

CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP & ST. JAMES

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday - 8am-4pm (closed for lunch from 12-1:15pm);
Also, Monday, Tuesday & Thursday - 5pm-8pm

Priests: Fr. John J. Barbella, Pastor, ext. 407
Fr. Tom Ganley, ext. 402
Fr. Leo Salvania, ext. 403

Deacons: Deacon John Flynn, Deacon Enock Berluce, Deacon Larry Bevilacqua,
Deacon Rob Fisher

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Saints Philip and James School
(908) 859-1244
Mrs. Donna Kucinski, Principal

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(908) 859-1244, option 9
Mrs. Jo-Ann Scott, Director

Sacred Music
Mr. Paul Kucinski

Parish Cemetery
Mr. Mark Sandt, Superintendent

BAPTISM: *Infants should be Baptized as soon as possible. Please call the Church Office to make arrangements.*

CONFESSION: *Pope Saint John Paul II, of blessed memory, said: "Anyone who goes frequently to Communion, must also go frequently to Confession."* **Saturdays: 9am-9:30am and from 3:15pm-4:15pm or by appointment with one of the priests.**

FOR MARRIAGE AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION INFORMATION: *Please call the Church Office.*

DEVOTIONS: Adoration: Monday-Saturday: 8:30am-11:00pm; Sunday: 1:00-11:00pm (Chapel)
Novena (Miraculous Medal): Monday at 7pm (Chapel)
Charismatic Prayer: Wednesday at 7:00pm (Parish Meeting Room)
Legion of Mary: Tuesday at 9:00am & Thursday at 5:30pm (Mercy Hall)

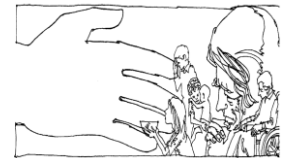
RCIA: Anyone interested in becoming Catholic should contact the Parish Office about the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults—a process which helps adults and older teens learn and ultimately enter the Catholic Church. Fr. John directs this process in our Parish and will be happy to help you in this regard.

IMMIGRATION SERVICES, CATHOLIC CHARITIES – DIOCESE OF METUCHEN: Office has relocated to 700 Sayre Avenue, Phillipsburg, NJ. Hours: Mondays Only from 1:30pm-7pm. Services are provided in English and Spanish. For information, please call (908) 454-2074.

HOLY MASS

Every Catholic who is able has a serious obligation to worship God at Mass on Sunday or Saturday evening.

Saturday Evening: 4:30pm (fulfills Sunday obligation)
Sunday: 7am, 9am, 11am, 1pm (*Spanish*), and 5:30pm
Daily Mass: Monday through Friday: 6:45am & 8am & 12:10pm in the Church; Tuesday: 7pm (*Spanish*) in the Church - 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month; Saturday: 7am & 8am in the Church



13th Sunday in Ordinary Time + July 1, 2018

● FOR YOUR INFORMATION ●

FROM FR. JOHN'S DESK...

I sit down to write these words having just come from our annual Vacation Bible School (VBS). It was wonderful to see about 65 children and young people there. For those who may not know, VBS is a week of fun and faith-filled activities for the young members of our parish. By means of puppet shows, skits, crafts, games, and a bunch of other things, the kids learn both Bible stories and things about our Faith.

I want to thank all the adults who made this Vacation Bible School such a success – especially Jo-Ann Scott. All three of our priests, as well as Deacon Rob – were present for much of the program. The teens and middle schoolers who helped out in so many ways did a great job and deserve a lot of thanks. They all did a great job at helping our parish pass our faith on to the next generation!

Being at Vacation Bible School this week reminded me of another important way our parish passes on the Good News: RCIA. RCIA is short for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults – the process by which adult converts are welcomed into the Catholic Church and adult Catholics who never made their First Communion or Confirmation are prepared for those sacraments. Last year our parish was blessed to have one adult Baptized, and several others received into Full Communion with the Church!

Please think about people you know who might benefit from this program. Perhaps you have a family member who – for whatever reason – was never Baptized or Confirmed. Maybe you have a non-Catholic friend or loved one who wants to learn more about our Catholic Faith. Or a spouse who would love to receive Communion with the rest of the family on Sunday. We generally meet three Sunday mornings a month right after the 9 AM Mass for an hour. Inviting such people to RCIA is a good way to fulfill Jesus' command to "Teach all nations." Presentations on various aspects of the Catholic Faith are made by various people, including myself and some of our deacons and priests and lay people. Special arrangements can be made for those who cannot come at that time, so that we can meet the needs of all those who were interested.

If you know of an adult who wishes to become Catholic or receive First Communion and/or Confirmation, please point them my way. I would be glad to speak with them. My hope is to start our regular meetings in October, with a view to finishing up in time for Easter.

As you know, I was on retreat the week before last. I prayed for each of you as promised, and took special time to pray for the many special intentions people gave me. I'm thankful to have been able to spend a week at the seminary hearing good talks, connecting with other priests (there were 46 of us on the retreat), and enjoying some genuine spiritual renewal.

Happy Fourth of July!
Fr. John



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Saint Update:

With summer officially underway, we hope that all of our students and their families are having a safe and fun summer. Please note that the school's office hours for summer will be Monday through Friday, 8:00am through 12 Noon. Don't forget – we have a number of awesome camps planned for this summer. These camps will fill up. Please contact the main office for more information.

Enrolling now. Tradition, Academic Excellence, and Spiritual Growth: Saints Philip & James School is now enrolling students in 2, 3 & 4-year-old Pre-K through 8th grade. Our school is rich in the tradition of academic excellence, spiritual growth, Christian service, and personal development. The school provides small class sizes that allow for individualized instruction and attention. In addition, the school offers a strong integrated curriculum in a structured setting to maximize each child's development. In this active-learning environment, Chrome Books and Google Classroom are utilized. Students have endless opportunities to participate in extracurricular sports, clubs, and activities. Our school encourages vibrant partnerships between parents, faculty, and students to inspire and reinforce lifelong learning. For more information, or to schedule a tour to see all our school has to offer, please call (908) 859-1244.

ATTENTION ALUMNI!

We need your help. We are looking to reconnect with all of our alumni. If you are interested in helping with this important project, or would like to be added to our alumni list, please send an email to fenton.sierra@spsj.org.

BINGO

7/5 – C. Giancalone, F. Zelada-Romero, R. Lazier, D. Shoudt, T. Weadock; 7/7 – D. Kassick, M. Miles, E. Prolog

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY!

Last weekend we welcomed into our Parish Family through the Sacrament of Baptism: JAYDEN USCANGA, son of Luciano Uscanga & Maria del Carmen

DISCERNMENT GROUP

Our whole life, we are discerning where God is calling us. Come and see how you can discern if God is calling you to the religious life, marriage, or single life. Next meeting is Sun., July 1 at 6:30pm in Mercy Hall. Come and see where God is calling you. Informal meeting with lots of info.

INDEPENDENCE DAY PICNIC

Come join our 4th of July celebration on Wed., July 4th at Noon in Mercy Hall. Call (908) 454-9880 to make reservations, and leave your name and phone number.

K. OF C. BREAKFAST

Please note that the Knights of Columbus will not be holding their monthly breakfasts in July or August. The next breakfast will be held on Sun., September 9th.

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION PICTURES

First Communion and Confirmation pictures are available to be picked up at the Church Office during regular office hours.

“COULD YOU NOT WATCH ONE HOUR WITH ME?”

LIFE = Noise, deadlines, demands & confusion;
ADORATION = God's love and peace, holding you in His arms; **GOD COMES TO US IN THE SILENCE!**
Eucharistic Adoration hours currently in need:
Tuesdays at 8am, Wednesdays at 5pm, Fridays at Noon, 4pm, 6pm & 10pm, Saturdays at 10am & 4pm, and Sundays at 3pm & 4pm...or an hour of your choice and/or on our Substitute List. Phone Camille at (908) 387-0001.

CCD REGISTRATION

We are now registering students for our CCD program for the 2018-2019 school year. All children attending public school grades 1-8 must attend CCD in order to receive First Communion and/or Confirmation at the proper time. If you have a student who needs to be registered, please pick up a form at the Church Office and return it as soon as possible. Or call the Church Office, and a form will be sent to you.

LEGION OF MARY LIBRARY BOOK OF THE MONTH:

June is the month of the Sacred Heart. There are wonderful book selections available at Legion of Mary Library, which is open every Sunday (excluding holidays) in Mercy Hall from after 9am Mass to 10:45am with a selection of religious books and videos.

BIBLE STUDY

Stay after the 12:10pm Mass on Tuesday afternoons in the sanctuary for an exciting tour of the Scriptures: Listen to the Prophets, walk with Jesus through the Gospels, travel with the Apostles to the early Churches, and learn to live the faith through the Word of life!

PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE HOME VISITATION

The Legion of Mary is scheduling home visitation of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue. Two members bring the statue and say opening prayers and rosary with you for your intentions. At the end of the week, concluding prayers are said and members bring the statue to the next home. Our Lady's visit is a special time of grace. Call Camille at (908) 319-2719 or Mary Ann at (732) 539-4592 or sign up on the clipboard in the Church vestibule.

CATHOLIC SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

Learn to see the spiritual way through life's circumstances in family, individual, and marriage. You're never alone. As we journey through life, we journey in communion with others. For help discerning God's path for you, please make an appointment with Dr. Tim Gahles by calling the Church Office (908-454-0112).

BUS TRIP TO BENEFIT SSPJ SCHOOL

A bus trip to The Feast of San Gennaro, New York City's Little Italy, will take place on Fri., September 14, 2018. Bus leaves SSPJ School parking lot on Roseberry Street at 11:00am for NYC and will return to Phillipsburg leaving NYC at 6pm. Cost is \$47.00, and includes transportation, driver gratuity, and snacks. Call Saints Philip & James School for reservations (908-859-1244). Proceeds benefit SSPJ School.

TEACHING POSITIONS AVAILABLE

We are currently hiring for Pre-K 2 and 3 year old programs, as well as grade 2. Certification and clearances required. Please contact (908) 859-1244 for additional information.

SSPJ SCHOOL YARD SALE

We are currently accepting gently used items for our upcoming yard sale taking place in August. Volunteers are also needed to help sort items. Please contact the main office (908-859-1244) if you are available to help.

GIFT CARDS ARE FOR SALE!

Gift cards are for sale! They are available for various stores throughout the area. They are no additional cost to purchase, and help support the school greatly. Please consider purchasing these after Mass!

SUMMER CAMPS AT SSPJ SCHOOL

Looking for summer camps for your children? Look no further! We have camps for a variety of ages and all different interests. Camp Olympics will be taking place July 23-27 for Kindergarten through grade 3. Inspired by the real Olympics, this camp will encourage team work and promote agility. Infinity and Beyond, presented by Mad Science, will be taking place the week of July 9th for Kindergarten through grade 5. This camp promises to wow with exciting demonstrations and spectacular hands-on projects. Interested in learning more theatrics, we have a Theatre Camp taking place July 16-27 for grades 3-8. Join us for an exciting adventure into the world of theatre and musical theatre! Be sure to call the school (908-859-1244) for additional information on registering for these respective camps. Move fast...these camps will sell out!

FORMED...A GREAT WAY TO LEARN ABOUT YOUR FAITH!

FORMED is a collection of Catholic Bible studies, talks, movies, and other programs for people who want to learn more about their Catholic Faith. Anyone in our parish can access it by following three simple steps: (1) Google formed.org. (2) Scroll down to where it asks if your parish already subscribes and indicate yes. It will ask you to enter your parish code, which is GMKZ4Q (all capitals). (3) You will then be asked to set up your own account by establishing your own password. After that, you should be in!

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Why not take the opportunity this summer to enrich your marriage? A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held July 20-22. Early registration is advisable as space is limited. For registration and information, call (732) 904-9636.

ARE YOU SUFFERING AFTER AN ABORTION?

Help is available! If you or someone you know is suffering after an abortion, confidential, non-judgmental help is available! Experience God's merciful love and begin the journey of healing: Call Project Rachel's local toll-free helpline number: 877-877-4300 or visit www.HopeAfterAbortion.org. Spanish-speakers may visit www.EsperanzaPosaborto.org. Or call Sisters of Life at 866-575-0075 or email: hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org.

24-HOUR PRAYER LINE

Our Diocesan Office for Persons with Disabilities has a 24-hour prayer line for those who desire prayers for any need. If you, a family member or friend would like to be remembered in prayer temporarily or permanently, please call us and leave a detailed message at (732) 765-6432 or email us at catholicswithdisabilities@gmail.com for more information.

4-DAY WALKING PILGRIMAGE

Ss. Peter & Paul Church, Great Meadows, NJ, will host a spiritual 4-day Walking Pilgrimage on August 9-12 from their church in NJ to Our Lady of Czestochowa Shrine in Doylestown, PA. Walkers range from infants to people well into their 70's. You may join our spiritual trip any day of the journey and for as many days as you wish. Register by mail before July 31st for the discounted prices. More information can be found on www.walkingpilgrimage.us or call (908) 637-4269.

FOOD FOR THE NEEDY

Need to lose a few pounds? Give your food to the poor! Remember – "Food for the Needy" Collection – First Sunday of each month.

● MINISTRY ●

July 7/8, 2018
SATURDAY EVENING

4:30pm

Acolyte: Colin Lavigne
Ministers: Denise Kassick & Kevin Kassick; C1 – William Casey, C2 – Margie Markus, C3 – Timothy Gahles, C4 – Thomas Casey
Lector: Lisa DeGerolamo
Servers: Aidan Lavigne & Anthony Ventura & KJ Kassick

SUNDAY MORNING

7:00am

Acolyte: Mark Zgoda
Ministers: Mary Duaine & Barbara Balas
Lector: Judy Leone
Servers: Sebastian Mendoza & Julian Mendoza

9:00am

Acolyte: Daniel Perez
Ministers: William Hillhouse & Sharon Hillhouse; C1 – Geraldine Lagrimas, C2 – Valerie Lusardi, C3 – Joseph Lusardi, C4 – Kelly Perna
Lector: Henrietta Schupper
Servers: Gavin Hayes & Aiden Hayes & Riley Perna

11:00am

Acolyte: Jason Divinagracia
Ministers: Samuel Fatta & Mario Madawela; C1 – Karen Juliano, C2 – Elizabeth Divinagracia, C3 – Mary Brogan, C4 – Paul Juliano
Lector: Theresa Duaine
Servers: Michael Juliano & Jack Juliano

5:30pm

Acolyte: Joseph Stolte
Minister: Michael Clark
Lector: Ruth Clark
Servers: Tiago Aversa & Brett Bruckman

NURSING HOME TEAMS

Lopatcong Care Center

7/1/18 – Roger DiVittorio & Tim Gahles
7/8/18 – No Service (Independence Day)

Brakeley Care Center

7/1/18 – Mary Brogan & Judy Leone
7/8/18 – No Service (Independence Day)

Phillipsburg Care Center

7/1/18 – Mary Duaine & Maureen Speer
7/8/18 – No Service (Independence Day)

● MASSES FOR THE WEEK ●

SUNDAY, JULY 1

7:00 – Jack Nehila by Wife
 9:00 – Marjorie Dalrymple by Carol, Vic & Melissa Lupi
 11:00 – Theresa Rovi by Bob & Dee Ellwood
 1:00 (SP) – For the People
 5:30pm – Josephine Payawal by Speer Family

MONDAY, JULY 2

6:45 – Fr. Robert Emmett Burke (A)
 8:00 – William Mahar by Ella & Adam Lokitis
 12:10 – Jim Lucas by Richard & Kathleen Hoag

TUESDAY, JULY 3

6:45 – Marie Mastronardi by David Macrini
 8:00 – Elfrieda & Jacob Pergosky by Theresa & Al Richey
 12:10 – Betty Hummell by Martha Richline

WEDNESDAY, JULY 4 (INDEPENDENCE DAY)

6:45 – Armida Nuneviller by Sr. Gloria
 8:00 – M/M Edwin J. Goodwin, Jr. by Rosemary Carnali
 9:00 – Marjorie Dalrymple by Carol, Vic & Melissa Lupi
 12:10 – No Mass

THURSDAY, JULY 5

6:45 – Marie Therese Fontos by Juliette Bonheur
 8:00 – Sr. Marian Bishop by Eileen Catalli & Family
 12:10 – Agnes Peterson Wilson by Children

FRIDAY, JULY 6

6:45 – Bernard A. Bladies by Peter J. Piperata
 8:00 – Deceased Members of Biondi Family by Gloria & Anna Marie Cervasi
 12:10 – Pat Picione by Queen of Peace Curia

SATURDAY, JULY 7

7:00 – Joseph J. Janci by Joseph Janci
 8:00 – Jack Finegan by Family
 4:30pm – Kay Weaver by Children & Grandchildren

SUNDAY, JULY 8

7:00 – Matthew Kingfield by Bob & Dee Ellwood
 9:00 – Janet Indorato by SSPJ School Advisory Council
 11:00 – CJ Koop by M/M Daniel Starosciak
 1:00 (SP) – For the People
 5:30pm – Santa & Sal Caroprese by Children

● CALENDAR ●

1 - JULY - 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time "Food for the Needy" Collection

1:00pm-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 6:30 - MH - Discernment Group Mtg.

2 - Monday

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 7:00 - HFC - Novena (Day 3)
 7:30 - MH - K. of C. Mtg.

3 - Tuesday

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 9:00 - MH - Legion of Mary
 6:00 - CH/Flynn's - No Serra Club Mass/Mtg.
 7:00 - HFC - Cenacles of Life
 7:00 - CH - Hispanic Ministry
 7:30 - MH - Boy Scout Troop Mtg.

4 - Wednesday - Independence Day

Masses: 6:45am, 8am, 9am

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 12:00 - MH - Parish Independence Day Picnic
 1:00 - MH - No Over 50's Club Mtg./Social
 7:00 - HFC - Flame of Love Devotions (Holy Rosary)
 7:00 - PMR - No Charismatic Prayer Group Mtg.

5 - Thursday - St. Anthony Zaccaria

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 5:30 - MH - Legion of Mary
 7:00 - HFC - Blue Army
 7:00 - MH - Bingo

6 - Friday - St. Maria Goretti

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 6:30-8:30 - OUR - Youth Group Mtg.

7 - Saturday

8:30 - HFC - First Saturday Devotion
 8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 9:00 - CH - Confession
 11:00 - HFC - Cenacles of Life
 3:15-4:15 - CH - Confession
 7:00 - MH - Bingo

8 - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1:00pm-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 2:30 - CH - Baptism Ceremony

Stewardship of Treasure

June 24, 2018: \$11,521.00

Sisters of Mercy/McAuley Hall: \$3,033.00

Parish Capital Campaign

Total Pledged as of 6/1/18: \$1,470,348.00

Total Collected as of 6/1/18: \$418,417.64

Have you considered on-line giving?

If interested in signing up for on-line giving, please go to:

<https://spsj.churchgiving.com>

MASS CELEBRANTS FOR JULY 7/8, 2018

4:30pm – Fr. John
 7:00am – Fr. Leo
 9:00am – Fr. Pat
 11:00am – Fr. John
 1:00pm (SP) – Fr. Leo
 5:30pm – Fr. Tom