

Holy Spirit and St. Philip Church

The Exaltation of The Holy Cross September 14, 2014



Saturday, September 13

The Vigil Mass of The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

4:00 p.m. Mass at St. Philip – Daniel Bochra
and Family (Rose Bochra)

5:30 p.m. Mass at Holy Spirit – Earl Johnson
(Kelly Edwards and Family)

Sunday, September 14

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Readings: 638: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1b-2, 34-38/Phil 2:6-11/
Jn 3:13-17

9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Philip – For the People of
Holy Spirit and St. Philip Parishes

11:00 a.m. Mass at Holy Spirit –
David Charles Tipton

Monday, September 15, Our Lady of Sorrows

Readings: 443: 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33/Ps 40:7-10, 17
Jn 19:25-27

9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Philip – Ed Wengerter
(Mr. and Mrs. Dager)

Tuesday, September 16,

Saints Cornelius, pope, and Cyprian, bishop, martyrs

Readings: 444: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Ps 100:1b-5/Lk 7:11-17

8:15 a.m. Mass at Holy Spirit – Mary Louise Stoltz
(Peggy Rybinski and Friends)

Wednesday, September 17

Readings: 445: 1 Cor 12:31-13:13/Ps 33:2-5, 12, 22/
Lk 7:31-25

8:30 a.m. Mass at Holy Spirit (All-School Liturgy) –
Ann Puskar (Baptism Group)

Thursday, September 18

Readings: 446: 1 Cor 15:1-11/Ps 118:1b-2, 16-17, 28/
Lk 7:36-50

9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Philip- Stephen Trouten
(Pat Berry)

Friday, September 19

Readings: 447: 1 Cor 15:12-20/Ps 17:1b-d, 6-7, 8b, 15/
Lk 8:1-3

8:15 a.m. Mass at Holy Spirit – Bernice Young
(Maria Regina Coccia, M.D.)

Saturday, September 20

The Vigil Mass of the Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 p.m. Mass at St. Philip – Marion Berry
(Pat Berry)

5:30 p.m. Mass at Holy Spirit – Shawn Patrick Head
(Allen Head)

Sunday, September 21

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: 133: Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18/
Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a

9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Philip – Agnes Bagley
(Joe Eisel)

11:00 a.m. Mass at Holy Spirit –
Michael J. and Elizabeth C. Zag
(Joe Zag)

From the Pastor's Desk...

Today is the feast known as the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Because it is a feast of the Lord (Jesus Christ), it may be celebrated on a Sunday depending on how the calendar date of September works out. As a feast of the Lord, it may suppress (or replace) the twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Consider how the Cross, as a symbol, is used and viewed today. It is widely used as a beautiful precious piece of jewelry, or as part of the décor in our house and churches. Gone completely today is the sense of horror and torture which the Cross evoked from people who saw it used to execute people. Mass crucifixions were an instrument of Roman domination and control in very brutal times. Roadside crucifixions – or as with Jesus, on a hill outside the city – were commonplace and were intended as a warning against insurrection.

It is difficult for modern Christians to appreciate the perspective of the first Christian believers. Those first believers witnessed individuals beaten and bloodied and nailed to a crossbar of wood, then hoisted up so that the crowd could see and jeer. They began to revere and honor a brutal and feared symbol of death. This is precisely what is meant by the scandal or folly of the Cross. How could so disgusting a symbol, akin to the gallows or electric chair, be seen as a sign of salvation and redemption?

That is precisely the transformation early Christianity accomplished. The disgust and fear the Cross as a symbol evoked were changed into high honor and veneration. The Cross symbolized the final act in life for the servant son of God, who willingly gave everything – including His life – for the sake of fallen humanity. In so doing, He appeared weak, foolish, defenseless, and criminal to nonbelievers. To the witnesses of His ministry and resurrection, however, the Cross became a sign of selfless love and victory over death.

The Cross of modern faith reminds us of how God so loved the world, especially sinful, broken humanity. As Christian disciples, we are invited to understand the full meaning of the Cross and understand that we, too, are invited to empty ourselves of pride and self-importance for a life of selfless love and personal sacrifice for others. This is why on this feast we celebrate the Cross. It fully represents divine love made visible in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Have a good Week!
Fr. Bill Arnold

TODAY a Special Second Collection. The U.S. Catholic Conference of Bishops has requested a special second collection for Catholic Relief Services and other Catholic Agencies working to meet the urgent needs of refugees who have fled Iraq, the Gaza Strip, and Syria. Hundreds of thousands of refugees have fled these countries in the Middle East and have gone to other neighboring lands in the region. These funds will also be used to support Church programs to aid persecuted Christians and to respond to rebuilding needs in these impacted areas. CSR (Catholic Relief Service) is a reliable, well-run relief agency in many parts of the world. Please be generous. Thank You!



Are you an adult who never received the Sacrament of Confirmation? On November 1st, Bishop Frederick Campbell will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. Joseph Cathedral for adults in the Diocese of Columbus who are practicing Catholics, but for various reasons were never confirmed. There will be a sacramental preparation meeting for adults who wish to be confirmed this fall on Wednesday, September 24th, at the Holy Spirit Parish Office. Please call Mark at the Parish Office at 614-861-1521 for more information.

Information for Holy Spirit Parish

Please Remember in Your Prayers Mary Rita Krebs, age 95, former resident of Whitehall, who died Thursday, September 4, 2014, in Santa Cruz, CA. The Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated for her here at Holy Spirit on Tuesday, September 9, and burial followed on Wednesday, September 10, at St. Joseph Cemetery. Her husband, Herbert, died two years ago and was buried from Holy Spirit. Please remember her in your prayers. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen.

Please Remember in your prayers all the sick and homebound of our parish, especially Jacqueline Angelo, Ruth Eckstein, Mary Lou Diltz and Pauline Castrillo.

Parish Offertory Summary: September 6 and 7

Offertory Envelopes (146)	\$7,309.00
Loose Offerings	\$ 327.99
Assumption (1)	\$ 10.00
St. Vincent de Paul (15)	\$ 263.00
Tuition (1)	\$ 10.00
Capital Improvement (7)	\$ 110.00
Peter's Pence (1)	\$ 5.00
Latin America (2)	\$ 25.00
Candles	\$ 140.49

Total Contributions **\$8,200.48**

Thank you for your faithful support of your parish. Remember the bills of the Parish need to be paid and your financial support is needed. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. May God bless your efforts on behalf of your parish.

Catholics Should be "Inviting." Faith is a gift from God, but Catholics extend the invitation! Perhaps a member of your family or someone close to you has expressed an interest in the Catholic faith. The Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) classes are starting right now - Tuesday, September 23rd, at 7:00 p.m., in the Parish Meeting Room. Perhaps a non-Catholic spouse, a close friend, or someone you've met would like more information about the Catholic faith. Sometimes, all it takes is an invitation to get someone to receive Baptism, or maybe they are baptized, and would like to come in the Catholic faith by receiving First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Extend the invite to them. For more information, please call 614-861-1521, ext. 12.

2014 Bishop's Annual Appeal: The following are updated figures from Holy Spirit Parish for the 2014 BAA Campaign:

Pledged:	\$68,534.26
Goal:	\$49,823.77
Paid to Date:	\$48,614.76
Potential Refund:	\$18,710.49

As you can see, we are close to reaching the goal and when pledges are fully paid, we will receive a potential refund of \$18,710.49. These funds will be used to help finance the new parish boiler for the church and west wing of the school. Please continue to pay your BAA pledge and if you are able and just forgot, any BAA pledge now given comes 100% back to the Holy Spirit Parish.

Information for St. Philip the Apostle Parish

Please Remember in your prayers all the sick and homebound of our parish, especially Charles Luby, Albert Capozziello, Margaret Barkow, Helen Chilicki and Tina Langston.

Please notify Marti at the Parish Office to have someone added to our prayer list or if you know of someone who would like a visit or just a chat.

Parish Offertory Summary: September 6 and 7

Offerings (118)	\$4,613.30
Capital Improvement (14)	\$ 282.00
St. Vincent de Paul (1)	\$ 25.00
Silver Stars Support (1)	\$ 5.00
Altar Rosary (14)	\$ 70.00
Tuition Assistance (1)	\$ 10.00
Total Contributions	\$5,005.30

St. Philip will host a Protecting God's Children Class on Tuesday, September 16, at 3:30 p.m., in the school building. This class, along with a background check, is a Diocesan requirement for anyone teaching, volunteering or being involved in any function that may be associated with children. If you have completed this requirement for another parish or school, please inform Marti in the Parish Office so your name can also be associated with St. Philip. To register for the class, go online to www.virtus.org, and click on the begin registration tab. If you do not have access to a computer, forms will be available at the meeting, but please call Marti so an adequate supply of materials will be available. We will have personnel on site to take your fingerprints, which are used to do your background check. In today's changing society, the Columbus Diocese is hoping to give you peace of mind by using this tool as a first step in protecting the safety of our children.

Elections for Parish Council are fast approaching. Please submit your name or the name of someone who you think will provide leadership of the St. Philip community. Each person will be contacted for acceptance before their name is placed on the ballot. Contact Marti or put a note in the collection basket. Help us move the parish forward with great leadership.

Join us for coffee and donuts after the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, September 21. It is a perfect time to relax and chat with your fellow parishioners. The Knights of Columbus will be hosting the event in our newly refreshed Social Hall. Your contributions have been put to good use as we have scrubbed, polished, painted and renewed. Come and see us at our best.

Religious Education and Sacramental Preparation:

*** The 2014-2015 St. Philip the Apostle Parish School of Religion (SOR) will begin on Sunday, September 21st. (Catechetical Sunday). Our SOR program provides religious education for preschool, elementary, and middle school students who do not attend a Catholic school. Students in our 2nd Grade Class will be preparing for their First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Students in our 8th Grade Class will be preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

*** Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) will begin the following Sunday at 9:00 a.m. Mass.

*** Welcome letters and registration forms have been mailed to families. If you have any questions or are new to St. Philip, please call Brad Walters, Director of School of Religion, at 614-203-2871.

Holy Spirit Information Continued



Sacramental Preparation and Religious Education for Children: The 2014-2015 Holy Spirit Parish School of Religion (PSR) will begin on September 21st. Our PSR provides religious education for preschool, elementary, and middle school students who do not attend a Catholic

school. Students in our 2nd Grade Class will be preparing for their First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Students in our 8th Grade Class will be preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Our PSR program also includes the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults adapted for Children (RCIC). The RCIC provides sacramental preparation for children who did not receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Reconciliation at the recommended age level.

Registration forms are available in the parish Welcome Center. If you have any questions, please call Mark Butler, Director of Religious Education, at 614-861-1521, ext. 12 or email reled@holyspiritcolumbus.org.



Children's Liturgy of the Word: Children's Liturgy of the Word will resume on October 12th during the 11:00 a.m. Mass. If you are interested in assisting this year, please call 614-861-1521, ext. 12.



TODAY - 2014 Y.E.L.L. Kickoff! Our youth group mission is to **Provide opportunities for Junior High and High School students to be challenged in their faith and to participate in the life of the Church. Through prayer, service, and catechesis, and FUN Catholic fellowship,**

we strive to draw teens closer to Christ and the Church. High School will meet from 12:30-2:30 p.m., in the gym, and Middle School will meet from 7:00-8:30 p.m., in the gym.



IN OUR PARISH

Monday, September 15 – Bible Study – 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, September 17 – Choir – 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 18 – Bell Choir – 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, September 25 – Parish Council – 7:00 p.m.



Holy Spirit School News –

Wednesday, September 17 – All-School Liturgy
(Mass in Church) 8:30 a.m.

The School Candy Sale is in progress.

Festival Wrap-Up Meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 17th, at 7:00 p.m., in the Parish Office Meeting Room.

Men's Club Meeting – The first Men's Club meeting for the 2014-2015 school year will be held this coming Wednesday, September 17, at 8:00 p.m., in the Pulito Room (adjacent to the school gymnasium...enter school gymnasium on Yearling Road entrance). At this meeting, we will be discussing upcoming projects, opportunities for service activities and fellowship. ALL ARE WELCOME and encouraged to attend.

Holy Spirit School: Meet the Teacher Day. On Saturday, September 27, 2014, Holy Spirit School will have the official parent meeting to meet the teachers! Here is the schedule of the day's events:

- Time: 3:00 p.m. – Mandatory Parent Meeting in Church Hall
4:00 p.m. – Picnic Meal –free to all families!
(hot dogs, burgers, chips, beverages)
4:45 p.m. – Open House/Meet the Teachers
5:30 p.m. – Liturgy/Saturday Evening Mass
(Children's Choir will sing)

This is an important gathering for all Holy Spirit School families. Hope to see you there!

Our Shared Parish Events and Information

Please Welcome – Fr. Homer Blubaugh: During the week of September 13-20, Fr. Homer Blubaugh will be covering for me, Fr. Bill Arnold. Fr. Blubaugh is a retired priest of the Diocese of Columbus, who resides currently in his hometown of Danville, Ohio. In retirement, he is still very active and remains a good guy. Please welcome him this week and introduce yourself!

The Knights of Columbus Marian Council 3864 at 4217 E. Main Street will be having a Pulled Pork and Beef Brisket Dinner on Saturday, September 20th, from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. Dinner will consist of smoked pulled pork shoulder, smoked beef brisket, baked beans, coleslaw, rolls and dessert. All this for the cost of \$10.00. Proceeds from this dinner to benefit the K of C 4th Degree Assembly 809 charities.

Love Your Neighbor. Lend a Hand. Join Catholic Social Services Saturday, October 11th, to help older and disabled Franklin County residents in need of help with a small home repair, painting, yard work or special project. (Interested volunteers under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult.) Please contact Peggy Sirbaugh in the CSS Office at psirbaugh@colscss.org no later than Friday, September 26. The impact of past volunteer efforts has been remarkable! We hope you will continue to be part of the team as we expand our outreach efforts throughout Franklin County. Volunteers interested in pre-event activities (site assessments, setup, etc.), are also encouraged to contact CSS. Youth of Holy Spirit and St. Philip, please call Kathie Rath (861-1521) if you are interested.

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Around the Diocese...

Cristo Rey Columbus High School warmly invites you to attend "The Garden Party," Saturday, September 20, 2014, to be held on the school grounds and throughout beautiful Topiary Park in downtown Columbus. This inaugural event will include tours of the new facility, dining, dancing, and an opportunity to learn more about how you can join the Cristo Rey Family. For information to purchase tickets, or to learn about serving as an event sponsor, please visit cristoreycolumbus.org and click on the Garden Party link; or call Cristo Rey at 614-223-9261 and ask for the Development Office.

The Pontifical College Josephinum Lecture Series will begin Thursday, September 18, with a presentation by Dr. Helen Alvaré, Professor of Law at George Mason University School of Law. Dr. Alvaré is widely published on matters concerning marriage, parenting, nonmarital households, abortion and the First Amendment Religion Clauses. She is a Consultor for the Pontifical Council of the Laity, an Advisor to the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, and an ABC News Consultant.

Dr. Alvaré will present "The Fallacy of the 'Clash' of Human Rights: Religious Freedom versus Sexual Freedom," at 7:00 p.m., in the Jessing Center on the Josephinum campus. The event is free of charge and open to the public, reservations are not required. For more information, please call the Academic Dean's Office at 614-985-2497.

Birthright of Columbus, a pregnancy support service, will have their annual luncheon and style show at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 20, 2014, at Mozart Restaurant, 4784 N. High Street, corner of High and Beechwold. Fashions provided by the Dress Barn at Polaris. There will also be a Raffle and Silent Auction. This is a wonderful opportunity to support the Pro-Life Movement and socialize with friends. For reservations and deadline information, call Marge at 888-0917, or Mary Jo at 235-7465. Tickets are \$30.00.

St. Charles Preparatory School Drama Department will hold women's auditions for the holiday musical, *Striking 12*, on Tuesday and Wednesday, September 23 and 24, at 4:00 p.m., at the St. Charles Campus Theatre, 2010 E. Broad Street. Auditions are open to all area high school women. For more information, call the school at 252-6714.

The Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry invites all Young Adults in their 20s and 30s to attend "The Jesus Retreat" on Saturday, September 20 and Sunday, September 21, 2014, at the Ohio Retreat Center in Marengo, Ohio. Cost is \$55.00 per person, which includes meals, overnight accommodations and supplies. Contact Sean Robinson at 614-241-2565 for more information, or srobinso@cdeducation.org.

Anyone interested in looking to be active in Divorce Ministry? Attend the *Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide Training* on Thursday, October 2, 2014, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, 3730 Broadway, Grove City, Ohio 43123. Cost is \$45.00, which includes materials, lunch and breakfast. Please register by September 19th by calling the Marriage and Family Life Office at 614-241-2560 or emailing familylife@colsdio.org.

Hispanic Day celebrated at The Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation, Carey, Ohio, on Sunday, September 21st. Mass in Spanish at 12:00 noon, then food and an outdoor Rosary procession. For more information, contact the Shrine Office at 419-396-7107 or www.olcshrine.com.

The Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation, Carey, Ohio, invites you to come for the annual Family Day on Sunday, September 28th. Mass at 12:00 noon in the Shrine Park, followed with a free picnic lunch and Rosary procession. All are welcome! For more information, call the Shrine Office at 419-396-7107.

Catholic Social Services Breakfast with the Bishop will be held on Friday, October 3, 2014, 7:45-9:00 a.m., at the Hyatt Regency, 350 N. High Street, Columbus, Ohio. Doors open at 7:30 a.m. Speakers for the event are Bishop Frederick F. Campbell and Jodi Pfarr, Minneapolis, MN, *Bridges of Poverty* certified trainer, advocate, and teacher. All proceeds from the breakfast will support vital programs and services of Catholic Social Services. For tickets or event sponsorship, call Peggy Welch at 614-857-1254, or visit the website at www.colscs.org.

3rd Annual Sacred Heart Congress will be held on Saturday, October 11, 2014, at St. Joan of Arc Church, Powell, Ohio, at 7:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Keynote speaker is Father Michael Gaitley, National Speaker on Divine Mercy. For more information and registration, visit www.sacredheartcolumbus.org.

A Sign of Christ's Presence: Your Marriage - How do you enhance your sacramentality? Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend! The next Marriage Encounter weekend in Central Ohio is November 14-16, For more information or to register, contact Paul and Marilou Close at 740-746-9003, or visit www.wwmecolumbus.org.

Mental Illness Awareness Week is October 5-11. The NCPD Council on Mental Illness, an outreach program of the National Catholic Partnership on Disability, is encouraging Catholic observance of the annual Mental Illness Week and National Day of Prayer for Mental Illness Recovery and Understanding. This national effort is designed to promote pastoral sensitivity to, and inclusion of, individuals and their family members who are affected by mental illness.