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# 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time November 17, 2024



#### CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

| Saturday Evening | 5:30 PM                                  |
|------------------|------------------------------------------|
| Sunday           | 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM (Broadcast) & 12:00 PM |
| •                | 9:00 AM                                  |

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday ......4:30 PM

### **HOLY HOUR**

Every Friday ......9:30 to 10:30 AM

For a Communion visit and/or Anointing of the Sick, please contact the Parish office.



# FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

My Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday is the second to last Sunday of our liturgical year. As we approach the end of the Church year, our Gospel invites us to consider Jesus' predictions and teaching about the end of the world. In the context of Mark's Gospel, Jesus' words about this are spoken to his disciples as he prepares them for his passion and death.

Before we consider Jesus' words, it is important to note the political backdrop against which many think Mark's Gospel was written. Most scholars concur that Mark wrote his Gospel for Christians living in or near Rome about 30 to 40 years after the death of Jesus. This was a time of political turmoil in Rome. Some Christians experienced persecution by the Romans during the reign of the emperor Nero (about 64 A.D.). Jewish revolutionaries rebelled against the Romans, which led the Romans to destroy the Temple in Jerusalem in 70 A.D. In this time of political turmoil and persecution, many in Mark's community might have wondered if the end times predicted by Jesus were in fact quite near.

Last Sunday we heard Jesus' observation about the contributions being made to the temple treasury and the example of sacrificial giving that he saw in the poor widow's offering. If we had been reading Mark's Gospel continuously, we would have heard Jesus predict the destruction of the Temple, his teaching about the costs of discipleship, and the woes that will accompany the end times. Finally, we would have heard Jesus instruct his disciples about the need for watchfulness so that they will not be caught unprepared for this final day of judgment.

In today's Gospel, Jesus continues this teaching by offering his disciples signs to look for that will indicate that the coming of the Son of Man is near. His words and images draw upon Old Testament imagery, especially images found in the Book of Daniel. Next, Jesus offers the lesson of the fig tree, a parable that teaches that if one knows how to read the signs, one can be prepared for the end times. Jesus also teaches, however, that no one knows when the end time will come, except the Father. In the verses that follow this reading in

Mark's Gospel, Jesus continues to warn his disciples to be on watch for this end time.

Jesus' words are not spoken to frighten his disciples, nor should they frighten us. Rather, they are offered to prepare us for the changes we will experience during our lifetimes and at the end times. Our consolation and hope is found in the lasting nature of Jesus' words and God's neverending love for us.

Peace, Fr. Monteleone

# REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES

Loved ones are remembered during all Masses celebrated during the month of November and their names will be placed by the statue of Mary in the Church.

We invite you to write the names of your beloved, faithful departed relatives, and friends on the paper by the statue of Mary in the church and place your memorial intentions in the bowl provided. This will be available throughout the month of November.

# **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary has been transferred to Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. Mass times are as follows:

Monday December 9th at 7AM, 9AM and 6PM (no music)



#### SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITIES

# THE FILIPINO -AMERICAN GROUP AT SAINT PHILIP THE APOSTLE PARISH



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\*FELLOWSHIP TO FOLLOW AFTER THE TALK

#### **SAVE THE DATE**

# Simbang Gabi

A Filipino tradition of nine-day novena Masses during Advent in preparation for the Nativity of Jesus Christ.



Join the Sixth Novena Mass of our Diocesan and parish-sponsored Simbang Gabi

> St. Philip the Apostle Parish 797 Valley Road, Clifton, NJ

Friday, December 20, 2024, 6:30 P.M.

Rev. David Monteleone Main Celebrant

Rev. Emerson Francisco Homilist

Fellowship immediately following Mass in the Auditorium



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# SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

#### **COLUMBIETTES**

THANK YOU

A heartfelt thanks to all who participated in making



fundraiser a success!

Everyone enjoyed the delicious chicken, salads and tasty desserts and experienced a pleasant evening with our sister Columbiettes as well as fellow parishioners, families and friends.

With your support we continue to achieve the Columbiettes mission of helping those in need!

# **SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES**

#### WIDOW AND WIDOWERS

The next meeting of the St. Philip Widow and Widowers will be Monday, November 18, 2024 At 2 PM in the Molloy Center.

All are welcome

#### **ROSARY SOCIETY**

All Are Welcome!

Join us as we give thanks for all our blessings bestowed by our Holy Mother of God, Mary Most

Holy! Mass and meeting at 6;30 on Monday

November 18 in Marian Hall.

Pumpkin pie sure to follow!



### **COLUMBIETTES**

Because of Thanksgiving, the next Columbiette meeting will be held on Thursday, November 21st. Our Social time refreshments will be from



6:00 pm- 6:30 pm. Initiation of new members will take place at 6:35 followed by our regular meeting at 7:00 pm.

If you are interested in becoming a Columbiette or would like more information,

please contact Pat Scarpone at 973-881-7977 or Sharon Festa at 973-742-0926.

You must be 18 years old and a Catholic female.

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# **GOD BLESS THE NEWLY BAPTIZED**





Lila

Leonardo

### **PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY 2025**

Pilgrimage to Italy for Jubilee Year 2025

Fr. Emerson is organizing a pilgrimage to Italy for the Jubilee Year from September 22-October 3, 2025.

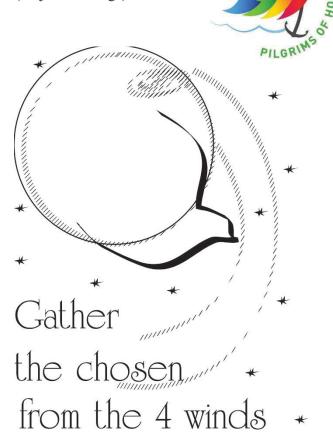
For more details see the parish website at www.stphilip.org or email Fr. Emerson at efrancisco@stphilip.org

# PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY DURING THE HOLY YEAR — Jubilee 2025

# **Pilgrimage Update:**

Application Form for Participation in the Pilgrimage is now available in the Parish Office or on the table at main entrance of the Church

Deadline of submission is December 31, 2024 (subject to change)



#### **CAPITAL CAMPAIGN**

# Thank You for Your Support

There are different kinds of gifts, but the same spirit distributes them. — 1 Corinthians 12:4

To all those who have pledged, contributed to, and continue to offer prayers for our "Having a Place at the Banquet of the Lord" capital campaign, a heartfelt thank you. Your kindness and generosity toward this project have gotten us off to a great start. This work could not be done without you!

To date we have raised \$299,595 in contributions collected and we are up to \$381,770 with all our pledges.



On Sunday November 24<sup>th</sup>, Bishop Sweeney will be celebrating the 12 Noon Mass to bless the pews as the restoration has now been completed. We invite you to join us for a luncheon in the auditorium following the Mass.

Please visit the Parish website www.stphilip.org or call the office at 973-779-6200 to

reserve your seat at the banquet.

"Having a Place at the Banquet of the Lord"

### **PARISH GIVING**

SUNDAY COLLECTION: NOVEMBER 5, 2023, \$19,489.00 SUNDAY COLLECTION: NOVEMBER 10, 2024 WEEKLY COLLECTION \$11,602.00 ONLINE GIVING DONATION \$7,338.00 TOTAL \$18,940.00

Upcoming Second Collections: November 24- Project Faith

# **WE PRAY FOR...**

### Recently Deceased...

Joanne Ortega, Victorino Payawel

#### A Time to be Healed...

Nicole Hale, Mildred Giusti, Kathleen Teresa Fitzpatrick Brown, Rita Frank, Lou Piatti, Caitlin Buggy, Irene Chmura



# **MASS INTENTIONS**

### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2024**

8:00 All the People of the Parish

10:00 Howard Glinkin Rosina Gioia Frank Lechleiter Joseph Cortese

12:00 Victor Shami Roseann Weitner

### **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2024**

9:00 Sean Hughes- 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Anthony M. Petaccio

# **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2024**

9:00 Rev. Msgr. Joseph Aubin Robert Choma

# WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2024

9:00 Michael T. Renda

#### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2024

9:00 Barbara Simicevic Margarita F. Lagumbay

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2024

9:00 John Tomesco- 1st Anniversary

# **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2024**

9:00 Deceased Members of the Columbiettes

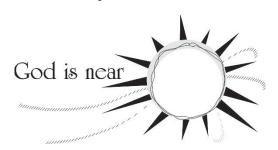
5:30 The Konzelmann Family Joseph Cortese Margaret Howlin

#### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2024**

8:00 Vito Tortorelli

10:00 Ralph Saam-23<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary Domenico and Josephine Pagano Carlina Mellot Matthew McClane

12:00 All the People of the Parish





# 🖊 Date: September 22 — October 3, 2025

# PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

DURING THE HOLY YEAR — Jubilee 2025

Price per person:

# \$2890 USD - LAND ONLY + airfare approx. \$1500 USD

#### Price includes:

- Accommodation in 4-star hotels in double rooms with private bathrooms, TV, telephone, and air conditioning.
- Breakfasts and dinners as per the itinerary.
- Transfers and travel by air-conditioned coach.
- Tour guide services.
- · Mass reservations upon request of pilgrims.
- City tourist taxes.

#### Price does not include:

- Beverages in hotel restaurants (water included); soda, beer, wine, and other alcoholic beverages are EXTRA.
- Tourist taxes payable individually at hotels.
- · Lunches.
- Entrance fees to visited sites and optional tours during free time.
- Additional health insurance + Covid-19 coverage.
- Trip cancellation insurance.
- Any required Covid-19 tests (if applicable).
- Tips for local guides and drivers.

# Additional charges:

Single room supplement: \$790 USD.



#### PAYMENTS

Bank transfer or credit card payment online (a payment link will be provided)

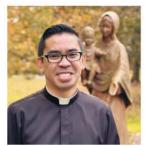
- 1. \$500 USD deposit upon registration for the pilgrimage.
  - Registration deadline: December 31, 2024 (subject to change).
- 2. 50% payment due by April 1, 2025.
- 3. Full payment due by June 30, 2025.

If someone cannot attend, name changes can be made without additional costs up to 30 days before departure.

#### **ATTENTION !!!**

- The cost of the pilgrimage may change slightly due to the unstable fuel market and the political and epidemiological situation in the world.
- The price has been calculated based on the current price of flights and may change depending on the carrier's tariff and is not guaranteed until the flight tickets are purchased.

# WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO CHANGE THE ORDER OF THE VISITED PLACES AS WELL AS THE FLIGHT HOURS



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