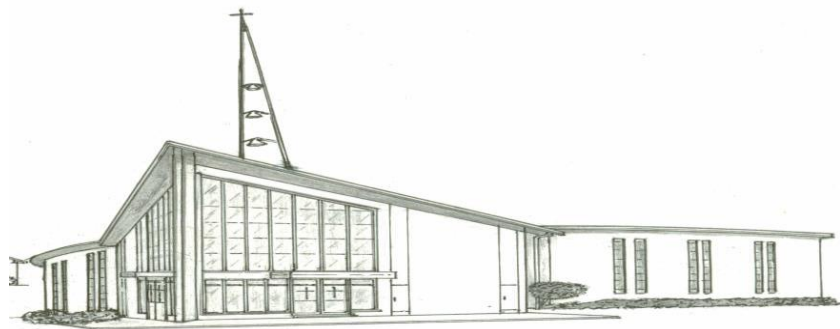


**Church of Saint Philip Neri
Pennsburg, PA 18073
November 20, 2016**



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
Anita Fuhs, Youth Minister
Sister Patricia Kelly, M.S.B.T., Parish Outreach

Parish Phone Numbers:

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

Fax Numbers:

Rectory	215.679.0386
Religious Education/PREP	215.679.8370
Catholic Family Life Center	215.679.8370

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 address & 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
Email address: tdewees@spncflc.org
Website Address: 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: youthministry@spnparish.org

ROSARY: Prayed in the Chapel

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

EUCCHARISTIC 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 BY APPOINTMENT anytime.

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, 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

Nov. 27
Lectors

5:00 pm - Marci Jaman
Lee Johnson
Priest
Deacon
Janet Kendra
Diane Kennedy

Bob Ellis

7:30 am - Beverly Bowser
Cameron Bowser
Priest
Deacon
Jo Ellen Carr
Ray Carr

Eileen Davis

10:00 am - Terry Benner
Wendy Benner
Priest
Deacon
Leonette Nicolaou
Andrew Souder
Bob Brennan
Eleanor Brennan
Amanda Charlton
Kevin Charlton
Maryanne Charlton
Renee DeGrassi

Mary Souder
Ed Tryon

5:00 pm - Judy Horvath
Priest
Deacon
Matt Horvath

S. Hunsberger

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 20, 2016

Monday, November 21, The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
9:00 am - 5:00 pm - Adoration in Chapel
5:00 pm - Rene Albert,
(Charlie & Eileen McMillen)

Tuesday, November 22, Saint Cecilia
8:00 am - Helen Burke, (Alice Swift)
9:00 am - 7:00 pm - Adoration in the Chapel

Wednesday, November 23, Saint Clement I
Saint Columban
8:00 am - Rachael Henry,
(Joanna Zappala; Rose & Tom Devitt)
9:00 am - 7:00 pm - Adoration in the Chapel

Thursday, November 24, Saint Andrew Dung-Lac
Thanksgiving Day

NO Adoration
9:00 am - Mass in Church
In Thanksgiving for all His Blessings to the Parish.

Friday, November 25, Saint Catherine of Alexandria
8:00 am - Josephine Pellerite,
(Dolores & Tony Arnao)
9:00 am 7:00 pm - Adoration in the Chapel

Saturday, November 26
10:00 am - 4:00 pm - Adoration in the Chapel
9:00 am - Rene Albert, (Janet & Mark Walther)
5:00 pm - Emilia Linder

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

November 27, 2016

7:30 am - For the Living and Deceased Members of the Parish.
10:00 am - For the Living and Deceased Members of the Parish.
5:00 pm - Rachael Henry, (Ken & Jeanette Miller)

FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS

The red roses placed at the Blessed Mother and Sacred Heart Altars are in memory of **E. David Leister** on his Seventh Anniversary; requested by Irene Leister.

The center arrangement on the Altar is in memory of **Francis Burgert**; requested by Marlene Burgert.

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 and Ellen Valeriano.

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

FIRST FRIDAY
December 2nd is First Friday. Mass is in Church at 9:00 AM. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Chapel from 10AM - 7PM.

Please commit to spend some time with Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

NOVEMBER:

This week at a glance

Monday – November 21

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

Tuesday – November 22

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

Wednesday – November 23

Adoration in the Chapel: 9:00 am - 7:00 pm
NO PREP/RELIGIOUS ED
Rectory Offices are closed

Thanksgiving Day - Thursday - November 24

Mass in Church at 9:00 am
NO Adoration
Rectory Offices are closed

Friday - November 25

Adoration in the Chapel: 9:00 am - 7:00 pm
NO Frontier Girls
Rectory Offices are closed

Saturday - November 26

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

First Sunday of Advent - November 27

NO Children's Liturgy of the Word
NO Little Church
Men's Basketball 8:00 pm Parish Hall
Youth Ministry:
Advent Calendar & Christmas Luminarie Sale after all Masses.

PARISH NEWS

SPN AT LARGE PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

SPN Parish Council At-Large Members welcome any questions or comments you may have.

Tony Bauer: ajbauer337@gmail.com

Ray Carr: bigdaddy2530@gmail.com

Matthew Fuhs: matthew.fuhs@comcast.net

Karen Katrinak: karenkat1@verizon.net

Bill Robinson: wcrobinson2@hotmail.com

Theresa Walker: cheg1978@comcast.net

Note: The Rectory Offices will be closed November 23 - November 27 for Thanksgiving and will reopen Monday, November 28.

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 **Phyllis Zito**; requested by:
Bob and Marianne Peters.

THE GIFT OF LOVE TREE IS COMING!

The "**Gift of Love Tree**" will be set up next weekend in the Sanctuary of the Church. If you wish to participate, take a tag from the Tree, purchase item described, affix tag, and return as soon as possible. All gifts should be returned by Tuesday, December 13. They are to be brought to the Church no later than 11AM. If you are unable to do so, call the rectory office.

Please attach the tag to the gift and do not wrap the present. Presents can be placed in gift bags with tags attached. The gifts will benefit Birthright in Pottstown; St. Mary Franciscan Shelter, and A Baby's Breath in Collegeville. Call the rectory office if you have questions.

SPN Youth Group

Advent Calendar & Christmas Luminary Sale

After Masses: November 20, November 27

Christmas Luminaries will also be sold on December 17/18.

A Family Tradition: Advent means 'the coming,' and refers to the four-week season of preparation for the birth of Jesus on Christmas Day and the anticipation of His coming again. Advent begins the Sunday nearest November 30th and continues until December 24th. The Advent calendar, which originated in 19th Century Europe, has 24 numbered flaps concealing a biblical scene and verse about the coming of the Messiah. Children especially enjoy opening a new door each day as Christmas draws near and we approach once again the Nativity of the Lord.



Thank you for supporting our Youth Group!

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

November 15, 2015	November 13, 2016
Envelopes: \$ 5,507.50	\$ 6,023.50
Online: 1,652.00	1,846.00
Loose: 315.00	2,301.00
Children: 41.00	38.00
Total: \$ 7,515.50	\$10,208.50

ONLINE GIVING

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

This is a secure and personalized way of giving to the Parish.

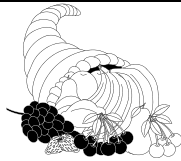
You have the option to keep receiving your regular offering envelope packets if you wish.

Special Second Collections:

November 2016

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

All Saints, Parish Debt Fourth Quarter & 100th Anniversary.



Community Thanksgiving Service

Frieden's U.C.C.

1011 Church Road

Sunnetown, PA 18084

Wednesday – November 23

7:00 PM

SPN CATHOLIC FAMILY LIFE CENTER

Upcoming Event

Saturday, December 3rd:

PA Christmas & Gift Show

We will leave the CFLC at 9:00 am via Klein Bus Service and travel to the Harrisburg Farm Show Arena where over 700 vendors await us. Get into the Christmas spirit by enjoying the musical entertainment, dance troupes, decorated trees and a huge model railroad layout.

Cost is: \$40/adults & \$25/children

Registrations due ASAP.

St. Philip Neri Church

HOAGIE SALE

CHEESE, HAM, ITALIAN or TURKEY

TUESDAY – December 6

12:00 PM – 6:00 PM

COST: \$5.00

Orders due: November 28

Call Rita: 215.679.7009 or Pat: 215.679.5675

St. Philip Neri Parish Breakfast

All-You-Can-Eat Buffet

Sunday, December 11th ... 7AM - 12:30 PM

215.679.8116

Scrambled eggs . bacon . sausage

Chipped beef . Home fried potatoes

Pancakes (plain and a specialty)

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.

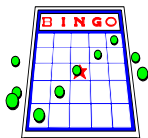
PARISH BREAKFAST

Parish Breakfast was November 13 and there were three (3) winners for a FREE breakfast: George Hersh; Clifford Lauchnor and Zac Pierson. There were 339 in attendance! Our next Breakfast is December 11th; 7AM - 12:30 PM. Save the date!

H.O.P.E.

Our H.O.P.E. Ministry at this time, has a shortage of Drivers for weekends. There are three (3) parishioners that would like to attend Mass, but, have no transportation. If anyone would be willing to assist, call Mary Ellen Paulk, who is the Coordinator of this Ministry. Her phone number is: 215.679.6641.

ST. PHILIP NERI – SUNDAY BINGO



December 4, 2016 - 1PM

Working Team #4

Doors open 12 NOON at Parish Hall

Call: 215.679.8116

All Regular Games Prize is \$50

Final Cover All-Special: Prize is \$500

Great food always available!

AREA NEWS

METANOIA YOUNG ADULTS

Metanoia is an active community of Catholic young adults in western Montgomery County & supports Catholics in their 20s and 30s who are looking to deepen their faith and meet fellow Catholics in the area.

November 22: Bible Study at Corpus Christi Parish, Lansdale, 7:30pm

Tuesday, November 29: Young Adult Theology on Tap with Archbishop Chaput, Stove and Tap, Lansdale, 7pm

Tuesday, December 13: Bible Study at Corpus Christi Parish, Lansdale, 7:30pm

Tuesday, December 20: Theology on Tap at Appalachian Brewing Company, Collegeville, 7:30pm (If you wish to eat dinner beforehand please arrive at 7pm)

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

INFO: metanoiayoungadults@gmail.com

"Pro-Life Articles":

Pope Benedict speaks on Life Issues

Pope John Paul II left behind an incredible pro-life legacy, as he was always unwavering about the sanctity of LIFE.

Pope Benedict XVI proved himself to be equally resolute in continuing to raise the pro-life standard for the Catholic Church and humanity generally. The Pope took a strong stand against practices like abortion, euthanasia, and embryonic stem cell research. The Pope was repeatedly emphasizing, "the inviolability of human beings, the inviolability of human life from conception to natural death".

In the Pope's book, "The Europe of Benedict in the Crisis of Cultures", the Pope took to task nations which have legalized abortion and condemned the culture which, "becomes virtually insensitive to abortion".

The Pope said, "Maybe because in abortion you don't see the face of who will be condemned and never see the light ... Every human life as such deserves to be always defended and promoted".

A Quote from Mother Teresa

"How can there be too many children? That is like saying there are too many flowers."

A quote from Diane Abbot:

"I believe every abortion is a tragedy."

A quote from Birthright International:

"It is the right of every pregnant woman to give birth . . . and the right of every child to be born."

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Open Link has an urgent need for volunteer drivers to deliver Meals on Wheels to homebound seniors. Nutritious meals and a kind word make a real difference in allowing seniors to stay in their homes as long as possible. The gift of independence! Drivers can volunteer as much or as little as they want with opportunities 5 days a week from 10:30 to 11:30 am. We need folks on a weekly, biweekly or substitute basis. Details attached. Contact Evet Hexamer at volunteers@theopenlink.org or call 215-679-6550.

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

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2016

SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

A crown of service

The church calendar reflects events in the wider world. In the case of today's feast, it is a relative newcomer to the calendar, having been instituted in 1925 at a time when the world was disillusioned with Christianity after the carnage of World War I waged in supposedly Christian Europe. Secularism was on the rise and today's feast was an effort to assert Catholicism's independence from secular states, but the feast's lofty title is also a call to humility, ironically, because Christ's "kingship" is servant leadership, washing-the-feet-of-others leadership. Dare to join the royal household.

TODAY'S READINGS: *2 Samuel 5:1-3; Colossians 1:12-20; Luke 23:35-43 (162).*
"Jesus, remember me when you come into your Kingdom."

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21

MEMORIAL OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Belong to God, as Mary did

You can't find an account of the presentation of Mary in the Bible. But there is a story about this event in the *Protoevangelium of James*. In this account, Mary is born to a barren Joachim and Anna, who present Mary at the temple when she is 3 years old. According to this legend, Mary lived at the temple until the age of 12. This second-century writing is not included in our sacred scripture, and we do not really know how

or when Mary was presented at the temple. What we do know and what this feast honors is that throughout her entire life, Mary belonged to God. Take time today to sit in silence and imagine that you are walking with Mary. Be content to simply be in her presence.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Revelation 14:1-3, 4b-5; Luke 21:1-4 (503).* *"From her poverty she has offered her whole livelihood."*

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

MEMORIAL OF CECILIA, VIRGIN, MARTYR

Sing praises to the unsung

The saints are lifted up as examples of how to live lives of holiness, but what about those saints who are canonized but we don't know much about? Saint Cecilia, the patron saint of music, is one such saint. Much of her story is unconfirmed, yet countless people take inspiration from the stories of her courage and faith. While we may not know the details of her life, we can be assured that by inspiring the sweet music of so many, Cecilia has earned her place among the heavenly hosts—a saint whose holiness resounds in the beautiful music of our church.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Revelation 14:14-19; Luke 21:5-11 (504).* *"Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice; let the sea and what fills it resound."*

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23

MEMORIAL OF CLEMENT I, POPE, MARTYR

Drop anchor

Little is known about Pope Saint Clement I, but it appears he may have succeeded Saint Peter as the bishop of Rome. He is the first Apostolic Father of the Church—those early Christian

leaders who personally knew some of the 12 apostles. To be that first crucial link through whom the apostles taught the church! Given his role, it's fitting that Clement's symbol is the anchor, which happened to be the method of his martyrdom by drowning. Do you make the church your anchor in life? How can you help ground others in Christian living?

TODAY'S READINGS: *Revelation 15:1-4; Luke 21:12-19 (505)*. "By your perseverance you will secure your lives."

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24

PROPER MASS FOR THANKSGIVING DAY

Thanks be to those who inspire

On this national day of giving thanks, think about the people in your life from whom you have received the gift of faith. Who brought you to the church for Baptism? Who taught you about God and how to pray? Who took you to Mass? Who inspired you by the way they lived their faith? Perhaps you will think of parents or grandparents, special teachers or other friends. Whoever it is, they deserve your thanks. On this day of thanksgiving, be mindful and grateful for the gift of faith.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Revelation 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a; Luke 21:20-28 (506)*. "Happy are they who have been invited to the wedding feast of the Lamb."

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25

Give thanks by giving

In 2008 President George W. Bush signed a law designating the day after Thanksgiving as Native American Heritage Day to honor the contributions of Native Americans to the United States, which started before the country existed

with the help they gave to the Pilgrims. Let's follow their example today and reach out to newcomers to this land—many of whom, like the Pilgrims, are refugees fleeing persecution. Let's befriend them and help them succeed in their new home—the way it was done unto our ancestors.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Revelation 20:1-4, 11—21:2; Luke 21:29-33 (507)*. "Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away."

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

The straight talk on prayer

Do you think of prayer as "talking to God"? What about *listening*? A different, if somewhat crude description of prayer, might be: "Show up, shut up, and pay attention." *Show up*: Set aside a regular time and place for prayer, 10 minutes a day, every day, and keep to it. *Shut up*: A relationship is distorted if one party does not listen to the other but dominates with a litany of woes. Close your prayer book for a while. Rest silently in God's embrace. *Pay attention*: to signs of God's presence around you, even in hard times. Then, perhaps, you will have something entirely different to say to God.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Revelation 22:1-7; Luke 21:34-36 (508)*. "Let us come into his presence."

SCRIP - GIFT CARDS

Christmas will be here before you know it. This year we are offering a wide variety of SCRIP for sale in the form of prepaid orders. Prepaid SCRIP works the same way as our regular SCRIP program except the SCRIP cards are delivered approximately one week after the order is placed. ***You still earn 2% tuition credit on all of your purchases so get out your list, check it twice, and place your orders.***

Please note, this does not affect our Cash and Carry SCRIP Program. You can still purchase SCRIP through the church and rectory and receive it the same or next day, however, this only applies to SCRIP that we carry in inventory.

Scrip can be purchased with Cash, Checks or Credit Cards. Please make checks payable to SPN SCRIP Program. Please note that checks will be deposited immediately upon receipt. SPN is not responsible for checks returned due to insufficient funds. Sorry, no post dated checks.

Additional forms are available through the rectory or after each Mass at the SCRIP Table. If you have questions or comments, please contact Trish Dornisch at 215-208-2913.

THE DEADLINE FOR ORDERING PREPAID SCRIP IN TIME FOR CHRISTMAS IS DECEMBER 13, 2016; however, Prepaid SCRIP is available year round!

VENDOR	Increments	Amount	VENDOR	Increments	Amount
Ace Hardware	\$ 25.00		Dick's Sporting Goods	\$ 25.00	
Amazon.com	\$ 25.00		Dress Barn	\$ 25.00	
AMC Theatre	\$ 25.00		Dunkin' Donuts	\$ 10.00	
Aeropostle	\$ 25.00		Foot Locker	\$ 25.00	
American Eagle	\$ 25.00		Freeds Grocery	\$ 20.00	
Applebee's	\$ 25.00		GAP/ Banana/Old Navy	\$ 25.00	
Arby's	\$ 10.00		Giant	\$ 20.00	
Barnes & Noble	\$ 10.00			\$ 50.00	
	\$ 25.00		Hallmark	\$ 25.00	
Bath & Body Works	\$ 10.00		Henning's	\$ 20.00	
	\$ 25.00		Holiday Hair/Regis	\$ 25.00	
Bass & Pro Shops	\$ 25.00		Home Depot	\$ 25.00	
Bed, Bath & Beyond	\$ 25.00		I Tunes	\$ 15.00	
Best Buy	\$ 25.00			\$ 25.00	
Bon Ton	\$ 25.00		J.C. Penney	\$ 25.00	
Boscov's	\$ 25.00		Jo-Ann Fabrics	\$ 25.00	
Boston Market	\$ 10.00		KFC	\$ 5.00	
Burger King	\$ 10.00		Kmart	\$ 25.00	
Cabela's	\$ 25.00		Kohl's	\$ 25.00	
Casual Male XL	\$ 25.00		LL Bean	\$ 25.00	
Cheesecake Factory	\$ 25.00		Land's End	\$ 25.00	
Chuck-E-Cheese	\$ 10.00		Longhorne Steakhouse	\$ 25.00	
Claire's	\$ 10.00		Lowe's	\$ 25.00	
Cold Stone Creamery	\$ 10.00		Macaroni Grill/ Chili's	\$ 25.00	
Cracker Barrel	\$ 10.00		Macy's/Federated	\$ 25.00	
CVS Pharmacy	\$ 25.00		Men's Warehouse	\$ 25.00	
TOTAL COLUMN			TOTAL COLUMN		



**SPN SENIOR CLUB CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2016
11:30 AM - Parish Hall**

**COME AND ENJOY
THE SONGS OF THE CHRISTMAS
SEASON
BY THE SERAPHIMS
FROM ST. MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL**



**IF YOU MISSED THE CHILDREN LAST YEAR
YOU WILL NOT WANT TO MISS THEM THIS YEAR!**

**A reservation is requested by Friday - December 9th
Call Rita Latshaw at 215-679-7009**

THE SUGGESTED OFFERING FOR THE LUNCH IS \$5.00 PER PERSON