

## 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SING A NEW CHURCH: Week IV



### Singing Circles of Color

The Singing Circles of Color symbol above represents our Theme. Notice (color version at [www.stphilip.org](http://www.stphilip.org) and Church Banner) the dynamic relationships that each individual circle and a variety of combinations of circles share. Through relationships there is a plethora of creation - new colors and diverse sounds. We **SING A NEW CHURCH** in the **Key of Faith as Love in Action**.

### 75<sup>th</sup> Jubilee Parish Theme: Sing A New Church

We sing the good news of God's love. Our song begins as a single note of love whispered to us by God at the very moment of our creation. In every breath through the years we draw notes and melodies together in our relationship with our self, others and God. Our song crescendos in the joyous eternal choir which is the hymn of heaven, a song of never ending praise and thanksgiving.

God's song of love is gently played in every heart and heard as we share our unique song as Love in Action. Every time a gift or talent is given for another, our church community sings a new song and a new church into being. Faith is our key which gives voice to our collective mission which is to do *Christ's Work, Opus Christi*.

During the next weeks we will explore the living relationships represented in the symbols above:

Father Son Spirit, God Self Others, Creation Redemption Sanctification, Body Mind Spirit, Gift Gratitude Action, Awakening Interpreting Responding.

### REFLECTION STORY

#### Who's That Clown?

A comedian recently pointed out that one of the worst insults that you can give a fellow is to ask, "Who is that clown?" Not only are you calling someone a clown but you're also implying that he is one of the lesser-known clowns!

It is no mystery that life is full of all sorts of clowns and sometimes we are the clowns.

In today's readings we hear about jealous and resentful clowns from Moses' time who unfairly judge those who received God's Spirit and use their gifts for the good of all. St. James describes selfish and stingy clowns who did not recognize that all is gift and therefore did not share their time, talent or treasure. Our Gospel reminds us that we are all sinful clowns in word and in

deed yet, we are encouraged by learning that whatever good we do God both remembers and rewards.

Our relationships are difficult. We struggle not to judge others, hold resentments, grudges and anger. Yet, often our color is red! More than we might like to admit the sympathetic vibration we share with others is discordant and harsh. How can we discover the grace for blended colors and harmonious sounds? Prayer.

Jesus teaches us to bless those who persecute (annoy, anger and insult) us and to pray for those who act like our enemy.

Mt: 5:44, Lk: 6:29.

Jesus gives us a prescription for clown -itis which is prayer. When we are hurt or angry we pray:

**Bless name and transform me to set me free.**

This simple prayer opens us to God's grace. We become better persons through our prayer. The word person comes from the Latin *per-sonare* meaning "sounding through." Praying and faith changes our key - God's love sounds through us, transforms us and frees us. Do we have to feel like praying or even want to bless? Not at all. We are asked to pray - even if it is through gritted teeth or with our fingers crossed. God takes our willingness and sounds through us. God is endlessly creative in changing us from the inside out.

A very satisfying perfect prayer is:

**Lord, Bless, that clown and transform me to set me free.**

### Reflection Questions

- Who am I red about?
- What areas of my life are ringing sour notes?
- Who will I bless?
- What type of transformation or healing do I ask from God?

"All the world is full of suffering, it is also full of the overcoming of it."

Helen Keller



Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Our Parish continues to **Sing the Good News** of God's love as we celebrate our **75th Jubilee Year, 1943 - 2018**.

Our **Sing a New Church Theme** symbol shows **Singing Circles of Color**. Our Church community sings a new church as we, like St. Philip the Apostle, do the work of Christ. By sharing our time, talent and treasure we become **Love in Action**, gratefully revealing new colors of God's gifts among us. In the **Key of Faith**, we join the notes of our song of thanks so that all might hear, know and experience the beauty of God's song of unconditional love.

Please consider how you can help our parish to continue our mission of Christ's work. Our goal through this **Jubilee Giving Commitment** initiative is to increase our regular offertory contributions, in light of the extraordinary expenses incurred due to the fire our school experienced in January 2018.

- Although the **school restoration** was funded by insurance, we incurred costs that were not reimbursed and took the opportunity to **update/refurbish** several areas of the school at our own expense totaling \$343,598.00.
- The insurance company decided to demolish our Kaleidoscope Wing due to irreparable damage. We are currently in the last phase of pre-construction for our new building which will now be called the **Jubilee Wing**. Insurance and cost are close as of this writing.
- An anonymous donor offered to be the financial foundation for the creation of new stained glass for the East and West Windows of our church as a **Jubilee Year Beautification Gift**. The parish will contribute to the windows through this giving initiative.

**Increasing our weekly gift** enables our spiritual, service and social ministries to be the very colors and sounds of God's Kingdom. When we collectively increase our weekly 'gift,' we will be able to accomplish our rebuilding and beautification projects.

You will be receiving a brochure and commitment card in the mail this week. As you prayerfully consider **your gift increase**, remember that God cannot be outdone in generosity. Please know that you and your loved ones remain in our prayer.

Yours in Faith,  
Rev. Joseph J. Garbarino and Pastoral Team

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**75<sup>TH</sup> JUBILEE CELEBRATION**  
**"SING A NEW CHURCH"**  
**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2018**

**2018 Bishop's Annual Appeal: Here I Am, Lord!**

One of the benefits of giving to our Bishop's Annual Appeal is the knowledge that the funds support important needs in Morris, Passaic and Sussex Counties. This local connection means that you may be helping your next-door neighbor, your co-worker, the store owner you see each day as you shop in your community – perhaps even a family member. In this context, when you give to the Bishop's Annual Appeal, you truly say: *Here I Am, Lord – making a better life for my brothers and sisters in the area.* Please consider making a pledge today.

**RCIA**

**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.

We invite you to be our companion on the journey. Our first session will be on **Monday, November 5th** from 7:00-8:30 PM in the Molloy Center. If you would like more information about **RCIA**, please call Donna Scancarella at 973-779-6200.

All are welcome!

**Saint Philip Women's Cornerstone Retreat**  
**November 16 & 17, 2018**  
*"Peace be with you"*  
Retreat Times: **Friday, 6:30PM to 10:30PM**  
**Saturday, 8:30AM to 6:30PM**  
Registration Donation: \$50  
Registration is open online at [stphilip.org/cornerstone](http://stphilip.org/cornerstone)  
Please email any questions to [Cornerstone@StPhilip.org](mailto:Cornerstone@StPhilip.org) or call The Molloy Center (973)779-6200.

**BLESSING OF ANIMALS**

**Saturday, October 6<sup>th</sup>** immediately following the 9:00 am Mass at the St. Anthony Shrine, next to the parking lot.

**PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES**

**MEDITATION HOUR**

*"Hands of the Potter"*

**Thursday, October 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM** in Church for prayer, guided meditation and reflection.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

**Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup>** from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm in Church. Join us for this spiritual time before the Blessed Sacrament.

**BIBLE STUDY WITH FR. KEVIN**

An eight-week Bible Study course on the gospel of St. Matthew begins on **Monday, October 15<sup>th</sup>** at 11:00 am in the Church. Please bring your Bibles. All are welcome!

**ST. PHILIP PREPARATORY SCHOOL**

St. Philip Prep recently had their Back to School Night. Families were able to meet our HSA board members as well as their children's teachers and visit their classrooms. The faculty and students were greeted with an introduction and explanation of this year's theme "Sing a New Church. Love In Action. Faith Our Key" by Father Joe. The 7<sup>th</sup> graders attended their annual field trip to Fairview. The Kindergarten students met their 8<sup>th</sup> grade buddies and are ready to have a great year of bonding and fun.

**CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION NIGHT**

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 6:30-9:00 PM**

**SCHOOL AUDITORIUM**

Opportunity for 6, 7, & 8 grade Students and Parents to speak with various High School Admissions Directors regarding tuition, scholarships, AP courses, sports, etc.

**MASS FOR SISTER PAULINE**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2018 - 12:00 NOON**

**FOLLOWED BY REFRESHMENTS IN SCHOOL AUDITORIUM**

Sr. Pauline Piechocki, S.S.C., (Society of Sisters for the Church) was born and raised in Webster, Massachusetts. As all her students know, Sister is an avid fan of the Boston Red Sox and the New England Patriots!

Sister Pauline has served the school community of Saint Philip for 36 years. She began her career at St. Philip's as a 6<sup>th</sup> grade homeroom Middle School Math teacher, where she served for 13 years. She has taught the Kaleidoscope Math Program for Gifted students for 23 years!

## MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

### SPOUSAL BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT & MINISTRY

Next meeting: **Tuesday, October 9<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm** in the Russo Room. Please contact Thalia Sanchez 862-295-1688.

### WIDOW/WIDOWERS

**Monday, October 15, 2018** at 6:30 pm in the Molloy Center  
**ROSARY SOCIETY**

### 74TH ANNUAL COMMUNION BRUNCH

**Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup>** following 10:00 am Mass in the auditorium. Tickets: \$25.00. Call Elaine at 973-472-9019.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday: The VFW Hall -Valley Rd; 8:00 PM**

### COLUMBIETTE BLANKET MINISTRY

**Thursdays, October 4 and 18,** at 9:45 am in the Molloy Center. Making hats and scarves for the needy. For yarn or fabric donations, contact Cathie Murtha. (973-471-1265) All are welcome!

### CUB SCOUT POP CORN SALE

Cub Scout Pack 21 selling popcorn after all Masses this weekend- **September 29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup>**. Please support our scouts.

## YOUTH GROUP

All high school youth are invited to attend the first youth group meeting of the year **Sunday, September 30<sup>th</sup>** at 11 am in the Russo Room. If you are a high school teen, we want you to stop by and let us know what YOU need the church to provide for YOU to grow in faith. This will be an informal meeting just to get a sense of what the young church needs. Please bring your thoughts, questions and of course there will be food!

Youth group gatherings will be an average of twice a month, with the schedules being updated regularly. There will be opportunities for service, fun, food, fellowship and a chance to share and grow in faith. Join us anytime and show the world that the young church is living proof of God's love in the world!

## DIOCESAN NEWS

### PILGRIM STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

Corpus Christi Parish, Chatham, NJ – **October 11-15**

Daily mass, silent prayer and reflection.

Mass celebrated by Bishop Serratelli on **October 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm.**

### SILVER AND GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

The Diocese of Paterson invites couples married in 1968 or 1993 to celebrate their 25<sup>th</sup> or 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary at a special mass on **Sunday November 4<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm**

**St. John the Baptist Cathedral – Paterson**

Call our parish office at 973-779-6200 to register by October 15<sup>th</sup>.

## PRAY FOR

**THE SICK:** Silvia Berardo, Lara Buell, Margaret Sikora, Sister Beverly Aiazzone, Antoinette Van Setters, Alexander Bancey, Derrick Medeiros, Maria Ligato, Philip Kutzenko, Evelyn Wescott, Annette Wanamaker, Mildred Nerone, Eugene & Lorraine DeBellis, Bob Rose, Jack Steffans, Fred Van Duyne, Dave Miller, Sr. Giovanni Aiazzone, Maya Hilario, John Pepe, Ron Kuruc, George Biondi, Theresa Buhler, Chloe LoPresti, Cathy Papuzenski, Roberta & Al Dressner, Eloise Stampoulos, Pina Basile, Jim Weis, Loretta Latona, Rita Latona, Eileen Kirschner, Roger Greff, Maryann Greff, Peg Chambers, Dorothea Stepka, Vivian Hart, John Thievon, Alice Negron, Janet Irizarry, Ryan G. Micale, Vincent Caragliano, Domenico Cirilli, Angelo Masino, Monique Tommaro, Paul Pairo, RoseMarie Azzaro, Michael Murphy, Annie Omelcvuck, Chris Mueller, Katharine Dasenbrock, Ken Hauser, Linda Ciaburri, Frank Piscatelli, Patricia Garland, Harry Plastik, Patricia Garland, Tom Connors

## THE NEWLY MARRIED:

Matthew Robert Hassert and Kimberly Ann Scarpa

## TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Nm 11:25-29; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

- 8:00** All the People of the Parish  
**10:00** Rudolph Pohle  
James & Sylvia Fariello  
Dolores Heins  
Donald Marry  
**12:00** Reid Krevis  
Special Intention: Columbiettes Thanksgiving

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2018

- 7:00** Norma Renta  
**9:00** Maria & Giuseppe Spatola

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2018

- 7:00** Salvatore Campisano  
**9:00** George Harvey

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2018

- 7:00** Francis, Miriam & Kevin O'Brien  
**9:00** Jimmy Valle

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2018

- 7:00** Ann & Edward Sheridan, Sr. & Jr.  
**9:00** Loretta & Ralph Pennella  
Irene Sadvary – 19<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2018

- 7:00** Marsha Kendra  
**9:00** Joanne M. Koval

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2018

- 9:00** Mary Ellen Valentin  
**5:30** Genevieve "Jean" Tarnowski  
Elsie Doychak  
Eileen Hopkins

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2018

- 8:00** Joan Muscarello – 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary  
Miceal McHugh  
**10:00** Francesco Pugliano  
Living & Deceased Rosarians  
Joey Longo – 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary  
Benigno Jumao-as  
**12:00** All the People of the Parish

**The Sanctuary Candle:** In memory of  
Tediee Ebbinghousen  
From Aunts Debbie & Gigi

### PARISH GIVING

SUNDAY COLLECTION: SEPTEMBER 24, 2018	\$15,884.00
SUNDAY COLLECTION: SEPTEMBER 23, 2018	
Envelopes	\$12,070.00
Cash	\$ 1,479.00
Online giving donation	\$ 4,704.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$18,253.00</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection: Project Faith	\$ 2,943.00

### PRIESTS' SCHEDULE: OCTOBER 7, 2018

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