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October 28, 2018

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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.
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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Dear Parishioners & Visitors,

The Gospel of Mark introduces us to a variety of characters not seen elsewhere or even mentioned again in the New Testament. Bartimaeus, the blind man, is one such example. We have not been told of him in any story prior to this in the Gospel of Mark. And after this brief episode we will never hear of him again. Matthew and Luke will tell different versions of the story, but each is built on Mark. It’s as though the reader or the early community would have known Bartimaeus as the blind man who sat begging on the road to Jericho.

From the way the story is told, Bartimaeus certainly had heard of Jesus, for upon learning that he was on the road, Bartimaeus immediately cries out. His behavior is judged to be uncouth and undignified, not worthy of Jesus or his followers. The response Bartimaeus receives is one that we might expect in “polite society.” He is shut down. We can imagine the rebukes: Nobody wants to hear a shrieking blind man calling out for Jesus. Let Jesus and his followers pass in peace. Don’t make a scene. Bartimaeus will have none of it and cries out all the more. It’s as though nothing else matters but Jesus and the power he has.

In an exchange reminiscent of Jesus’ interaction with James and John last week, Jesus asks him point-blank, “What do you want me to do for you?” Here again we might ask ourselves, how would we respond to Jesus’ query? Face-to-face with Jesus and his direct question, “What do you want?” How are we to answer? We recall how James and John answered. They wanted glory. They wanted to sit at either side of Jesus in the kingdom. But Bartimaeus responds differently. He simply wants to see. For him, not one of the Twelve, not one of the chosen from the beginning, there is no grasping for power, glory, or authority. Bartimaeus merely wants to be made whole.

Jesus’ response and Bartimaeus’s healing is immediate and simultaneous. His sight is restored and he follows Jesus. Perhaps surprisingly, we never hear of Bartimaeus again. He is now a true disciple, a follower of Jesus. And his faith response to Jesus is a model for us, perhaps even a better model than the brothers James and John.

- When have you persisted because your faith or God’s justice impelled you?
MASSES FOR THE WEEK
October 28, 2018

10/27 Saturday 8:00 a.m. James Glassman (Special Int.)
(by: Carolee Lubin)
5:00 p.m. Intentions of Connie Weber & Family
(by:)

10/28 Sunday Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. † Pedro Madrinan
(by: Mila Schneider)
10:30 a.m. For the People of the Parish

10/29 Monday 8:00 a.m. † Dennis Edward Uriarte
(by: Rev. Stephen H. Howell)

10/30 Tuesday 8:00 a.m. Lola Karels Family (Spl. Int.)
(by:)

10/31 Wednesday 8:00 am Danny Forchione
(by: Tom DiSerio)

11/01 Thursday All Saints - Holy Day of Obligation
9:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish
7:00 p.m. Intentions of the Celebrant

11/02 Friday The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed
8:00 a.m. Intentions of the Celebrant
7:00 p.m. For the deceased of St. Philip’s Parish

11/03 Saturday Saint Martin de Porres, Religious
8:00 a.m. † Giorgina Dell’Isola
(by: Corrado DeMartini)
5:00 p.m. † Fredy Glauser
(by: Blanche & Karl Greutert)

11/04 Sunday Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish
10:30 a.m. † For the Deceased Pastors of St. Philip the Apostle: Fr. John Cullen, Fr. Jerome B. Hannigan, Fr. John R. Cantillon, Msgr. William J. Flanagan, Fr. Joseph I. Manning, Fr. Thomas Regan

A Prayer for Vocations
Loving and generous God,
you called the prophets
to bring your word to your chosen people.
Your Son, Jesus, called the first disciples
to be bold proclaimers of the good news.
In the modern world, you continue to call
your sons and daughters to the priesthood,
diaconate, and consecrated life.
Calm the chaos and soothe the sounds of our world,
and allow more to hear your soft voice
calling them to pick up their cross and follow.
May the Holy Spirit fall upon your church in a profound way,
so that we may experience a tremendous harvest of grace.
May vocations increase ever abundantly
and may your church stand as a witness to the world
of the good news of your Son, Jesus Christ.
Amen.

THANKS FOR YOUR MISSION VOICE!
Thank you for supporting the World Mission Sunday Collection last weekend. This is a real blessing for the Missions! Please continue to pray for missionaries, and for the people to whom they bring the “Good News” of Jesus. May God bless you for your generous missionary spirit!

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Tuesdays in the Parish Hall, 3:30 p.m.
The Adult Choir
Tuesdays in the Church at 7:30 p.m.

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10/28 St. Vincent de Paul Second Collection
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A Holy Day of Obligation
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10/21—First Collection
Online $1,982.00
Total $2,612.00

Second Collection—World Mission Sunday $991.00

Respect Life

CELEBRATE RESPECT LIFE MONTH!
You're invited to join Catholics nationwide in celebrating Respect Life Month this October with the message
"Every Life: Cherished, Chosen, Sent"!
Learn more at www.usccb.org/respectlife.

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 Marrian Dickey Danny Forchione
Laura Garcia Denyse 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.

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

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Sometimes the saints can appear as heroes or heroines, beyond the reach of our everyday experience. For example, who can live the life of Mother Teresa, abandoning everything to take care of the sick and dying on the streets? But there are other ways we care for the sick and dying in our own midst, and those ways should not be discounted.

When we care for our children or our aging parents or family members, we are essentially doing something similar. The quotidian acts of self-sacrifice are those by which we live out our identity as saints with a lowercase s. We perform our ordinary, daily tasks in an extraordinary way, infused with love and care. We die to ourselves daily and put others’ needs ahead of our own wants and desires. Living the Beatitudes, living our call to be set apart for God’s service, means there is very little chance we will ever be venerated by millions of faithful as a capital S saint, but that is not our goal. Instead, we serve the needs and the needy of those before us. There is no requirement to go far. Family life and lives of friends give us many opportunities to live our call, die to self, and rise with Christ.
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Friday, November 2, 6:00 PM
Dinner featuring an introduction by Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone and talks from Cardinal Francis Arinze and Fr. Joseph Fessio, SJ.

Saturday, November 3, 7:45 AM – Morning Prayer
8:00 – Mass. Celebrant: Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone.
Homilist: Cardinal Francis Arinze
9:00 – Registration and opportunity to visit vendors
10:00 – Talk: Suffering and the Love of God by Fr. Robert Spitzer, SJ
11:00 – Talk: Telling the True Story of Man by Michael D. O’Brien
12:00 noon – Lunch†
1:15 – Talk: How to Be Holy by Doing Things I Don’t by Peter Kreeft
2:15 – Talk: Saint John, Master Theologian and Storyteller by Steve Ray
3:15 – Talk: The Aim of Life is Appreciation by Fr. Joseph Fessio, SJ

Talks are approximately 45 minutes in length.
† Food for lunch will be available for purchase or you can bring your own.

Coat & Jacket Drive
Benefitting Families at Hamilton House

We are collecting clean, reusable coats and jackets to be distributed free to children and adults living at the transitional Hamilton House here in San Francisco.
Items will be collected through November 9th

Let’s team up with Luke Sullivan, 8th Grade student from our Parish School who is leading this worthy outreach effort.

• New or gently used winter coats or vests in good condition are needed
• Children and adult sizes
• Please consider washing before donating

Please make sure all buttons, zippers, and snaps are functional.

Thank you for supporting this effort!
May the Perpetual Light Shine upon them

Traditionally, November is the month when we especially remember the souls who have entered eternal life.

We will display names of those who have been called to the Lord on scrolls on the Sanctuary pillars. You are welcome to also inscribe the names of your loved ones you wish remembered in the Book of the Deceased, which will be placed on the Sanctuary.

All Souls offering envelopes can be found in the pews as well. These too will be placed on the Sanctuary and membranes offered during all the Masses in November.

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, November 6 at 7:00 p.m. in the rectory.

Are you planning a 2018 winter or spring 2019 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

Two Fall Events for Married Couples

**October 26-28 – Retrouvaille:** Retrouvaille means rediscovery. The program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship. Thousands headed for divorce have saved their marriages by attending. Retrouvaille is not a spiritual retreat, a sensitivity group, a seminar, or a social gathering. For confidential information and to register, call 415-893-1005 or email: SF@Retrouvaille.org, or visit the web site at HelpOurMarriage.org.

**November 9-11 – Marriage Encounter:** Couples, getting ready for school has meant lots of time spent on your children. After school begins, why not give yourselves some time together? Make a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Marriage Encounter Weekend is November 9-11 in San Jose. For complete information, visit the website sanjosewwme.org, or contact Ken and Claranne at 408-782-1413 or applications@sanjosewwme.org.

Daily Prayer This Week

Please, Lord, anything but humility! Our instinctive reaction to humility might be the result of a culture that exalts riches, honors and pride. Yet all this week Jesus teaches that the way to salvation is through humility.

The first step might be simply asking for the desire to be humble. As we move through the simplest of moments in our everyday lives, we can stop and ask God to help us want to be humble. As we sit on the edge of the bed in the morning, as we head to work, sort laundry or do our errands, we can keep a running prayer in the background of our consciousness: “Lord, help me to desire the humility that will make me more aware of your saving grace.”

These same background moments offer ways for us to recognize opportunities to practice humility as we go through our days. Perhaps I can stop myself from correcting my spouse. In a disagreement, I might make an extra effort to listen to the other person’s side rather than planning my rebuttal as they speak. I can let a person in line in front of me, hold the door for someone or make an extra effort to recognize and thank those who serve me. Here in the US, it is the season of politics and elections. Maybe I can even admit that I may not fully understand the opinions of others and that there may be some legitimate points to them. Even these tiny gestures, when done in the spirit of Jesus’ teachings this week, offer us a special grace.

All week we can continue to speak to the Lord as we would to a loving friend who listens to us. And always, we can end our day in gratitude, for the merciful God who loves us so compassionately and longs to be in our hearts.
**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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**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) Sunday 9:15 (Resource Center)
RCIA (Adult Faith Instruction) Second & Third Thursday, 11:30a.m., (Hall 3)
Rosary Makers School Consultative Board
Second & Third Thursday, Young at Heart (Senior Club 50+) 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 3
Wednesday Alatone 7:00 p.m. Lyons
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