August 20, 2017

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.”

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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.
   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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GOSPEL REFLECTION

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

None of us enjoys walking into a situation and being made to feel unwelcome. Perhaps at a social event we join a group of people deep in conversation, only to have all talking stop. Or we present a new idea to the staff with whom we work and it is immediately cut down and we are ignored. Or a friend invites us along to dinner with mutual friends, and when we arrive there is obviously no place setting for us at the table and no move on the part of the hostess to set one. These situations hurt. If we can, we take leave of the situation as soon as possible. If we cannot remove ourselves from a difficult situation, we try to become as inconspicuous as possible. A corner becomes our friend! A first glance at this Sunday's gospel might lead us to think that the Canaanite woman is a very unwelcome person! The disciples want Jesus to send her away. Jesus says some pretty harsh things.

The Canaanite woman (a foreigner) approaches Jesus with a heartfelt request to heal her daughter. Jesus’ reply seems anything but welcoming! But rather than give up and remove herself from a seemingly unpleasant situation, she is determined to receive healing for her daughter. She does anything but give up! Her heart is steadfastly turned toward reaching one goal: healing for her daughter. She is willing to accept any rebuke, rebuttal, rebuff in order to get what she desires for one she loves. Love conquers any unwelcome.

The Canaanite woman demonstrates the kind of faith needed to be healed by Jesus and to receive God’s gift of salvation, the kind of faith that brings us into divine embrace. Her faith was visible in three habits of the heart: awareness that she needed Jesus’ healing intervention, persistence against all odds, and concern not only for herself but for her daughter.

Her great faith moved Jesus to have “pity on” her. Anyone who approaches God with this kind of great faith will be given healing and salvation. We too must develop and grow in the habits of the heart that make visible the great faith necessary for our healing and salvation.

Here is the twist of this gospel: a seemingly unwelcome situation gives way to one in which everyone is welcome. Jesus initially declares that his mission is only to “the house of Israel,” and, consequently, harshly rebuffs the Canaanite woman. Then a change occurs. The encounter between Jesus and the woman reveals the unrestricted welcome of Jesus, the power of great faith, and the universality of salvation for those who believe.

Living the Paschal Mystery

The Canaanite woman’s cry to Jesus was that he “have pity on me” (not on her daughter, although that is surely implied in the request). Her love for her daughter and her great desire that she be healed could not be separated from herself—she and her daughter were one in the need for healing and life. Her daughter was welcomed into her heart in love, and this was the source of her great faith and persistence. This gives us an insight into our inclusivity and ministry: we must be so “at one” with others that their plight is our own plight. Ministry is more than doing for another; it implies an empathy with another that discloses the unity we share as members of the Body of Christ. One dimension of living the Gospel is that we work to increase our unity with one another, which in turn draws us to reach out to others in mercy and compassion, welcome and inclusivity.
**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**  
*August 20, 2017*

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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.

*Patricia Crowley*  
*Mow, Kain Chiu*  
*Mary Crowley*

*Laura Garcia*  
*Mary Deke*  
*David Dickey*

*Agnes Piva*  
*Marian Dickey*  
*Dolores Martin*

*John Bamber*  
*Bill Matthews*  
*Mary Leung*

*Fred Jungmann*  
*Leo Juarez*  
*Gina Wood*  
*Chloe Smith*

Those who have died, Jerry Spillane, 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.

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**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 may be 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 baptism 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. 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 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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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday—Friday  
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
415-282-0141  Fax: 415-282-8962  
www.saintphilipparish.org  
info@saintphilipparish.org
2017-2018 Faith Formation Classes
First Communion, Confirmation

FIRST COMMUNION—REGISTRATION
We are currently accepting applications for the 2017-2018 First Communion (2nd graders) for those who are not enrolled in our Parish School and wish to receive the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion.
Classes will commence on Sunday, September 10th at 9:15 a.m. in the Church Chapel. Parents are required to attend an orientation meeting in the Parish Hall that morning at 9:15 a.m.
Copy of the student’s baptismal certificate will be required when submitting the registration, so plan accordingly.
Please contact the Parish Office for more information at 415-282-0141

CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION
We are pleased to offer Confirmation Preparation Sessions for those students who attend the Public Unified School System.
Sessions will commence on Sunday, October 1st at 9:15 - 10:15 a.m. in the Lyons Room on campus. Students and parents are asked to attend the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday September 17, followed by a brief welcome meeting. Please contact the Parish office at 415-282-0141 for Registration and more detailed information. Baptismal certificate is required.

Stewardship Prayer for August
Lord God,
As we prepare for the transitions of August; of routines becoming regular, signs of schools beginning to emerge, and traffic patterns getting heavier, help us to appreciate the sacred rhythms in our lives.
Give us the wisdom to make our hearts be still, much as the August wind is still, so that we may listen to the gentle words you speak to us.
Help us understand that you alone are the source of every good gift, of the vast array of our universe, and the mystery of each human life.
And help us see that we are called to be good stewards of all the gifts you have entrusted to us; tending them faithfully and responsibly so they may ultimately be returned to you with increase.
In this month of August while a measure of summer’s stillness remains, speak to our hearts, guide us in your Son’s ways, and through your Spirit, give us the strength to proclaim your justice and peace in our every day words and deeds.
We ask this through Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

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.
**Companions in Ignatian Service**

Companions in Ignatian Service and Spirituality (aka Ignatian Companions) is a unique program that engages women and men who have a desire to serve the marginalized in our communities while deepening their spiritual foundations. Ignatian Companions integrate their personal journey of faith with their own conviction to act for justice within local nonprofits. As an endorsed work of the Western Province of the Society of Jesus, our 10-month program meets once a month from September-June at three locations: (East Bay) Jesuit School of Theology, Berkeley; (South Bay) Santa Clara University; (San Francisco) Ignatian Spiritual Life Center, St. Agnes Church.

We are currently accepting applications for the 2017-2018 program which begins with an opening retreat on Saturday, August 26th from 9am -4pm at the Motherhouse of the Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose (43326 Mission Circle, Fremont). We welcome you to consider being a part of our amazing program. Applications are available at: [http://www.ignatianspirituallifecenter.org/companionsapply.html](http://www.ignatianspirituallifecenter.org/companionsapply.html)

For more information contact:

**Marco Matute**, Program Coordinator
Ignatian Companions
tel: 415-487-8560 ext. 224
marco@saintagnessf.co

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**AUGUST—MONTH OF THE IMMACULATE HEART CONTINUED**

**Novena to the Immaculate Heart**

Immaculate Heart of Mary, full of love for God and mankind, and of compassion for sinners, I consecrate myself entirely to you. I entrust to you the salvation of my soul. May my heart be ever united with yours, so that I may hate sin, love God and my neighbor, and reach eternal life together with those whom I love.

Mediatrix of All Graces and Mother of Mercy, remember the infinite treasure which your Divine Son has merited by His suffering and which he has confided to you for us, your children. Filled with confidence in your motherly heart, and for the sake of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, obtain for me the favor I ask: [Mention your request here].

Dearest Mother, if what I ask for should not be according to God's will, pray that I may receive that which will be of greater benefit to my soul. May I experience the kindness of your intercession with Jesus during life and at the hour of my death? Amen.

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**We extend a warm and genuine “Welcome Back to School” and “Welcome new Students” for the 2017-2018 academic year. School begins on August 23rd with an early 12:30 dismissal.**

We ask everyone to be extra cautious driving around the surrounding campus for our students safety.

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**HERE’S THE SCOOP!**

St. Philip Summer Movie events came to a close with the viewing of “Mr. Hobbs Takes a Vacation” and an Ice Cream Social. The afternoon was enjoyed by parishioners and friends sharing in fellowship, lunch and root beer floats, hot fudge sundaes and banana splits.

Thanks to Tom DiSerio, Danny Forchione, Carmen Vargas, and Jean Ramirez for lending a hand in the kitchen.
August 23—Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin
(April 20, 1586 – August 24, 1617)

The first canonized saint of the New World has one characteristic of all saints—the suffering of opposition—and another characteristic which is more for admiration than for imitation—excessive practice of mortification.

She was born to parents of Spanish descent in Lima, Peru, at a time when South America was in its first century of evangelization. She seems to have taken Catherine of Siena as a model, in spite of the objections and ridicule of parents and friends.

The saints have so great a love of God that what seems bizarre to us, and is indeed sometimes imprudent, is simply a logical carrying out of a conviction that anything that might endanger a loving relationship with God must be rooted out. So, because her beauty was so often admired, Rose used to rub her face with pepper to produce disfiguring blotches. Later, she wore a thick circlet of silver on her head, studded on the inside, like a crown of thorns.

When her parents fell into financial trouble, she worked in the garden all day and sewed at night. Ten years of struggle against her parents began when they tried to make Rose marry. They refused to let her enter a convent, and out of obedience she continued her life of penance and solitude at home as a member of the Third Order of Saint Dominic. So deep was her desire to live the life of Christ that she spent most of her time at home in solitude.

During the last few years of her life, Rose set up a room in the house where she cared for homeless children, the elderly, and the sick. This was a beginning of social services in Peru.

Though secluded in life and activity, she was brought to the attention of Inquisition interrogators, who could only say that she was influenced by grace.

What might have been a merely eccentric life was transfigured from the inside. If we remember some unusual penances, we should also remember the greatest thing about Rose: a love of God so ardent that it withstood ridicule from without, violent temptation, and lengthy periods of sickness. When she died at 31, the city turned out for her funeral. Prominent men took turns carrying her coffin.

Our Parish School is pleased to announce the offering of Transitional Kindergarten beginning with the 2017-2018 school term!

This two-year program is designed for students who will turn five years of age between September 2nd and December 2nd.

The registration and testing process is the same as for any other kindergarten applicant, with the exception that if a student is not accepted in Kindergarten, the Transitional Kindergarten (TK) program is now available.

For complete details of this new program, please visit the school website at: www.saintphilipschool.org or call the office at: 415.824.8467

We are pleased to offer this new program as an added convenience to interested families. Spread the word!

GENERAL MILLS BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Did you know that our parish school can earn cash by collecting General Mills Box Tops for Education?

That’s right and you can help in this easy fundraising effort over the summer too.

You may recognize the logo noted above on several products you purchase throughout the year. All you need to do is clip that little logo, collect several and turn them in to the school in August/September when school resumes again. It’s that easy. Start collecting!
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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)
Confirmation Instruction
Liturgy Committee
Parish Council
Parent Teacher Association (PTA)
RCIA (Adult Faith Instruction) Sunday 9:15 (Resource Center)
Rosary Makers Second & Third Thursday, 11:30a.m., (Hall 3)
School Board
Young at Heart (Senior Club) 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 6:00 p.m. Hall 3
Wednesday Alanon 7:00 p.m. Lyons

Parish Registration
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

Our hope is that you will find our parish a supportive and healing place, a nurturing spiritual environment and a place to celebrate the sacraments as you and your families grow in your journey of faith.

Who is an Active Parishioner?
- Regular attendance at Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation.
- Registered in the Parish, receiving and using weekly envelopes, supporting the Parish according to the best of one’s ability.
- Volunteers and participates in Parish activities with time, talent, and resources as means permit.
- Trying to live the Catholic Faith as best they can with God’s help and the support of family and friends at home and in the Parish.
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