

+ Giving Thanks for Time and Work +

LABOR DAY WEEKEND REFLECTIONS

The Labor Day Holiday Weekend is an appropriate time to give God thanks for the gift of the purpose and meaning of our time and work. Uniquely created, we are called to share of ourselves in many ways with each other. This is our work in the simplest form: **OPUS CHRISTI** – doing Christ's work is **our** mission and purpose. In a word, our work is to **LOVE!**

BLESSED ARE YOU, LORD OUR GOD, WHO ENHANCES OUR LIVES WITH WORK

For the gift of work, we are grateful in this prayer.

As sons and daughters of Adam and Eve, we follow in the steps of our first parents who, before their fall, worked joyfully with their hands in Your Garden of Eden, Lord and Creator.

We are thankful for the dignity and creative challenge of our unique tasks.

For the work that ennobles us, that lifts our spirits, we are grateful.

By the means of these labors, we are able to give flesh to our spiritual dreams and to work out the salvation of the earth.

We take time to thank You for those common tasks that we must perform each day, those necessary labors of life by which, according to Your divine plan, we are also able to create the Kingdom here in our midst.

We daily follow in the footsteps of Jesus, the carpenter of Nazareth, and in the way of Mary, his mother, who gracefully worked at the tasks of her home, as we rejoice in the opportunities for work that form us in Your love.

With St. Paul, the tent maker, with St. Peter, the fisherman, we too labor in love as we proclaim the mysteries of Your Gospel of good news.

Help us Lord our God to use the work of this day-to perform it with mindfulness and attention, with care and devotion-that it will be holy and healing for us and for all the earth.

Blessed are You, Lord our God, who enhances our lives with work.

-Amen +

Edward Hays

THE DAILY 7:00 AM MASS WILL RESUME ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH

2018 MASS BOOK

The 2018 Mass Book is now open. The donation for one mass, the Sanctuary Candle or Offertory Gifts is \$20.00.

The Eucharist is the universal prayer of the Church remembering all of Gods people, past, present and future at every celebration.

Theologically, liturgically and canonically the graces of the mass are infinite. On a personal level, we know that God cannot be outdone in generosity.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education Registration is now open!

There's still time left!

Registration for the Religious Education and Confirmation Programs continues. To register your child, please visit our parish website this week: <http://stphilip.org/religious-education-registration/>

Classes start for all grades on Sunday, September 17.

If you have any questions, contact:

Denise Pannullo for Grades 1-8 at 973-779-1439 or

Victoria Velasco for Confirmation at 973-798-8772



SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

1:00-4:00 PM

OUTDOOR BIG TOP TENT & INDOOR AC SEATING

CASH KITCHEN, BEER, WINE, SODA & WATER

COMPLIMENTARY:

- COFFEE, TEA & COOKIES
- DJ AND DANCING
- YOUTH MINISTRY ACTIVITIES

SPECIAL SHOW: UNIQUE CREATURES

(3:15 PM GYM)

DONATION ACCEPTED:

- BOUNCY HOUSE SLIDE & CASTLE
- FACE PAINTING
- PUMPKIN DECORATING

THE MAIN PARKING LOT WILL CLOSE AFTER THE 8:00 AM MASS. SHUTTLE BUSES WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE JOHN PAUL II PARKING LOT FROM 9:30 AM TO 4:00 PM.

MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT & MINISTRY

"Blessed are those who mourn for they will be comforted."

THE MONDAY NIGHT WIDOW/WIDOWERS GROUP:

A social group for widows and widowers. Next meetings: **September 11th and 25th** in the Molloy Center at 6:30 PM.

SPOUSE BEREAVEMENT GROUP:

A support group for people grieving the death of their spouse. Next meetings: **September 12th and 26th** at 7:00 PM in the RUSSO ROOM. For information contact Dr. Rachel Rengifo at 201-500-2068.

NATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR LIFE

A time for healing - The Knights of Columbus and the Columbiettes would like you to join them on **Saturday, September 9, 2017** at the 9:00 AM Mass. A memorial for all the babies, their families and those sadly touched by abortion will follow at the Knights of Columbus memorial site dedicated to these little victims. For more information call Sharon Festa 973-742-0926 or David Cordero 973-220-4601.

ROSARY SOCIETY

Monday, September 11th is the date for our first Rosary Society meeting. It will begin at 6:30 PM with the Rosary followed by Mass in Marian Hall. After Mass, we will have our annual Ice Cream Party! Please join us – all are welcome!

SAVE THE DATE: Annual Communion Brunch
Sunday, October 1 following the 10 AM Mass

PRIME TIMERS

St. Philip the Apostle Prime Timers next monthly meeting will be held on **Friday, September 8, 2017** at 1:00 PM in the Molloy Center. Dues (\$10.00) for the 2017-2018 year should be brought (cash or check) to this meeting. There will be a pizza party for all those members whose dues are paid in full. In October we are trying to schedule the Passaic County Sheriff's Dept. for senior ID's and November will feature "A touch of Sinatra".

Atlantic City trips to Resorts Casino will be held on **Sept. 20th, Oct. 12th and Nov. 8th**. The cost is \$27 per person per trip and the bus leaves at 9:30 AM. Contact Sylvia at 973-742-9286 for tickets.

KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS 10TH ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

Monday, September 21, 2017

Knoll West Golf Course

Call Rich at 973-650-3327 for tickets and information

ST. PHILIP'S MEN'S BOWLING

We are looking for bowlers of any ability to join the Men's Friday Night League. The lanes are in the lower level of the school and we'll be starting up in mid-September. For more info, contact richloftus@aol.com

RCIA

- Are you interested in exploring your spiritual life?
- Do you want to discover the abundance of God's love & peace?
- Would you like to have greater motivation for service?
- Do you want to know more about the Catholic Faith?
- Did you ever think about becoming a Catholic?
- Are you a baptized Catholic and have never made your First Communion and/or Confirmation?
- Are you baptized in another faith and have a desire to become Catholic?
- Have you never been baptized in any faith but wonder?

JOURNEY WITH US!

Through the process of the **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults** or **RCIA** we explore all these questions and discover the keys to the kingdom. **RCIA** is a restoration of the ancient practice of initiation into the Church. Through a process of discernment, spiritual development and ritualizing stages of conversion, you are guided to sacramental initiation. These Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist which are celebrated at the Easter Vigil open your hearts and empower you to lives of services, charity and justice as witnesses to our mission of *OPUS CHRISTI*, Christ's work. **RCIA** is not a program but a sacramental process. **RCIA** reflects a sacramental attitude that is at the heart of all Christian living: *CONVERSION*, turning your heart to God.

We invite you to be our companion on the journey of faith. We gather on Monday evenings from 7:00 – 8:30 pm in the Russo Room. For more information about **RCIA** please call Donna Scancarella at (973) 779-6200

Saint Philip Women's Cornerstone Retreat

November 17 & 18, 2017

I Love You † You Are Mine

Cornerstone is a beautiful retreat experience, a time to revitalize your relationship with God, renew your own spirit and bond with other women of our parish through a combination of quiet reflection and prayer, and the sharing of one's faith journey with others. Please consider joining us for this two-day retreat.

Retreat Times:

Friday, 6:30 PM to 11:00 PM

Saturday, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Registration Donation: \$50

Registration opens online September 16, 2017 at stphilip.org

Please email any questions

to Cornerstone@StPhilip.org or call

The Molloy Center (973)779-6200

Hear testimonials and have your questions answered after all masses the weekend of **September 16 and 17**.

PRAYER OPPORTUNITY: MEDITATION HOUR



"Be still and know that I Am God!" Psalm 46:10

Join us for prayer, guided meditation and reflection the second Thursday of each month beginning **Thursday, September 14th** at 7:00 PM in Marian Hall.

PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA, LOURDES & SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA
Hosted by Father Julio A. Barrios

11 DAYS: NOVEMBER 6 – 16, 2018

- Visiting LISBON * FATIMA * SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA SALAMANCA MADRID * LOURDES
- \$2799 per person from NEWARK (Air/land tour price is \$2399 plus \$400 government taxes/airline surcharges)
- For brochure and additional information contact Barbara Salzer at 973-779-6200

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PILGRIMAGE
WASHINGTON, DC
OCTOBER 21, 2017

To sign up contact Carol Mahoney at 973-986-2869

OR

Two Day Spiritual Journey
October 20-21, 2017

For information or brochure on this 2-day trip contact the Diocesan Pilgrimage Office at 973-728-8162 or secretary@olgnj.org

PRAY FOR

THE SICK: Joan Hughes, Silvia Berardo, Lara Buell, Ryan G. Micale, Jayce Mazza, Patsy Sinisi, Margaret Sikora, Steve Kuchta, Sister Beverly Aiazzone, Linda Brady, Gus Perez, Joseph Villano, Marie Nattvo, Jennie Marto, Antoinette Van Setters, Alexander Bancey, Josephine Pipitone, Zigrig Roman, Derrick Medeiros, Maria Ligato, Philip Kutzenco, Evelyn Wescott, Ana Cabezas, Annette Wanamaker, Daniel Marty, Jim Lacava, Virginia Mascolo, Christine Carpenter, Robert Wagner, Mildred Nerone, Stephen Blayney, Eugene & Lorraine DeBellis, Bob Rose, Jack Steffans, Barbara Ferry, Fred Van Duyne, Theresa Buhler, Karen Ambrose, Dave Miller, Gary Diekmann, Sr. Giovanni Aiazzone, Maya Hilario, John Pepe, Ron Kuruc, Marian Biondi Martin, George Biondi, Jack Jaeger, Carmine Scotto

THE DECEASED: Alunio Alburo, Anna Treuer

PRIESTS' SCHEDULE: SEPTEMBER 9/10, 2017

5:30 PM	Fr. Matt	10:00 AM	Fr. Julio
8:00 AM	Fr. Kevin	12:00 Noon	Fr. Joe

PARISH GIVING

TOTAL SUNDAY COLLECTION: AUGUST 28, 2016	\$15,815.00
AUGUST 27, 2017	
Envelopes	\$12,099.00
Cash	\$ 1,092.00
Online Giving Donations	\$ 4,051.00
Total	\$17,242.00
Second Collection: Project Faith	\$ 2,233.00

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jer 20:7-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2017

- 8:00** Isabel Hernandez
- 10:00** Tammy DiSanto
Ramona Fisher – 3rd Anniversary
Lucia & Antonio Santulli
Frances DeBlaise
- 12 :00** Deacon Al Ciampa – 8th Anniversary
Andrew Doychak – 12th Anniversary

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2017

- 9:00** Charles Grenda
Fred Anthony

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2017

- 7:00** Anna May Wozny
- 9:00** Pepe DiSanto

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2017

- 7:00** John F. Newman
- 9:00** Neal Giunta

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2017

- 7:00** Alphonse & Jennie Seiffert Family
- 9:00** Rosario Marro

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2017

- 7:00** Rocco Carlucci
- 9:00** Michael Hreha

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2017

- 9:00** Italo & Filomena Gonnella
- 5:30** All the People of the Parish

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2017

- 8:00** Edward Wilson
Bob Parillo
- 10:00** Antonio Alfieri
Peter Kenny
Charles Sorensen
Jeanette Hummel
- 12:00** Antonio B. Garcia – 6th Anniversary
Anne Rivetti – 15th Anniversary

The Sanctuary Candle : In Memory of
Joe & Raffie Basile
From wife Pina