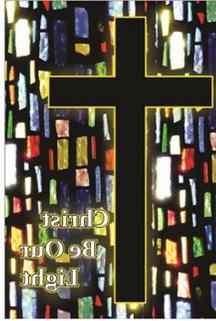


## PENTECOST SUNDAY



### ***Christ Be Our Light***

Follow our theme and review past reflections on our website [www.stphilip.org](http://www.stphilip.org)

#### **The Gifts of the Holy Spirit Light our Way**

The Risen Christ commissioned the disciples and therefore us, to go out into the world and proclaim the Good News! Part of the Good News of Jesus Christ is the power of the Holy Spirit at work within us and among us. We are given all that we need to be the Light of Christ to others in our mission to love and to work for justice and the flourishing of all people.

#### **Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit**

**Fear of the Lord** (“WOW!” Awe, Wonder, Amazement) is awakening to God’s blessings freely given in the beauty of creation, the truth of compassion deep within us, the goodness of loving relationships – recognizing that “All is Gift.”

**Piety (Reverence)** is living gratefully in a graced world with a profound respect for all life and a passion to be faithful stewards of God’s bountiful gifts.

**Fortitude (Courage)** enables us to dream of what is possible with Christ’s love. Fortitude emboldens us to take responsibility for that vision and to creatively make it a reality.

**Right Counsel** helps us to sift and sort in prayer what cannot be changed and needs to be accepted and what can be changed and needs to be accomplished.

**Knowledge** focuses our priorities and shifts our perspective to think, feel and act with faith, hope and love.

**Understanding** is seeing, feeling and listening with the “ear of our heart.” Understanding and compassion are God’s heart.

**Wisdom** enables us to discern and relish God’s presence in all things, to trust in Providence and to therefore live with compassion on the journey.

## **Week VI Gift of the Holy Spirit - Wisdom Wisdom is to love with God’s heart**

### **Get on The Bus**

Rigo is among the small group of prisoners gathered in the Catholic chaplain’s office to begin classes for the Sacraments. When asked why he wants to start this spiritual journey he answers, “I’ve been in this prison for one year and a half. Every Sunday my Mama comes to see me. She usually gets here just a little before visiting time is over. Some weeks all she gets to say to me is, ‘God loves you and I love you.’ I’m always glad to see her but her stay is so short. Last week my Auntie writes me a letter and says, ‘Stop looking all dog- faced when your Mama’s visits are short. She gets there as fast as she can. Don’t you know that she takes seven buses to see you?’ I didn’t know. Imagine seven buses!” Rigo starts to weep. When he composes himself, he says, “Any God who can make a Mama with a heart that loves like that... Man, I got to be working for a God like that.” (adapted, Gregory Boyle, S.J., *Tattoos on the Heart*)

God makes Mamas and Papas, Brothers and Sisters, Children and Parishioners with hearts that love like that! This Pentecost, we celebrate the blessing of the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit. The gifts of the Holy Spirit motivate, empower and give us hearts that love like God. God makes our hearts to love with all of our mind, will and by being love in action. Our Mission at St. Philip the Apostle parish is to do our *Opus Christi*, Christ’s Work. Christ’s words and deeds, life and death and resurrection say to us, “God loves you and I love you!”

We share in Christ’s Work which is to say in our words and deeds, “God loves you and I love you.” We love individually and as a community of faith through our Spiritual, Service and Social ministries. Every day, in this parish, we are climbing on many buses to bring Christ’s love by doing Christ’s work. Please note below the brief listing of our ministries from the last year to now.

### **Prayerful Reflection**

In prayer, ask God to help you to recall occasions when you gave of your time, talent or treasure during this past year. What buses did you ride to be love in action for others? In what ways is your love like the love of the Mama in the story? Whose love are you grateful for? Acknowledge that all love has one source - our God. God makes hearts to love like that. Thank God for these opportunities to be love and to be loved. On this Feast of Pentecost, may we ask for a full activation of the gifts of the Holy Spirit. May we be empowered to be love in action saying through our words and deeds, “God loves you and I love you.” It is time to get on the next bus!

## Our Walk Through the Last Year

Pentecost is a celebration of God's love and power at work within and among us.

The Eucharist means "to give thanks". Our celebration is the perfect time to recount all the ways that God has blessed our parish and the ways that we have blessed each other with Compassion on the Journey since last Pentecost.

We share God's gifts spiritually, socially and in service:

### PENTECOST 2018 TO PENTECOST 2019

Baptisms	56	RCIA	7
First Eucharist	76	Funerals	88
Confirmation	56	School Enrollment	457
Marriages	12	Rel. Ed. Enrollment	275
		Regular Home	
		Communion Visitation	42

### Living Spirituality Themes

- Sing A New Church: Love in Action, Faith our Key
- Your Gift is Wrapped in Prayer
- Christ Be Our Light
- Monthly Meditation Hour
- Women's Cornerstone – Peace be with you
- Close of 75<sup>th</sup> Jubilee Celebration – Sounding of the Shofar

### Celebrating Socially

- Parish Carnival
- All Parish Group Events
- St. Joseph/St. Patrick Dinner Dance
- Christmas Concert & Reception
- Jubilee Reception

### Service for Facilities

- Restoration and return to the Molloy Center
- Molloy Center Chapel restoration to original design with Tabernacle Reredos Focal Art Design
- Appointment of Church Altar Reredos *Delle de Verre* Art Glass
- Valley Road Rock Garden (drywell) and new plantings
- Parking Lot pavers and new drainage System
- Sacristy entrance
- Upgrade heating system by Pre-K wing
- Repair all water lines in Middle School/Gym wing with new access panel
- Pavers for drainage along Molloy Center
- Replace mercury light fixtures in Gymnasium with new energy efficient LED fixtures
- Rectory flood restoration/French drain and gutters
- New Auditorium stage lights, presentation screens and sound system

### Jubilee Wing Update

Fifty-one percent of the work on the new Jubilee Wing is complete to date. The necessary code-required firewall separation between the Molloy Center and Marion Hall is installed. Marion Hall is in its final stage of restoration but will not be available until the entire Jubilee Wing is complete because a certificate of occupancy will not be provided until entire project is finished. The walls and roof are now enclosed for the new Jubilee Wing Building. The estimated time for completion is mid-summer 2019.

## ST. PHILIP'S PLAYERS RETURN TO THE STAGE!

We are seeking those who can bring their talents to the parish theatre group. All talents welcome, but specifically seeking:

- \*Graphic Artists
- \*Technical operators (lights, sound, projection)
- \*Administrative & clerical
- \*Musicians

Please email your interest to SPP President Joseph Schreck at [JSchreck1475@gmail.com](mailto:JSchreck1475@gmail.com) for an immediate response.

LOVE CAN BUILD A BRIDGE, our new original musical revue will be presented **October 11 & 12** at St. Philip's. SAVE THE DATE!

## SEMINARIAN COLLECTION

As our nation celebrates Father's Day next week, our Diocese invites the faithful to support a special annual collection for our seminarians.

Your donations to next week's Father's Day collection will be an affirmation of their decision to study for the priesthood and an acknowledgment of their call to serve God by serving His people.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

Online Registration for the 2019 Religious Education Program is now open. Discounted fees are offered from June 1 to June 30. Please visit the website to register at [www.stphilip.org](http://www.stphilip.org). We will no longer have paper registration. Should you have any questions or concerns, contact the program office 973-779-1439 or [www.reled@stphilip.org](mailto:www.reled@stphilip.org).

For new families to the Religious Education Program, please contact the Parish Office at 973-779-6200 to confirm that you are registered as a parishioner. All Families must be registered parishioners prior to entering the program.

## MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Meetings: 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday: 8:00 pm VFW Hall - Valley Rd

### WIDOW/WIDOWERS

**Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 6:00 pm** in the Molloy Center. Come for prayers, socialization and meeting new friends.

### SPOUSAL BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT & MINISTRY

Next meetings: **Tuesday, June 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm** in the Russo Room. Please contact Thalia Sanchez 862-295-1688

### COLUMBIETTES

WANT TO SERVE GOD???? All you must be is 18 and older, a practicing Catholic female, and a desire to serve where the Holy Spirit is leading you.

Now is the time to join the Columbiettes. All new members applications need to be in by 06/17/2019. For more information please call Sharon 973 742-0926 or Kathie 973 471-1265

**ST. PHILIP'S 40<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CARNIVAL**



Thursday June 13 6-10 PM  
 Friday June 14 6-11 PM  
 Saturday June 15 6:30-11 PM

**VALLEY RIDES & AMUSEMENTS**  
 RIDES GAMES FOOD DRINK

**Sponsorship Opportunities**

Family Sponsorship - \$30.00  
 Business Sponsorship - \$50.00  
 Booth and Ride Sponsorship - \$100.00

**Sponsor Sheets** are available in the Church Vestibule

A **Craft Fair** will be held in the gym during all Carnival hours.  
 More Crafters Welcome!  
 Information and contract available at [stphilip.org](http://stphilip.org)  
 or call 973-779-6200

**Soda/Water Donations**

Name brand soda and bottled water for the Soda & Water  
 Booth can be left at the School kitchen door.

**Coffee & Cake Table**

Please donate CAKES, cookies, brownies (no nuts) and  
 cupcakes. Items should be dropped off in the auditorium any  
 night **during Carnival hours**.

**Ride tickets and bracelets** are on sale ONLINE through June 11  
 at [stphilip.org/carnival](http://stphilip.org/carnival)

**Super 50/50 tickets** available in the Vestibule of the Church,  
 at the Molloy Center  
 and throughout Carnival hours until 1 hour before drawing

**CELEBRATING 60 YEARS OF PRIESTHOOD**

Congratulations and blessings to Father Kevin as he  
 celebrates 60 years as a priest of God.

Join us for a special liturgy at 12:00 noon on **June 23<sup>rd</sup>** in  
 Church, followed by presentations and light reception in  
 the auditorium.

**PRAY FOR**

**THE NEWLY MARRIED:** Joseph Pascrell & Christine Galbraith

**THE SICK:** Rose Lucignani, Antony Fernandes,  
 Victoria Spadofora, Michael Alban, Sr., Vincent Ramundo,  
 Gary J. Arvardy, Judy Post, Mary Siwiew, Marya Columbia,  
 Al Lutz

**THE DECEASED:** Jessie McCormack

**PRIESTS' SCHEDULE: JUNE 15 & 16, 2019**

5:30 PM Fr. Joe 8:00 AM Fr. Joseph  
 10:00 AM Fr. Kevin 12:00 N Fr. Matt

**PARISH GIVING**

Sunday Collection, June 3, 2018	\$21,066.00
Sunday Collection: June 2, 2019	
Envelopes	\$12,671.00
Cash	\$ 1,721.00
Online giving donation	\$ 5,287.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$19,679.00</b>
Second Collection:	\$ 2,324.00

**PENTECOST SUNDAY**

Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17;  
 Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

**SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 2019**

- 8:00** Richard Kochan  
Kenneth A. McClain
- 10:00** Deceased members of the Kerner Family  
Francesco Fusco  
Monique Tommaro
- 12:00** Special Intention: Sr. Jean Agans

**MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2019**

- 9:00** Thomas McSherry

**TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 2019**

- 9:00** Frank Doran

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12, 2019**

- 9:00** Tom Gorman

**THURSDAY, JUNE 13, 2019**

- 9:00** Antonio B. Garcia

**FRIDAY, JUNE 14, 2019**

- 9:00** Francis Smyth

**SATURDAY, JUNE 15, 2019**

- 9:00** Vincent Blanda
- 5:30** Ed Vesce  
Pedro Ravelo  
Domenick Pagano

**SUNDAY, JUNE 16, 2019**

- 8:00** All the People of the Parish
- 10:00** Don Muller  
Jerry Piserchia  
Antonio & Vittoria Masucci  
John Trommelen, Sr.
- 12:00** John Sonn  
Andrew & Anna Basile