

St. Philip Church

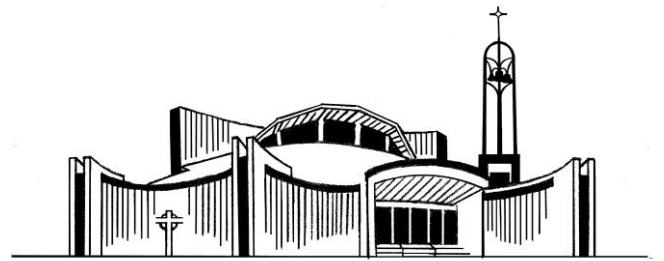
1 Father Conlon Place, Norwalk, CT 06851-3821

Office: 203-847-4549

Fax: 203-847-4148

E-mail: Info@stphilipnorwalk.org

Website: www.stphilipnorwalk.org



Faith Formation and Youth Ministry Office
Dora De Andrade, Director 203-847-4286
Alyson Musco, Youth & Confirmation Coordinator
Teresa Falbo, SPYCE Coordinator

Music Office
Maria J. O'Kelly, Director 203-847-4549

Finance/Property Committee
Michael Sullivan, Chair 203-847-4549

All Saints Catholic School
Linda Dunn, Principal 203-847-3881

Father Sudhir DSouza, Pastor
Deacon John W. Mahon
Deacon Paul J. Reilly

Sister Mary Ann McPartland, CND
Pastoral Associate

Alan D. Yoder
Administrative Director

Celebration of the Eucharist
Saturday: 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00, 10:00 and 12 Noon
Monday - Friday: 7:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday: 4:30 - 5:00 p.m. or by appointment

Baptism and Marriage
Please call to schedule Pre-Baptism and
Baptism dates. Marriage dates are to
be scheduled one year prior.

Mission Statement

St. Philip Parish, a welcoming Catholic community, strives to love, honor, know, and serve God. As a family, we gather to celebrate liturgy, perform good deeds, share our faith, and bring all to Christ. St. Philip, lead us to Jesus.

The Epiphany of the Lord

January 5, 2020



CHRISTMAS SEASON SCHEDULE

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Saturday, January 11 - 5:30 pm

Sunday, January 12 - 8:00 am

10:00 am - Celebrating the Baptisms of 2019
and 12:00 Noon

Fundraiser for World Hunger - "Be the Change" (CRS - FOODFAST)

FoodFast, our annual Fundraiser, will help eradicate World Hunger. This year we will continue working with **Catholic Relief Services, CRS** <http://foodfast.crs.org/> The FoodFast event is on Saturday, February 22, 2020. We will be hosting High Schoolers and Middle Schoolers. It will be a two-day event with Fasting, Games, Service Projects and Group Discussions. Our Focus will be on raising awareness and raising funds.



Celebration of Baptism

Our annual Anniversary Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, January 12, 2020 at 10:00 am. All parishioners who celebrated a Baptism in 2019 at St. Philip or in any other parish, are invited to make a special effort to attend this Mass.



A LESSONS & CAROLS THANK YOU

Many thanks to all who participated in Lessons and Carols this year—our Adult, Jr. and Praise Choirs, Frank Matto and members of the Assumption Choir in Westport, Instrumentalists, Scripture Readers. Your hard work and dedication made for a beautiful evening of joyful music and prayer! And special thanks also to those who worked behind the scenes to provide publicity, refreshments and a welcoming presence at the doors! To all who came to sing and pray with us and who gave so generously to our good-will collection, our most sincere thanks. Thank you so very much for the money raised to support the work of the Music Ministry.

STORYTELLING

The next Storytelling will be on Sunday, January 19 during the 10:00 am Mass in the Saint Joseph Room.



AVAILABLE MASSES

There are Masses available for your intention requests throughout 2020. The Massbook is available during office hours, 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.



Faith Formation 2019-2020

Faith Formation Classes Grades 1-5

Sunday class is on January 12 beginning at the 10:00 am Mass.

First Reconciliation in the Church at 1:00 pm.

Tuesday class is January 14 from 4:00 – 5:15 pm

SPYCE

Session is on Sunday, January 26, beginning at 10:00 am Mass; pickup is in the School Hall at 12:30 pm.

CONFIRMATION 2020

The Rite of Covenant Mass is Sunday, January 26 at 10:00 am.

Session is on Sunday, January 26, beginning at 10:00 am Mass; pickup is in the YAC at 12:30 pm.

Please contact Dora DeAndrade, Director of Faith Formation, at 203-847-4286, with any questions.

We Pray That Christ's Healing Be Given To:

| | |
|----------------------|----------------|
| Joanne Singer-Alaimo | Ana Camacho |
| Augie Ciambriello | Bill Geoghegan |
| Baby Joseph Ghorbi | Dan O'Connor |

Sympathy and Prayerful Remembrances to The Families of:

| | |
|---------------|----------------------|
| Rose Beagan | Sr. Carolyn Kinnamon |
| Ann Mullarkey | Sr. Jewel Renna |

SCRIPTURE READINGS

The Baptism of the Lord January 12, 2020

Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7 Acts of the Apostles 10:34-38
Gospel of Matthew 3:13-17



The Holy Spirit descended on him like a dove, and a voice from the heavens said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."



Hands of Love will be on Sunday, January 12 in the Mansion at 10:00 am.

STORM POLICY

Weather and road conditions permitting, **all Masses** will be celebrated as scheduled. However, please do not endanger yourself or others in any way. Not being able to attend Mass because of weather is NOT a sin. Our greatest priority is that you remain safe and, with that in mind, if the road conditions are bad, please stay home. Please be safe and warm during any storm -- do not even think of being *courageous!!* Please check our **website**: www.stphilipnorwalk.org or our Facebook page at any time for updated information, as it develops.



Mass Intentions & Liturgical Schedule

Week of January 6, 2020

| | | |
|-----------|------------|-----------------------------|
| Monday | 7:30 am | Antonia Porchi |
| Tuesday | 7:30 am | Magaly Talledo(for Healing) |
| Wednesday | 7:30 am | Robert Dennen |
| Thursday | 7:30 am | Ignazio & Maria Granata |
| Friday | 7:30 am | Michelina Urso |
| Saturday | 5:30 pm | Claire Rosendahl |
| Sunday | 8:00 am | Robert P. Sullivan |
| | 10:00 am | For the Parishioners |
| | | Baptism Anniversary Mass |
| | 12:00 Noon | CND Sisters |

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND PARISH EVENTS

| | | | |
|---------------|----------------------------|-------------------|------------|
| Mon., Jan. 6 | ● Walking with Purpose | School Board Room | 12:00 Noon |
| Tues., Jan. 7 | ● Youth Group | YAC | 6:00 pm |
| | ● Walking with Purpose | School Board Room | 7:00 pm |
| Fri., Jan. 10 | ● Prayer Shawl Ministry | Mansion | 11:00 am |
| Sat., Jan. 11 | ● Men's Ministry | School Board Room | 8:00 am |
| Sun., Jan. 12 | ● Baptism Anniversary Mass | Church | 10:00 am |
| | ● Hands of Love | Mansion | 10:00 am |
| | ● Faith Formation | Church | 10:00 am |
| | ● First Reconciliation | Church | 1:00 pm |

The second collection next weekend is being gathered for the Building Fund.

BEING A DISCIPLE!

What makes our Parish so different is the sense of community we all feel. The more involved you are, the more fulfilled you become. Consider putting your time and talents to work for our St. Philip Church family. If you would like more information on any of the ministries or if you have any questions, please call the Parish Office at 203-847-4549 or send an email to info@stphilipnorwalk.org. You can also reach the ministry contact person via email by going to the Parish web site www.stphilipnorwalk.org and looking under *Ministries*.

END OF YEAR TAX REPORTS

In January 2020, reports of 2019 contributions will be mailed to all parishioners who contributed \$250 or more during the year. This is consistent with IRS requirements. The report will include all identifiable offertory contributions, including those made by electronic transfer or credit card. It will NOT be necessary to call the Parish Office to request the report, as it was in the past.

2020 Men's Retreat


The Theme is: *Our Deepest Longing*

Men of all ages are invited to join other men of Saint Philip Parish for the annual weekend retreat at Holy Family Retreat Center, January 17-19, 2020. This year at Holy Family, we will explore that deep longing planted in our hearts by God - a longing for peace, for wholeness, and for relationships that give us joy and lift us up. Contact Michael Marino for information: michaelmarino53@yahoo.com or call 203-613-1704.



Walking With Purpose is a Women's Catholic Bible Study designed to help women open their hearts to Jesus Christ and learn more about the Bible, Our Faith and ourselves. Walking with Purpose will be held most Mondays at **Noon** and Tuesdays at **7:00 pm** in the School Board Room. For more info or to sign up, contact Elizabeth Broncati at BRONCATI@aol.com.

MARCH FOR LIFE

 Join fellow parishioners from throughout the Diocese of Bridgeport on a bus pilgrimage to the March for Life on Friday, January 24, 2020. Buses depart from three locations - Bridgeport, Norwalk and Stamford. Cost is \$75.00 per person, round trip. Register online before January 17, 2020 at www.bridgeportdiocese.org/faith-formation, for more information, email officeoffaithformation@diobpt.org or call 203-416-1670.

Information Update

If you have moved, changed your phone or email, please contact our office at tsargent@stphilipnorwalk.org, so we can update our records. With many inspirational and exciting opportunities at our Parish, we want to be sure we have your most current information! We don't want you to miss any special events or messages from our Parish!



Bulletin Advertising Space

Have you noticed that there are seven spaces available on the back of the weekly bulletin, where you might advertise your business or expand your ad? Please call the parish office at 203-847-4549 for a schedule of very reasonable rates. Thank you.



ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

All Saints Catholic School: Learn. Serve. Lead. Pre-K to Grade 8 Did you know we have a top-notch preschool? Your child can begin their Catholic Education at age 3. Come and take a look at our excellent facilities and warm inviting preschool classrooms! Their foundation for life is built early in our preschool.

Take a look Tuesday is every week from 8:30 am - 10:00 am. Meet teachers, parents, and students and experience the impact a Catholic Education will have on your child's future. Visit allsaintsnorwalk.com for more information or email: admissions@ascs.net or call: 203-847-3881. Located at 139 West Rocks Road, Norwalk.

VIRTUS TRAINING

For the many volunteer opportunities within our Parish, it is important that you have completed the VIRTUS Protecting God's Children Course. An Important Safe Environment Reminder: Adults 18 and older must be in compliance with the Diocesan mandate. Please go to the VIRTUS website www.virtus.org. If you have any questions please contact Erin Neil at (203) 416-1406 or eneil@diobpt.org.

Regina Caeli Academy Touring Events January 27, 2020

Looking for an amazing resource center devoted to a classical education and the Catholic faith? Regina Caeli Academy is a university-style hybrid™ that meets in Wilton, CT (254 Danbury Road), serving PreK3 - grade 12. Students attend Socratic and hands-on classrooms two days per week and are homeschooled the remaining days.

* **Touring Event:** Presentation begins at 9:30 am and includes a tour & classroom observation. Refreshments served; children are welcome!

* **High School Info Session:** Presentation begins at 11:00am.

Please RSVP to contact lfrawley.fcc@rcahybrid.org or call (203) 701-9154.

SAINT PHILIP FOOD PANTRY

Please remember there is a constant need to fill the shelves of the St. Philip Food Pantry, on a weekly basis. You may leave any weekly donations in the basket at any Church door. Please be mindful of the expiration date on all food donations.



Clip and Save, Items Always Needed:

- Canned Vegetables
- Rice (small bags)
- Peanut Butter/Jelly
- Tuna Fish
- Vienna Sausage
- Pasta Sauce
- Pasta
- Cereal
- Mac and Cheese
- Canned Soups
- Canned Fruit (small cans)

Thank you for your support of our Food Pantry.

Please patronize our Advertisers on the back of our Bulletin. Thank You.