We are a welcoming inter-generational community united through our faith in Jesus Christ, demonstrating our love to others through service and charity. All are Welcome, All Belong!

July 1, 2018

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Sunday:  8:00 a.m.
       10:30 a.m.
Saturday: Vigil 5:00 p.m.
Weekdays: 8:00 a.m. - Chapel
Holy Days: 8:00 a.m.
           9:00 a.m.
           7:00 p.m.
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Rosary - Monday - Saturday after 8:00 a.m. Mass
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13th SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

So he went in and said to them, “Why this commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but asleep.” - Mk 5:39

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24; Psalm 30:2,4-5; 2 Corinthians 8:7,9,13-15; Mark 5:21-43
July 1, 2018

We believe in a God who, in Jesus, took on our human flesh. Jesus of Nazareth literally touched people to heal them. Through us, members of his Body, he still can.

Gospel Meditation

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

Today’s Gospel offers a rare framework — a story in a story. Most of the healing miracles are standalone encounters. One person approaches Jesus, demonstrates faith, and is healed. The evangelist tells the next story. This Gospel, however, is different. Jesus is on his way to heal one person, a young girl of twelve, and is interrupted on his journey by “a woman afflicted with hemorrhages.” She bravely approaches Jesus in a crowd, despite being ritually unclean from her bleeding, and stretches out to touch his cloak. She is healed! Jesus meets her eye, confirms her faith, and continues on to resurrect the young girl.

Reading this passage, it might be easier to identify with one story — the long-suffering woman or the young, innocent girl — and to move past the other. But here they sit side by side. The girl is twelve. The woman has been suffering for twelve years. For the Gospel writers, number parallels have deep symbolic meaning.

Between the woman and the young girl, we are not one or the other. We are both. None of us had a perfect childhood, perfect families, or a perfect peer group. As we endure pain, disappointment, or unmet expectations, it can feel like a part of our childhood hopes have died. Our coping mechanisms, social adaptations, and hidden secrets can make us the “walking wounded” in some respects. Jesus wants to do more than simply staunch the bleeding. His healing hand makes dead things come alive. He awakens the dreams that are asleep. This process requires prayer, conversations with trusted community and spiritual mentors, and critical looks at difficult areas of our life. However, we can believe the words of our Lord. If we approach Jesus in faith, believing that he wants to heal and save, we, too, will hear his calming words spoken over the hurts of our life. “I say to you, arise!” “Go in peace.”

A Moment of Reflection:

Medical professionals were rare in the ancient world. We almost take them for granted today. But for those in antiquity who suffered from one ailment or another, their lives were often destined for suffering and to be on the margins. We are not surprised to know that life spans were much shorter in the ancient world without access to medicine, proper care, or in some cases sanitary conditions. Despite all of our advances in medicine, human beings are still subject to death. We have not conquered that, but only delayed it.

Jesus’ own power is expressed by stories of curing the woman with the hemorrhage and raising the dead. Jesus restores human beings to a full, active, and healthy life in one story. He literally raises the dead to life again in another. If he and his power can do these things, we should be paying attention.

We will find later in the gospel that there is more to his ministry than grand displays of power. There will be the necessary suffering and death. Once that aspect of his ministry is revealed, many if not most of his followers will fall away. It might not be too difficult to imagine following someone who raises the dead. It’s quite another to see that same one put to death.

When we encounter moments of pain, suffering, and even the death of loved ones, it is good to remember that we follow one who seeks to restore, who seeks to raise the dead to life again. That is our common Christian hope.
MASSES FOR THE WEEK
July 1, 2018

6/30 Saturday  The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church
8:00 a.m. † Mary Shields
(by: Helen Ripple)
5:00 p.m.  Intentions of Connie Weber & Family
(by: )

7/01 Sunday  Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
(St. Junipero Serra, Priest
Apostle of the Californias)
8:00 a.m. † David Dickey
(by: The McAuliffe Family)
10:30 a.m. For the People of the Parish

7/02 Monday  8:00 a.m. † John & Bella Aranda
(by: Corrado DeMartini)

7/03 Tuesday  Saint Thomas, Apostle
8:00 a.m. † Art Sanchez
(by: The Anderson Family)

7/04 Wednesday  8:00 a.m. For these United States of America

7/05 Thursday  Our Lady of Refuge, Patroness of the Californias
8:00 a.m. For the People of Alta & Baja California

7/06 Friday  Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin & Martyr
8:00 a.m. † Ben & Blanche Martin
(by: Dolores Martin)

7/07 Saturday  8:00 a.m. Special Intentions
(by: Anonymous)
5:00 p.m. † John Incavo
(by: The Lyons Family)

7/08 Sunday  Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. † Conrad Quianio
(by: Pura Lippi)
10:30 a.m. For the People of the Parish

Let us remember in our Prayers...
Those who are sick or who suffer in any way, especially the homebound and the elderly, that God will assist them in their time of need and that they may find comfort and healing in Christ.

Jana Atlas  John Bamber  Michael Brust
Patricia Crowley  Mary Dekle  Corrado DeMartini
Marian Dickey  Laura Garcia  Leo Juarez
Fred Jungmann  Mow, Kain Chiu  Dolores Martin
Bill Matthews  Agnes Piva  Ron Ramirez
Chloe Smith

Those who have died, the deceased of our parish, and especially those who have no one to pray for them.

May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. May the Perpetual Light Shine upon them.

We are sincerely grateful for your financial stewardship supporting our various parish needs.

June 24, 2018 Sunday Collection  $1,470.00
Online giving  $570.00
Total Collection  $2,040.00
Second Collection—Parish Maintenance  $309.00

PARISH REGISTRATION
ALL ARE WELCOME, ALL BELONG

Our parish is blessed and enriched by the presence of new parishioners.

We welcome all new families and individuals. If you are interested in joining the Saint Philip’s parish community, feel free to call our office at 415-282-0141 for a registration form, or go online at www.saintphilipparish.org

Children’s Choir Practice
Out for summer break

The Adult Choir will be on summer break as well

7/01  Holy Father Peter’s Pence Second Collection
7/04  Fourth of July Holiday—Parish Office closed
7/08  Parish School Second collection
7/10  Baptismal Prep Session, 7PM, Rectory by Appointment
7/12  Summer Free Movie Returns, noon Parish Hall
7/15  Archdiocesan Annual Appeal Second Collection

July - The Month of Devotion to the Precious Blood of Christ

As we honor the Precious Blood of Jesus in union with the Church this month, may it awaken in our hearts a love and gratitude for Christ’s gift to us, for He has saved us by His blood.

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

God does not rejoice in our demise or our destruction. Rather, He made us in His image and desires that we have life. He also desires that we be healed and know His loving touch. There is great power in an embrace. The touch of another can heal wounds and restore life. There is also power in faith. Faith can turn us toward the truth and turn us toward God. God can profoundly change how we see Him, ourselves, and one another. God desires that we turn toward Him and be healed of all that wounds and binds us so that we can be free and enjoy the fullness of life. Reach out and share your faith with someone this week so that they can receive God’s life-changing embrace.
WHY DO WE DO THAT?  
CATHOLIC TRADITIONS EXPLAINED

**Question:**
There seems to be a lot of division in some Christian churches over moral issues, especially abortion, ordination, and end-of-life care. If all Christians follow the Gospel of Jesus, why is there such a difference of opinion?

**Answer:** There is always a struggle between culture and religion, and part of that struggle is politics. To be politically correct means that you must embrace the secular virtue of the moment so that you are “enlightened,” “sensitive,” “aware,” and, most importantly, “open-minded.” Unfortunately, common sense can be sacrificed in the race to be “PC.”

Some factions within Christian denominations have tried to redefine tradition, history, and biblical teaching to bend it around the politically correct religious thinking of the day. On the life issues that you mention, there are those who began with their own conclusions and have tried to bend theology around their conclusions. This is possible in part because of a lack of a central teaching authority and partly because society has become apathetic to these issues. It will result in a lot of division, factions, and schisms. The Gospel calls all believers to embrace the truth, to turn from sin, and to seek holiness and justice. No matter how hard some may try, a square peg will not fit a round hole. The camel cannot fit through the eye of the needle.

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**A Prayer for Vocations**

God our Father, You made each of us to use our gifts in the Body of Christ.

We ask that You inspire young people whom You call to the priesthood and consecrated life to courageously follow Your will.

Send workers into Your great harvest so that the Gospel is preached, the poor are served with love, the suffering are comforted, and Your people are strengthened by the sacraments.

We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen

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Interested in having your child Baptized at Saint Philip the Apostle Church?

Please call the parish office at 415.282.0141 to reserve your spot for any upcoming preparation session and schedule a date for the baptism. **Next Session will be held on Tuesday, July 10th at 7:00 p.m.**

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UPCOMING

You are cordially invited to another St. Philip’s FREE summer movie viewing.

**When:** Thursday, July 12  
**Time:** Noon  
**Where:** St. Philip’s Parish Hall  
**Why:** Social & Independence Celebration (wear Red, White & Blue, Optional)  
**Refreshments will be provided**  
**RSVP:** 415-282-0141

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Freedom consists not in doing what we like, but in having the right to do what we ought.

-St. John Paul II
Are you planning a 2018 fall or winter wedding?

If so, now is the time to contact the church’s rectory office and discuss your plans with our pastoral staff and reserve the church.

Keep in mind Archdiocese guidelines require couples contact the parish office at least six months prior to the wedding date to begin the pre-Cana preparation.

Call our parish office to schedule your initial meeting at 415-282-0141

It is with great joy that we welcome the following Children into our Catholic Community as they received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism during the months of April, May and June respectively

Damian John Vaughn (April)
Santiago Grey Buck (May)
Victor Luciano Hernandez (June)
August Robin Taussig
Liam Cornelius Hegarty

“Through water and the word you have become a child of God and sealed as Christ’s own forever.”

ST. MARIA GORETTI

Have you heard of the patron saint of purity? Born to peasant parents in southern Italy, St. Maria Goretti was a devout girl whose life was marked by difficulty. Her father died when she was nine, leaving her single mother with six mouths to feed. Two neighbors helped on the family farm, including a young man named Alessandro. He began making crude comments towards Maria. She repeatedly denied him. After several years, Alessandro attacked Maria to force himself on her. She resisted and, in his anger, Alessandro stabbed her. Maria died from the wounds’ infections, but her last words were “I forgive Alessandro Serenelli, and I want him with me in heaven forever.” While he was in prison, Maria appeared to Alessandro with a bouquet of roses, one for each wound he inflicted. In a true miracle of mercy, Alessandro experienced repentance, became a Franciscan brother after his release, and was later present at Maria’s canonization. St. Maria Goretti, pray for us!

Prayer of Thanksgiving for Freedom

Freedom is enshrined in our US Constitution. The First Amendment of our constitution protects our freedom of speech. However, our speech may not infringe upon another’s freedom. Freedom does have its limits. And we must protect everyone’s freedoms, not just ours. On this 4th of July, let us remember from whom all our freedoms originate, our good and gracious God.

Let us pray...

God, giver of all good gifts, Help us to be thankful for rest and food, and remember that, in all we do or say, you are with us, here this day. We are thankful for all you do and for everything you have given us. But above all we are thankful for our Freedoms and the ability to protect others’ freedom.

We are free because of you. We ask for your continued blessing on all your creation. Through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
2018-2019 First Communion and Confirmation Religious Education Classes

Saint Philip Parish is pleased to announce we are currently accepting applications for the 2018-2019 term for students enrolled in our public and private schools into our Faith Formation Programs.

Sessions will commence in the fall during the September timeframe. If you are interested, please take an application from the vestibule bulletin board or visit our website at www.saintphilipparish.org for an online application.

You may also call the Parish Office for detailed information at 415-282-0141.

On your faith journey, have you

- Never been baptized?
- Baptized in another Christian church?
- Baptized Catholic, never received Eucharist?
- Baptized, received Eucharist but have not been confirmed?
- Left the church, but want to come home?
- Cradle Catholic confirmed, engaged, but looking for more?

If you identify with any of the above, or know of someone who does, come and explore the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation) here at Saint Philip.

Sessions are held on Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m. in our Resource Center starting mid September.

Interested parties please call the parish office 415-282-0141 for more information and a registration form.

July 5 — Our Lady of the Refuge — Patroness of the Californias

Wednesday, July 5th, is the Feast of Our Lady of Refuge, Patroness of the Californias. It is good to remember a bit of our California history and the fact that Mary, under this title of Our Lady of Refuge, is our special patroness. Bishop Francisco Jose Vicente Garcia Diego y Moreno, O.F.M., who was the first bishop of the Californias, made the official proclamation of this Patronage of Mary on January 4, 1843 at Mission Santa Clara, here in Alta California. We were still part of Mexico at that time. The feast is celebrated in Baja California (Mexico) on July 4th, but due to our Independence Day celebrations, is observed in all (Arch)dioceses of Alta California (U.S.A.) on July 5th, as an Obligatory Memorial. Let us use the occasion of this Feast of the Blessed Mother to pray for the needs, intentions and salvation of all the people of both Californias.

Devotion to Mary, the Mother of Jesus, under this title and in this pictorial representation gained wide popularity among the Franciscans in Mexico and California and in the missions that they served. The original painting of Our Lady of Refuge was brought to the Franciscan College of Zacatecas from Italy by an Italian Jesuit missionary.

Celebration of the feast of Our Lady of Refuge continued throughout the mission era, but with the secularization of the Missions under the Mexican government in 1833, the customs attached to this feast began to wane. The memory of the Feast of Our Lady of Refuge continued and after a prolonged effort on the part of the California Catholic Conference of the Bishops, the feast was reinstated in 1981 by the Vatican Congregation for the Sacraments and Divine Worship as an Obligatory Memorial for all the (Arch)dioceses in the State of California in these United States and for the whole of Baja California in Mexico.

Our Lady of Refuge, Pray for us!
**PARISH SERVICES**

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK**
This Sacrament is for those who are elderly, seriously ill, or scheduled for surgery. Contact the Parish Office to schedule the anointing in Church or at home. If in hospital, or care facility, please request the Catholic Chaplain or a priest from the Parish in which the hospital or care facility is located, through the nursing station.

**BAPTISM**
Parents wishing to baptize children should call the parish office to schedule the baptism and to schedule participation in our baptismal preparation program. Please call two months before you wish the baptism. Parents must make an appointment to attend the preparation session. Godparents may attend if they wish. These sessions normally take place the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. The preparation maybe done before the birth of the child. Please call the Parish office at 415-282-0141 for more information.

**FAITH FORMATION**
Sacramental preparation is a one year program here at St. Philips. **First Reconciliation and First Communion** are celebrated in the 2nd grade. However, we offer accommodations for those older. Classes are held in the chapel on Sundays from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. A copy of the child’s baptismal certificate will be required upon registration. Please call the Parish office for complete details. 415-282-0141

Our **Confirmation Program** is designed for those youth entering the 8th grade or already in high school. These sessions begin in the fall. You must provide baptismal and First Eucharist certificates. To register call the Parish Office 415-282-0141

**R.C.I.A.—**Adults wishing to explore the Catholic faith are welcome to attend an Inquiry Session in the fall. Classes are held on Sundays from 9:15-10:15 a.m.in the Resource Center building (the old convent). Call the Parish Office at 415-282-0141 for a registration form.

**HOMEBOUND MINISTRY**
Call the Parish Office to arrange for visitation and the gift of Holy Communion from one of our Extraordinary Ministers for your friends and family members who are unable to attend Mass due to illness or hospitalization. This is a beautiful ministry which allows for the Church to reach out to those who are homebound and share faith and friendship.

**MARRIAGE**
Couples are asked to call the Parish Office at least six months prior to their intended wedding date to schedule an appointment with the Pastoral Staff to begin their marriage preparation journey.

**RECONCILIATION**
Saturdays 4:15—4:45 p.m. or by appointment

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Carlton White, Music Director

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**COMMUNITY OUTREACH**
Please contact the rectory at (415) 282-0141
As a service to the community, we sponsor the following:
Monday  A.A. Meeting (Men's) 7:00 p.m. Hall 3
Tuesday  A.A. Kitchen 6:00 p.m. Hall 3
Wednesday  Alanon 7:00 p.m. Lyons
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