

Saturday, November 28

9:00 am All Souls

5:00 pm George C. Yates | Sara Yates

Sunday, November 29 (First Sunday of Advent)

9:00 am For the Parish

11:30 am Roberta Murray +

Monday, November 30 (St. Andrew the Apostle)

8:30 am All Souls

Tuesday, December 1

8:30 am John Duncan + | Bee Duncan

Wednesday, December 2

8:30 am Mary Burke

Thursday, December 3 (St. Francis Xavier, Priest)

8:30 am George Hunt, Sr + | Margaret Hunt

Friday, December 4 (St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church)

8:30 am Lourene Ray + | Bundy Family

Saturday, December 5

9:00 am George W. Hill + | Bundy Family

5:00 pm Marion L. Starck + | Bundy Family

School News**Holiday Giving**

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FROM THE DESK OF FATHER LEWIS

“Be watchful! Be alert!”

Jesus gives us these words as we begin our new liturgical year. We enter into the new Church year with the First Sunday of Advent. Once again, we embark on the journey of entering into the mystery of Jesus Christ.

The Advent season is a unique opportunity to join all the holy men and women who have waited for the Lord. We are in the company of those awaiting Jesus’ birth in Bethlehem. We are among those who await his Second Coming. We sit in hope for how he might enter more deeply into our own souls.

“Be watchful! Be alert!” Jesus has something wonderful and life-giving for each one of us. Let’s be ready to receive him with peaceful, reflective hearts.

St. Philip the Apostle Holiday Mass Schedule

Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Tuesday, December 8, 2020
Mass | 8:30 AM, 7:00 PM

Christmas Eve
Thursday, December 24, 2020
Mass | 8:30 AM, 5:00 PM

Christmas Day
Friday, December 25, 2020
Mass | 10:00 AM

Saturday, December 26, 2020
Mass | 9:00 AM; 5:00 PM (Vigil)

New Years Eve
Thursday, December 31, 2020
Mass | 8:30 AM

New Years Day
Friday, January 1, 2021
Mass | 9:00 AM

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

Duffy Askin Family, Bradley Baker, Evan Beck, Pat Brooke, Counihan Family, Phil Eppard, Martin (Red) Fahey, Walter Harley, Lukas Hjort-Tyson, Hoehl Family, Art Grenier, Mary Gressett, Bert Latimer, Tonya Lee, Ralph Loveless, MacMannis Family, Lina Maralit, Jennifer Whipple-Marciano, Leondre Massey, Denise McHale, Grace Mueth, Nancy Palmedo, Deborah Pritts-Murray, Joe Norris, Shannon O'Connell, Matthew Pineda, Father Michael Quill, Barbara Ruf, Robert Wayne Saul III, Dolores Steinhilber, John 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

Angel Tree

It's that time of year again, we are going to do our Angel Tree a little different. We understand that these are trying times for everyone however this is the season of giving. There will not be tree in the church with tags as in the past, we will collect for the Children's Aide Society the gifts will be unwrapped and collected the weekend of December 12-13. Stay tuned for more details on how the collection will be handled. If you know of one of our own that is in need of help please email suzygiroux@verizon.net

Alumni Search

Are you an alumni of St. Philip's School or do you know someone who is? We are trying to locate alumni of our school, if you know of an alumni please email suzygiroux@verizon.net

2020 Religious Education

Then, we have an exciting new opportunity for you at St. Philip's! Beginning on November 28, the Missionaries of Charity will be offering the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd at our parish. Mother Teresa asked her sisters to use this program to help build our young people's love of Jesus and their experience of His love for them. We are blessed to have them coming to our parish! All children ages 3-11 are invited to attend weekly on Saturdays.

If interested, please fill out the registration at www.stphilip.net/religious-ed-registration

2020 Retirement Fund for Religious

Help our elders. In good times and bad, senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have dedicated themselves to service and acts of mercy. Today, they pray for an aching world. Yet years of serving for little or no pay have left their religious communities without enough retirement savings. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps provide medications, nursing care, and other necessities. Please be generous.

Kristen's Corner

Happy New Year

Congratulations and happy Advent! We have made it through another church year. This season in the church is my favorite each year. Advent comes with new beginnings, and a time of "actively waiting" for our Lord to come to us .

This "active waiting" is the churches tiny reminder (every year) of what we do all our lives. I personally need that constant reminder. But how does this make sense? To be active, and to wait? In my opinion, this is classic Catholicism. Always asking us to reflect and go deeper into it's meaning. I can think of many different reasons to we are actively waiting. All our lives we "actively wait" to get to heaven and try and use—to the best of our abilities—God's talents and gifts as we ought to. Plus, we are actively waiting for Christs second coming by spreading the good news of the Gospel to all nations or simply awaiting for Christmas after the Advent season.

This year specifically, I struggle with ways to be active this Advent while living within the laws of our land. How does one "wait well"? I have set my heart on praying the rosary everyday (with the help of a rosary praying podcast), look for daily reflections via USCCB or Blessed is She, and pray every night before going to sleep.

Let us actively wait for our Lord to come to us this Christmas, for His second coming, and God-willing, for us get to heaven.

Are you willing to wait for God? And if not, what will it take for you to wait for Him?

Adoration Evenings at St. Philips

Saint Philip's offers a weekly Adoration every Wednesday beginning at 4:00 pm and continuing until 8:00 pm in the church. For more information visit:

www.stphilip.net/adoration

Offertory Summary for November 21 & 22

Parishioner Contributions: \$3,363.00