Church of Saint Philip Neri Pennsburg, PA 18073 September 4, 2016



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Parish Hall	215.679.8116
Parish Outreach	215.679.2282
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Religious Education/PREP	215.679.8370
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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 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: prep@spnparish.org

Neri Center Address

575 Main Street, East Greenville, PA 18041

Catholic Family Life Center Address

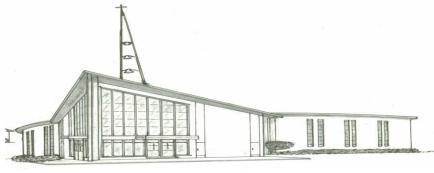
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Youth Ministry Office hours: (East Greenville)
Tuesday & Thursday:
9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Wednesday:
2:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Email address: spnyouthministry@spnparish.org

ROSARY: Prayed in the Chapel

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



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

1st 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 <u>BY APPOINTMENT anytime</u>.

BAPTISMS: Please call the Rectory to schedule 2nd Sunday Baptisms are held <u>at</u> the 10 AM Mass 3rd Sunday Baptisms are held at 11:30 AM

SPONSORS: Sponsors for Baptism and Confirmation need to be at least 16 years of age, to be confirmed, attend Mass weekly, and if married, be in a valid marriage.

PRE-JORDAN CLASSES

Call the Rectory Office to schedule.

MARRIAGES

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

NEW PARISHIONERS

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 discipleship through Word, Sacrament and Service. We proclaim God's hope and love to all.

Serving at Mass Sep. 11 **Extraordinary Ministers** Lectors

5:00 pm - Dave Boone Teri Boone Priest

Linda Franks

Deacon Catherine Cahill Lee Johnson

7:30 am - Beverly Bowser

Cameron Bowser

Priest Deacon Lori Brozena Trish Dornisch Pete Frank

10:00 am - Christine Adelsberger

H. Brodlo Stephan Adelsberger M. Brodlo

Priest Deacon Terry Benner Wendy Benner Rose Anderson

Stephanie Greczek Keith Greczek

Mary E. Paulk Renee DeGrassi

Leonette Nicolaou

5:00 pm - Doug DiTondo

M. Gehringer

Priest Deacon

Linda DiTondo

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 4, 2016

Monday, September 5, St. Theresa of Calcutta 9:00 am - Mass in Church

Joanna Sowicz Vegh, (Sara Shellaway) NO Adoration

Tuesday, September 6

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

8:00 am - Paula Feege,

(Luanne Pulli, Joe Pulli)

Wednesday, September 7

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

8:00 am - Ingrid Templeton, (Kitty Heebner & Family)

Thursday, September 8, The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 am - 7:00 pm - Adoration in the Chapel 8:00 am - For the living and deceased Members of the Parish.

Friday, September 9, Saint Peter Claver 9:00 am 7:00 pm - Adoration in the Chapel 8:00 am - Paul & Vera Fronheiser, (Estate)

Saturday, September 10

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

9:00 am -

5:00 pm - Tom Virus,

(Judi Virus, Children, and Grandchildren)

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 11, 2016

7:30 am - For the living and deceased Members of the Parish.

10:00 am - Carmelo Austrich, (Gloria Martell) 5:00 pm - John the Baptist Thuoc Viet Nguyen, (The Benner 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: Chris Austin, Stephen Austin, Cheryl Boice, Michael Quigley, Rich Schuler, Willard Smith & Della Mae Vargo.

For those who have died, and in particular for, Ingrid Templeton, grant them eternal rest and peace.

FOURTH QUARTER 2016 LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

The Fourth Quarter 2016 Liturgical Ministers Schedule is now available both online and hard copy in the small room near the vestibule). Please check to make sure you get a copy. (also posted on parish website).

Note: If you are unable to attend a scheduled Mass, please find a substitute. It is your responsibility to make sure the assigned Mass is covered.

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 **Paula G. Feege**; requested by: Gerald and Elizabeth McAllister.

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

SEPTEMBER 2016:

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday - September 5

NO Adoration in the Chapel: Rectory Offices closed

Tuesday - September 6

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

Wednesday - September 7

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

Pre-Jordan Baptismal Class 7:00 pm Rectory

Thursday - September 8

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

Men's Basketball 8:00 pm Parish Hall

Pennsburg Manor Nursing Home Mass at $\overline{2}$:15 pm

Friday - September 9

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

Frontier Girls 6:30 pm Parish Hall

Saturday - September 10

Adoration in the Chapel: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm Frontier Girls - Community Days in East Greenville (girls are to arrive early for their shift and should be in full uniform; adults attire should be a Red Troop T Shirt.

Sunday - September 11

Parish Breakfast 7:00 am - 12:30 pm Parish Hall Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 10:00 am Mass Little Church 10:00 am Parish Hall Men's Basketball 8:00 pm Parish Hall

PARISH NEWS

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

August 30, 2015 August 28, 2016 Envelopes: \$ 5,898.00 \$ 4,469.50 Online: 1,408.00 2,234.00 Loose: 564.00 1,217.00 Children: 10.00 15.00 \$ 7.935.50 Total: \$ 7,880.00

Special Second Collections:

September 2016 For those who do not receive Sunday collection envelopes or if you are an On-Line giver, the following second collections are:

Black & Indian Missions, and 100th Anniversary.

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 if you wish. (www.spnparish.org for instructions)

RITE of CHRISTIAN INITIATION of ADULTS

RCIA Sessions for 2016-17 will begin on **Thursday evening, September 15th at 7:00 PM** in the rectory Meeting Room. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a Catholic or was baptized as a Catholic, but never completed Sacraments, call the rectory office as soon as possible, and leave your name and a contact number, and Deacon Mike Franks will get back to you with more information. The RCIA Process will run until Easter 2017.

ST. PHILIP NERI PARISH BREAKFAST

All-You-Can-Eat Buffet

Sunday, September 11 - 7AM - 12:30 PM

Scrambled eggs . bacon . scrapple.

Chipped beef. Home fried potatoes.

French toast, 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

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.

BIBLE STUDY

Do you know the Bible? Are there questions that need answers? Well, St. Philip Neri Bible Study Group will be offering the "Bible Timeline" - a twenty-four (24) week course broken down into three (3) eight (8) week segments (with a break in between) to help you with these questions.

Classes for the first eight (8) week session will begin Thursday, September 15 at 7 PM in the Neri Center and again on Friday, September 16 at 9AM in the Neri Center.

Each person (or couple) will receive a Study Book. Cost for the entire twenty-four (24) weeks is \$45 *or* \$15 for each session.

We would very much enjoy having you come to this Study. Call Joan Lampart: 215.529.5686 or jmlampart@verizon.net if you have questions.

S P N SENIOR CLUB BASKET BASH



St. Philip Neri Parish Hall Doors open at 11:00 AM

Bring your own beverages/snacks must be 18 years of age or older

Admission Prices:

\$15 in advance

\$20 at the door

Includes 25 Basket Chances and Door Prize Chance.

There are a limited number of tickets for purchase on a <u>First Come - First Serve basis</u> beginning this weekend after each Mass.

For tickets/additional information, call Dawn: 215.679.2160 or Janet: 267.210.6175.

Proceeds benefit the Senior Club and SPN Parish

Sponsored by SPN Senior Club



UPCOMING SENIOR CLUB EVENTS:

Sep. 25th: Basket Bash Sep. 28th: Luncheon

Oct. 19th: Trip to Penns Peak Real Diamond

Oct. 26th: Halloween Party;

Margaret Harner on Ghost Houses

of Boyertown.

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 Club held its monthly Gathering on August 24th and 119 Seniors attended.

Centerpieces were given to a lucky winner at each table. As always, there was plenty of good food and desserts for all!

Josephine Lawrie was our 50/50 winner of \$143.00.

Thank you for your continued support. Don't forget to make your reservation for the next luncheon to be held on September 28th. Check out the Flyer in today's Bulletin.

St. Philip Neri Church
HOAGIE SALE

CHEESE, HAM, ITALIAN or TURKEY

TUESDAY – October 4

12:00 PM - 6:00 PM

COST: \$5.00

Orders due: September 26

Call Rita: 215.679.7009 or

Pat: 215.679.5675

SPN CATHOLIC FAMILY LIFE CENTER

UPCOMING EVENTS:

September 9:

Mormon Temple Tour

September 11:

CFLC sign up weekend

October 2:

Blessing of Animals & Halloween Pet Parade

October 16:

FAMILY FUN FEST

(October Fest & Pig Roast)

The CFLC is seeking several book loving volunteers to help in our Joyful Heart Library & Lounge.

Call Tom Dewees at 215.679.2237 for additional information.

SPN SENIORS

Day trip to PENNS' PEAK in Jim Thorpe PA Wednesday - October 19th

Itinerary:

10:15 AM - depart SPN Church

11:30 AM - 3:30 PM; Family style meal served, and Show to follow.

5:00 PM - approximate return to SPN

<u>Cost</u>: \$76/person . . . includes: deluxe Motorcoach transportation, lunch, tax & gratuity (does not include Driver Gratuity).

Deposit of \$10 required at time of Reservation; payment due in **<u>FULL</u>** by September 16th. Checks payable to SPN Church.

Call or email Gerri at: gerriha@comcast.net or 215.679.8235. P.O. Box 212 - Palm 18070.

<u>Details</u>: Enjoy a fun-filled day at Penn's Peak Resort. The Show is entitled "Real Diamond" which is a tribute to Neal Diamond. We will hear some of his most popular songs! There will also be a complete delicious family style hot meal including Penn's Peak "Signature Pot Roast".

DORNEY PARK TICKETS

In case you forgot. . . Dorney Park tickets are still available for purchase at the rectory office between 10AM & 4PM or after Masses at the SCRIP table.

Tickets are good thru October 27th. Cost to you is \$30/ticket for all ages

PREP/RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PREP REGISTRATION 2016/2017

Any child entering First Grade thru Sixth Grade should be enrolled in our Parish Religious Education Program unless they are attending Catholic School. Registration forms available on parish website.

Little Church Registration

Little Church registrations are now being accepted for 2016-2017 and will begin on September 11th during the 10:00 AM Mass. Children ages 3 (as of May 1) thru kindergarten are eligible. There is no fee, but you must register. The registration form can be found on our parish website spnparish.org. Click on the Religious Education tab, then click on Little Church to find the form. Place registration forms in the Sunday Collection Basket. If you have any questions, please call Wendy Benner at 215.679.7839.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

Vocation Office for Diocesan Priesthood

Priesthood: A Call from God; a gift for others. Consider the Priesthood. www.HeedtheCall.org.

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AREA PARISH NEWS

Straight Talk about Annulments

The process of having a marriage annulled touches the lives of many couples in the Church today. Did you know that Pope Francis has made several changes to the annulment process? Learn about these changes and hear straight answers to "scratch your head questions" concerning annulments.

Thursday, November 3, 2016

7:00 PM to 8:30 PM Saint Maria Goretti Church

For more information or to register, please send an email to:directoraff@stmariagoretti.net.

AREA NEWS

THE OPEN LINK: Volunteers needed!

The Open Link is in need of volunteers to help answer phones at the front desk at both our Pennsburg and Senior Center locations.

Days and times are flexible. We are also seeking volunteers to help deliver Meals on Wheels throughout the Community. Volunteers can sign up for a regular route or sub when they have the time. The meals are delivered Monday thru Friday from 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM. Call: 215.679.6550.

You may also email volunteers@theopenlink.org.

CHOIR CONCERT

The Blessed Theodore Romzha Seminary Choir, Uzhorod, Transcarpathia, Ukraine will render a concert of sacred music, both plain chant and choral music, in the Church Slavonic language at Saint Michael the Archangel Byzantine Catholic Church, Landis & Amelia Streets in Mont Clare, Pennsylvania on Wednesday, September 28, 2016, at 7:00 PM. There will be no charge for the concert; however, a free will offering will be gratefully accepted to benefit their seminary. Following the concert, a social gathering will take place in the Church hall.

The next day, Thursday, September 29, at 9:00 AM, the choir will sing the reponses at Divine Liturgy celebrated in Church Slavonic. All are most cordially welcome to attend both of these unique events.

METANOIA YOUNG ADULTS

METANOIA is an active community of Catholic young adults in western Montgomery County, PA. The group supports Catholics in their 20s and 30s who are looking to deepen their faith and meet fellow Catholics in the area. Our ministry includes: Theology on Tap, faith based meetings, community service, retreats, and out door events. We meet on Tuesdays at 7:30 PM unless otherwise noted.

Our upcoming events are listed below, contact metanoiayoungadults@gmail.com for information, or: visit our Facebook Page (facebook.com/users/metanoiayoungadults) for more details.

Saturday, September 10: Young Adults Trip to Philadelphia Union Soccer Game @ Chester, PA. Game Starts at 7:00 PM. Tailgating before & after. Tickets \$25 in advance.

Tuesday, September 13: Bible Study @ Corpus Christi Parish, Lansdale, 7:30 PM

Tuesday, September 20: Theology on Tap @ Appalachian Brewing Co., Collegeville; Doors at 7:00 PM

Talk starts at 7:30pm. Topic - Mercy and the Scriptures; Speaker – Kelly Anderson

Tuesday, September 27: Holy Hour @ Mary, Mother of the Redeemer Parish, North Wales, 7:30 PM

Friday, October 7: METANOIA goes to Festival of Praise @ St. Norbert's Parish, Paoli, 7:30 PM

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

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2016

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Lift up your emptiness

In her poem "If You Have Nothing," poet and Carmelite nun Jessica Powers wrote, "The gesture of a gift is adequate." No matter what you have to give, it is the act of giving that is a gift unto the giver. As the Prayer of Saint Francis says, "It is in giving that we

receive." To recognize the true gift we have to offer we

need to empty ourselves, step aside, and see what God is offering through us. "If you have nothing," Powers concludes, "gather back your sigh / and with your hands held high, your heart held high / lift up your emptiness!"

TODAY'S READINGS: Wisdom 9:13-18b; Philemon 9-10, 12-17; Luke 14:25-33 (129). "Anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple."

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Prayer works

In most countries, May 1, the Feast of Saint Joseph the Worker, is the day when workers are celebrated. In the United States, however, the first Monday in September is recognized as Labor Day. Ten thousand workers marched in the first Labor Day parade in New York City on Sept. 5, 1882. Today, let's remember all those who work, those who are unemployed and underemployed, and especially those who are not able to work due to disability or illness. Through the intercession of Saint Joseph, may those without work find hope and work, and may those with work find the joy of labor in all they do and strive to offer others the gifts they've received from God.

Today's READINGS: 1 Corinthians 5:1-8; Luke 6:6-11 (437). "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the Sabbath, to save life or to destroy it?"

Hands-on holiness

When someone becomes your hero, you want to have a tangible experience of that person to capture and take home with you. So you go to the concert, attend the lecture, buy the book, see the play ten times. Secretly you hope to have a moment alone with this exceptional person, to get an autograph or selfie, maybe even to touch them—as if their specialness might be transferred to you by association. Jesus never invited this kind of celebrity from his followers. What he wanted was for us to realize that the Holy Spirit's power lives in us, too.

Today's READINGS: 1 Corinthians 6:1-11; Luke 6:12-19 (438). "Everyone in the crowd sought to touch him because power came forth from him and healed them all."

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

Be happy

The word beatitude comes from the Latin word for "happiness." God knows how much all of us want to be happy. In fact, as the Catechism says, "this desire is of divine origin: God has placed it in the human heart" in order to draw us "to the One who alone can fulfill it." In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus listed the blessings that lead to happiness. But they're not what the world considers blessings. The beatitudes are a revolutionary moral call. Not easy, but take heart, and follow the heart's desire.

Today's Readings: 1 Corinthians 7:25-31; Luke 6:20-26 (439). "Behold, your reward will be great in heaven."

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Seeing the light

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary is one of the oldest Marian feasts on the liturgical calendar. Marking the birth of the Blessed Mother, this day is a celebration not only of Mary but of the gift her life is to our salvation. The Marian hymn "Mary, the Dawn" speaks beautifully of this relationship by declaring, "Mary the dawn, Christ the perfect Day." It is the light that dawned in Mary that is brought to fullness in Jesus. Today, as we celebrate her birth, let us hold high the gift of life, finding the Light in all we meet.

Today's Readings: Micah 5:1-4a or Romans 8:28-30; Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23 (636). "Behold, the virgin shall . . . bear a son, and . . . name him Emmanuel, which means 'God is with us.'"

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

MEMORIAL OF PETER CLAVER, PRIEST

Let my people go

Pope Pius IX branded slavery the "supreme villainy" at the end of the 19th century. Some 300 years earlier, Spanish Jesuit Peter Claver was ministering to slaves brought to the Americas as part of a flourishing slave trade and plantation economy. This villainy is still very much alive as human trafficking continues today. Catholic Relief Services says you can help by urging Congress to act, supporting the work of CRS, and praying for your sisters and brothers who

are enslaved. Visit their website at **CRS.org** and search on slavery and human trafficking.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22b-27; Luke 6:39-42 (441). "Although I am free in regard to all, I have made myself a slave to all so as to win over as many as possible."

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

There's always time for reconciliation

Today in the year 422, Saint Celestine I began his papacy. He was pope for 10 years and is remembered as the pope who founded the papal diplomatic service. He is also known for saying that "absolution or reconciliation should never be refused to any dying sinner who sincerely asked it; for repentance depends not so much on time as on the heart, which can be changed in a moment when God so wills." Today, as we continue in this Year of Mercy, let's pray for all who will die this day, for transformed hearts, repentance, and an acceptance of God's will.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Corinthians 10:14-22; Luke 6:43-49 (442). "The good person out of the good treasure of the heart produces good."

SPN SENIOR CLUB LUNCHEON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2016 Parish Hall - 11:30 AM



Our Guest speaker will be Stuart Bush, Executive Director of OPEN LINK

Open Link (formerly Open Line) is celebrating 40 years of commitment to the Upper Perkiomen Valley. It provides services and programs that help, educate, and empower, as well as opportunities that promote socialization and volunteerism for people of all ages







A reservation is requested by Friday, September 23, 2016 Call Rita Latshaw at 215-679-7009

SUGGESTED OFFERING FOR THE LUNCH IS \$5.00 PER PERSON



ADULT: \$20 | CHILDREN: \$10

FAMILY PLAN: \$50

2 ADULTS & 2 CHILDREN

FRESH ROASTED PIG CHICKEN POTATO FILLING VEGETABLES HOT BAKED BEANS SAUERKRAUT GARDEN SALAD ROLLS & BUTTER BEVERAGES SUN. OCT. 16, 12-5PM

Wine & Beer Garden

NOT INCLUDED IN TICKET PRICE, MUST BE PURCHASED SEPARATELY

Music by the Media Oompah Band

Children's Games Face Painting Bounce House 50/50 Drawing

Tickets must be purchased in advance by October 1st.
Please call 215-679-2237 for Tickets!