

Saturday, February 15

9:00 am Patricia Lewis | Emma MacMannis

5:00 pm Sara Yates (another year)

Sunday, February 16 (Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

9:00 am For the Parish

11:30 am Lina Maralit | Anna Norris

Monday, February 17

8:30 am Richard Robinson + | St. Philip School

Tuesday, February 18

8:30 am Special Intention | Emma MacMannis

Wednesday, February 19

8:30 am Patricia Lewis + | Lorraine Wright

Thursday, February 20

8:30 am Joyce Simpson | Anna Norris

Friday, February 21 (Saint Peter Damian, Bishop andDoctor of the Church)

8:30 am Trueman Sanderson + | Young Family

Saturday, February 22 (Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle)

9:00 am Sarah Young | Kristen Bryant

5:00 pm Patricia Lewis + | Patricia Brooke

**Young Adult Meet Up and Bible Study**

Feb 23 Join young adults (ages 20's through 40's) from St. Philip and the surrounding community for fellowship and bible study after the 11:30 mass on **Sunday, February 23**.

We will meet at the rectory meeting room at 12:45. All are welcome! To RSVP or for more info on our young adult group, contact Liz Thomas at 952-836-5190 or [lizminneman@gmail.com](mailto:lizminneman@gmail.com).

**Mass with Healing Prayers**

*Saint Philip's offers a monthly Mass with Healing Prayers on the third Tuesday of every month beginning at 7:00pm in the church.*

***What is the atmosphere like during the healing prayers?***

The atmosphere is one of great reverence, in which the primary focus is on the sacredness of the Blessed Sacrament, and is maintained through prayerful and meditative music and silent Eucharistic Adoration. Traditional practices for solemn Exposition and Benediction follows. Because of the solemnity of the atmosphere, and the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, modest dress is appropriate.

**FROM THE DESK OF FATHER LEWIS**

In today's First Reading from the Book of Sirach, the author describes God's power and majesty. He writes, "Immense is the wisdom of the Lord; he is mighty in power, and all-seeing." If God is all-seeing, all-knowing, and all-wise, then we had better follow his commands. It would be foolish to take the risk of leading a life of sin, when Jesus himself guides us to the path of virtue. In his Sermon on the Mount, Jesus lays out the law of charity, which is ratified in his own body and blood. In today's passage, Jesus talks about how we must use our gift of sight and our gift of speech. Do we use our vision to look lustfully on the world? Or do we seek to praise and find God in all things we look upon? Do we use our words to curse and insult and judge our neighbor? Or do we speak of Godly things? This week, we're invited to admit where we've fallen short that we might get back on the Lord's path. Jesus reveals the path to peace and eternal life – and, through the power of the sacraments, he pours out the grace that will enable us to walk it.

**Sister Rezan**

Please join us our February, Community Sunday to meet and greet your fellow parishioners. On Sunday after the 11:30 am Mass you will also have an opportunity to speak with Sister Rezan of the Daughters of St. Anne who is back visiting us after beginning a new ministry in Atlanta, Georgia.

**Upcoming Events at St. Philips**

**1st Penance & Communion Meeting** - February 16 at 10:15 AM

**Mass with Healing Prayers** - Tuesday, February 18 at 7 PM

**Young Adult Meeting**– Sunday, February 23 at 12:45 pm

**Ash Wednesday** - Wednesday, February 26 at 8:30 am & 7 PM

**PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL AND THOSE WHO CARE FOR THEM:**

Duffy Askin Family, Bradley Baker, Evan Beck, Pat Brooke, Counihan Family, Carol Cropper, Phil Eppard, Martin (Red) Fahey, Tim Gatta, Walter Harley, Lukas Hjort-Tyson, Hoehl Family, Father Ihrie, Lillie Gerald, Art Grenier, Mary Gressett, Bert Latimer, Tonya Lee, Ralph Loveless, MacMannis Family, Lina Maralit, Jennifer Whipple-Marciano, Leondre Massey, Denise McHale, Marlyn Meoli, Grace Mueth, Nancy Palmedo, Deborah Pritts-Murray, Joe Norris, Shannon O'Connell, Matthew Pineda, Father Michael Quill, Barbara Ruf, Robert Wayne Saul III, Judge Tom Simpson, Dolores Steinhilber, Emily Tierney, Elijah & Marilyn Thorne, Eva Thorne, Nellie & Ruth Wade, Suzanne Walters, Shawn & Tommy Webb, Dineen Whipple, Bee Duncan, Alma Streicher, Shoko Ferguson, Ryan Murray, and Patrick Baggott

**2020 Annual Appeal**

This weekend is Commitment Weekend for the 2020 Annual Appeal. Please be generous in making your pledge. No gift is too small and will support more than 60 ministries and programs benefitting countless women, men, children and families in the Church of Washington, including within our own parish and local community. As in every year, 100% of your contribution to the Annual Appeal will be designated to the ministries and programs supported by the Appeal. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.

**“Vocations Tree” Coming Soon!**

Here's something simple you and your family can do for Lent! Next weekend, you will see a “Vocations Tree” in the church foyer with cards hanging on it. Each card has information about a seminarian of the Archdiocese of Washington. We invite you to choose a card (or more than one!) and pray for that seminarian each day during Lent. Who knows? You could be praying for a future pastor of our parish!

**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper**

Mark your calendars to attend our annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on **February 25, 2020**, from 5 - 7 PM in the social hall. Adults cost \$6, children ages 5 - 12 cost \$3, and children 4 and under are free! The family cost is \$20. For more information, call Karin Yeatman at (301) 899 - 7784.

**Maryland March for Life!**

Join the family-friendly, peaceful, prayerful witness in Annapolis **Monday, February 24, 2020!** The march will go through Annapolis and Rally at Lawyer's Mall to be the voice of pro-life Maryland! The Rally will serve as a visible witness in support of defending vulnerable life featuring speakers from the local and national pro-life movements. Mass will be celebrated at St. Mary's in Annapolis at 5:15PM and marchers arrive in St. Mary's parking lot no later than 6:00 p.m. The lot will then close for Marchers to assemble.

For more information, please visit the Maryland March for Life website at [mdmarchforlife.com](http://mdmarchforlife.com).

**Remembering St. Philip's School's early years -part VII**

Fr. Joseph Teletchea, our founding pastor, became monsignor in 1971 and four years later was transferred to St. Jerome's in Hyattsville. Fr. Oliver Mahedy was tapped to be our new pastor. Fr. Oliver McGready was our assistant pastor at the time, which means we had two Olivers, one from Ireland and one from Northern Ireland.

Dante Ross entered the Permanent Diaconate program, was ordained Sept. 11, 1971 and assigned to St. Philip's. In addition to his responsibilities as Deacon, he continued to work with the Parents Club, which he had founded.

During the late 1970s and into the '80s, we had our own school bus. After a minor accident on an icy Skyline Drive, the bus was discontinued.

In 1972 Kathleen Giroux initiated a physical education program. In the late '80s students started wearing gym uniforms. In the early '90s the school began to hire instructors and Wednesday became Gym Day.

In 1986 the old kitchen became our first kindergarten.

In 1989, after extensive evaluation, St. Philip's was accredited by the Middle States Association. And with that major project completed, the last of the Bernardine Sisters left St.

Philip's. They had served us well for 29 years and with their leaving went many of our traditions.

We look forward to having our alumni join us in celebrating the school's 60th anniversary.

**Altar Server Training**

Interested in becoming an altar server? Youth grades 4 - 12 are invited to train to become altar servers. They will be held **Monday, February 24 at 3:30 PM** or **Sunday, March 1 at 10:00 AM** in the main church.

*"Those who serve at Mass present themselves to a community. They experience from close at hand that Jesus Christ is present and active in every liturgy."* - Pope Saint John Paul II

Offertory Summary for Feb 8 & Feb 9  
Parishioner Contributions: \$5,018.05