

## PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. David Monteleone  
*Pastor*

Rev. Nico Quintos  
*Parochial Vicar*

Msgr. Kevin Flanagan  
*Parish Priest*

Rev. Jared Brogan  
*In-Residence*

Dcn. Nicholas Veliky  
*Deacon*

Dcn. Robert G. Ayers  
*Deacon*

Mrs. Barbara Zito  
*Principal*

Mrs. Donna Scancarella  
*Evangelization Minister*

Mrs. Denise Pannullo  
*Family Faith Formation*

Ms. Vicky Velasco  
*Confirmation Program*

Mr. Frank Hydash  
*Director of Music*

Mr. Brian Caldwell  
*Youth Minister*

Ms. Linda Siluk  
*Lay Trustee*

 @ StPhilipClifton

 StPhilipClifton

# St. Philip the Apostle Parish

797 Valley Road, Clifton, NJ 07013

[www.stphilip.org](http://www.stphilip.org) ~ (973) 779-6200



## Twenty– First Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 22, 2021



### CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday Evening ..... 5:30 PM  
Sunday.....8:00 AM, 10:00 AM & 12:00 PM  
Mondays thru Thursdays.....9:00 AM

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday .....4:00 to 4:30 PM

Please telephone the Parish Office  
if you would like a priest to visit a family  
member at home or in the hospital.



## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

My Dear Parishioners,

I believe it was Winston Churchill who said, "Democracy is a terrible form of government." But then he added, "There is no other form that is better." Sometimes our best choice is far from perfect. We end up choosing something that really does not please us, but we do so precisely because no better options are available.

This seems to be the situation with Peter in today's gospel. Many people are finding that Jesus' teaching is difficult, hard to accept. So, they are leaving. They are no longer traveling in his company. Jesus asks Peter, "Do you also want to leave?" and Peter says, "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life."

Now notice, Peter is not affirming Jesus' teaching. He is not saying that he is happy with it. He understands why so many people are leaving, but he is going to stay. But he is not staying because he is excited about staying. He is going to stay because where else can he go? Even though Jesus' teaching is difficult and troublesome, Peter knows that there is no better option available to him.

The good news about today's gospel is that Jesus lets Peter stay. Even though Peter is unhappy, even though he finds the teaching difficult, Jesus is willing to accept Peter as a disciple on those terms. Peter can remain a disciple even though the only reason he is staying is because he does not have a better place to go.

Jesus' acceptance of Peter's faith clarifies for us what discipleship and what faith are about. Sometimes we think that we believe in God because it is going to make us happy. Indeed, sometimes it does make us happy. But that is not why we believe. We believe in God because it is true, and the truth of that belief does not guarantee that life will be easy. Sometimes we think that we believe in God because it is going to answer all our questions. Sometimes it does give us a good deal of insight. But that is not why we believe. We believe in God because God is real. But that faith does not give us all the answers and does not guarantee that we will be pleased with the answers we receive.

We can be disciples of Jesus even though we are discouraged, even though we have doubts, even though we are afraid. When troubles in our family continue to disrupt our lives, when our health deteriorates, when people whom we love make decisions that wound us, it does not mean that our faith is misplaced or that God is not God. It is a reminder to us that God's ways are often unclear and frequently burdensome. The troubles and difficulties of our life tell us that faith is as much about persevering as it is about celebrating and much more about trusting than understanding.

Now, of course, all of us would prefer a life that is simple, clear, and easy. But those are not gifts which discipleship guarantees. Sometimes we merely need to hold on because there is no better place to go. And Jesus, like he did with Peter, is more than willing to accept us and our faith on those terms.

When we understand what faith and discipleship are truly about, we are able to pray, "Lord Jesus, even though it is difficult, even though I am confused, even though it hurts, I still believe in you. But thank you for giving me the freedom to say I'm not happy about it—and if I had a better option, I would take it."



Peace,

Fr. Monteleone.

## PARISH NEWS

Dear Parishioners,

I am so happy to announce that the church air-conditioning is fixed and running smoothly. Both compressors were replaced, and a transformer was added. The old system was installed in 1989 and did not owe the parish any money. The cost of the new system not including the transformer was \$75,000. Also, the air conditioning system in the school auditorium which dates back to 1977 also needs to be replaced. This will be done later in the month. Both of these have impacted parish finances, but I am hopeful that the new systems will last for many years.

Fr. Monteleone

## PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

### ADORATION AND EXPOSITION

Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Friday following the 9 AM Mass beginning September 10<sup>th</sup>.



## ST. PHILIP PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Saint Philip Preparatory School is searching for full time certified teachers.

Qualified candidates please send your resume to:

[barbara.zito@stphilipprep.com](mailto:barbara.zito@stphilipprep.com)

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ONLINE GIVING

Our Online Giving is getting an upgrade to a newer, easier-to-use platform! If you currently give online, you will soon be receiving an email with instructions on how to log into the new system. The good news is your existing payment and donation information will be migrated over automatically! Keep an eye on your email for more information coming very soon.

### WELCOME FR. MONTELEONE

Join us as we officially welcome Fr. Monteleone after all Masses the weekend of September 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> with light refreshments in the Auditorium.

### DAILY MASS

Beginning September 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> (The Friday and Saturday after Labor Day) the 9 AM Daily Mass will return on Fridays and Saturdays.

On Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, we will remember the tragic events that occurred 20 years ago as we pray for peace.



### ALTAR SERVERS, WE NEED YOU!

Returning Altar servers are invited to serve at the Weekend Masses! Father Nico will be glad to review and run through the Mass with you.

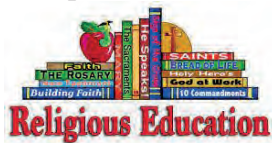
To continue serving and confirm your availability for scheduling, please contact Linda in the Parish Office at 973-779-6200.



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & CONFIRMATION

**Registration for our Religious Education and Confirmation Programs is open until September 1<sup>st</sup>!**

We hope you will register your child and continue with us on this faith journey. For details, please visit our parish website! If you have any questions, please email us at: [reled@stphilip.org](mailto:reled@stphilip.org).



## MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The St. Philip the Apostle Knights of Columbus Council 11671 is thrilled to announce we are now back to in person meetings on the first and third Wednesdays of each month at 8pm in Marian Hall. We are working on hybrid meetings which should be ready soon. All Catholic men of the parish age 18 and up are invited to become Knights or just attend our meetings as invited guests. To be invited simply sent an email or text to Grand Knight Mike Cervine [michael.cervine@gmail.com](mailto:michael.cervine@gmail.com) (973)220-3095.

### PRIME-TIMERS

The St. Philip Prime-Timers will begin meeting again in October. Stay tuned for more details.

## DIOCESAN NEWS

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

#### SILVER AND GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS



Couples, were you married in 1971 or 1996? The Diocese of Paterson invites you to celebrate your 25<sup>th</sup> or 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary during a special Mass to be offered at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Paterson, NJ. Bishop Sweeney will serve as main celebrant on this joyful occasion to be held:

**Sunday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at 3:00pm.**

Arrangements can be made by contacting the parish office. **The deadline to submit your registration to your parish office is Thursday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021.** You will receive additional information from the Office of Family Life once your registration has been processed.  
*Congratulations on this joyous occasion!*

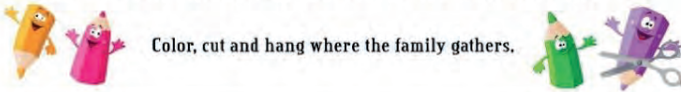




## KID'S KORNER



Like those found in today's readings, we live the faith of Joshua, Simon Peter, the disciples and St. Paul as we serve the Lord.



## WEDDING BANNES

The following couple will be exchanging wedding vows:



III. Victor Prieto & Sasha Cordero

## PARISH GIVING

SUNDAY COLLECTION: AUGUST 16, 2020	\$ 18,391.00
SUNDAY COLLECTION: AUGUST 15, 2021	
Weekly Collection	\$ 6,983.00
Online Giving Donation	\$ 8,077.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$15,060.00</b>
Second Collection- Missionary CO-OP	\$ 931.00

## MASS INTENTIONS

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 22, 2021

- 8:00** John Satkowski  
Michael Gimon  
**10:00** Joseph Dewland  
Lena Rean  
John Greco  
Jack McSweeney  
**12:00** John Dalton  
Ambrosia Cruz and Larry Kosek

### MONDAY, AUGUST 23, 2021

- 9:00** Gloria Peterson- 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 24, 2021

- 9:00** Fred Anthony  
Caridad M. Angeles

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2021

- 9:00** John G. Jerovich  
Abimael Marrero- 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 26, 2021

- 9:00** O'Brien and Rogers Families  
Deceased members of the McNamara Family

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 28, 2021

- 5:30** Jack McSweeney

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 29, 2021

- 8:00** All the People of the Parish  
**10:00** Serafina & Giovanni Calabro  
Lena Rean  
Josephine Delgaizo  
Marianne Jordan  
**12:00** Ann Hughes Downie  
John McSweeney

## WE PRAY FOR...

**THE DECEASED:** Eloise Conte, Thomas Reck, John Cerullo

**THE SICK:** Christine Kessler, Luca Ataide

## PRIESTS' SCHEDULE

### AUGUST 28, 2021

5:30 PM Fr. Jared

### AUGUST 29, 2021

8:00 AM Fr. Monteleone  
10:00 AM Fr. Monteleone  
12:00 PM Visiting Priest

# ALLWOOD FUNERAL HOME

973-773-6666

660-670 ALLWOOD ROAD - CLIFTON, NJ

973-546-4700

Michael E. Porter, Manager, N.J. Lic. No. 3011, Scott D. Porter, N.J. Lic. No. 4070 & Andrew J. Messineo, N.J. Lic. No. 5285, Directors

**THANK YOU  
TO ALL ESSENTIAL WORKERS!**



**LAWN  
DOCTOR**

Tel: 973-492-9110  
Fax: 973-492-3161

www.lawndocor.com

**NEED A LAWYER?  
INJURED ON THE JOB?**

**MARC J. BRENNER ESQ.**



Personal Injury  
Workers' Compensation  
Social Security Disability



CALL FOR A FREE LEGAL CONSULTATION

**(973) 326-8902**

222 RIDGEDALE AVE • CEDAR KNOLLS  
315 BROAD STREET • BLOOMFIELD

**CHARLES F. HAHN, INC.**  
**All Forms of Insurance**

Auto / Home / Life / Business

Gordon M. Hahn, President • Charles R. Hahn, Vice President

150 Clove Road

Little Falls, NJ 07424

**(973) 773-3710**

www.hahnagency.com

• New Roofs • Slate Repairs  
• Roof Removal • Skylight Repairs



All Types of  
Roofing & Repairs

**KOVACH ROOFING SPECIALISTS**

**\$300.00 OFF ANY ROOF OVER \$3000.00** **(973) 835-5330** **\$30.00 OFF ANY REPAIR**  
FREE ESTIMATES • FULLY INSURED

**Diane DeCarolis, APN**

Psychiatric Mental

Health Practitioner

25 YEARS EXPERIENCE

Medication • Psychotherapy

**917-751-8700**

MOST INSURANCE PLANS ACCEPTED UPPER MONTCLAIR

**NOW OPEN!**

**MAPLE VALLEY  
DINER & RESTAURANT**

Quality Food, Great Service, Best Prices

**973-473-6444**

1116 US HIGHWAY 46 • CLIFTON, NJ 07013



Assisted Living & Memory Care

*The Chelsea at Clifton*

Coming in 2020

**973-685-6433**

chelseaseniorliving.com

**SUPPORT YOUR  
LOCAL BUSINESSES**

- Be understanding of changes in hours and services
- Stock up at local stores and businesses
- Order food for takeout or delivery
- Donate to charities with items from local stores
- Say thank you and spread the word!



**BUY LOCAL • BE FLEXIBLE • BE GENEROUS**

**GOD BLESS  
AMERICA**



**CatholicMatch**  
New Jersey

CatholicMatch.com/NJsingles



Donate Your Car Or  
Other Vehicle To  
**Catholic Charities Paterson**  
CALL 1-855-670-GIVE (4483)



Creating Healthy Smiles  
For The Whole Family

**WOODLAND PARK  
DENTISTRY**

RIMMA SILVA, DDS

GENERAL, COSMETIC & IMPLANT DENTISTRY

CALL ABOUT OUR NEW PATIENT SPECIAL!

**973-256-3366**

279 BROWERTOWN ROAD • SUITE 104 • WOODLAND PARK, NJ 07424

info@woodlandparkdentistry.com | woodlandparkdentistry.com

Come in to meet  
Dr. Silva  
and the  
friendly staff.

~~~  
We offer gentle  
dentistry in  
a beautiful  
modern office.



**Shook**  
FUNERAL HOME, INC.

639 Van Houten Avenue | Clifton, New Jersey | 07013

Roy B. Garretson, Manager | NJ Lic. No. 3550

(973) 471-9620

ShookFuneralHome@gmail.com

www.ShookFH.com



www.bizub.com

**BIZUB-  
QUINLAN**

**F U N E R A L   H O M E**



1313 Van Houten Avenue  
Clifton, NJ 07013

**973-546-2000**

Timothy J. Bizub, Mgr.  
N.J. Lic. No. 4022

*Affiliated with the Bizub-Parker Funeral Home*

47 Main Street Little Falls, NJ 07424

**973-256-4700**

Thomas J. (Toby) Bizub Jr., Mgr. N.J. Lic. No. 3917

515 Lexington Avenue  
Clifton, NJ 07011

**973-777-4332**

Thomas J. Bizub, Mgr.  
N.J. Lic. No. 2732

**Gensinger VW**  
842 Valley Rd., Clifton  
Sales • Service  
Parts • Bodyshop  
Drivers wanted.  
**973-778-8500**

**BARTLETT  
GREENHOUSES  
& FLORIST INC.**  
Cut Flowers, Plants & Floral Designs  
Specializing In Funeral Arrangements & Weddings  
**471-6480**  
814 GROVE STREET • CLIFTON

**READY.GOV**  
Don't be afraid...Be Ready

Are You Ready for a Rewarding Career?  
Interested in a Great Opportunity to Volunteer?  
Department for Persons with Disabilities  
A Catholic Charities Agency in the Diocese of Paterson  
Visit [www.dpd.org](http://www.dpd.org) to apply or  
to learn more about volunteering.  
Volunteer with "People Need Friends" program: [volunteer@dpd.org](mailto:volunteer@dpd.org)  
Career Interest: Send application/resume: [employment@dpd.org](mailto:employment@dpd.org)  
DPD, 1 Catholic Charities Way, Oak Ridge, New Jersey 07438  
Attn: HR Dept. • Fax 973-406-1113

**THE  
BARROW  
HOUSE**  
PARLOR • BAR • RESTAURANT  
  
BRUNCH  
•  
LUNCH  
•  
DINNER  
  
HAPPY HOUR M-F 3-7PM

**HIRING PT/FT**  
Champion Plastics in Clifton is looking for a  
B2B/Telemarketer. Monday-Friday @ 25-30 Hrs/  
Wk. Reliable with strong communication skills.  
**WILL TRAIN THE RIGHT PERSON**  
Contact Denise @ 973-777-9400 Ext. 244  
Or E-mail resume To:  
[dzangara@championplastics.com](mailto:dzangara@championplastics.com)

**"Light the Way to Catholic Education"**  
Your tax deductible donation will benefit the:  
**Monsignor Peter J. Doody Permanent Scholarship Fund**  
To benefit Catholic Education for the students of St. Philip the Apostle School  
Donations can be sent to:  
St. Philip's Knights of Columbus Scholarship Fund • 797 Valley Rd., Clifton, NJ 07013  
Ask your employer about matching gifts!

**GOD  
BLESS  
AMERICA**

EST. 1943  
**UNO**  
PIZZERIA & GRILL  
**Chicago Grill**  
Dine In Monday Through Thursday All Month  
  
Present This Ad To Your Server & Uno  
Will Donate 15% Of Your Net Total Bill  
To St. Philip The Apostle Church  
**973-574-1303**  
426 ROUTE 3 WEST • CLIFTON

**The Law Offices of  
ROBERT C. HESS**  
973-778-9310  
840 Van Houten Ave. Clifton, NJ 07013  
Parishioner, Lector

1296 VAN HOUTEN AVE.  
CLIFTON, NJ 07013  
[THEBARROWHOUSE.COM](http://THEBARROWHOUSE.COM)

**IHOPE, Inc.'s**  
mission is to provide impactful and lasting healthcare to  
communities in need in Africa through state-of-the-art  
IHOPE INC. medical treatment and health education.  
**AMY PAJNİK, FOUNDER/PARISHIONER**  
~ Your Tax Exempt Donation Is Appreciated ~  
[www.internationalhopeafrica.org](http://www.internationalhopeafrica.org)  
[apajnik@internationalhopeafrica.org](mailto:apajnik@internationalhopeafrica.org)  
377 Valley Rd., Ste. 110 • Clifton, NJ • 07010 • 929-344-9093

**Visiting  
Angels**  
LIVING ASSISTANCE SERVICES

**Non-Medical Home Care Services**  
Select Your Experienced Caregiver  
[jmalik@VisitingAngels.com](mailto:jmalik@VisitingAngels.com)  
[www.VisitingAngels.com](http://www.VisitingAngels.com)  
Jesse Malik • 973-839-3761

**STAY SAFE, STAY HEALTHY  
AND STAY POSITIVE!**



**THANK YOU TO OUR ADVERTISERS**

*Our Weekly Church Bulletin Is Made Possible By Their Continued Support!  
Please Patronize Our Generous Businesses & Let Them Know You Saw Their Ad!*



**CRUNCH** **THE BEST GYM IN TOWN!**  
FITNESS 895 PAULISON AVE • 973.553.9470 • [CRUNCHCLIFTON.COM](http://CRUNCHCLIFTON.COM) **CRUNCHCLIFTON**

**ADVERTISE**  
YOUR BUSINESS IN THIS SPACE

Join the thousands of professionals and businesses  
in our network and begin growing sales driving  
new client visits and building client retention  
and name recognition.

**800-883-4343**



**CONNECT  
2AFFECT.ORG**

Social isolation is more  
than feeling lonely.

**AARP Foundation**  
For a future without senior poverty.



**IRREPRESSIBLE**  
K.J. Alexander

To her, she's just another foster kid.  
To them, she's the queen  
who will save them all.

**AVAILABLE NOW!**

Scan Here or Visit  
<https://amzn.to/322DlqT>

