

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,
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Saints Philip and James School

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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.

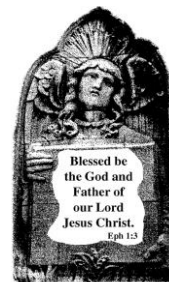
HOLY MASS

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



15th Sunday in Ordinary Time + July 15, 2018

● FOR YOUR INFORMATION ●

FROM FR. JOHN'S DESK...

I am happy to announce that our Bishop will celebrate the 11 AM Mass in our Church next Sunday, July 22. Bishop Checchio likes to visit the parishes of our diocese for Sunday Mass, and I am happy he will be with us next Sunday. It is a good way for him to get to know our community and its wonderful people.

From the earliest times, Christians made a great effort to attend Masses celebrated by their Bishop. St. Ignatius of Antioch, a priest and bishop from Syria who was martyred for his faith in the early 100's, encouraged people to gather with their bishop for the Eucharistic celebration. The priests and people, gathered around their bishop, was (and still is) a visible sign of the unity of the Church.

For us today, the Bishop is one of our clearest links to the universal Church. Bishop Checchio was sent to us by Pope Francis, whom he knows personally from the days when our bishop was rector of a seminary in Rome.

Our bishop also connects us back to Jesus and the apostles through the apostolic succession. Just as the Pope is the successor to St. Peter, so each bishop is a successor to the apostles. In other words – if you go back to the Bishop who consecrated Bishop Checchio, then to the Bishop who consecrated that Bishop, and so on and so on back through Church history, you will eventually arrive at one of the Apostles!

For all these reasons, I encourage everyone who can to attend the 11 AM Mass next week. I know it's the middle of summer and all that – but we should not take lightly an opportunity to celebrate Holy Mass with our Bishop. Let's be sure to really fill the Church so that Bishop Checchio can meet and pray with the largest possible cross section of our community!

In addition to this good news, I am also happy to announce that Bishop Checchio has assigned a seminarian, David Keyes, to join our parish for the remainder of the summer. David is transferring to our diocese from one in the Midwest. I will let him tell you more about himself next week and know we will make him feel at home here in P'burg.

I had a very quiet Fourth of July this year – which was fine with me! But last Saturday evening I went to my sister Natalie's home for a birthday party. We were celebrating the 21st birthday of my niece, Catherine Frances (whom we call Cate). A lot of family and friends were there, and we all had a good time.

Seeing my niece turn 21 reminds me of how time flies! Indeed, it's hard to believe that the summer is almost half over. Let's be sure to use well the time God gives us – for prayer and good works – while we can.

Please say a Hail Mary for me today – and every day. Know that I pray for you daily. Let's also say a prayer for all those suffering from poverty, violence, and the chaos which seems to infiltrate so many lives these days. Let's also pray for peace!

Have a great week!
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.

We are so proud to share that three former Saints alumni, Caitlin Hayes, Neve Hayes and Emma Anmolsingh, went on a service/learning mission to the Dominican Republic this past week. They were volunteering at the Environmental Institute in Jarabacoa. They worked hard on several projects at the institute, which promotes environmental awareness and sustainability. They are wonderful ambassadors for their families, their schools, and their church. It is great to be a Saint!!!

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

7/19 – S. Behme, F. Zelada-Romero, L. DeGerolamo, C. Piccolo; **7/21** – E. Lavigne, C. Franceschino, B. Miller, G. Siano

SCAPULAR INVESTITURE

Scapular Investiture, sponsored by the Legion of Mary, will be on Sun., July 15, 2018 after the 9am Mass. *On July 16, 1251, the Blessed Virgin appeared to St. Simon Stock giving him a scapular saying "Receive, my beloved son, this scapular. Whosoever dies wearing this scapular shall not suffer eternal fire...it shall be a sign of salvation, a protection in danger and a pledge of peace."*

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY!

Recently we welcomed into our Parish Family through the Sacrament of Baptism: EFRAIN ARIAS, son of Baudilio Arias & Vielka Morales; GABRIELLE FERNANDA QUESADA, daughter of M/M Luis E. Quesada; ELDER ERNESTO BLANCO PORTILLO & MARJORIE YESSENIA BLANCO PORTILLO, children of Elder Blanco & Darelly Portillo; HEIDI COATL, daughter of Tomas Coatle Serrano & Marilu Vasquez Munoz; ABBIE MARIE ARREOLA, daughter of Jesus Arreola & Elizabeth Quetel

DISCERNMENT GROUP

Where is God calling you? Deacon Matthew Marinelli will be coming to our next Discernment Meeting on Sun., July 15th at 6:30pm in Mercy Hall, to talk about his call to the Priesthood. Come and see if God is calling you to the priesthood, married, or single life. It is very informal with lots of info.

“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:
Mondays at 8pm, Tuesdays at 8am and Noon,
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:

Legion of Mary Library has a wonderful selection of books on Popes. Come in on Sundays (excluding holidays) in Mercy Hall from after 9am Mass to 10:45am.

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!

SSPJ FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL

We need your help! Saints Philip & James School is currently hard at work on our next fundraiser – a Food Truck Festival! In order for this event to be a success, we need your help in planning the event. If you are interested in assisting with this event, please contact Mrs. Kucinski at (908) 859-1244.

THANK YOU!

The Blessing in the Bag Ministry would like to thank everyone who made donations recently. We also would like to thank everyone who made a monetary donation, as we were able to purchase much needed shoes. God Bless!

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 the 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. We will be accepting donations from 8:00am-Noon, Monday through Friday. Volunteers are also needed to help sort items. Please call the main office (908-859-1244) if you are available to help.

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. 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.

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!

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!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES CHRISTMAS IN JULY SALE

Start your Christmas shopping early! The Thrift Store (operated by Catholic Charities) is hosting a "Christmas in July" sale from July 2-31. This always popular sale will consist of holiday-themed items at bargain prices. The Thrift Store is located at 383 South Main Street in Phillipsburg, and is open from 10am to 4pm, M-F. Phone number is (908) 760-6522. The Thrift Store will also accept donations of Christmas items during this time. Tax Receipts provided. Proceeds from the Thrift Store sales benefit low-income and homeless families and individuals, regardless of religious affiliation. Don't miss out!

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.

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION HELPLINE

The Alzheimer's Association's 24/7 Helpline is available 365 days a year with translation services in over 160 languages. Trained specialists will provide: support and coping strategies, information and resources, research updates, and access to all Core Programs. Turn to us...the leading authority in dementia education, support, and research for over 30 years! Please call the 24/7 Helpline at 800-272-3900 or email www.alz.org/nj.

FOOD FOR THE NEEDY

"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give." – Winston Churchill. Please give generously. Remember – "Food for the Needy" Collection – First Sunday of each month.

● MINISTRY ●

July 21/22, 2018
SATURDAY EVENING

4:30pm

Acolyte: Colin Lavigne
Ministers: Dorothy Kays & Robert Ellwood; C1 – Roger DiVittorio, C2 – Timothy Gahles, C3 – Margie Markus, C4 – William Casey
Lector: Mary O'Sullivan
Servers: Chiazam Odinna & Aidan Lavigne & Russell Pantuso

SUNDAY MORNING

7:00am

Acolyte: Timothy Halm
Ministers: Mary Duaiame & Judy Leone
Lector: Susan Gerhardt
Servers: Lauren Rautenberg & Cole Rautenberg

9:00am

Acolyte: Daniel Perez
Ministers: Ines Berluche & Anne Coyle; C1 – Eileen Catalli, C2 – Eileen Kerrigan, C3 – Matthew Markus, C4 – Lynn Markus
Lector: Theresa Duaiame
Servers: Cael Troxell & Grace Troxell & Kiernan Lopez

11:00am

Acolyte: Lianna Krouse
Ministers: Karen Llanos & Mario Madawela; C1 – Kevin Kassick, C2 – Mary Brogan, C3 – Maureen Speer, C4 – Denise Kassick
Lector: Gerard Llanos
Servers: Ricky Krouse, KJ Kassick, Alexander Brahm, Michael Juliano & Jack Juliano

5:30pm

Acolyte: Raenna Allen
Minister: Allison Frasca
Lector: Ryanne Bigelli
Servers: Lacey Allen & Luciana Perna

NURSING HOME TEAMS

Lopatcong Care Center

7/15/18 – Eileen Kerrigan & Samuel Fatta

7/22/18 – Pat James & Allison Frasca

Brakeley Care Center

7/15/18 – Michael & Ruth Clark

7/22/18 – Timothy Gahles & Barbara Shaneberger

Phillipsburg Care Center

7/15/18 – Mary Duaiame & Maureen Speer

7/22/18 – Geraldine Lagrimas & Patricia Palazzo

● **MASSES FOR THE WEEK** ●

SUNDAY, JULY 15

7:00 – Jimmy Richline by Mother
 9:00 – Kenneth Dugan by Cheryl Kachala
 11:00 – Matt Kingfield by Jim Sciascia
 1:00 (SP) – For the People
 5:30pm – Gerard Ferrari by M/M Daniel Starosciak

MONDAY, JULY 16

6:45 – Helen Casey by Volk Family
 8:00 – Deceased Members of Anthony Marina Family by Family
 12:10 – Betty Hummell by Bud & Sue Woolf

TUESDAY, JULY 17

6:45 – Ken Dugan by Zecchino Family
 8:00 – Charles Harrison by Ann Nicolosi Foose
 12:10 – Joe & Vesta Kiss by Sister

WEDNESDAY, JULY 18

6:45 – DeRoma Family by Patricia Clarke
 8:00 – Michael Maher by Figler Family
 12:10 – Pat Picione by Morning Angels

THURSDAY, JULY 19

6:45 – Bernadette Pavkovic by Frank Sciabica
 8:00 – Samuel Indorato by Family
 12:10 – John Natisin by Dr. Bob Emery

FRIDAY, JULY 20

6:45 – Joseph Engrassia by Marianne & Richard Utzat
 8:00 – Sr. Loretta O'Reilly by Eileen Catali
 12:10 – Cheryl & Richard Rutt

SATURDAY, JULY 21

7:00 – Mary Jane Knauth (A) by Family
 8:00 – Marie Therese Fontos by Juliette Bonheur
 4:30pm – Peg Brotzman by Children & Grandchildren

SUNDAY, JULY 22

7:00 – Richard Souders by Jim & Greg Sciascia
 9:00 – Mary & Carmine Angelozzi by Family
 11:00 – Michael & Margaret Hurley by Family
 1:00 (SP) – For the People
 5:30pm – Anna & Thomas Shaneberger by M/M Daniel Starosciak

● **CALENDAR** ●

15 - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
"Adopt-A-Missionary" Collection

10:00 - CH - Scapular Investiture
 1:00pm-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 2:30 - CH - Baptism Ceremony
 6:30 - MH - Discernment Group Mtg.

16 - Monday - Our Lady of Mount Carmel

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 7:00 - HFC - Novena (Day 5)
 7:00 - MH - 4th Degree K. of C. Mtg.
 7:30 - MH - K. of C. Mtg.

17 - Tuesday

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 9:00 - MH - Legion of Mary
 6:00 - CH/Flynn's - Serra Club Mass/Mtg.
 7:00 - HFC - Cenacles of Life
 7:00 - CH - Hispanic Ministry
 730 - MH - Boy Scout Troop Mtg.

18 - Wednesday - St. Camillus de Lellis

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 7:00 - HFC - Flame of Love Devotions (Holy Rosary)
 7:00 - MH - Parish Calendar Mtg.
 7:00 - PMR - No Charismatic Prayer Group Mtg.

19 - Thursday

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

20 - Friday - St. Apollinaris

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

21 - Saturday - St. Lawrence of Brindisi

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration
 9:00 - CH - Confession
 9:30 - MH - Legion of Mary Curia
 11:00 - HFC - Cenacles of Life
 3:15-4:15 - CH - Confession
 7:00 - MH - Bingo

22 - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Stewardship of Treasure

July 1, 2018: \$13,399.50
 July 8, 2018: \$11,508.00
 June's On-line Donations: \$7,598.50

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 21/22, 2018

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