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Fifth Sunday of Easter **April 28, 2024**

Sunday, April 28, 2024

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:26-31; 1 John 3:18-24; John 15:1-8

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM - Faith Formation 7-12

Monday April 29, 2024

St. Catherine of Siena

Acts 14:5-18: John 14:21-26

1:00 PM - Al-Anon

Tuesday, April 30, 2024

St. Pius V

Acts 14:19-28; John 14:27-31a

1:00 PM – Jesus and the Eucharist – Parish Room

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

St. Joseph the Worker

Acts 15:1-6: John 15:1-8

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM - Faith Formation K-6 Office Closed

Thursday, May 2, 2024

St. Athanasius

Acts 15:7-21; John 15:9-11

Friday, May 3, 2024 Sts. Philip and James

1 Corinthians 15:1-8; John 14:6-14

11:00 AM – Memorial Mass – Stanley Stump Office Closing at 12:30 PM

Saturday, May 4, 2024

Acts 16:1-10; John 15:18-21

4:00 – 4:30 PM Reconciliation – St. Philip Neri 5:00 PM Mass at St. Philip Neri †Tom Eichenberg Jr. by Beth Dake

Collection Report April 20, 2024

St. Philip Neri

Envelopes \$1,675.00 **(37)** Loose

\$262.00 \$1,937.00

\$3,100.00 Wkly. Budget (\$1,163.00)O/ (U) Budget

YTD Budget \$133,300.00 **YTD Collections** \$123,133.59

(\$10,166.41)

Schedule of Ministers

St. Philip Neri May 4, 2024, 5:00 PM

Eucharist: Tom Fabus **Eucharist:** Cecile Slywka Barb Spindler **Eucharist:** Word: Amy Shank **Hospitality:** Betty Yost **Hospitality:** Jim Kaverman **Hospitality:** Larry Wisniewski

Hospitality: Jerry Slywka

Memorial Roses

This is the last weekend the St. Philip Neri / St. Anne Parish Life Committee will be taking orders for "Memorial Roses" to be placed by the altar the weekend of Mother's Day. There are order forms with envelopes in the back of Church. Monday, April 29 is the deadline to place these orders. The cost is \$2 each.

Roses for individuals to purchase and take with them will be available after Mass on the weekend of Mother's Day, May 11.

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Four Basic Forms of Prayer

Prayer of Blessing and Adoration

In this prayer we express praise and honor to God. We praise God for giving us life, for the wonder and beauty of our world, and for all the many blessings we enjoy. We open ourselves up to praise God for all the wonders of creation.

Prayer of Petition

This is probably the most familiar prayer form of prayer. By using this form of prayer we are mindful of the needs of others as well as of our own needs. God may answer our prayers in a different way than we are seeking but God will always give us what we need.

Prayer of Intercession

This form of prayer is prayer on behalf of others. This form of prayer can be a source of blessing upon others, the Church, and our world. Because we know that Our Lady and the saints intercede for us before God, the Church encourages us to pray to them for their intercession.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

This form of prayer helps us to be grateful for God's many blessings, spiritual and temporal, and helps us to recognize and appreciate all the good things God gives to us. Reserving some time to praise and thank God for his gifts—the gift of life; the gift of our families and friends; the gift of food, clothing, and shelter; and the numerous other gifts we often take for granted—helps us to form a true spirit of gratitude.

Memorial Service

A memorial service for Stanley Stump will be held at St. Philip Neri Church on May 3rd at 11:00 am with a luncheon to follow.

Mt. Olivet Cemetery Envelopes

The envelopes for Mt. Olivet up-keep are in your weekly box or you may take one from the back of the church. This is the only funding for the cemetery. Thank you

Faith Formation News

On this 5th Sunday of Easter, I hope you all are still celebrating Easter! Party on People of God. This weekend we hear again from the Gospel of John. In the Gospel today we hear Jesus say, "Remain in me as I remain in you, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me will bear much fruit." As I reflect on this line, I thought about what it means that Jeus remain in us. Through the waters of baptism, we received a share of the Holy Spirit. In Confirmation the Holy Spirit was sealed and strengthened within us. At the table of the Lord, we receive the Eucharist, the Body and Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus Christ. Indeed, the Lord remains within us.

Jesus remains with us as we read the Living Word of God in scripture. Jesus is with us as we set aside time for prayer. Jesus is with us when we live out the Spiritual and Corporal works of mercy. Jesus is with us as Mothers and Fathers who get up in the middle of the night to take care of a sick child. Or who instructs and guides their High School child through difficult choices in their lives.

We remain in Jesus when we come to celebrate the Sacramental life of the Church. When we need forgiveness through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Every time we approach the Altar to receive the Blessed Sacrament. Every time we sacrifice for another, put someone else first, offer up our pain for someone else, let someone else have their way, each time our Lord is renewed within us. We are allowing Jesus' love and glory into our hearts and lives.

As we approach May this week we are ending this year's Faith Formation Program for our young I would like to thank our Catechists: Jen Armstrong, Dawn Montague and Gerianne Dent. Each of these women let Jesus remain within them and remain in Jesus. They offer their time, talent, and treasure week after week to form our young people in the Faith! They are amazing. They each have busy lives. Yet, they commit to teach our children on Wednesday evenings. They create such incredible lessons each week. Adding so much to the lessons that are given in the books. Their joy and love for our children flows out of them and the kids know they are loved by each of them and by our Lord. These women bear much fruit through their passing on the faith to our children. When you see these three women, please take a moment to thank them and to pray for them. Without their help we would not be able to offer this program.

Party on People of God, its still the Easter Season! We have the power of the risen Lord within us! Go proclaim the Risen Lord!

In Easter Joy, Beth Dake Director of Faith Formation