

# Saint Philip the Apostle Church

## WELCOME!

Since 1910, serving the district of Noe Valley in San Francisco.

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### Liturgies

**Sunday:** 8:00 am, 10:30 am

**Saturday:** 8:00 am and 5:00 (Vigil)

**Weekday:** 8:00 a.m. - Chapel

**Holy Days:** 8:00 a.m.(9:00 a.m. School Mass) 7:15 p.m.

**Confessions:** 4:15 p.m. (Saturday)

### Office Hours

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday -Friday

Saturday-Sunday – by appointment

### Pastoral Staff

Rev. Tony LaTorre, Pastor Email: [fathertony@sbcglobal.net](mailto:fathertony@sbcglobal.net)

Rev. Brendan McBride Irish Immigrant Chaplain in Residence

# The Saint Philip's Parish Family Welcomes You

## CENTENNIAL NEWS

Let me remind you of some of the wonderful and beautiful (and some necessary) things that have taken place over the past couple of years — thanks to all of you!

It all began with the much needed repair of the church roof. Once that was accomplished, the church interior and exterior were painted, new carpet was installed and the magnificent lighting system was completed. The stained glass windows have been cleaned and restored to their original beauty and are now protected from future vandalism. This was all topped off with new gardens surrounded the exterior.

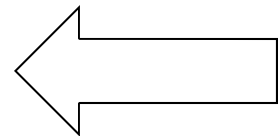
So, what's next? Now we begin celebrating Saint Philip's 100 year's of service to Noe Valley!

In two weeks' our Annual Festival (the 71st) will "Kick-Off" a number of events scheduled throughout the year to mark this centennial year. Some of our events will include: social "get-togethers;" a food drive in November; the Christmas Concert; spiritual evenings; and much more to be announced as the year progresses. The entire celebration year will culminate next October 17, 2010, with the Centennial Mass celebrated by Archbishop Niederauer followed by a festive catered lunch.

As we announce these upcoming events it is our hope that you join in to help us celebrate "community" and the spirit that makes Saint Philip's a wonderful place to be. Be assured, we can always use help with these upcoming projects. Give Linda Siemers a call if you can give us a Saint Philip's helping hand: (415) 333-3158.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Festival	September 25, 26, 27
Blessing of the Animals	October 3
Golf Tournament	October 10
Parish BBQ and Dance	October 10
Pancake Breakfast	November 8
Men's Club Meeting/Dinner	November 19
Christmas Concert	December 6
Candle Lighting Mass	December 13



## ANNUAL APPEAL

This past week new pledge cards have been mailed home to registered parishioner who have not yet pledged their assistance to the Annual Appeal. We, once again, ask you to please give this your prayerful consideration as we need to make our assessment of \$45,400.00 by the end of November. After eight months we are only 50% toward our goal. We do need the help of everyone, and we can make it, with the help of everyone. Thank you. (Father Tony)

## CHEER FOR THE NINERS!

Saint Philips has the opportunity to assist our San Francisco football team and raise money for our school at the same time. We accomplish this by bringing groups of people to the park on game day and working a concession stand. The money we make at our concession stand is donated to our school. We get to work with friends and enjoy a day at the park. Please contact Adriana at [Iglesias.adriana@dol.gov](mailto:Iglesias.adriana@dol.gov) and indicate which date you'd like to work. The following dates still have need of workers: September 20, November 12, November 29, December 27. Interest in this activity is great, slots are filled on a first come basis. Thanks for your help! Go Niners!

## SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

<b>September 6, 2009</b>	<b>\$2,825.00</b>
<b>September 13, 2009</b> <i>School Collection \$1,449. Thank you!</i>	<b>\$4,230.00</b>
<b>September 20, 2009</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>September 27, 2009</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>Monthly Total</b>	<b>\$6,055.00</b>

## GOLF TOURNAMENT

Men's club is holding their Annual Saint Philip's "Centennial" Golf tournament on Saturday, October 10th. For reservations and information, contact Peter O'Dea at [pete\\_odea@yahoo.com](mailto:pete_odea@yahoo.com) or (415) 722-4297.

# Today is September 20, 2009 —Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## The Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 2:12, 17-20; James 3:16-4:3; Mark 9:30-37

Today's readings invite us to become great in the sight of God by doing God's will, as Jesus did, surrendering our lives in the service of others. The passage from the Book of Wisdom sounds like a messianic prophecy similar to the "Suffering Servant" prophecy in Isaiah. It refers to Christ's passion and urges us to choose the path of righteousness in spite of painful consequences, as He did. In today's psalm the psalmist prays for help against the insolent people who rise against the upright. The second reading is in tune with the dispute among the apostles about who is the greatest. James warns us that selfish ambitions destroy peace and cause conflicts and war. He advises us to choose the path of righteousness and humble service which leads to lasting peace. Jesus, in today's gospel, gives us a glimpse of the character of the path proposed by the first and second readings—namely, embracing the vulnerable in our midst: the defenseless children, the despairing poor, the terrified the mentally ill, the marginalized, the disabled and the refugees of war. Jesus also teaches His apostles that child-like humility and selfless service make one great in the eyes of God.

We must become great through humble, self-giving service. Greatness, in Jesus' view, is found in our willingness to accept, welcome and serve those who are considered unacceptable and undeserving by reason of class, color, religion, wealth or culture. We must welcome people the way a child welcomes them before he is taught discrimination. If we are to be truly great, we must be ready to accept four challenges: (1) to put ourselves last, (2) to be the servant of all, (3) to receive the most insignificant human beings with love, and (4) to expect nothing in return. During the holy Mass let us pray for the true spirit of service, for an attitude of love for those around us. We need to ask the Holy Spirit to help us to become truly great through humble and selfless service.

Mother Teresa puts it like this: "*Be the living expression of God's kindness through humble service. Show kindness in your face.*" The Missionaries of Charity, the order of nuns founded by Mother Teresa, live by this motto: "The fruit of Silence is Prayer. The fruit of Prayer is Faith. The fruit of Faith is Love. The fruit of Love is Service. And the fruit of Service is Peace."

Fr. Tony

## CLASS OF 1959 REUNION

The Saint Philip's School Class of 1959 will be holding its 50th reunion on October 31, 2009. The day will include a tour of the school and a dinner dance at the Marines Memorial Hotel in downtown San Francisco. The cost is \$75.00 per person. For further information please contact Pete Higgins (916) 485-5315 or Mike Uland (415) 242-0912. Reservations are required in advance.

## SAINT VINCENT de PAUL ANNIVERSARY

The Saint Vincent de Paul society cordially invites everyone to their 150th Anniversary Mass being celebrated September 20th (today) at 3:30 p.m. at Saint Mary's Cathedral. The society has been taking care of the poor and sick here in San Francisco for over 150 years and is marking this special anniversary with a Mass, celebrated by Archbishop Niederauer, followed by a special reception in the lower Cathedral Hall, in which everyone is invited.

## SPECIAL COLLECTION

This week's second collection is the annual collection to help support the retired priests of our own San Francisco Archdiocese. The funds collected help assist those who have served in our own parishes and now need special assistance in paying for their living expenses. The Archdiocese currently has seventy-seven retired priests who benefit from your assistance.

## IMMIGRATION PRAYER SERVICE

Bishop Justice will lead a prayer service for immigration reform on Saturday, September 26 from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. at Saint Mary's Cathedral. All are invited and encouraged to attend.

## CELEBRATING OUR FAITH September 26-27, 2009

	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS**
<b>Sat.</b> 5:00 pm	Mary Cassidy	Patti Wood	Anna Lyons Anyu Hirota Maya Hirota
<b>Sun.</b> 8:00am	Danielle Sly	Ines Arce	Lourdes Herrera Stevie Stasko Rory Long
<b>Sun.</b> 10:30 am	Ed Pascucci	Estrella Rabago, Cathy Scharetg Jean Ramirez	Maeve Sharetg James Scharetg Emily Cassidy

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK September 21-27

Mon.	8:00 a.m.	Reka Tomlinson † <i>(by: Mary Ann DeSouza)</i>
Tue.	8:00 a.m.	Arthur McGuigan † <i>(by: Helen McGuigan)</i>
Wed.	8:00 a.m.	Blanca de Pareto <i>(by: Ines and Monique Arce)</i>
Thurs.	8:00 a.m.	Antonio and Celestina DeNegri † <i>(by: Agnes Piva)</i>
Fri.	8:00 a.m.	Percival Scales † <i>(by: Blanca Greutert)</i>
Sat.	8:00 a.m.	Breia Donohue (Sp. Int.) <i>(by: Bert &amp; Alice Aird)</i>
	5:00 p.m.	Roy Domenichini † <i>(by: Mary Domenichini)</i>
Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Ellen Killian † <i>(by: Bob Killian)</i>
	10:30 a.m.	Matilda Elsa † <i>(by: )</i>

## THIS WEEK AT ST. PHILIP'S

<b><u>Monday</u></b> September 21	12:30 pm Girl Scouts (Hall 3)
<b><u>Tuesday</u></b> September 22	4:00 pm Kids Choir (Hall 1) 6:30 pm PTA (School) 7:00 pm Adult Choir (Church) 7:00 pm Parish Council (Lyon's Room)
<b><u>Thursday</u></b> September 24	11:00 am Young At Heart (Hall 1)
<b><u>Friday</u></b> September 25	6:00 pm Annual Parish Festival dinner
<b><u>Saturday</u></b> September 26	Parish Festival
<b><u>Sunday</u></b> September 27	Parish Festival



## We Pray For

The Sick, Elderly and Homebound of the Parish

- \* Frances and Arthur White, Sr. \*
- \* Al Niehaus \* Gina Wood \*
- \* Nancy Cori \* Alex Sola \*
- \* Steve Straub \* Hermine Tiftiger \*
- \* Elizabeth Lenzini \* Marilyn Palmer \*

Those Who Have Entered Eternal Life

Those who have died during  
the month of September

For Those Expectant Parents Awaiting Their  
Newborn Children

**Victoria and Andrew Perry**

## PARISH OFFICE

Rio Stefanus, Accountant, Operation Manager

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## MUSIC MINISTRY

Arthur Carlton White Jr., Music Director

## DEVOTIONS

Rosary - Monday-Saturday • After 8:00 a.m. Mass

Our Lady of Perpetual Help • Tuesday: After 8:00 am Mass

## SCHOOL

Grades K-8

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Hope Peterson, Director

Email: hopepetersonpredir@sbcglobal.net

## PARISH OUTREACH

Altar Society

Baptismal Classes First Tuesday 7:00 pm (Rectory)

Adult Choir Tuesday 7:00 pm (Church)

Children Choir Tuesday 4:00 pm (Hall 1)

First Communion Instruction

Confirmation Instruction

Liturgy Committee First Monday 7:00 pm (Rectory)

Men's Club

Parish Council Third Tuesday 7:00 pm (Rectory)

Parent Teacher Association (PTA)

RCIA (Adult Faith Instruction)

School Board

St. Vincent de Paul Jr.

St. Vincent de Paul

Young at Heart (Senior Club) Thursday 11:00 (Hall 3)

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Please contact the rectory at (415) 282-0141

As a service to the community, we sponsor the

following:

Monday A.A. Meeting (Men's) 7:00 p.m. Hall 3

Monday A.A. Meeting (Women's) 7:30 p.m. Hall 1

Tuesday A.A. Kitchen 6:00 p.m. Hall 3

Wednesday Alanon 7:30 p.m. Hall 1

Friday O.A. Meeting 7:30 p.m. Hall 1

Saturday A.A. Meeting (Mixed) 8:30 p.m. Hall

Sunday O.A. Meeting 6:30 p.m. Hall

**WELCOME!** We extend our hands and hearts in Christian fellowship whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God you are with us. If you are not registered with the parish please fill out the form below and place it in the collection basket or mail to the parish office at 725 Diamond, San Francisco, CA 94114.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address/zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (s) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

New Parishioner  Change of Address

Please add me to mailing list  Sunday Envelopes

Moving, please remove me from mailing list