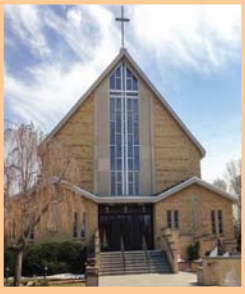
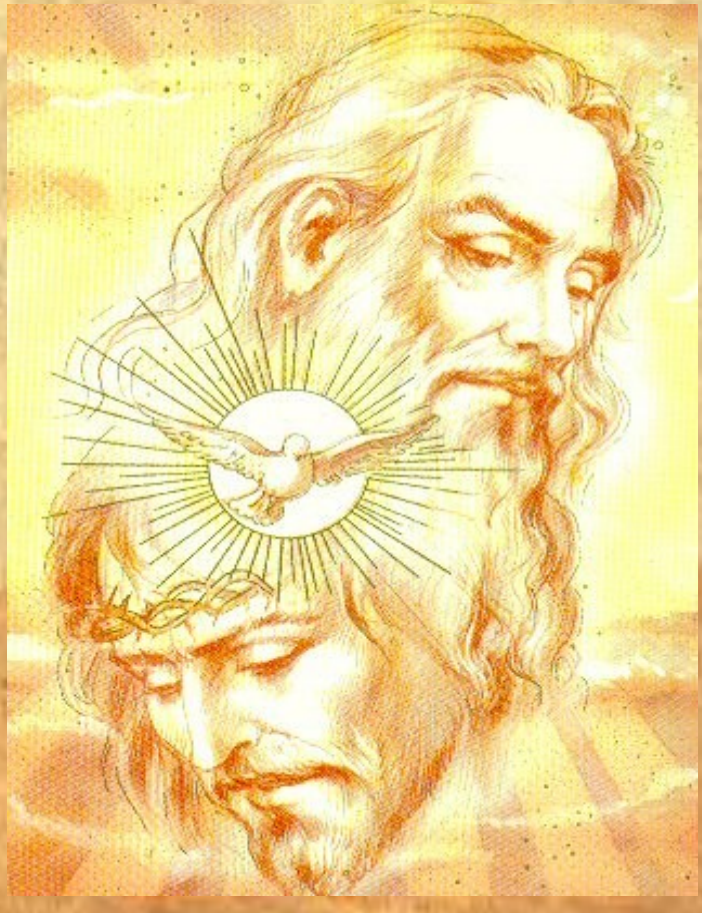


The Most Holy Trinity
June 11, 2017



"The grace of the Lord Jesus Chris t and the love of God

And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you"

2 Corinthians 13:14

"With Philip & James we pray to live lives worthy of the call to be Apostles of Hope"

Daily Mass: 7:30am and 9:15 am

Saturday 5pm Sunday: 8am 10 am 12noon

The Parish of Saints Philip and James
One Carow Place, St. James, NY 11780
631-584-5454

Parish Center Office Hours: Monday to Thursday, 9 am to 8 pm
Friday: 9am-5pm Saturday: 10 am – 2pm Sunday: 10am-2pm
Phone: 631-584-5454 Fax: 631-862-9675

Pastoral Team

Father Tom Haggerty	Pastor
Father Patrick Osei-Poku	Associate Pastor
Deacon Ronald Blasius	Deacon
Deacon John Keenan	Deacon
Deacon Ken Maher	Deacon
Margaret Adams	Director of Music
Elizabeth Wittish, OFS	Director of Parish Social Ministry
Virginia Portanova	Business Manager
John Cordes	Director of Facilities
Charlotte Czujko	Religious Education Coordinator Grades1-2
Barbara Luna	Religious Education Coordinator Grades 3-6
Dominick Avento	Religious Education Coordinator Grades 7-8
Suzanne Fitzgibbon	Religious Education Administrator
Frank Brancaccio	Youth Minister
Elizabeth Calvano	Director Camp SSPJ

Pastoral Council & Trustees

Rita Byrne, Claire DiCarlo, Chris Donnelly, Ryan Doyle, Richard Frazita, Lou Guerra, Cynthia Lombardi, Martin Marut, Ann Mondrone, Mary Ann Pose, Noel Rannazzisi, Tom Sica, Robert Thompson

Trustees

Jerry Linder * Tina Cafaro

SSPJ School—Principal Ruth E. Testa

School Phone : 631-584-7896 School Fax: 631-584-3258

Sacraments

Baptism– *Celebrated twice per month. Parents are asked to register at the Pastoral Center for Pre-Baptism Program.*

Marriage-*Couples are asked to contact the Pastoral Center before visiting the reception hall. The Marriage Preparation process is nine months before your proposed wedding date.*

Confirmation-*Seventh and Eighth grade students are prepared to celebrate through Religious Ed or SSPJ School. Adults prepare through RCIA.*

Reconciliation– *Available Saturdays from 4:00pm-5:00pm in the Church or by contacting the Parish Center for an appointment.*

Anointing of the Sick– *In case of serious, unexpected illness, please contact the Parish Center office to arrange for a Priest to pray with the person who is ill. Anointing of the Sick is held on the first Sunday of the month following the 12:00mass please see the Sacristan before mass.*

R.C.I.A– *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (non-Catholic adults desiring to become Catholic) are asked to contact the Parish*

Father Tom's Letter

Dear Friends,

Today we celebrate Trinity Sunday. The Trinity – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. A central mystery of our faith. How can we explain the mystery of the Trinity? The simple answer is, "We can't." The feast doesn't pose a problem to be solved; but a mystery to be celebrated–the mystery of God's wonderful ways of interacting with us.

Fr. Jude Siciliano, OP, writes:

> *In 2 Corinthians Paul encourages the community, "to mend your ways." He instructs them to live together in love and peace. His concern is for the unity of the church community. He knows well the dissension among those Corinthians, the barricades between rich and poor, old timers and newcomers. On their own they could never reflect the peace and unity he wants for the community of believers. But grace can make it possible and so he prays, "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you."*
>
> *Our church today has the same human tensions Paul observed among the Christians in Corinth. So, as we hear his prayer, we pray it for ourselves. Who is this God Paul preachers and calls upon to bless the divided Corinthians? Paul clearly believes that our triune God loves us, freely graces us in Jesus and, through the Holy Spirit, is the source of our communion with each other.*

What wonderful thoughts to reflect on as we continue to grow as Apostles of Hope. God loved our parish into existence, graces us with Jesus, and through the Holy Spirit is the source of our communion with each other. The Trinity has truly blessed our parish and each one of us. And the blessings continue.

Congratulations to all who are celebrating graduations! Whether it's from pre-school, high school, college, graduate school or anywhere in between, may God continue to bless and guide your journeys. Congratulations to those who graduate this Friday from our own SSPJ School! Rooted in God's love and wisdom, go forth to witness, share and enjoy!

For all who placed beautiful flowers and plants before the lovely painting of Our Lady, thankyou. We will no longer be placing flowers or plants in the area where once this lovely painting was displayed. We are so grateful to Richard Frazita for sharing this wonderful artwork with us.

It's wonderful to have Fr. Leo back with us for the summer. Might there be an Apostle of Hope who might have a car which Fr. Leo could use for these months? If so, please call the Parish Center. (584-5454)

And...

While creating husbands, God promised women that good and ideal husbands would be found in all corners of the world.
Then God made the earth round.
That God is such a kidder!

Peace,

Father Tom

Apostles: We Who Are Sent...Hope: God's constant gift of new possibilities

CMA UPDATE!!!! THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!
WE ARE ALMOST AT OUR GOAL!!
99.2% CAN YOU PLEASE HELP US REACH 100%???

The Catholic Ministries Appeal provides funding for important programs, services, and ministries that strengthen our entire Church.

In order to reach our parish **goal of $122,500**, we need the support of all.

In the spirit of generosity, please prayerfully consider your gift to this year's **Catholic Ministries Appeal**.

We would like to thank the **372 parishioners who have responded** to this drive.

Their **pledges and contributions of $121,478.** have enabled us to achieve **99.2% of our goal**.

Through a 20% Parish Rebate, when our parish reaches our appeal goal of $122, 500, we will receive a parish rebate of $24, 500.

Visit: www.DRVC.org - Catholic Ministries Appeal

Pastoral Council Nominations

From the Pastoral Council

NOMINATIONS FOR THE PASTORAL COUNCIL

Saints Philip and James Parish is truly alive with many faith-filled programs and activities, ministering to the many needs of the people of this community. However, there is more to parish life than filling the calendar with activities. A parish needs to be aware of a larger vision, a vision that stems from the Gospel of Jesus and is responsive to the tradition of our Catholic Church. From this vision comes a clearer sense of our own particular mission, which is to be carried out in Saint Philip and James Church; with Philip and James, we pray to live lives worth of the call to be Apostles of Hope.

Our Pastoral Council is made up of the Pastor, ten parishioners, two appointed youth group leaders and the two parish trustees. Terms for parishioners are for three years and the youth group members are for one year selected by the Youth Minister. Each member should be an active, believing member who has a sense of responsibility for all parishioners, not just for one particular group or segment within the parish. Members should possess an enthusiasm about future directions of the parish, be open to new ideas and come with a willingness to listen, speak honestly and work towards a common goal. Meetings occur seven times throughout the calendar year (September through May/June).

Process of Nomination:

*Two members of the council will be stepping down as their term expires; two vacancies are needed to Be fulfilled.
*If nominating a fellow parishioner, please submit the person's name and contact information. Individual nominations are accepted if you feel so called by the Lord.
*Please fill out the form below in its entirety.
*All nomination forms should be placed in an envelope with the attention of the Pastoral Council Chair and submitted to the Rectory Office as soon as possible.
*Deadline to submit is Sunday June 7, 2017.
*The chair of the council will contact the nominees to see if they are willing to serve.
*The Pastoral Council will meet in June to see which two nominees would best bring about a balance In the overall makeup of the council so that all interests and age groups of the parish are fairly represented.

Detach this form and place in an envelope marked to the attention of Pastoral Council Chair. Thank You!
I believe the following parishioner is suited for service on the Pastoral Council:

_____

Contact Phone and E-mail of Nominee: _____

Please offer reasons for your recommendation (please use back of the sheet if needed more space):

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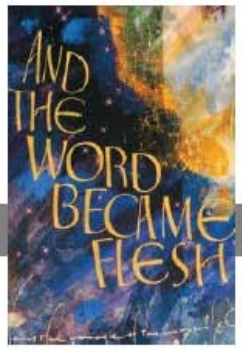
Fortnight for Freedom 2017
Freedom for Mission
June 21 – July 4

Catholics for Freedom of Religion
Preserving Religious Liberty For All

OPENING OF 2017 FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM

The Joy of the Gospel
Visio Divina – Seeing the Word
Meditation, illuminations, scripture and Benediction in thanksgiving for God's Word



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

6:00pm - Preview of St. John's Bible
7:00pm - Visio Divina - Seeing the Word

St. Bernard's Church 3100 Hempstead Tpke Levittown 11756

Organized by the St. Bernard's Chapter of Catholics for Freedom of Religion

MASS CELEBRATING THE 2017 FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM: FREEDOM FOR MISSION

Bishop Robert J. Brennan - Celebrant

SUNDAY, JUNE 25, 12:30PM

St. Agnes Cathedral 29 Quealy Place Rockville Centre 11570

ROSARY & RALLY FOR RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

Bishop John O. Barres - Keynote Speaker

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

6:00pm - Public Witness Rosary in front of auditorium facing Newbridge Rd.
7:00pm - Fortnight Rally for Religious Freedom in auditorium *Light refreshments served following program*

Holy Trinity High School 98 Cherry Lane Hicksville 11801

SSPJ Parish Calendar For The Week of June 11th, 2017

Sunday, June 11th, 2017

7:45am	Guild Car Raffle Sale	School Lobby
8:30am	KOC Hospitality Sunday	Auditorium
10:00am	Children's Liturgy of the Word	Church
1:00pm	Stained Glass Club	Stained Glass Rm
7:00pm	AA Meeting	Monte Building

Monday , June 12th, 2017

1:15pm	SSPJ Senior Group	Philip & James Room
3:00pm	Girl Scout Meeting	Philip & James Room
6:30pm	Youth Leader Training	Cantina
7:00pm	Boy Scout Troup 7 Meeting	Auditorium
7:00pm	Circle of Women	Church

Tuesday, June 13th , 2017:

1:30pm	Spirit of Love Prayer Group	Prayer Rm in Church
7:00pm	St. Monica Prayer Meeting	Cantina
7:30pm	Boy Scout Leadership Meeting	Monte Building
7:30pm	Respect Life Meeting	Cantina

Wednesday, June 14th, 2017:

10:00am	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Philip & James Room
7:00pm	Youth Ministry	Trailer Room

Thursday, June 15th, 2017:

10:00am	Yoga	Philip & James Rm.
2:00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
6:00pm	Jr. Catholic Daughter's Meeting	Philip & James Rm

Friday, June 16th, 2017:

1:00pm	8th Grade Graduation	Church
7:00pm	AA Meeting	Monte Building
8:00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Church

Saturday, June 17th, 2017:

10:00am	Stained Glass Club	Stained Glass Wkshop
4:45pm	Guild Car Raffle Sales	School Lobby

Please join your fellow parishioners on TUESDAY MORNING JUNE 13TH at the St Bernadette statue (outside the rectory weather permitting – inside the church if raining) to pray the rosary and sing to Mary in remembrance of her apparitions to the children of Fatima.

We will MEET AFTER THE 7:30AM MASS.

Second Collection ThisWeekend June 10th and 11th, 2017
Trinity Dome Collection

The Trinity Dome is the central and largest dome of the Basilica of The National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington DC.

The Bishops of the United States approved a special one-time second collection for the Trinity Dome. Your prayerful and financial support will not only adorn this "Crowning Jewel" and complete Mary's Shrine, but will also leave a lasting legacy for generations to come in this living monument to our Catholic faith and heritage that is America's Catholic Church.

Weekly Collection:
Sunday, June 4th, 2017

Sunday Collection: $14,802.
Faith Direct: $3,823.
Children's Jug: $ 55.
Communications: $53.
Total Collection: $18,733.

Many thanks for your generous support of Sts. Philip & James

Wedding Banns

First
Theodore Wojcik -SSPJ
To
Lisa Sorrentino -SSPJ

First
Jonathan Joseph Imbriana -Infant Jesus, PJ
To
Erica Lyn n Tremano -SSPJ

Second
Ryan McNamara -St. Patricks-Smithtown
To
Julia Krukowski -SSPJ

Third
Daniel Settoducato -SSPJ
To
Ashley Furia -St. Anthony of Padua, Rocky Point

Circle of Women

"Come Holy Spirit"

Presented by:
Kathleen Andersen
and Tina Cafaro

Monday June 12th, 2017 • 7:00 to 8:30 in Church

FAITH DIRECT®
inspiring secure giving®

For all of our Parishioners who utilize Faith Direct to make their contributions to SSPJ, three additional categories have been added to the Faith Direct contributory list:

Snow Removal, Air Conditioning, Heating Costs

If you wish to help defray these costs, you can make changes in your giving through Faith Direct by:

- Logging into your account online via **www.faithdirect.net**
- Calling *Faith Direct* customer service toll-free at 866-507-8757
- Emailing *Faith Direct* at info@faithdirect.net
- Chatting with a *Faith Direct* customer service representative online at www.faithdirect.net
- Link into *Faith Direct* via our website **sspj.org**

For anyone who is interested in registering with Faith Direct, you can use the phone number listed above or log into Faith Direct from our own website: sspj.org

Creating a Faith Direct account is simple. You can enroll online or by mail, so you can give to your church in a way that works best for you.

Give to any collection offered by your church; choose your credit/debit card or a bank account for payment. Schedule monthly recurring gifts or make a one-time gift at any time.

User-friendly online system lets you manage all aspects of your account so you are always in control of your donations

And, as always, thank you for your support, as Apostles of Hope, to SSPJ!

Religious Education Department is now Offering ON-LINE REGISTRATION!!!

The Religious Education Office is accepting on-line Registration.
Please visit the Parish website at: **www. sspj.org** and follow the instructions to enroll your child/children into our Religious Education Program for the 2017-2018 school year.

You may register on-line or print the form and return it to the Religious Education Office.

The deadline for registration is June 30th, 2017.

Any family, who is registering a
♦ ♦ ♦ FIRST GRADER
♦ A CHILD NEW TO OUR PARISH
MUST REGISTER IN PERSON AT THE PARISH CENTER .
If your child was not baptized at SSPJ, it will be necessary for you to submit a copy of your child's baptism certificate.
Also, please provide any previous religious education transcripts if your child has attended Religious Education in another parish.

The fees for registration are:
$160.00 for one child
$210.00 for two children
$250.00 for three or more children.
Catechist family fee is $100.00.

Catechist are needed in every grade level. If you are interested, please contact the Religious Education Office at 631-584-3204.

Please note the Religious Education Office's weekly hours are Monday thru Thursday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM the office will be closed on Wednesday, May 31st, Thursday, June 1st, and Friday, June 2nd. If you have any questions please call the office at 631-584-3204

Parish Social Ministry

Please remember our food pantry...

We are in need of just about everything.

Canned meats, Paper Goods,
Low sodium soups,
Laundry detergent, dish soap,
shampoo, conditioner.
Paper goods.

Your kindness is greatly appreciated.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

Please join us for the Catholic Daughters Court Anna Theresa #1074

Garage Sale

Saturday June 24th 9AM ~3PM,

279 Grant Ave, St. James(off of Railroad Avenue)

Proceeds to benefit Catholic Daughters Charities

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL GOLF OUTING: JUNE 12, 2017

IMPORTANT ! DON'T MISS OUT SECURE YOUR PLACE

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

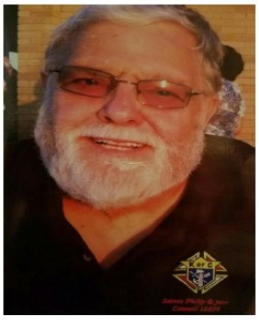
OF ST. PHILIP & JAMES

ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

Honoring Jack Skolnick

Monday June 12 2017

SMITHTOWN LANDING COUNTRY CLUB



FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:

THOMAS SICA
sikachu45@hotmail.com
631-521-4771
Registration 8:30 am
Shotgun tee off 10:00 am
Breakfast sponsored by
Doda's Gold Shield Catering

*NAME*_____

Address _____

Phone _____*E-Mail*_____

*Number of Players*____ *$175.00 per person Total $*_____
(includes Golf Cart, Lunch, Cocktail Hour, Dinner
Dinner only ____ *$75.00 Number attending* _____

Sponsorship:
____ *Dinner Sponsorship @ $1,000 (2) Available*
____ *Lunch Sponsorship @ $500 (2) Available*
____ *Driving Range Sponsorship@ $500 (2) Available*
____ *Tee Signs Sponsorship @$100 each*
_____ *Cart Sponsorship (1) $300*
_____ *Putting Green Sponsorship (4) @ $250 each*
_____ *Pin Flag Sponsorship (18) @ $125 each*

Checks made and mailed to:
Sts. Philp & James KofC Council #12839
P.O Box 201 St. James, NY 11780
For credit card or PayPal visit website:
www.kofcsspj.org

Sponsorship Information:
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Join Us For

Hospitality Sunday

Hosted by the Knights of Columbus

This Weekend!

June 11th, 2017

After the 8am and 10am Masses!

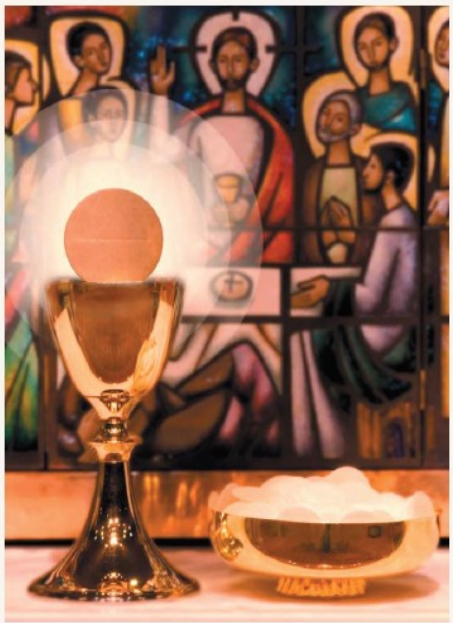
Our Parish has been blessed by the gracious generosity of an anonymous donor who so kindly donated altar cloths to adorn our Altar.

We wish to thank this very special Apostle of Hope who shared their kindness, generosity, and gifts with our Parish Family.

THE MEN'S FORUM

AT THE CHURCH OF SAINTS PHILIP & JAMES

A brotherhood of men dedicated to growing in their faith & discipleship in the Lord Jesus Christ.



MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2017

Closing Liturgy for the 9th Season of the Men's Forum

As is our custom, we close out the year with a Mass of Thanksgiving for all the wisdom, graces and blessings our good God has shared with us as men called to follow Jesus Christ. The Men's Forum is a brotherhood of Catholic men who are dedicated to growing in our faith and discipleship. We seek to become better men of Christian virtue and witness in our families, friendships, Church, and community. *Please join us!*

WHERE: Main Church: North Country Rd., Saint James, NY

6:30 PM: Adoration • 7:30 PM: Mass • 8:30 PM: Coffee & Cake

Come for all, or part of our evening's schedule • No membership required. Open to all men!

For more information, visit our website: www.sspjmensforum.org

CHURCH of SAINTS PHILIP & JAMES

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Mass Intentions, For Week of June 11th,2017

Saturday, June 10th, 2017

5:00pm	Joseph & Concetta Bitetto

Sunday June 11th, 2017

8:00am	John Salomon
10:00am	Joseph Castiglie
12:00noon	Collective Mass& For The People of SSPJ
	Peter Diaz
	Reverend William Murphy
	Fran Toal
	Vita Fratello
	John Lowth

Monday, June 12th, 2017

7:30am	Lorraine Tomori
9:15am	Josephine Spadafino

Tuesday, June 13th, 2017

7:30am	Florence Logan
9:15am	Margaret Castigle

Wednesday, June 14th, 2017

7:30am	Monsignor Guarino
9:15am	Lawrence John Renahan

Thursday, June 15th, 2017

7:30am	Paul J. Czujko
9:15am	Collective Mass:
	Florence Logan
	John Opoku
	Frances Carbonaro(Living)
	Mariam Bradly (Living)
	George Stockerl

Friday, June 16th, 2017

7:30am	Rita Apollaro
9:15am	Clara Fox

Saturday, June 17th, 2017

9:15am	John Blazich
5:00pm	Peter Joseph Loughlin

Sunday, June 18th, 2017

8:00am	Father's Day Novena
10:00am	Father's Day Novena
12:00noon	Father's Day Novena

Keeping You In Our Prayers....

For those who are ill...
John Flemming, Daniel Radice,, Eva Alaimo,
Kitty Cronin, Vivien Cordes Raymond Fox, Joe Alberigo,
Eileen Zink, Louis Giordano, Grace Giordano,
Barbara Bombace ,Karl Walz, Ed Burrows

Our Bread & Wine
For the Week of June 11th, 2017

Are Being Offered In Loving Memory of
Msgr. Tom Mulvanerty
First Anniversary In Heaven
From,
The Hanrahan Family,

Together, we mourn the
passing of,
Carl Accardi
Michael G. DiMeglio
Andrew Schmitt

LCDR. MEGAN M. SHUTKA-VIK, USN
CAPT. WILSON MARKS, USN
CAPTAIN MICHAEL DOLAN, JR.
LT. COL. JOHN KAIRES
SPC. NICOLE A. CANNON
SGM. MICHAEL P. BORRELLI (US ARMY)
CAPT. JOHN TULLY, USN
LT. COL. JAMES TULLY, US ARMY
JOSEPH SAGGIO, USNC
CAPTAIN PAUL WILLMS
STAFF SGT. MICHAEL LONGHENRY
LT. COL. PAUL T. JACKSON,
SR AIRMAN E4 ALEXANDER PARRELLA
RICHARD SOTOMAYER, USAF
SGT. CONNOR F. SCOTT, USMC
LCPL. DANIEL P. STEELE, USMC
SGT. CORY O'HARA USMC
CDR. ROBERT J. MARSH, USN
PFC. CHARLES CHRISTOPHER HOWELL
JOHN VINCENT KNOBLOCH, USMC
STEVEN CAVA, USN
ERIC SEELIN, USMC
CW2 CHRIS MUNZ
CW2 NATASHA WORTMAN
LANCE CORPORAL JAMES T. CASEY, USMC
GREGORY DEVANEY, USMC
SGT. JOSHUA MAHONEY, US ARMY
KEVIN JONES, U.S.C.G.
RICHARD MAIER, U.S.M.C.
PRIVATE JOSHUA OLSEN, USARNG
GLEN CRIMA-U.S. ARMY
PFC. ANTHONY SCIAMETTA
MARIO CATANIA, USMC
RYAN ANTHONY NASCIMENTO, U.S.M.C.

Celebrating the Liturgy- With Grateful Hearts We Serve

PRESIDER SCHEDULE–FOR June 17th & 18th,,2017

Saturday, June 17, 2017 5:00 PM	Sunday, June 18, 2017 8:00 AM MASS	Sunday, June 18, 2017 10:00 AM MASS	Sunday June 18, 2017 12:00 MASS
Father Tom Haggerty	**Father Tom Haggerty**	**Father Leo Praveen**	**Father Leo Praveen**
		Deacon John	**Deacon John**

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS SCHEDULE -FOR June 17th& 18th, 2017

Saturday, June 17, 2017	Sunday, June 18, 2017	Sunday, June 18, 2017	Sunday, June 18, 2017
5:00 PM MASS	**8:00 AM MASS**	**10:OO AM MASS**	**12:00 NOON MASS**
K. Consenz	C. Haff	C. Napolitano	M. Laub
J. Giacalone	W. Haff	G. Patalano	E. Sotomayer
G. Alfano	J. Harvey	L. Patalano	E. Law
I. Arevalo	H. Keenan	N. Rannzzisi	M. Peykar
C. Boyen	M. Kenney	W. Rodriguez	P. Roman
R. Byrne	P. Martin	L. Sisti	P. Agoglia
D. Doran	W. Ramos	M. Spina	J. Hanrahan
J. Duffy	E. Sica	J. Sweeney	J. Linder
D. Earl	T. Sica	J. Tafra	M. Sehne
M. Fox	C. Czujko	M. Tangel	A. Santo

ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE -FOR June 17th & 18th 2017

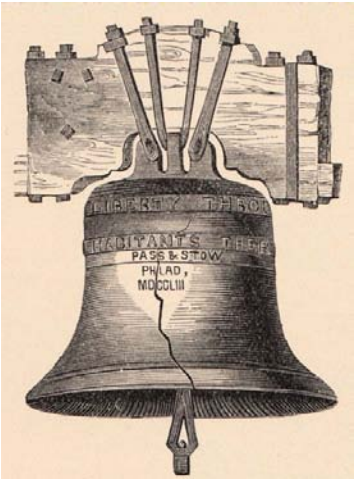
Saturday, June 17, 2017	Sunday, June 18, 2017	Sunday, June 18, 2017	Sunday, June 18, 2017
5:00PM MASS	**8:00AM MASS**	**10:00 AM MASS**	**12:00 NOON MASS**
C. Nigro	E. Nicastro	B. Dearie	A. Miloscia
S. Nigro	K. Nicastro	S. Dearie	M. Miloscia
J. Scomillio	J. Tobin	G. Lombardi	G. Cusuamano
T. Mileer	L. Trama/N. Trama	J. Lombardi	N. Cusuamano
R. Lauro	M. Russo	E. Anderson	P. Cusuamno

LECTOR SCHEDULE -FOR June 17th & 18th,2017

Saturday, June 17, 2017	Sunday, June 18, 2017	Sunday, June 18, 2017	Sunday, June 18, 2017
5:00 PM MASS	**8:00 AM MASS**	**10:00AM MASS**	**12:00 NOON MASS**
K. Smith	A. Mondrone	T. Cafaro	P. O'Hara
C. Lombardi	C. McAlvin	D. Rincon	A. Dinnigan

SSPJ 8th Grade Trip

On May 22nd, the 8th grade students went to Philadelphia for their class trip. Highlights of the day included visiting the National Constitution Center and a viewing of the movie "Freedom Rising", a guided tour of Independence Hall and the Liberty Ball. Lastly, they visited the Franklin Institute that included a viewing of the movie "Extreme Weather".



Awesome Memories!!

Sts. Philip & James

2017 Family Festival

June 22nd – 25th

Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday

Please consider one of our 2017 Family Festival sponsorship opportunities

Festival Sponsor:

As a Festival Sponsor your name will appear in SSPJ festival promotions as wells as be prominently displayed at the festival. Festival Sponsors will receive 10 Pay-One-Price tickets.

Ride Sponsor:

As a Ride Sponsor your name will be displayed at a ride at the festival. Ride Sponsors will receive 4 Pay-One-Price tickets.

Family Festival Supporter:

As a Family Festival Supporter your name will be displayed on signage along with other supporters. Festival Supporters will receive 2 Pay-One-Price tickets.

Pay-One-Price tickets are good for unlimited rides any one day of the SSPJ Festival.

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Getting Ready for Next Sunday

June 18th - Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ —Cycle A

Scripture Readings ONLINE
The website of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops provides the text of the Scripture Readings. Go to: **www.usccb.org** . Click on the date.

Reflections on Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Deuteronomy 8:2-3,14b-16a *Psalm 147*
1 Corinthians 10:16-17 *John 6:51-58*

Let's be honest: Sunday Eucharist is not always the most exciting hour of our week. Sometimes we feel the pressure of going because "we have to"; occasionally we encounter people in church we don't care for all that much; at times the liturgy seems a little tedious and maybe even boring.

Today's readings are upsetting invitations to reassess our eucharistic values. Do we celebrate life or do we put up with it? Do we appropriate the self-giving of Jesus or do we focus only on self?

Moses' sermon in this passage from Deuteronomy is his last instruction to the Israelites as they prepare to enter the promised land. They must remember how the Lord fed them with manna during the wilderness years, how they drank from the flinty rock. Now in the fertile land they must realize that one does not live by bread alone. God's Word ensures fullness of life.

Paul writes to the divided Corinthians who were making a scandal of the Eucharist. To eat the bread and drink the wine are genuine participation in the body and blood of Christ. Eucharist and pagan ritual are contradictory.

More than likely today's passage from John's Gospel was originally part of the Last Supper narrative. The author has reshaped the passage into the bread of life discourse in John 6:35-50. The focus is now on the Eucharist, Jesus as the source of life and nourishment.

As we receive the body and blood of Christ, does the teaching of John make us aware that we are indeed caught up in God's life? Corpus Christi is that special feast that proclaims: To celebrate Eucharist is to celebrate life.

- John Craghan, Th.D., S.S.L.
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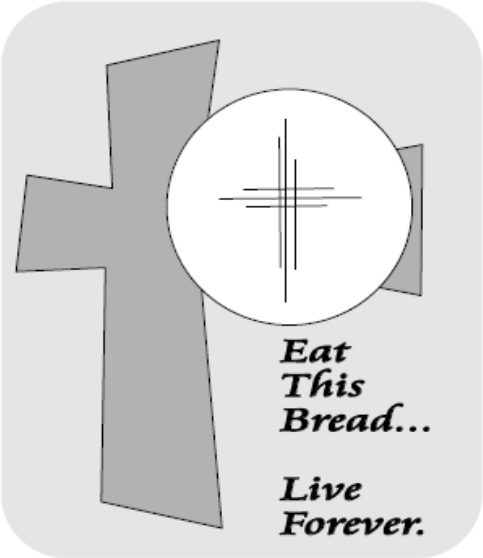

For reflection…

In the Eucharist we are joined both with Christ and with each other in love. How are we and our parish "Eucharist" to each other?

Recall an experience of a meal in which you really felt united with those around the table. What insights might this lend to our experience of Eucharist?

In the first reading, God responded to human's need by providing manna. How does God respond to your long-range needs for the bread of life? Do you have a need for the Eucharist?

Jesus gives us himself in Eucharist to nourish and sustain us. Disciples of Jesus model his self-giving love. Who are some of the people you know who give of themselves for others?

What are your thoughts or feelings as you receive the Body and Blood of Christ?

One does not live by bread alone…

Spiritual Reflection by Ron Rolheiser, OMI

The Seamless Garment

John of the Cross teaches that within spirituality and morality there are no exempt areas. Simply put, you cannot be a saint or a highly moral person if you allow yourself a moral exemption or two. Thus, I may not allow myself to split off one moral flaw or sinful habit and see it as unimportant in the light of my positive qualities and the overall good that I do. For John of the Cross, you cannot be a saint and have a moral blind-spot, even if it's a minor one. A bird tethered to a rock, he says, cannot fly irrespective of whether the cord holding it is a cable or a string.

The same is true for our efforts to protect life and foster justice in our world. The protection of life and the promotion of justice are all of one piece. We cannot be an authentic prophet and have a few moral blind spots.

A huge consequence flows from this, namely, we cannot treat issues like abortion, nuclear war, lack of ecological sensitivity, the plight of refugees, racism, sexism, poverty and inequality, poor access to health care, unequal access to education, sexual irresponsibility, and discrimination against the LGBT community in isolation from each other, as if these were wholly discrete issues. Whether we admit it or not, these areas are all inextricably interconnected. To quote Cardinal Bernardin: "The success of any one of the issues concerning life requires a concern for the broader attitude in society about the respect for human life." That's a strong challenge for all of us, on all sides of the ideological spectrum.

Thus, those of us who are concerned about abortion need to accept that the problem of abortion cannot be effectively addressed without at the same time addressing issues of poverty, access to health care, sexual morality, and even capital punishment. The interconnection here is not wholly mystical. It's real. Abortion is driven more by poverty and lack of adequate support than by any liberal ideology. Hence, the struggle against abortion must also focus on the issues of poverty and support for pregnant women. As well, to morally accept killing in one area (capital punishment) helps sanction its acceptance in another area (abortion). Sexual morality must also be addressed since abortion is the inevitable bi-product of a society within which two people who are not married to each other have sex with each other.

It's all one piece, and any opposition to abortion that fails to adequately recognize the wider perspective that more fully defines *Pro-life* leaves many sincere people unable to support anti-abortion groups.

Conversely, those of us who are concerned with the issues of poverty, health-care, capital punishment, ecology, war, racism, sexism, and LGBT rights, need to accept that these issues cannot be effectively addressed without also addressing the issue of abortion. Again, the interconnection isn't just mystical, it's empirical: Failure to be sensitive to who is weak and vulnerable in one area deeply compromises one's moral standing on other issues that deal with the weak and the vulnerable. We must advocate for and strive to protect everyone who falls victim within our present way of living, and that includes the unborn.

It's all of one piece! There can be no exempt areas, thus opposition to the protection of the unborn is not just antithetical to what's central within a social justice agenda, but it, perhaps more than anything else, leaves liberal ideology and its political allies compromised in a way that allows many sincere people to withhold their support.

Clearly, of course, nobody is asked to give equal energy to every justice issue in the world. Accepting that none of these issues can be effectively dealt within isolation shouldn't stop us from passionately working on one issue or another. But knowing that these issues are all of one piece does demand that we always recognize that, however important our particular issue, we may not see it in simple black and white, without nuance, as an issue that can be dealt with within one ideological, political, or religious silo. We must always be sensitive to the whole, to the big picture, to the intricate interconnections among all these social issues.

And, not least, we must be humble before and sensitive to our own moral inconsistencies.

We will, this side of eternity, always have them and we must forgive ourselves for them and not let perfection, that fact we can't be fully consistent, be the enemy of the good, that fact that we can do some good work that is effective. But acknowledging both our own inconsistencies and the complexities of the issues should make us more open to listening to the views of others and make us less doctrinaire and fundamentalist in our own attitudes.

All the issues that deal with justice and peace, are of one piece, one whole, one moral corpus, one seamless garment; and, like the soldiers casting dice for Jesus' clothing, we should hesitate to tear this garment into different pieces.

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