

Church of Saint Philip Neri

December 12, 2021

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MASSES/MISAS

Saturday Evening 5:30 PM (English) 7:00 PM (Spanish)
Sunday 7:30 AM (English) 9:00 AM (Spanish)
11:15 AM (English)

Weekdays 12 Noon

Holy Days- Please consult bulletin.

CONFESSIONS/CONFESIONES

Saturday afternoons/Sábados en la tarde: 4:00 – 4:30 PM
For any other date or hour, please call the Rectory for an appointment. Para cualquier otro día u hora, por favor llame a la Rectoría para una cita

DEVOTIONS

Miraculous Medal Novena- Tuesdays after the Masses
Daily Rosary & Angelus- Tuesday to Friday, 11:40 AM
Holy Hours- Fridays, 12:30 PM – 1:30 PM (Church)

RECTORY HOURS/ HORAS DE OFICINA

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Sundays from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM

*For any other dates and hours, or to speak to a priest, please call the rectory or leave a message. (718-733-3200)
Para ser atendido en la oficina o para hablar con un sacerdote, favor de llamar a la Rectoría o dejar un mensaje

Baptisms are usually celebrated on the 4th Sunday of every month .

Marriages Arrangements should be made when possible at least six months in advance of the ceremony and before making arrangements with a catering hall.

The Sick (A) Call the rectory to arrange a house visit by a priest for Confession, Holy Communion or the Anointing of the Sick. **(B)** Anyone who has a serious illness, especially if anticipating surgery, may ask for Confession and the Anointing of the Sick here at the Parish. **(C)** When the sacraments are desired for someone already in the hospital, especially when the need is urgent, it is best to speak to the nurse's desk and ask for the hospital chaplain.

St. Philip Neri School (Grades Pre-K to 8) For information call the school during normal school hours: 718-365-8806.

Catechism Class Classes are held from October to June.

Saturday: 1:00pm-2:30pm - Children

Friday: 6:30pm-8:00pm - Teens

Parish Registration serves many purposes, as for instance when a letter is needed for employment or immigration. If you move please make sure to notify the rectory.

Adult Sacramental Program/RCIA Classes held on Thursday 7:00pm-8:30 pm.

Meetings in English

- Youth Ministry- TBA
- Legion of Mary- Fridays at 5:00 PM
- Divine Mercy- Tues. & Fri. 6:30 – 8:00 PM

Bautizos se celebran usualmente el cuarto domingo de cada mes.

Matrimonios Los arreglos deben hacerse, por lo menos 6 meses antes de la ceremonia y antes de hacer arreglos con una sala de banquetes.

Los Enfermos (A) Llame a la rectoría para acordar una visita a su casa por un sacerdote para la confesión, la comunión o la Unción de los Enfermos. **(B)** Cualquier persona que tenga una enfermedad grave, especialmente si se anticipa la cirugía, puede pedir la confesión y la unción de los enfermos aquí en la Parroquia. **(C)** Para alguien que está en el hospital, cuando la necesidad es urgente, lo mejor es preguntar por el capellán del hospital.

Escuela Parroquial (Grados Pre-K de 8) Para información llamar a la escuela: 718-365-8806.

Catecismo Las clases se imparten, de octubre a junio.

Sábado: 1:00pm- 2:30pm - Niños

Viernes: 6:30pm-8:00pm - Jóvenes

Registración de la Parroquia sirve para muchos propósitos, como por ejemplo, cuando se necesita una carta para el empleo o inmigración.

Programa de Adultos Sacramental/ RICA

Clases son Jueves 7-8:30pm

Reuniones en Español después de las misa Hispana

- Pastoral Familiar - Último domingo del mes.
- Damas del Sagrado Corazón- Primer domingo del mes.
- Comité Guadalupano- Segundo domingo de cada mes.
- Círculo de Oración Carismático- Martes 7:30 PM
- Ultreya Parroquial- Jueves a las 8:00 PM en la rectoría

MASS INTENTIONS**SATURDAY, December 11th**

5.30 Stephen Stronzer
Philip Lyons Sr. (D)
Bridie Mullin (D)

7. La Virgen de Guadalupe
Oscar González (D)
San Judas Tadeo

SUNDAY, December 12th /-Third Sunday of Advent.

7:30 Marta Keane (L)
Eugenio A. Canapi (D)
9:00 Divino Niño
Minerva de Espinal (D)
Emilia Suarez (D)
Ramón Gómez (D)
11: 15 Anthony O'Regan (D)
Ed Manuel & Adlai Torres

TUESDAY, December 14th

12:00 Isaura Lopez
Bridget McPhillips

WEDNESDAY, December 15th

12.00 Carmelo Diaz and Mary Hannafin
7.00 Spanish Mass

THURSDAY, December 16th

12.00 Kathleen Keeran (D)
Annette D. Carrillo (D)

FRIDAY, December 17th

12:00 Maurie R. Walker
Marie & John Kelly

SATURDAY, December 18th

5.30 Bridget McPhillips
Martin Murray

7:00 Aura Liranzo
Miguel de Jesús Zapata (D)
Edgar Pajares (D)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Mt. 21: 23-27
Tuesday: Mt. 21: 28-32
Wednesday: Lk. 7: 18b-23
Thursday: Lk. 7: 24-30
Friday: Mt. 1: 1-17
Saturday: Mt. 1: 18-25
Sunday: Mi. 5:1-4a; Psalm 80; Heb. 10: 5-10;
Luke 1: 39-45

COLLECTION REPORT

The First Collection \$ 2,436.00

The Second Collection was \$ 1, 150.00

Next weekend the 2nd collection is the Annual Collection to support our Retired Religious members.

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God bless you for your offerings and prayers.

DECEMBER MEMORIALS**Bread and Wine**

*In Memory of the
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Msgr. Philip P. Shannon*

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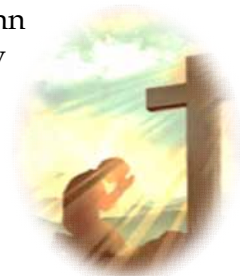
*In memory of
Dolores Q. Canapi
Eugenio A. Canapi
George Q. Canapi
Sally Canapi Snyder*



**Suggested donation for a Monthly Memorial is \$150.*

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Let's pray for José Flores, Carmelo Diaz, Blane de Lucia, Sol Divina, María Henríquez, Mildred Margherita, Aurea Rivera, John Franco, Shirley Twum, Jimmy Acevedo, Celestina Enríquez, Ariana Cintrón, Jovita Rodríguez, Patricia Wood, Irvin García, Albert Folk, Miguel Castro, James Leung, Mario Bernárdez, Joe Villani, Samuel Williams, Brittany Pérez, Vernalize Carrasco, Wilson Martínez, Jorge de la Torre; Rosemary Correa, Ana Salazar; Elizabeth Reinoso, Celia Cagayat.



Let your gentleness be evident to all.
The Lord is near.
Philippians 4:5

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THE LORD IS NEAR

Historical records indicate that the birthday of our Savior was not celebrated in any significant way for at least the first three centuries of the church's existence. Nowadays, Christmas is considered the most important holiday in the year, and for reasons that have gone far beyond its true religious significance. Many of our most treasured customs, such as the decorated tree, greeting cards, and the exchange of Christmas presents, only date back to just over a century ago. Christmas has become more complicated ever since. Now, with changing times, many of us have begun to refocus not only *why* we celebrate Christmas, but *how*, so as to be in harmony with the meaning of Christ's birth. Saint Paul assures us that "The Lord is near" (Philippians 4:5) and urges us to stop our worrying, knowing that God will bring the gift of peace to our hearts, a peace beyond human understanding. Like the crowds surrounding John the Baptist in today's Gospel, we may say, "What should we do?" (Luke 3:10). John's answer holds true today: Share with others, act justly, and be satisfied with what we have. Only then can "Emmanuel" truly be, as the name means, "God with us."

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Las Posadas

Of the many Latin American traditions for the celebration of Advent and Christmas, the tradition of *Las Posadas* seems to be the best known. It originated in the last half of the eighteenth century when the boisterous *Misas de Aguinaldo* were no longer celebrated in Mexico. To replace these Masses, the laity decided to celebrate in their own homes by taking what they had seen dramatized in the churches: the journey of the Galilean immigrants, Joseph and Mary of Nazareth, when they were looking for an inn (*posada*) in Bethlehem of Judea. Like the "O Antiphons" of the official liturgy, these *posadas* were celebrated on nine consecutive nights.

Two hundred years later, many Latinos continue to celebrate the *posadas* in the United States. I remember that when I was a child we used to sing "*E-e-en el nombree del cieee-ee-eelo*" as we ran through the streets of the neighborhood to a house where they would open the door to us with songs, tamales, cookies, and chocolate. It was fun, but it recalled a sad event in the life of Jesus, who emigrated from heaven to earth.

The journey of Joseph and Mary from inn to inn sadly continues every day in the fearful and tired steps taken by so many immigrants in this country. Like the Holy Family, Latin American families look for hospitality with the hope of finding a new life for their sons and daughters. Unfortunately, many citizens of the United States behave like the people of Bethlehem, preferring to close their door in the face of the immigrants rather than welcoming them. Perhaps that is the reason that the tradition of *Las Posadas* has taken on so much importance among the Latinos in the United States. We know firsthand what Joseph and Mary experienced two thousand years ago. We have to ask ourselves: When will the human heart change? When will we open the doors of our heart to our immigrant Lord?

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LECTURAS PARA LA SEMANA

Lunes: Mateo 21: 23-27
 Martes: Mateo 21: 28-32
 Miércoles: Lucas 7: 18b-23
 Jueves: Lucas 7: 24-30
 Viernes: Mateo 1: 1-17
 Sábado: Mateo 1: 18-25
 Domingo: Miqueas 5: 1-4a; Salmo 80;
 Hebreos 10: 5-10; Lucas 1: 39-45

**INFORME DE OFRENDA**

La primera colecta alcanzo \$ 2,436.00

La segunda colecta fue \$ 1,150.00

Este domingo, la segunda colección es la colección anual para apoyar a nuestros miembros religiosos jubilados.

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CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP NERI
Iglesia de San Felipe Neri

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULES
HORARIOS PARA LA MISAS DE NAVIDAD
December 2021

December 24, 2021 -Friday-

5.30pm (English Mass)

7.00pm (Spanish Mass)

No Midnight Mass-

No Habrá misa de Media Noche

December 25, 2021 -Saturday_

10.00 am (Bilingual Mass)

(No afternoon and Evening Mass)

December 31, 2021-Friday-

5.30pm (Bilingual Mass)

January-1, 2022- Saturday -

10.00 am (Bilingual Mass)

(No afternoon and Evening Mass)

**EL SEÑOR ESTÁ CERCA**

Los datos históricos indican que el nacimiento de nuestro Salvador no se celebraba de ninguna manera significativa al menos durante los primeros tres siglos de la Iglesia. Actualmente se considera la Navidad como la fiesta más importante del año y por razones que han trascendido su verdadero significado religioso. Muchas de nuestras más preciadas costumbres, tales como la decoración del árbol, las tarjetas de felicitación y el intercambio de regalos de Navidad, sólo se remontan a un siglo atrás. Desde entonces la Navidad se ha vuelto más complicada. Hoy, con el cambiar de los tiempos, muchos de nosotros hemos comenzado a darle un nuevo enfoque no sólo al *porqué* celebramos la Navidad, sino *cómo* la celebramos, para conseguir una armonía con el significado del nacimiento de Cristo. San Pablo nos asegura que "el Señor está cerca" (Filipenses 4:5) y nos exhorta a dejar de inquietarnos, pues Dios traerá el don de la paz a nuestro corazón, una paz que trasciende el entendimiento humano. Igual que las multitudes que rodeaban a Juan Bautista, nosotros podemos preguntar: "Y nosotros, ¿qué debemos hacer?" (Lucas 3:10). La respuesta de Juan es acertada también para nuestros días: Compartan con los demás, actúen con justicia y estén satisfechos con lo que tienen. Sólo entonces puede "Emmanuel" ser verdaderamente, y tal como su nombre significa, "Dios con nosotros". Copyright © 2009, World Library Publications. All rights reserved.

REFLEXIONANDO SOBRE LA PALABRA DE DIOS

Él se regocijará por ti con alegría. (Sofonías 3:17)

El tercer domingo de Adviento también se llama Domingo Gaudete. Gaudete en latín significa "regocijarse". Hoy, encendemos la vela de color rosa en la corona de Adviento, el sacerdote viste vestimentas de rosas y toda la Iglesia nos invita a celebrar.

Por supuesto, deberíamos celebrar; ¡Estamos a más de la mitad de la Navidad! Pero en la primera lectura de hoy, el profeta Sofonías nos dice que Dios también se regocija. Consideremos cómo:

El Señor se regocija porque se acabó el tiempo de espera. Así como el pueblo de Dios anhelaba al Mesías, piense en cuánto anhelaba Jesús que llegara el momento de su nacimiento (Gálatas 4: 4). Cuán feliz debe estar de que su deseo de forjar un pacto inquebrantable con nosotros se haya cumplido cuando vino a la tierra y redimió a la humanidad.

El Señor se regocija cuando lo invitamos a entrar en nuestras vidas. Se regocija cuando aceptamos la salvación, nos ha ganado. Cada persona que se vuelve a él hace que el corazón del Señor cante de alegría.

El Señor se regocija cada vez que nos renueva en su amor. Él se deleita en tomar cada herida y curarla, en tomar cada pecado y perdonarlo, en tomar cada herida y aliviarla. Cada vez que acudimos a él con nuestras necesidades o abrimos nuestro corazón a su curación, él se regocija.

El Señor se regocija porque puede compartir su vida celestial con nosotros. Imagínense su inmensa alegría al dar la bienvenida a sus hermanos y hermanas en su presencia cuando su viaje terrenal termina. Cada vida humana es preciosa para él y celebra la perspectiva de compartir la bondad de la vida eterna con cada uno de nosotros.

El Señor se regocija de estar entre nosotros. No solo se ha hecho hombre y caminó por la tierra entre nosotros, sino que habita en nosotros a través de su Espíritu Santo. Esto es personal: se regocija de estar cerca de ti hoy, de ser parte de tu vida. Y puedes regocijarte porque él se regocija.

De la Palabra entre nosotros – Adviento 2021



Reflecting on God's Word

The World among Us - Advent 2021

He will rejoice over you with gladness. (Zephaniah 3:17)

The third Sunday of Advent is also called Gaudete Sunday. Gaudete is Latin for "rejoice." Today, we light the rose-colored candle on the Advent wreath, the priest wears rose vestments, and the whole Church invites us to celebrate. Of course, we should celebrate; we're more than halfway to Christmas! But in today's first reading, the prophet Zephaniah tells us that God is rejoicing as well. Let's consider how:

The Lord rejoices because the time of waiting is over. Just as God's people longed for the Messiah, think about how much Jesus longed for the time to come for him to be born (Galatians 4:4)! How happy he must be that his desire to forge an unbreakable covenant with us was fulfilled when he came to earth and redeemed humanity.

The Lord rejoices when we invite him to come into our lives. He exults when we accept the salvation, he has won for us. Each person who turns to him makes the Lord's heart sing with gladness.

The Lord rejoices each time he renews us in his love. He delights to take each wound and heal it, to take each sin and forgive it, to take each hurt and soothe it. Every time we come to him with our needs or open our hearts to his healing, he rejoices.

The Lord rejoices because he can share his heavenly life with us. Imagine his immense gladness in welcoming his brothers and sisters into his presence when their earthly journey is finished. Each human life is precious to him, and he celebrates the prospect of sharing the goodness of eternal life with each of us.

The Lord rejoices at being in our midst. He has not only become man and walked the earth among us, but he dwells in us through his Holy Spirit. This is personal—he exults to be near you today, to be part of your life. And you can rejoice because he rejoices.

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