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## **Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed All Souls Day November 2, 2025**



### **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

Saturday Evening ..... 5:30 PM  
Sunday.....8:00 AM, 10:00 AM (Broadcast) & 12:00 PM  
Monday thru Saturday..... 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,

On November 1st we celebrated All Saints Day, we honored the countless saints in heaven who have set the example for us all and continuously intercede for us and our needs. In our calling on this side of eternal life, we, too, strive to follow in their footsteps, leading lives of virtue and righteousness, ultimately joining them in the loving embrace of our Lord. While we know not all saints are officially recognized by the Church, among them are our countless family members and dear friends who have undoubtedly found their place in heaven.

On this solemn feast of All Souls Day, we as a Church come together to pray and remember our departed loved ones who have gone before us. Indeed, it is a day when we unite in prayer, interceding that all the deceased and our loved ones may now enjoy eternal peace with our Heavenly Father.

Today, as we gather in prayer, our intentions are extended to all the departed souls we hold so dear. We come before the Lord to ask Him to grant them the everlasting joys of heaven. For my own family and among the faithful in our parish, I often offer my prayers for those who have departed, fervently hoping that they may experience the eternal peace of heaven in the presence of our Lord.

All Souls Day is a day of remembrance, marked by both the sorrow of missing our beloved and the hope of reuniting with them in heaven one day. Our faith in Christ reassures us that this reunion is not a mere wish, but a promise we look forward to with steadfast conviction.

Indeed, today your loved ones have been remembered at the altar. Together, let us unite our hearts in prayer, through the intercession of our Blessed Mother, that our departed loved ones and all souls may find eternal peace in the loving embrace of our Heavenly Father.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let the perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Peace,  
Fr. Monteleone

## ST. PHILIP PREPARATORY SCHOOL

The SPPS students have been very busy this week! Everyone celebrated Halloween on Friday, October 31st. The students enjoyed the parade and even had some educational fun in the classroom! The third grade class participated in a STEM challenge where they had to build a pumpkin tower using only toothpicks and their candy pumpkins. They did great! The younger graders loved the Fun Fair sponsored by the 8th graders. Here, the students participated in some Halloween themed activities!

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### WE ARE HIRING!

Saint Philip Preparatory School is currently accepting resumes from qualified teachers for various grade level positions.

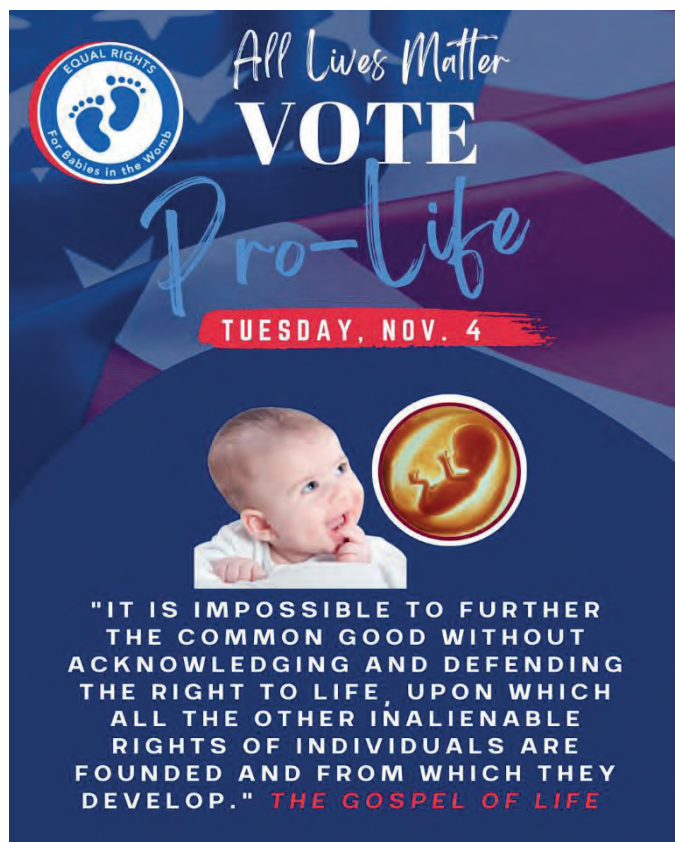
In addition, we are in need of people to help with our After Care school program,  
(Monday – Friday 3PM-6PM.)

Anyone interested in either position kindly send your resume or call the school office,  
973-779-4700.

Thank you for your support.

## SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

### LIFE MINISTRY



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## COLUMBIETTES

### COLUMBIETTES FOOD DRIVE



Saturday, November 8, 2025

10am to 2pm

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## FR. ENGLISH CENTER

Fr. English Food Collection

Mother Teresa has said: "It's not how much we give, but how much love we put into the giving." That expresses our gratitude for last week's amazing food collection! We had 3 large cars filled with the most wonderful bags of needed food items including special things for our Veterans. Thank you to all who gave so generously and to those who helped load the cars with the heavy bags! Blessings to All!

## FR. ENGLISH GLOVE COLLECTION

Upcoming Glove Collection!

Last year we were able to collect hundreds of much needed new warm winter gloves for Fr. English Food Pantry. As the cold weather approaches, please consider donating a new pair of warm gloves – either for a child or an adult – man or woman. Every pair will be hand delivered to those in need. There will be bins in the back of the church the weekend of Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please contact Mary Ann at 973 809 7120, if you have any questions.  
Blessings to All!

## SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES

### PRIMETIMERS

#### UPCOMING MEETING

St. Philip's Prime Timers Senior Social Club will meet on Friday November 7 in Marian Hall of the Molloy Center at 1:00pm for coffee-and; the meeting will start at 1:30pm. We are always looking for new members so if you're not sure or just curious about what we are all about just come and find out. Anyone 50 and older is welcome to attend the meeting.

### ROSARY SOCIETY

On Monday November 10 the St Philip Rosary Society will commemorate the souls of our loved ones. Please join us for Mass at 6:30 in Marian Hall followed by the Rosary and refreshments. All are welcome - come and see!

### COLUMBIETTES

#### Harvest Harmony Luncheon

Live music, prizes, 50/50

Sunday, November 16th

In the Auditorium

1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Tickets \$45



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Tickets will be sold after all the Masses on Nov.  
1st/2nd and Nov. 8th/9th.

### COLUMBIETTES

#### BLANKET MINISTRY

The next meetings of the blanket ministry will be  
Wednesday, November 5 & 19, 2025  
At 10:00am in the Molloy Center. All crafters are  
welcome! For more information or donations of  
fabric and yarn, call  
Cathie Murtha. (973-471-1265)





## SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITIES

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Memorial Mass for deceased Knights &  
deceased spouses of knights  
Friday – November 7, 2025  
7 PM

All are invited to take part in this mass

### FR. EMERSON'S APOLOGETICS CLASS

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NOV. 5 IN THE AUDITORIUM**

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DEC. 3 | DEC. 10  
IN THE MARIAN HALL**

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OFFICE TO REGISTER**

## WITH THANKS

To All out Parishioners:

Our Knights of Columbus Thanks You

Thank you, thank you, thank you! Our Council is  
always amazed at the generosity of St. Philip's  
parishioners. This year's collection for Coats-for-  
Kids Totaled almost \$4,000 all of which will go to  
warm winter coats for needy children in Clifton.

May God bless your awesome generosity.

## WEDDING BANNIS

The following couples will be exchanging wedding  
vows:



*Steven Thomas and Angela Alexander*

## GOD BLESS THE NEWLYWED



*James and Chelsea*

## PARISH GIVING

Sunday Collection: OCT. 27, 2024	\$16,971.00
Sunday Collection: OCTOBER 26, 2025	
Weekly Collection	\$ 11,795.00
Online Giving Donation	\$ 5,733.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 17,528.00</b>
Second Collection- Project Faith	\$ 2,135.00

Upcoming Second Collections:  
November 9- Project Faith

## "WHY, FATHER?" by Fr. Emerson

✦ "Why do we ask for the prayers of the saints? Can they hear us?"

We ask the saints to pray for us because they are alive in Christ! 🙏 Scripture says, "God is not the God of the dead, but of the living" (Luke 20:38). The saints are part of the **Communion of Saints**, our spiritual family in heaven, who love and intercede for us before God.

### 🗨️ Biblical basis:

- **Revelation 5:8** — The saints offer our prayers to God as incense.
- **Hebrews 12:1** — "We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses."
- **James 5:16** — "The prayer of a righteous person is powerful."

They "hear" us not by human power, but through God's grace, which unites heaven and earth. Asking their prayers doesn't replace God — it strengthens our bond as one Church in Christ. 🌟

🕯️ "Why do we pray for the dead? Is Purgatory in the Bible?"

We pray for the dead because love never ends after death. ❤️ Heaven is pure holiness, and Scripture says, "Nothing unclean shall enter it" (Revelation 21:27). Those who die in God's friendship may still need cleansing from sin's effects — that merciful purification is what we call **Purgatory**.

### 🗨️ Biblical basis:

- **2 Maccabees 12:44–46** — Praying for the dead helps free them from sin.
- **1 Corinthians 3:15** — A person is "saved, but only as through fire."
- **Matthew 12:32** — Jesus speaks of forgiveness "in the age to come."

Purgatory isn't punishment — it's God's love perfecting souls for heaven. 🙏 Our prayers, sacrifices, and Masses hasten their joy and express the mercy of Christ.

## WE PRAY FOR...

### Recently Deceased...

Zorada Gonzalez, Shirley Protzo

### A Time to be Healed...

Marge Sikora, Robert Rup, Fran Kobernick, Rosanna Hampton, Philip Kutzenko, Angelo Torres, Nina Sova, Nicholas Magrogan, Antonio Bussanich, Rosemarie Carlee, James Jablonowski, Terry Kolenc, Wilson Torres, Jill Festa, Arlene Pompeo, Tom Wilkinson, Paula Mutter, Lee Welch

## MASS INTENTIONS

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2025

#### ALL SOULS DAY

8:00	All the People of the Parish
10:00	Vincent Pizzi- 3 <sup>rd</sup> Anniversary For the 64 Million aborted babies Deceased members of the DeRamos and Llamas families Living and Deceased Rosarians
12:00	Vincenza and Giovanni Minervini Sylvia Shami

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2025

9:00 AM	Manuel and Milagros Amador
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### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2025

9:00 AM	Fanny DiSanto- 4 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mary Anderson
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### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2025

9:00 AM	Jerry T. Scrosia
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### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2025

9:00 AM	Amatro and Pansini Families Cyd Ponce Ozaraga- Special Intentions
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### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2025

9:00 AM	Richard Peterson 3 <sup>rd</sup> Anniversary Aquile R. Valencia
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### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2025

9:00 AM	David Kidd
5:30 PM	Hilda Carlucci Teresa Pivrotto Deceased members of the Gentolia Family

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2025

8:00	Clementine and Louis Pall Guiseppe Carduccio
10:00	Martino Santulli Tom Mullin Frank Dara Elaine and Jerome Cipolla
12:00	All the People of the Parish

### CANDLE FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 2nd

In Memory of Henry and Maryann Spohn  
- From their daughter

### OFFERTORY FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 2nd

In Memory of Deceased Members of the Vega and Calvis Families



## The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed | John 6:37-40 (All Souls' Day)

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*John 6:37*

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