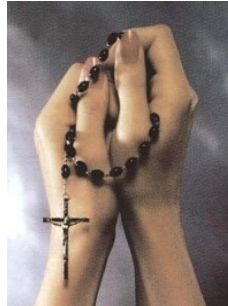


Join us for these upcoming events...

National Night of Prayer for Life

Please join us in the church for St. Philip Neri National Night of Prayer for Life on **Dec. 8, 2017** from **9 PM to midnight** on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. At 9 PM after Mass and the consecration to Mary for those who have done the 33 Days to Morning Glory retreat book, exposition will occur and will end at midnight. Join us for a night of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, and Prayers with Christians throughout the US in an effort to:



- Bring back our nation to Christ
- Bring about an end to abortion
- Establish a culture of life
- Preserve liberty and the protection of the faith in our nation
- Pray for peace

Our Lady of Guadalupe appeared to St. Juan Diego on December 8th, 1531 from 8 PM to midnight. Many parishes in our diocese are joining in for this night of prayer, for these intentions.

Mass Times for the Immaculate Conception Holy Day of Obligation:

Thursday December 7th Vigil Mass at 7:30 PM (consecration to Mary following Mass)

Friday, December 8th 8:45 AM at the Care Center

Friday, December 8th 7:30 PM in the church (consecration to Mary following Mass)

Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration; Tuesday, December 12th



St. Philip Neri welcomes the Spanish speaking families in our community. These families have a beautiful tradition of celebrating the Feast of our Lady of Guadalupe in their home country. They have met with Fr. Pfeifer and organized an evening of celebration on Tuesday, December 12th beginning with a Eucharistic procession at 5:30 PM, followed by Mass at 6 PM in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe. They will also be serving a supper to the community from 7 PM to 9 PM at the Legion Hall. Please come and support them as they give us one of their favorite traditions served with authentic Mexican food and a beverage at no cost to you.



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"Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you have been faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities."
- MATTHEW 25:21

God expects us to nurture and develop the gifts He has given us and then generously return a portion with increase. He doesn't want us to waste or hoard the gifts He has given us; He

expects us to grow our gifts, use them wisely and be generous with them. You really do have great talents to share with others!

St. Philip Neri Prayer Chain - Contact Janet Christmann Bitz at 754-2295 or janetbitz14@gmail.com

CCD - Grades K-6 on Sundays at 11:00 AM and Grades 7-12 on Wednesdays at 7:30-8:45 PM.


Confessions: 1/2 hr before every Mass, 1 hour before Saturday Mass, OR by appointment.


Weddings: Contact Fr. Pfeifer at least 6 months prior.

Baptisms: Contact Fr. Pfeifer before Godparents are chosen.

November 26, 2017
Solemnity of
Christ the King

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| Mon., Nov 27 7 PM +KC Memorial Mass |
| Tue., Nov 28.....7 PM +Charles Skalsky (Death) by Terry & Cheryl Weigel Family |
| Wed., Nov 29.....8 AM +Sharon Engelhardt (Death 11/27) By Brothers & Sister-in-laws |
| Thurs., Nov 30.....8 AM +Jacob Baumgartner (Death 11/29) by The Family |
| Fri., Dec 1.....8 AM +Peter J. Horner (Death 12/3) by Rose Horner & Family |
| Sat., Dec 2.....9 AM 1st Saturday Mass +Lucy Schloss (Birth 11/27) by George & Elaine Gross |
| Sat., Dec 25 PM Our Parishioners |
| Sun., Dec 310 AM +Elizabeth Grensteiner (Death) by Tony & Joanne Glatt Family |
| Sun., Dec 3 Care Center 8:45 AM +Fr. Robert Cronin |
| Helper: Lila Wirt |

 **Rosary 25 minutes before all weekend & daily masses.**

 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place from 6 AM Thursday until midnight Friday.

Stewardship of Treasure
This Week: \$ 5,818.90

Parish Announcements

No CCD Wed., Nov. 22 or Sun., Nov. 26 (Thanksgiving break).

This weekend we welcome the **RCIA students** who are preparing to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church. Please take the time to meet and greet them and help them feel welcome in our parish community. This Rite will take place at the 10 AM Sunday Mass.

The **Memorial Mass for the deceased KC members** will be at 7 PM on Mon., Nov. 27th. Rosary will begin at 6:40 PM. Following Mass will be a KC business meeting. All Knights and prospective Knights are encouraged to attend.

RCIA will be continuing next week as we look at Commandments 1-3 on Wednesday evening 5:30 to 7 PM in the HFH.

Pope Francis calls us to live the Gospel and serve the poor. As a community we can help feed the hungry by contributing to the **Logan County food pantry** food drive. This is the final weekend. Please contribute by Monday evening Mass. Our Thanksgiving Day collection will also go to the Logan County food pantry

Right to Life bingo Sunday, December 3rd at 7PM

Bible Study - 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month. Next gathering will be Mon., Dec., 4th after the 7 PM Mass in the Holy Family Hall. Feel free to join us.

Children in Grades 3 to 8 interested in singing at the Christmas Eve 4 PM Children's Mass, please contact Danita Bitz at 321-0909 or Emily in the parish office.

First Reconciliation/Confession Parent Meeting – The second-grade parents will be meeting on **Saturday, December 9th** from 9 AM to 11 AM in the Holy Family Hall.

First Sunday Breakfast December 3rd from 8:15-9:15 AM. **Christian Mothers meeting** Tuesday, Dec. 5 following the 7 PM Mass.

Cursillo Retreat Dates:

- Harvey Men - February 8-11, 2018
- Harvey Women - February 15-18, 2018
- Hankinson Men - March 8-11, 2018
- Hankinson Women - March 15-18, 2018



St. Philip Neri wishes to welcome **Clare Agnes Weigel**, who is to be washed in the waters of baptism this weekend. She is the daughter of Justin & Jenna. May God shower many blessings on Clare, her parents, godparents and grandparents.

Year-end Giving – Considering a charitable donation for year-end giving? Please consider our parish as a beneficiary. You can give to the operating fund, the parish endowment fund or the parish cemetery fund. If you would like to contribute please do so by Sun., Dec. 31st.

Advent & Christmas

Advent - Prepare for the birth of Christ! Need something to help you prepare for Christmas spiritually this year?

1. **Matthew Kelly – The Best Advent Ever** - Rediscover the joy in preparing for Christmas with a free daily reflection and meditation. Sign up at dynamiccatholic.com/advent.

2. **Fr. Mark Toupes (from the Oremus class)** – Join an Advent daily email retreat with Fr. Mark Toups called, "Theotokos" (Greek for Mother of God) at marktouples.com/theotokos.

3. **Bishop Robert Baron** - FREE daily gospel reflections in your email. adventreflections.com. Available in Spanish.

St. Philip Neri Advent essay contest – Members of St. Philip Neri will soon be in the process of getting their hearts and homes ready for the birth of Our Lord at Christmas. Our parish will be hosting an essay contest in five age groups: 1st-2nd, 3rd-5th, 6th-8th, 9th-10th, & Grade 11 - Adults. A gift card will be awarded to the winner of each age group. Theme is: *“What does it mean to me to keep Christ in my Christmas preparations?”* Guidelines: One piece of paper, front side only. No more than 400 words with 1-inch margins. Due Dec. 17th. Can be on Christmas letterhead, but not required. All entries will be posted in the church entrance during the Christmas season.

Christmas Ornaments – Starting next weekend and for the first three Sundays of Advent, the parish council will be selling Christmas ornaments for our Christmas trees again. The ornament that was chosen this year is a silhouette of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph in a manger scene. \$10 for 1, \$7 for each additional.

Advent Reconciliation Service on Sun., December 17th at 7:30 PM. Three priests will be available. Also, remember confessions are heard every day at our parish! Many weekends before Mass there is not enough time to hear all of them. Confessions are held daily 30 minutes before Mass times and are a great opportunity to seek God's Mercy. St. John Paul II went to confession every day to receive the fullness of God's life and graces.

Christmas Mass Times - The bishops have made it very clear to the priests and the faithful that we are obligated to go to both a Sunday Mass and a Christmas Mass this year, even though Christmas is on a Monday. The Saturday, December 23rd 5 PM Mass and Sunday, December 24th 10 AM Masses are intended to fulfill the obligation for the 4th Sunday of Advent. Christmas Masses will be: 4 PM on Sunday, December 24th *Children's Mass* (doesn't count for Sunday Mass), 12 AM (Midnight Mass), 8:45 AM December 25th at the Care Center, and 10 AM here at the Parish on Christmas Day.

 **St. Philip Neri**
Catholic Church

Saturday, Dec. 2nd

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| <u>Sacristan</u> | Dawn Becker |
| <u>Rosary</u> | Phyllis Johnson |
| <u>Lectors</u> | Brenda Weigel, Jackie Weigel |
| <u>Ushers/ Gift Bearers</u> | Viola B., Steph H., Wilma G., Barb S. |
| <u>Servers</u> | Mason Fettig, JT Fettig, Charmaine Haas |
| <u>EMHC</u> | David Becker, Paul Haegele, Jenny Weigel |

Sunday, Dec. 3rd

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| <u>Sacristan</u> | Janet Dewald |
| <u>Rosary</u> | Mitch Leier |
| <u>Lectors</u> | Brooks Becker, John Miller |
| <u>Ushers/ Gift Bearers</u> | Nick Breidenbach Family |
| <u>Servers</u> | Anna Bitz, Riley Dewald, Kaydra Kleppe, Jacob Leier, Janae Weigel |
| <u>EMHC</u> | Amber Fettig, Cheri Glatt, Angelica Revolorio |