b>	215.679.6490

**Fax Numbers:**

<b>Rectory</b>	215.679.0386
<b>Religious Education/PREP</b>	215.679.8370
<b>Catholic Family Life Center</b>	215.679.8370

**Church & Rectory Address:**

1325 Kliner Rd; Pennsburg 18073

**Hours:** 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM  
**Email Address:** [smisiak@spnparish.org](mailto:smisiak@spnparish.org)  
**Website Address:** [www.spnparish.org](http://www.spnparish.org)

**Religious Education Office address &**

**Summer hours:**

26 E. Sixth Street, East Greenville, PA 18041  
**Monday & Friday:** Offices are closed  
**Tuesday - Thursday:** 8:00 am – 4:00 pm  
**Email address:** [spnprep@comcast.net](mailto:spnprep@comcast.net)

**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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**Website Address:** [www.catholicfamilylifecenter.com](http://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:** [spnym@comcast.net](mailto:spnym@comcast.net)

**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 7:00 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**

Please call the Rectory Office to schedule.

**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.

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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 - Catherine Cahill  
Lee Johnson  
Priest  
Deacon  
Michael Dougherty  
Lisa Edleman

7:30 am - Bill Gurgick  
Lisa Gurgick  
Priest  
Deacon  
Maureen Moser  
Paul Moser

10:00 am - Bob Brennan  
Eleanor Brennan  
Priest  
Deacon  
Renee DeGrassi  
Jenny Josko

5:00 pm - Doug DiTondo  
Priest  
Deacon  
Linda DiTondo

**July 10**

**Lectors**

Linda Franks

A. Canigiani  
Eileen Davis

Hank Brodlo  
M. Brodlo

Matt Horvath  
Judy Horvath

**Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**July 3, 2016**

Monday, July 4

9:00 am - Betty Mikanowicz, (Stan Mikanowicz)  
NO ADORATION

Tuesday, July 5, Saint Anthony Zaccaria & Saint Elizabeth of Portugal

9:00 am - 7:00 pm - Adoration in the Chapel  
8:00 am - Tina Pavlak, (D'Amico family)

Wednesday, July 6, Saint Maria Goretti

9:00 am - 7:00 pm - Adoration in the Chapel  
8:00 am - For all those enrolled in our Memorial Society

Thursday, July 7

9:00 am - 7:00 pm - Adoration in the Chapel  
8:00 am - Ken Latshaw, (Theresa Thayer & family)

Friday, July 8

9:00 am 7:00 pm - Adoration in the Chapel  
8:00 am - Maddelena Pongia, (Tony & Joan Pongia)

Saturday, July 9

10:00 am - 4:00 pm - Adoration in the Chapel  
9:00 am - Paul & Vera Fronheiser, (Estate)  
5:00 pm - Joe & Stella Cias, (Family)

**Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**July 10, 2016**

7:30 am - In Thanksgiving for Elizabeth Longcope on her 100th Birthday, (Jean Caputo)  
10:00 am - Andreas Nicolaou, (Leonette Nicolaou)  
5:00 pm - Charles Murray, (Joy Tjarks)

**FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS**

The pink Roses placed at the Blessed Mother and Sacred Heart Altars are in loving memory of **Carol Shaffer**; requested by: Sue Cimorelli.  
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The center floral arrangement is in loving memory of **Gerald Mullaney**; requested by: The Family.

**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: **Helen Burke; David Henry & The York Family.**

For those who have died, and in particular for **Pauline Feninez**, grant them eternal rest and peace.

**JULY 2016: this week at a glance**

**Monday - July 4**

NO Adoration in the Chapel:  
NO Holy Rosary Hour  
Rectory Offices are closed.

**Tuesday - July 5**

Adoration in the Chapel: 9:00 am - 7:00 pm

**Wednesday - July 6**

Adoration in the Chapel: 9:00 am - 7:00 pm  
Garden Club 5:00 pm  
Pre-Jordan Baptismal Class 7:00 pm Rectory

**Thursday - July 7**

Adoration in the Chapel: 9:00 am - 7:00 pm  
Men's Basketball 8:00 pm Parish Hall

**Friday - July 8**

Adoration in the Chapel: 10:00 am - 7:00 pm

**Saturday - July 9**

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

**Sunday - July 10**

NO Children's Liturgy of the Word  
NO Parish Breakfast  
Men's Basketball 8:00 pm Parish Hall

### Upcoming Meetings

Adoration - Monday, July 11 - 9:00 am - 5:00 pm in the Chapel.  
Charismatic Prayer Meeting - Monday, July 11 - 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm - Chapel  
Holy Rosary Hour - Monday, July 11 - 1:00 pm in the Chapel.  
Prayer Shawl Ministry - Monday, July 11 - 7:00 pm in the Neri Center.  
Adoration - Tuesday, July 12 - 9:00 am - 7:00 pm - Chapel  
Adoration - Wednesday, July 13 - 9:00 am - 7:00 pm - Chapel  
Garden Club - Wednesday, July 13 - 5:00 pm  
Adoration - Thursday, July 14 - 9:00 am - 7:00 pm - Chapel  
Men's Basketball - Thursday, July 14 - 8:00 pm - Parish Hall  
Pennsburg Manor Nursing Home Mass - Thursday, July 14 at 2:15 pm.  
Adoration - Friday, July 15 - 9:00 am - 7:00 pm - in the Chapel  
SPN Quilting - Friday, July 15 - 1:00 pm - Parish Hall Meeting Rooms  
Adoration - Saturday, July 16 - 10:00 am - 4:00 pm - Chapel  
NO Children's Liturgy of the Word - Sunday, July 17  
Men's Basketball - Sunday, July 17 - 8:00 pm - 10:00 pm - Parish Hall

### PARISH NEWS

### SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

June 28, 2015	June 26, 2016
Envelopes: \$ 6,977.50	\$ 4,957.50
Online: 1,548.00.	2,216.00
Loose: 798.00	416.95
Children: 36.00	48.00
Total: \$ 9,359.50	\$7,638.45
Peter's Pence:	\$ 655.00

### 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:

July 2016

For those who do not receive Sunday collection envelopes or if you are an On-Line giver, the following second collections are: Campaign for Human Development & 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: **Gilda Cardone**; requested by: Tony & Dolores Arnao.

In memory of **Kathleen Glenn**; requested by: Rob & Mary Weber.

### St. Philip Neri Church:

### 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 . . .

See Flyer Insert in today's Bulletin.

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

**Reminder . . .** The Rectory Offices are closed Monday, July 4 for the Holiday.

Offices reopen on Tuesday, July 5th at 9:00 AM.

Have a Happy and Safe holiday!

## **PARISH OUTREACH**

**ATTENTION!!!!** Are you friendly? Do you visit people? Think about becoming a Friendly Visitor! St. Philip Neri Parish Family has some people who cannot drive, and cannot get out very often. So, our Parish Family wants to go to them! But we need more Friendly Visitors!

If you think God may be calling you to fulfill your Baptism Commitment to service as a Friendly Visitor, please call LaRue Emmell at: 215.679.3086 or Sister Patricia Kelly: 215.679.2282.

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Do you have, or do you know ANYONE who has a one bedroom first floor apartment for rent? The apartment seeker is a Parishioner and would be an excellent tenant. References are available upon request.

Please respond to the Parish Outreach Office at: 215.679.2282. If no answer, please speak slowly and leave a message.

## **SPN CATHOLIC FAMILY LIFE CENTER**

Final reservations are being accepted for the Reading Phillies Baseball Game for Sunday, August 7. The bus will leave from the Catholic Family Life Center, 26 East 6<sup>th</sup> Street, East Greenville at 2:00 p.m. and will return immediately after the game.

Included with your admission is a Reading Health System Character Pool Party and Buffet. Buffet includes, BBQ Chicken, Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Mac & Cheese, Corn, Pasta & Potato Salads, 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.

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

See You at the "Center".

## **PARISH BREAKFAST**

There are NO parish Breakfast's in July and August. The next Breakfast is Sunday, September 11th. Save the date!

## **SCHWENKFELDER LIBRARY DISPLAY**

In preparation for our 100th Anniversary, the Historical Committee is gathering St. Philip Neri artifacts for display.

To preview some items that have been gathered together, spend some time attending the Schwenkfelder Library's display to see some artifacts we have loaned to them.

The Schwenkfelder Library is located at 105 Seminary Avenue in Pennsburg; adjacent to Perkiomen School.

Hours are: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM; Thursday, 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM; Saturday, 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM; Sunday, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM. Closed Monday's.

Donations are accepted at the door.



## **UPCOMING SENIOR CLUB EVENTS:**

- 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

**SPN SENIOR CLUB NEWS**

The SPN Senior Group had its monthly Gathering on June 22nd. In addition to our delicious luncheon, Ken Woulf instructed us in Country & Western Line Dancing.

We had many prize winners. Door prizes went to: Claude Balduzzi; Marianne Brodlo; Donna Broxberman; Dolores Crouthamel; Delia Grim; George Kirkwood; Doris Kolb; Dorothy Krazek; Sandy Mahoney; Connie Marks and Flo Stump. The June birthday winner was Joan Wilhelm and the 50/50 prize went to John Poslosky.

We thank you for your continued support and hope to see you next month on July 27th at the Cook-Out. Check out the Flyer in today's Bulletin!



COMING SOON

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!

SPN BASKET BASH

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2016

Sponsored by the SPN Senior Club



**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**

**KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS 300 DRAWING**

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank all the parishioners who supported our 300 Ticket Fund Raiser; we congratulate the following winners!

**Week One:**

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|-----------|-----------------------|
| 1st Prize | Barb Gebhardt         |
| 2nd Prize | Kevin Donohue         |
| 3rd Prize | Christine Adelsberger |
| 4th Prize | Rose Devitt           |
| 5th Prize | Julian Lao            |

**Week Two:**

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|-----------|-----------------|
| 1st Prize | Casey Wilson    |
| 2nd Prize | Kaitlyn Dykie   |
| 3rd Prize | Rich Leinhauser |
| 4th Prize | Lorie Seimes    |
| 5th Prize | Josh            |

**Week Three:**

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|-----------|---------------------|
| 1st Prize | Bill & Lisa Gurgick |
| 2nd Prize | Marge Treskalously  |
| 3rd Prize | M/M John Gilmore    |
| 4th Prize | Barry Amole         |
| 5th Prize | Chuck Dornisch      |

**Week Four:**

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| 1st Prize | Chris Neas     |
| 2nd Prize | Mike Berthel   |
| 3rd Prize | G. Harmansky   |
| 4th Prize | Ryan Olszewski |
| 5th Prize | Anne McCloskey |

**Week Five:**

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| 1st Prize | Dawn Ellis     |
| 2nd Prize | Duke & Judy    |
| 3rd Prize | Eugene Fink    |
| 4th Prize | Jane Frederick |
| 5th Prize | Marion Nunan   |

**Grand Drawing:**

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|-----------|----------------------|
| 1st Prize | Joe Arahill Sr.      |
| 2nd Prize | Mrs. Charles Rodgers |
| 3rd Prize | Ian Meinzer          |
| 4th Prize | Tracy Miller         |
| 5th Prize | Vincent              |

**SCRIP**

SCRIP is sold before and after all Masses; payment is by cash, check or Credit Card.

If you would like to be a SCRIP Seller, or a substitute, call or email the rectory office at your earliest convenience.



## ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

### Vocation Office for Diocesan Priesthood

Is God calling you to be a Priest?  
[www.HeedTheCall.org](http://www.HeedTheCall.org)

### CatholicPhilly.com

CatholicPhilly.com is the top source of local Catholic news and Catholic teaching, updated every day.

Stay informed of Catholic events in the Philadelphia Archdiocese, read Archbishop Chaput's weekly column and learn more about your faith at CatholicPhilly.com.

### CATHEDRAL AMBASSADORS

The Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul conducts an evangelization ministry with *Cathedral Ambassadors*. This enthusiastic group of trained Ambassadors staffs the Basilica every day of the week and is comprised of volunteer parishioners from all over the Archdiocese. They answer questions, offer assistance and give tours. *Cathedral Ambassadors* provide a personal presence in the Basilica, they put a face on the Church. *Cathedral Ambassadors* are assigned 4 hour shifts. The schedule is flexible - one day or more a month. They are provided training and materials to support their evangelization ministry.

For more information and to become a *Cathedral Ambassador*, please contact Louise Pascale, the coordinator of the *Cathedral Ambassadors*, at [pascalefam@comcast.net](mailto:pascalefam@comcast.net).

Learn more about our Cathedral Basilica at [www.cathedralphila.org](http://www.cathedralphila.org). The mailing address: 1723 Race Street; Philadelphia 19103.

Thank you very much for your generous assistance.

### Men & Women of Malvern

Malvern Retreat House offers traditional weekend retreats throughout the year with our Men & Women of Malvern programs. Each retreat has a name based on the history of their formation, but all teens and adults are invited to attend any group weekend that works with their schedule.

The retreats include Mass, confession, presentations and much needed time for reflection. Visit [malvernretreat.com/malvern](http://malvernretreat.com/malvern) for a list of traditional retreats.

## AREA PARISH NEWS

### Lay Missionaries of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

#### **AN ICE CREAM SOCIAL WITH HEART!**

Did you know that since 1998 there have been a group of people at St. Columbkil Church who are "called to be the Heart of God on Earth?"

We are the Lay Missionaries of the Sacred Heart of Jesus!

On Sunday afternoon, July 17th (National Ice Cream Day!), we invite you to join us as we host our Fourth Annual Ice Cream Social.

If you are interested in deepening your faith journey with a spirituality of the *heart*, come and see who we are and what we are about. We will gather at 2PM in Quinn Hall.

Come have fun with us! Contacts of St. Philip Neri parish are: LaRue Emmell: 610.906.2483 and Barbara Jaruszewski: 484.225.0033.

## AREA SCHOOL NEWS

### **St. Philip Neri - East Greenville**

#### **STUDENTS EXCEL AT:**

#### **Pope John Paul II High School**

Our parish recently received notification of the performance of our high school students on the End of Year Report. We are particularly proud of those who demonstrated academic excellence.

#### **Thomas Heibeck '19 ranked #1 in the Class!**

Students who achieved First Honors include:

Richard Smith '16 &  
Thomas Heibeck '19

Among those earning Second Honors were the following students from our parish:

Jared Filer '16;  
Matthew Souder '17 & Ian Stephens '17

Congratulations to all of these fine young students!

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

## **SUNDAY, JULY 3, 2016**

### **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

#### **We all need somebody to lean on**

Independence resonates deeply for Americans; dependence, even interdependence, not so much. Yet nations, political parties, and people need to trust and rely on one another to survive. The song “Lean on me” reminds us: “Swallow your pride . . . For no one can fill those of your needs / That you won’t let show.” Pride is stubborn, but remember: You depend totally on God for everything from your next breath to eternal salvation, and mutually with others for joy and hope. Pray for our nation, and pray for those you lean on. Oh, and look around for those who may need to lean on you.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Isaiah 66:10-14c; Galatians 6:14-18; Luke 10:1-12, 17-20 (102).* “Rejoice because your names are written in heaven.”

## **MONDAY, JULY 4**

#### **Helping hands**

The laying on of hands is a blessing tradition that goes all the way back to Israel (Jacob) blessing his grandsons and Moses naming Joshua his successor, a tradition that continued on up to Jesus bringing a young girl back to life. Later, Peter and John laid on hands to call down the Holy Spirit on the Samaritans. And today, it is part of the sacraments and liturgy of the Catholic Church. It may appear to be a mere gesture, but it’s meant to confer and invoke and

transform—if you’re open to being changed by the power of your faith, that is.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Hosea 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22; Matthew 9:18-26 (383).* “. . . lay your hand on her, and she will live.”

## **TUESDAY, JULY 5**

### **FEAST OF ELIZABETH OF PORTUGAL**

#### **Marriage reform starts at home**

Fourteenth-century Portugal was not for the faint of heart. In this wild and turbulent setting, Elizabeth quietly went about helping the poor and even managed to reform her wild and turbulent husband, King Denis of Portugal, to whom she had been pledged at the tender age of 10. Whatever situation you find yourself in, even one not of your own choosing, look for opportunities to help others grow and in doing so, to serve the gospel. No matter what, you are always free to act in faith. Cherish and practice that freedom.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Hosea 8:4-7, 11-13; Matthew 9:32-38 (384).* “At the sight of the crowds, his heart was moved with pity for them because they were troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd.”

## **WEDNESDAY, JULY 6**

### **FEAST OF MARIA GORETTI, VIRGIN, MARTYR**

#### **Let mercy and forgiveness be your testament**

Canonized in 1950, Maria Goretti was held up in the past as a model of purity, clinging to virginity rather than to life. Today we see her as a victim of sexual assault, horrifyingly common in our world. But sing her praises not only for her bravery, but also for a mercy as stunning as her courage: As she lay dying, she forgave the man who assaulted her. When he was released

from prison, he went to Maria's mother to beg forgiveness, and it was granted. Her attacker ended up devoting his life to a religious order. Mercy had passed from daughter to mother to abuser. What mercy and forgiveness will you pass on as your legacy?

TODAY'S READINGS: *Hosea 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Matthew 10:1-7 (385)*. "Sow for yourselves justice, reap the fruit of piety."

#### THURSDAY, JULY 7

##### **The medicine of mercy**

For too long, it was easy to envision the church as a sacramental filling station, where grace was the fuel that got us up and running for another week of routine responsibility. This utilitarian approach to parish life has been replaced by an image from Pope Francis of the church as a field hospital, pitching its tent on the battlefield of a wounded world. Pope Saint John XXIII also preferred to imagine the "medicine of mercy" as the particular service Christ's church provides to a society in need of healing. We come to serve, not to judge!

TODAY'S READINGS: *Hosea 11:1-4, 8c-9; Matthew 10:7-15 (386)*. "I drew them with human cords, with bands of love."

#### FRIDAY, JULY 8

##### **Love is patient, not abstract**

Sonnets of love describe with passionate detail the merits of the beloved that draw such devotion: eyes, hair, lips, hips. Who would declare a burning love in vague or abstract terms? Would such a theoretical declaration ever be convincing? In the same way, Pope Francis reminds us that our love must never be less than concrete if it is to be believable. Our love

must be shaped first by our intentions, then revealed in our attitudes, and finally demonstrated in our behaviors. Intentions, attitudes, behaviors—the three-fold way to ensure our love is the real and tangible thing.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Hosea 14:2-10; Matthew 10:16-23 (387)*. "Let [the one] who is wise understand these things; let [the one] who is prudent know them."

#### SATURDAY, JULY 9

##### **FEAST OF AUGUSTINE ZHAO RONG, PRIEST, MARTYR, AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS; BVM**

##### **Greet your companions in faith**

The name of Father Augustine tops the list of 120 martyrs who died in China between 1648 and 1930. The phrase "and companions" is often used for groups of martyrs, but are they given short-shrift in light of their courage? One doubts that these women, men, and—yes—children would feel ignored, but why not spend a few moments today acknowledging with gratitude your sisters and brothers in faith whose names no one but God may know, your ancestors in the communion of saints?

TODAY'S READINGS: *Isaiah 6:1-8; Matthew 10:24-33 (388)*. "Whom shall I send?' 'Here I am,' I said; 'send me!'"



# **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:**

## **ST. PHILIP NERI CAR SHOW**

### **Friday, July 22**

Volunteers are needed for our 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Car show to be held on Friday, July 22, 2016. Please complete this form and return it in the collection basket or to the rectory. If you prefer you may call Shirley at 215-679-9275, or E mail Doris at spnvolunteers@yahoo.com.

**Please check in at car registration table when you arrive.**

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NAME (please print) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_  
COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

### **FRIDAY JULY 22**

Kitchen (Parish Hall) \_\_\_\_\_ 2:30-5:00 \_\_\_\_\_ 5:00-7:30 \_\_\_\_\_ 7:30-9:30

Security \_\_\_\_\_ 4 – 9 pm

Registration Runner \_\_\_\_\_ 2:30-5:00 \_\_\_\_\_ 5:00-7:30

Kitchen (Outside) (help needed 2:30 to 9:30) I can work from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

I can work anywhere needed from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

### **SATURDAY JULY 23**

**Volunteers are needed: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM**

\_\_\_\_\_ **I am not available** \_\_\_\_\_ **I am available to work on Saturday as indicated below**

\_\_\_\_\_ Kitchen (Parish Hall) from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Security from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Registration Runner from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Kitchen (outside next to pavilion) from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I can work anywhere needed from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I can provide a dessert. Desserts can be dropped off on Friday July 22<sup>nd</sup> after 2 pm

SPN SENIOR CLUB  
WEDNESDAY, JULY 27, 2016  
Parish Hall - 11:30 AM



WE WILL BE GRILLIN' LOTS OF GREAT FOOD!  
(YOU CAN EAT INSIDE OR OUTSIDE)

**A reservation is requested by Friday, July 22, 2016  
Call Rita Latshaw at 215-679-7009**

PLEASE NOTE:  
THE SUGGESTED OFFERING FOR THE LUNCH  
IS NOW **\$5.00 PER PERSON**

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

**TICKETS TO THE  
SPN SENIOR CLUB BASKET BASH  
WILL BE ON SALE AT THE LUNCHEON**