

During the month of August we celebrate The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. God's gifts and blessings given to our Blessed Mother were also intertwined with sufferings and sorrows.

We can learn how to grow closer to God and how to find the strength, healing, power, gifts and blessings in our life in the midst of our own suffering and pain or through accompanying the sorrowful.

Week II

(Week I: stphilip.org Bulletin Aug. 20)

MARY, MOTHER OF SORROWS

Joyce Rupp, OSM
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THE FOURTH SORROW:

MARY MEETS JESUS CARRYING HIS CROSS *Luke 23:27*

READ

Mother and son, face to face, suffering in each one's heart.
We meet the pain in our life, embracing it with kindness.
Pause to reflect on what stirred within Mary when she met Jesus on the way to his death.

PRAY

Enduring Love,
when we are experiencing troubled times
help us to be attentive to our own spirit.
We need to believe that our heartaches
are also worthy of a compassionate gaze.
Teach us how to offer kindness
to the part of us that is in pain.
With your grace we can overcome
any obstacle that keeps us
from tending to our own needs.
Remembering your great love,
we turn toward ourselves with compassion
and reach out with tenderness
as we lovingly embrace the hurting part of our self.
We remember those who need to offer compassion to their
own wounds . . . *(pause for silent or vocal remembering)*.
Mary, teach us how to be people of faith.

Sing: Mater Dolorosa, Mother of Sorrows, you know our pain.

THE FIFTH SORROW:

MARY STANDS BENEATH THE CROSS *John 19:25-27*

READ

A mother waits while her son dies, unable to hold, to touch, to comfort; standing, vigiling, entering his agony. How much can a mother endure?
Pause to reflect on the endurance of Mary as she stood beneath the cross.

PRAY

Crucified One,
may all who hang upon the cross
of suffering and sorrow,
or stand beneath a cross today,
find comfort and consolation
in your abiding presence.
Ease their pain and suffering.
Free them from discouragement.
Gentle their harsh emotions.
Cease their restlessness.
Coax them away from despair.
We especially remember those who hang upon a cross today
. . . *(pause for silent or vocal remembering)*.
Mary, teach us how to be people of faith.

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THE SIXTH SORROW:

MARY RECEIVES THE DEAD BODY OF JESUS *John 19:38*

READ

A mother's generous lap, holding what remains of a son,
receiving him as lovingly in death as she first held him, wet
from the womb.
Pause to reflect on Mary's receiving Jesus from the cross.

PRAY

God of the desolate,
give your strength and courage
to all suffering ones,
especially those who feel
the ache of a deep loss today.
Gently open their hearts
and increase their capacity
to be with their great hurt.
Help them to be a living Pieta
of kindness and tenderness.
Draw them into your heart
so that your deep and strong love
will resound in their experience.
We remember today those who are experiencing a significant
loss . . . *(pause for silent or vocal remembering)*.
Mary, teach us how to be people of faith.

Sing: Mater Dolorosa, Mother of Sorrows, you know our pain.

THE SEVENTH SORROW:

JESUS IS LAID IN THE TOMB *John 19:39-42*

READ

A kind-hearted child is laid to rest and a loving mother bids
him farewell. She walks away with mystery in her heart and a
thousand tears in her grieving soul.
Pause to reflect on Mary's grief as Jesus is laid in the tomb.

PRAY

Mary, you have been there before us.
You have stood at the tomb of farewell.
We, too, often face painful endings.
Like you, we need to eventually let go,
believing that the Holy One will console us.
You know how grief engulfs the heart
and tries to strangle the hope it contains.
You have felt the drain of a great loss
and the emptiness it creates inside.
Teach us how to have confidence in God
when we question what the future holds.
Strengthen our faith as we try to let go
of whatever keeps us from growing deeper.
We remember those who are moving through painful
farewells . . . *(pause for silent or vocal remembering)*.
Mary, teach us how to be people of faith.

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2018 MASS BOOK

The 2018 Mass Book will open on **Wednesday, August 30th**.
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

ST. PHILIP PREPARATORY SCHOOL

St. Philip's Preparatory School is seeking *Certified Substitute Teachers*. Please e-mail name, resume and certification to principalzito@gmail.com.



**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2017
1:00 – 4:00 PM**

**FOOD - FUN - ACTIVITIES
FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY**

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

Due to the Labor Day weekend, 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.

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.

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@olgpni.org

DIOCESAN NEWS

PIZZA NIGHT FOR WOMEN

Save the Date - **Monday, September 25th from 7 - 9 PM** at Pope John XXIII High School - the first "Pizza Night for Women" with Bishop Serratelli. This event will be open to high school and college aged women discerning their vocation. For details, please contact the office of the Delegate for Religious at 973-777-8818 ext. 207, or kerry@patersondiocese.org.

PRAY FOR

THE SICK: Joan Hughes, Silvia Berardo, Lara Buell, Ryan G. Micale, Jayce Mazza, Patsy Sinisi, Margaret Sikora, Steve Kuchta, Sister Beverly Aiazzino, Linda Brady, Gus Perez, Joseph Villano, Marie Nattvo, Jennie Marto, Antoinette Van Setters, Alexander Bancey, Josephine Pipitone, Zigrig Roman, Derrick Medeiros, Maria Ligato, Philip Kutzenko, 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 Duyn, Theresa Buhler, Karen Ambrose, Dave Miller, Gary Diekmann, Sr. Giovanni Aiazzino, Maya Hilario, John Pepe, Ron Kuruc, Marian Biondi Martin, George Biondi, Jack Jaeger, Carmine Scotto

THE DECEASED: Charles Hofker, Josephine Morrissey

PARISH GIVING

TOTAL SUNDAY COLLECTION: AUGUST 21, 2016 \$15,710.00

AUGUST 20, 2017

Envelopes	\$13,086.50
Cash	\$ 1,163.00
Online Giving Donations	\$ 4,466.00
Total	\$18,715.50

Second Collection: Mission Co-Op \$ 5,137.00

PRIESTS' SCHEDULE: SEPTEMBER 2/3, 2017

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

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 22:19-23; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 2017

8:00	All the People of the Parish
10:00	Vittoria Masucci John "Jack" Paddock Elizabeth M. Sparling
12:00	Jim Loftus

MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2017

9:00 Albert Levendusky – 2nd Anniversary

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29, 2017

9:00 Edward Kishel

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30, 2017

9:00 Rosa Ruberto

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31, 2017

9:00 Joanne McGuire

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2017

9:00 Joseph Hopper

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2017

9:00	Ann Holly
5:30	All the People of the Parish

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2017

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