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!

August 12, 2018

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.”

- Jn 6:51

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Stephen Howell, V.G., Pastor
Rev. Brendan McBride, In residence
Irish Immigration Pastoral Center
Rev. Patrick Summerhays, In residence
Director of Vocations, Priest Secretary
Office of Archbishop
Rio Stefanus, Finance/Business Manager
Mary Dante, Bookkeeper
Sandra Kearney, Pastoral Associate

MASS TIMES

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.
Confessions: 4:15 p.m. (Saturday)

DEVOTIONS

Rosary - Monday - Saturday after 8:00 a.m. Mass
Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Tuesday after 8:00 a.m. Mass

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Rather than back down, Jesus goes another step further. He states flatly and perhaps boorishly that their ancestors ate manna and died. The people wanted Jesus to perform some sign akin to the manna, but in fact those who ate the manna died in any case. What Jesus provides gives eternal life. He himself is the Bread of Life, come down from heaven. And as a final trump card, he plays the line that ratchets it up once again. The bread he gives is his very flesh.

With Jesus’ willingness to go one step further followed by another and yet another, we will not be surprised to learn that many of his followers will abandon him. What he was teaching and preaching was beyond credibility. This upstart preacher from Galilee, whose father was somebody known in the community, was delusional if he claimed he came down from heaven as true bread, which is his very flesh. Somebody preaching that today would likely be ridiculed and summarily dismissed, which is what will ultimately happen to Jesus.

Our Gospel Reflection

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

“Ratchet up the tension” is a phrase we hear when discussions are getting heated, when one side or the other refuses to back down, or when someone drives home the argument relentlessly. Often we can shy away from ratcheting up the tension as it can make people uncomfortable. And those who do not shy away from this can be seen as boorish, overzealous, or simply hotheaded. But in this story, Jesus is not afraid to ratchet up the tension. He is not afraid to deal with any ramifications thereof.

In the gospel reading from last week the people wanted Jesus to give them a sign like the manna in the desert. In response Jesus claimed that he was the Bread of Life come down from heaven. This week he goes even further. Not surprisingly the crowds are hesitant to believe such a claim. They know his family of origin. Jesus’ father was Joseph. How could Jesus claim to have come down from heaven? Jesus does not back down. He does not say, “Oh, you misunderstood. I was speaking metaphorically.” Instead, he takes it to the next level, as it were. He quotes Isaiah: “They shall all be taught by God.” Both he and the crowds understood the meaning. He was placing himself on par with God or, rather, even equating himself with God. This was becoming too much. Jesus, whose father Joseph they knew, could not with a straight face imply that he had come down from heaven, teaching the people, in effect claiming to fulfill the passage from Isaiah saying they would be taught by God!

“Plenty of things in our day-to-day living can cloud our vision. By allowing Christ to heal our vision, we are able to see and love again as the Father sees us and loves us.”
### MASSES FOR THE WEEK
**August 12, 2018**

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<td>† Nancy Roddick (by: Daniel Roddick)</td>
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**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.

- John Bamber
- Michael Brust
- Mary Dekle
- Corrado DeMartini
- Marian Dickey
- Danny Forchione
- Laura Garcia
- Denyne Hale
- Leo Juarez
- Fred Jungmann
- Mow, Kain Chiu
- Dolores Martin
- Bill Matthews
- Agnes Piva
- Ron Ramirez

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.**

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**Children’s Choir Practice**
Out for summer break

The Adult Choir is on summer break as well

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<td>Summer Movie &amp; Ice Cream Social —<em>Under the Roman Sky</em>, 11:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Free Parking, Hall</td>
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<td>First Day of classes for our Parish School! Welcome back.</td>
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**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 to complete the form online.

**We encourage you to enroll in our online giving Program**
- It’s easy to set up
- Gives you real-time access of your charitable donations

**We invite you to visit our website at**
www.saintphilipparish.org and select the online giving tab on the homepage. Alternatively, you can download the mobile app from Google Play or the Apple App Store. Register by entering our church ID of (4254)

Of course if you wish to continue to use your paper envelopes, you are most welcomed to do so. We are offering this option for your convenience.

**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
We will be hosting our **Summer Ice Cream Social** during the showing of this feature. Bring your lunch and call 415-282-0141 to reserve your seat and place your order for: a root beer float or hot fudge sundae. The school yard will be available for parking.

We look forward to seeing you at this last summer movie event.

**LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**

Life can be confusing, and the demands and challenges of everyday life can easily cloud our vision. We can become tired. Because of all of the energy needed to manage our day-to-day routines, our spiritual lives can get neglected. Anger, apathy, bitterness, and competition readily distort our relationships with one another and with God. We are asked to imitate God and to put love, compassion, kindness, forgiveness, and gentleness over all things. We need to develop a strong life of prayer in order to bring balance to our lives and to realize who we really are.

**DO NOT FORGET THAT HOLINESS CONSISTS NOT IN EXTRAORDINARY ACTIONS, BUT IN PERFORMING YOUR DUTIES WELL.**

ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE

**AUGUST 15, 2018**

**WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED**

**Question:** What are we celebrating on the feast of the Assumption of Mary?

**Answer:** The Assumption, along with the Immaculate Conception, are two Marian dogmas that have been infallibly defined by the Church. The Assumption proclaims the reality that Mary was taken up body and soul into heaven. This was God’s special gift to her in response to her total giving of self to God’s plan and will.

The Church believes that Mary was immaculately conceived, that is, conceived without original sin. This led the Church to believe that she did not suffer one of the key consequences of original sin, death, and corruption. The Orthodox Church celebrates the Dormition of Mary, the belief that Mary did not die but rather fell asleep and was thus assumed into heaven.

What significance does this feast have for our lives as Christians today? This feast is above all an assurance and hope of our continued life with God. Modeling ourselves on Jesus and living the Christian life molded by Jesus’ values is certainly the sure path to God. As a result, God will not leave us orphaned or alone to suffer the emptiness of death. Rather, we believe that death is merely a transformation of our present state into an even more glorious and eternal relationship with God.

This is the hope and assurance that Mary’s assumption celebrates. It is a celebration of our assumption as well. She is one of us, providing a model of what God has in store for all who love and give of themselves to God.

Masses will be celebrated at 8:00a.m. and 7:00p.m. on this Holy Day of Obligation here at St. Philip the Apostle Church—August 15, 2018
Save the Dates!
Festival Dinner
Friday—Sept 28
Festival Dates
Sept 29 & 30, 2018

CELEBRATING THE 80TH FESTIVAL ANNIVERSARY

If you would like to contribute new items to be used as prizes for the various booths, we are in need of any of the following prizes:
- Electronics - (please refrain from earbuds)
- Games, Sports related, Items for Teens, Candy
- Gift cards are welcomed too!

If you are not a school parent, items may be dropped off at the Rectory over the summer. This is always a fun and memorable St. Philip’s weekend and are extending this invitation for the full community’s participation.

Daily Prayer This Week

Finding intimacy with our God is not limited to people who can go away on a retreat. We can all be contemplatives in action, if only we can focus on our relationship with the Lord in the background, every day. This week we can feed on the words of life which Jesus gives us. And, we can ask for the graces we need, in the midst of our busy lives.

Throughout this week, we can wake up and go through our morning routine asking for the grace that God's mercy might flow through us this day. One day, I might take notice of those in my life who need my forgiveness. I might pay attention to the one who frustrates me or has hurt me or has hurt those I love - real people I know (living or dead) or the anonymous people who represent the systems, institutions and structures that seem unjust or sinful. There are people who benefit from war, the poverty or slavery of others, the sacrilege against the dignity of life itself, the drug trade and the destruction of the environment. I can actually take the grace filled moments of brief intimacy with Jesus this week to forgive! This week of mercy can be a powerful blessing for our whole lives.

This can be a wonderful week for us to remember how many times we are called to forgive. And, we might want to take a few extra moments to reinforce this by re-reading the parable of the servant who has been forgiven himself but refuses to forgive. If we are really stuck in our struggle to forgive, we can find times to beg for the grace: “Dear Lord, you keep forgiving me, please let me experience the intimacy of forgiving as you have forgiven me.”

Throughout this week, we'll be embracing little children and other “little ones” because we will be delighting in being one with him and his being one with us. And, we'll give thanks and praise.

Creighton U Online Ministries
http://www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.html. Used with permission.

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 month of July, 2018

Charles Coyle Selgrath
Ava Lynn Gallagher

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

“I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die.” - Jn 6:48-50

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.

ENCOUNTERING SCRIPTURE WITH THE ART OF LECTIO DIVINA

What is Lectio Divina? - Lectio divina is a method for praying with the Scriptures that dates back to early monastic days. It is a form of meditation to find deeper meaning from the Word.

The method of lectio divina follows four steps: lectio (reading), meditatio (meditation), contemplatio (contemplation), and oratio (prayer).

This week’s Lectio Divina Guide Sheets can be found at the back of the church behind the last pew.

May you experience a deeper encounter with the Word as you practice this ancient form of prayer.
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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS
Monday—Friday
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
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MUSIC MINISTRY
Carlton White, Music Director

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Ms. Rachel Williams, Director
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PARISH OUTREACH
Baptismal Classes First Tuesday of the Month
7:00 p.m. (Rectory by appt.)
Belfry Society
Adult Choir Tuesday 7:00 p.m. (Church)
Children Choir Tuesday 4:00 p.m. (Hall 1)
First Communion Instruction Sundays 9:15 a.m. (chapel)
CCD Confirmation Instruction Sundays 9:15 a.m. (Lyons Rm)
Liturgy Committee
Parish Council
Parent Teacher Group (PTG)
RCIA (Adult Faith Instruction) Sunday 9:15 (Resource Center)
Rosary Makers Second & Third Thursday, 11:30a.m., (Hall 3)
School Consultative Board
Young at Heart (Senior Club 50+) Second & Third Thursday, 11:30 a.m., (Hall 3)

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 (Ladies) 6:00 p.m. Hall 5
Wednesday Alanon 7:00 p.m. Lyons