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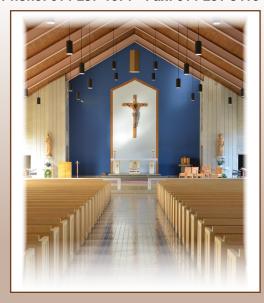
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Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

# Holy Spirit & St. Philip Church Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 24, 2023

Saturday, September 23 – Vigil of the Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**4:00 p.m.** Mass at St. Philip – Pat Berry (Mary Jane Skybo)

5:30 p.m. Mass at Holy Spirit – June Jackson

(Don & Nancy Kelley)

**Sunday, September 24** – *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 – For the People of St. Philip & Holy Spirit Parishes

11:00 a.m. Mass at Holy Spirit – Carolynn Heinmiller (Carol Berger)

Monday, September 25

Readings: 449: Ezr 1:1-6 / Ps 126:1-6 / Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday, September 26 – St. Cosmas & St. Damian

Readings: 450: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20 / Ps 122:1-5 / Lk 8:19-21

9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Philip – Michael Baughn (Becky Carter)

Wednesday, September 27 – St. Vincent de Paul

Readings: 451: Ezr 9:5-9 / (Ps)Tb:13:2, 3-4, 7-8 / Lk 9:1-6

8:15 a.m. Mass at Holy Spirit – School Mass – Buddy Capuano (Connie Williams)

Thursday, September 28 – St. Wenceslaus & St. Lawrence Ruiz

Readings: 452: Hg 1:1-8 / Ps 149:1-6, 9 / Lk 9:7-9

9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Philip – Nicolina Eramo (Barb Rysavy & Family)

Friday, September 29 – Sts. Michael, Gabriel, & Raphael

Readings: 647: Rv 12:7-12a / Ps 138:1-5 / Jn 1:47-51

9:00 a.m. Mass at Holy Spirit – Jim & Jimmy Gillilan (Nancy, Don & Marilyn Kelley)

Saturday, September 30 – Vigil of the Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**4:00 p.m.** Mass at St. Philip – Deacon Joe Farry (Doug & Karen Brandel)

5:30 p.m. Mass at Holy Spirit – In Thanksgiving for the 75th Wedding Anniversary of Bob & Lu Cudak

**Sunday, October 1** – *Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time* Readings: 136: Ez 18:25-28 / Ps 25:4-9 / Phil 2:1-5 / Mt 21:28-32

9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Philip – Bill Bond (Bobbie Bond)
11:00 a.m. Mass at Holy Spirit – Carolynn Heinmiller
(Carol Berger)

#### From the Pastor's Desk...

"Fairness" turns out to be a really difficult thing to judge. What seems fair to one person in a particular case doesn't seem fair to another. As we experience life, all of us have heard that life itself isn't necessarily fair. Learning to live means learning to absorb a little bit of "unfairness," every now and then.

The parable in today's Gospel is not necessarily about "fairness." The workers who arrived early and worked all day received the wage they agreed upon with the owner of the vineyard. Was the owner unfair or even unjust to these laborers? After all, the owner did keep his word and held to his agreement. He paid the "early bird" workers exactly what he said he would.

Obviously, the workers who sweated it out all day (and received a full day's pay) did not appreciate the generosity of the vineyard owner. "Fairness" would seem to dictate that those who work longer hours should get paid more than workers who worked fewer hours. But the paymaster (or vineyard owner) decided to be extraordinarily generous. Perhaps grateful that he found enough workers to harvest the grapes before the end of the day, he decides to pay the late hired as much as the first arrivals.

The Gospel today needs to be understood in the light of the first reading from the Prophet Isaiah. The prophet speaks for God: "My thoughts are not your thoughts, my ways are not your ways." God, in the parable, is represented by the owner of the vineyard. God is generous in the extreme. God's blessings and forgiveness are given out as God wills, not based on a time clock as in the workplace. Human generosity cannot match divine generosity. God does not share human thinking, determining grace or forgiveness based on concepts of merit.

There are many Christians who live a devoted, strong life for many decades. Others come to accept God only at a later point in their life. Nonetheless, the reward of eternal life is given based on any stirring of good will and faith, which ultimately is known by God alone. No matter how hard we might try, we could never be as generous as God. Yet all of us have experienced the generosity of God in so many ways. "Let God be God" is the point of the parable – overly generous, extremely merciful, always forgiving. We should try to be more like God.

Have a good week! Fr. Bill Arnold

# **Information for Holy Spirit Parish**

**Parish Offertory Summary: September 16/17**Offertory Envelopes (70) \$ 5,073.00

Total	\$	5,781.00
Church in Africa (8)	\$	145.00
Catholic Home Missions (1)	\$	8.00
Capital Improvement (5)	\$	227.00
St. Vincent de Paul (6)	\$	155.00
Loose	\$	173.00
Cherry Envelopes (70)	Ψ	2,075.00

Please remember in your prayers Geri Torr, age 92, a member of Holy Spirit Parish for many years, who died at Otterbein Senior Life in New Albany, on Monday, September 18, 2023. Cremation has taken place, and a Mass of Christian Burial will be scheduled here at Holy Spirit in the future. Please keep the family in your prayers. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Holy Spirit Elevator: Unfortunately, the elevator at Holy Spirit Parish (into the church) is out of order. It will require extensive repairs. We have located a company to carry out the repairs, but we need to close the contract. I am sorry that this process may take several weeks. I realize some of you have come to depend on this elevator to access the Church. We are working on this as fast as we can. Sorry for the inconvenience this has caused.



Holy Spirit School students in Grades K-8 will have their school pictures taken on Tuesday for the 2023-2024 school year. This is always a day we look forward to each year! Also, many of our middle school students will be inducted into the Junior BETA Club after our all-school liturgy on Wednesday, September 27th. Junior BETA Club's mission is to promote the ideals of academic achievement, character, service and leadership among elementary school students. We are very proud of our 25 students who participate in this group each school year. Please continue to keep all of our students in your prayers.

Miss Kathy Costello, Principal

**Please remember in your prayers** all the sick, homebound, or recovering in our parish, especially Ned Braun, Carole Brill, Bernie Comer, Lu & Bob Cudak, Judy Dick, Carol Eisenhart, Anne Hill, Joann Huffman, Steve & Nancy Sagle, and Ron Scherer.

#### **Information for St. Philip the Apostle Parish**

Parish Offertory Summary: September 16/17
Contributions (32) \$ 1,321.00
Total \$ 1,321.00

To all St. Philip's Parishioners who donate so generously to the parish, many thanks.

St. Philip Annual Financials are available on the web site www.stphilipcolumbus.org under the Financial Pages tab.

#### **Please Remember in Your Prayers:**

Mary Ann Sharp, age 90, a St. Philip Parishioner, who died on Monday, September 18, 2023. The Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated for Mary Ann on Monday, September 25, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., at Mother of Sorrows Chapel, St. Joseph Cemetery, with burial following. Calling hours are Sunday, September 24, from 2:00-5:00 p.m. at Maeder-Quint-Tiberi Funeral Home. Vigil prayers will take place at 4:45 p.m. Please remember Mary Ann and her family in your prayers. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



# Thank you, Pantry Volunteers and Contributors!

I am so thankful for all the volunteers and contributors that made St. Philip's Food Pantry possible. As the pantry closes, I give thanks to everyone involved

with the pantry's success. So many of you donated your time and money and helped us by ordering food, packing bags, assisting in the clothing room, delivering food to clients, donating funds or organizing various charitable giving events. Everything you did to make the pantry a success is truly appreciated.

Thank you and God Bless you, Sue Wein

**Please remember in your prayers:** Trudy Rieser and JoAnn Smith, as well as the sick, homebound or recovering in our parish. Pray for those in our parish coping with physical and mental health conditions.

#### **Ministry Schedule:**

Saturday, September 30, 2023 – 4:00 p.m.

**Lector: Sharon Woods** 

#### **Ministry Schedule:**

Sunday, October 1, 2023 – 9:00 a.m.

**Lector: Tom Kitsmiller** 

#### **Shared Parish Information**

#### **Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

O God, who founded all the commands of Your sacred Law upon love of You and of our neighbor, grant that, by keeping Your precepts, we may merit to attain eternal life.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

National Migration Week, September 18-24, 2023: This week is an opportunity to reflect on the circumstances confronting migrants, including refugees, children, and victims and survivors of human trafficking. Each of us has a family migration story, some recent and others in the distant past. Regardless of where we came from, we are part of the human family and are called to live in solidarity with one another.

Immigrants who come to the United States, and particularly those who are undocumented, are a vulnerable population who need someone to speak on behalf of their human rights and dignity. Our moral tradition calls on all people of faith to stand up in defense of life and human dignity; it is a fundamental calling for us as Catholics. Scripture speaks repeatedly of the migration experience, from Abraham who was sent out from his homeland in the Old Testament, to the Holy Family who fled Herod and lived their lives for a time as refugees in a foreign land.

Jesus tells us that when we throw a banquet, we should not invite our relatives or wealthy neighbors, "but the poor, the crippled, the lame and the blind" (Lk 14). It does not mean we are obligated to invite all of the world's poor into our country and disregard the well-being of those who are already here. Rather, this passage invites us to reflect on the degree to which we, in our surplus, provide to those who live in a state of deficit. Where we are able to provide support and care for the poor and the downtrodden out of our excess, we are obligated to help. Catholic social teaching tells us a great deal about our obligation to "welcome the stranger among us."

#### **Additional Holy Spirit Information**

**Ministry Schedule:** 

<u>Saturday, September 30, 2023 – 5:30 p.m.</u>

Lector: Iris Quezada

Servers: Elisa Pardo, Rocio Isabel Pardo, Victoria Pardo Eucharistic Ministers: Bob & Kathy Zimmerman,

Roseanne Sapp

**Ministry Schedule:** 

Sunday, October 1, 2023 – 11:00 a.m.

Lector: Richard Makowski

Servers: Lohan Dossou-Koko, Zoe Ruiz

**Eucharistic Minister: Debbie Miller, Maureen Dodd,** 

**Clifton Hawkins** 

#### **Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa Collection:**

Africa faces the economic and social hurdles of enormous debt, epidemic, severe poverty, and political unrest. In spite of these challenges, the Church in Africa has almost tripled in size in the past 30 years. However, it is difficult for the church to sustain its growth and maintain essential pastoral outreach. The Fund provides grants to finance pastoral projects including outreach programs, schools, evangelization, and education of clergy and lay ministers. Your support makes a real difference in the faith lives of the people in Africa. Please continue to pray for our African sisters and brothers. Donations may also be sent to: Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa, USCCB-Office of National Collections, 3211 4th Street NE, Washington, DC 20017



Are you or is someone you know: Curious about the Catholic faith? Interested in becoming Catholic? Baptized Catholic as a child, but never received the Sacraments of Confirmation and the Eucharist? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process through which adults join the Catholic Church. The first step in this process is a period of inquiry, which is an opportunity to learn more about our parish community, our Catholic faith, and our God. You are welcome to participate with your questions in a warm setting with no commitment required. The first date for this gathering will be announced soon. If you or someone you know is interested in more information, please call 614-861-1521 or e-mail info@ holyspiritcolumbus.org.

Reverend Veevin Richard Pitchaisavary, SAC was born in Irudayampattu, Tamil Nadu, India, in 1990. He is the youngest of five siblings in his family. He speaks Tamil and English. He studied at his diocesan Catholic high school. As a boy, he used to serve at the altar for daily Masses. Being an altar server inspired him to take a step closer to God. Therefore, he decided to join the priesthood, and joined the Pallottines in **2006.** He earned his BA in English literature at Loyola College, Chennai, Philosophy in Goa, and Sacred Theology in Mysore. He was ordained in 2018. After ordination, he was assigned as associate pastor at St. Antony Church, Kanyakumari in 2018 and in 2019, worked as associate pastor at St. Vincent Pallotti Church, Madurai. In 2020, he worked as associate pastor at St. Michael Church, Sivagangai. In 2021, he was bursar for the philosophical seminary at Trichy. In 2022, he was appointed as Pastor at St. Joseph Church, Pechiparai, Kanyakumari. As a priest, the thing that he loves the most is working in the parishes catering to the spiritual needs of the people. Fr. Richard, as he prefers to be called, is currently the Parochial Vicar of St. Philip and Holy Spirit Parishes, and on December 1st, will officially become the pastor of Holy Spirit Parish.

#### **Around the Diocese**



#### **ODU to Host Fall Lecture Series Event**

Ohio Dominican University's Center for Dominican Studies will host the second of four lectures focusing on the university's theme for the 2023-24 academic year: *Truths we have learned*. ODU Associate Professor of Education Dr. Marlissa Stauffer will present "Considering How Changing Ideas on Truth Impact Students" at 3:30 p.m. on **Thursday, September 28th**. The free event is open to the public and will take place in Sansbury Hall in the Colonial Room located on ODU's campus at 1216 Sunbury Road, Columbus, 43219.

Saint Teresa Recognition Award: Do you know of a faithful woman who freely serves others? This award (formerly the Catholic Woman of the Year) recognizes and honors those lay women within the Diocese of Columbus who have striven to exemplify the work of Christ. Individuals can nominate a lay woman who they feel exemplifies the spirit of St. Teresa by visiting https://columbuscatholic.org/teresanom. All nominations are due by September 30th. She would be honored at the Recognition Ceremony Luncheon with Bishop Fernandes on Sunday, November 5th from 1:00-3:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Life Center, 3730 Broadway in Grove City. Registration for family and friends is due by October 20th. Registration is \$28.00 and includes a catered lunch. Space is limited. Tickets and reservations can be made at https://dioceseofcolumbus.org/teresaaward. Contact Annette Roth at DCCW@ColumbusCatholic.org or call 740-701-0610 with questions.



Seton Parish is Sponsoring a Grief Support Group. This eight-week program is for adults who are grieving the loss of a loved one through death. All are welcome to attend no matter how long ago that death occurred; there is no time frame for grieving. This support group will be held in the library at Seton Parish, beginning Sunday, October 1st, from 1:30-4:00 p.m. For further information and/or registration, please email Kathy Willard at mamakath62@aol.com, or call the Seton Parish office at 614-833-0482.

Mass for Life: Do YOU want to do something locally to make an impact for the moms and babies of our community? Come pray the Mass with His Excellency, Earl K. Fernandes, Bishop of Columbus, and the Women's Care Center, on Thursday, October 19th, at 5:30 p.m. Please join us after Mass for Exposition, a Rosary and Benediction, followed by pizzato-go! The Mass will be held at St. Catharine Parish, 500 S. Gould Road, in Columbus. All are welcome to celebrate this Mass for Life in honor of families and the protection of life ahead of our upcoming elections.



**Joseph's Coat Needs Volunteers and Clothing:** Please consider donating your time and/or clothing for those who desperately need our help. Currently, we have no clothing for teenage kids, fall and winter clothes. The sizes needed are: girls shirts size 5 through 18; boys shirts size 5 through 18; girl pants and jeans size 00 through 17; boys pants 14 through 20, or waist up to 30. To donate, go to our website www. Josephs-Coat.org. Call 614-863-1371 with questions, or 614-852-4228 to volunteer.

#### A Franciscan Benediction

May God bless you this day with discomfort at easy answers, half-truths, and superficial relationships, so that you may live deep within your heart.

May God bless you this day with anger at injustice, oppression, and exploitation of people, so that you may work for justice, freedom and peace.

May God bless you this day with tears to shed for those who suffer from pain, rejection, hunger, and war, so that you may reach out your hand to comfort them and to turn their pain into joy.

And may God bless you this day with enough foolishness to believe that you can make a difference in this world, so that you can do what others claim cannot be done.

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