



# Saint Philomena Parish - 1898

## Saint Cyril of Alexandria

Lansdowne, Pennsylvania

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 29, 2021

### **Parish Staff:**

Reverend Paul A. Castellani, Pastor

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### **Online Giving:**

[osvhub.com/stphilspa/funds](https://osvhub.com/stphilspa/funds)

### **Rectory Office Hours:**

Monday - Thursday 8:30-3:30

Friday 8:30-3:00

**Saturday & Sunday**

**by appointment only**

### **St. Vincent de Paul Society**

Contact the Parish Office

### **Parish Registration:**

Please contact the Parish Office to register.

### **Miraculous Medal Novena**

Wednesday following the 8 a.m. Mass

### **Mass Schedule:**

#### **Weekday Masses:**

Monday through Saturday 8:00 a.m.

#### **Sunday Masses:**

Vigil on Saturday 5:15 p.m.

Sunday 7:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 12:00 Noon

#### **Holy Days of Obligation:**

Vigil 6:00 p.m.

8:00 a.m., 12 Noon and 7:00 p.m.

#### **Holy Days with no Obligation: 8:00 a.m.**

#### **Confession:**

Monday 4:15 to 5:00 p.m. in Chapel

Saturday 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.

#### **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:**

Mondays following the 8 a.m. Mass

Rosary 5:00 p.m.

#### **Evening Prayer (Vespers) and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament:**

Mondays 5:30 p.m.

**Legion of Mary** The Legion of Mary meets in the Parish Center on Wednesday evenings at 6:15 p.m.

#### **Novena in Honor of St. Cyril**

Friday following the 8 a.m. Mass

#### **Perpetual Novena in honor of Saint Philomena**

Saturday following the 8 a.m. Mass

#### **Sacramental Life and Catechesis:**

To arrange for Baptism, Marriage, RCIA,

Communion Calls & Sick Calls, contact the Office

# SAINT PHILOMENA ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

## FROM THE PASTORS DESK

Dear Parishioners,  
We are all familiar with the laws and statutes that we were given from the time of Moses to the present time. We know the words; we have heard them many times— BUT WE ARE CALLED TO BE A DOER OF THE WORD—NOT JUST HEARERS. Moses, in the first reading tells the people that they will receive both life and land as a gift from God to His people. *“For what great nation is there that has gods so close to it as the Lord, Our God, is to us whenever we call upon Him.* James; as he writes to the people is reminding them to be a people who act on the words, and not just be hearers. *“Religion that is pure and undefiled before God and the Father is this: to care for orphans and widows in their affliction and to keep oneself unstained by the world.”* Christ; in the Gospel confronts the Pharisees about their hypocrisy that it is more important to dwell on what comes from outside of the person than what one sees on the inside. *“Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from the outside can defile that person; but the things that come from within are what defile.”* The statutes of our God have been given to us for our benefit; they are our guide to help show us how to live in the present age that leads us to the next. **All good giving and every perfect gift are from above, and through a pure heart that love that God has given us and returned to those who are vulnerable among us we are being DOERS OF THE WORD AND NOT ONLY HEARERS.**  
Sincerely yours in Christ,  
Rev. Paul A. Castellani  
Pastor

## CROSSING GUARDS NEEDED

School is starting and we need to keep our children safe. We need crossing guards for Lansdowne Borough. Permanent positions and substitutes are needed. There are various locations throughout the borough that are available. \$44.27/per day.  
Applications can be submitted at the Borough Hall from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., for more information call 610-623-0700.

## Readings for the week of August 29, 2021

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13 [13b]/  
Lk 4:16-30  
Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 4:31-  
37  
Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11 [10]/Lk 4:38-44  
Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 5:1-11  
Friday: Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2b]/Lk 5: 33-39  
Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8 [6]/Lk 6:1-5

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

### Monday

8:00 Fredrick Mirarchi Sr.  
*Flame of Love Cenacle 3:00pm - 4:00pm*  
*Confessions 4:15pm, Rosary 5:00pm, Benediction 5:30pm*

### Tuesday

8:00 Patricia Dillon

### Wednesday

8:00 Mary & Francis Hennessy

### Thursday

8:00 Robert Baisle

### Friday - St. Gregory the Great

8:00 Lois Murphy

### Saturday - BVM

8:00 Valerie Morrow

### 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat. 5:15 Charlotte O'Hara Doyle  
7:30 In Memory of Celia/Cappello Families  
10:00 Chester Pieczynski  
12:00 Teresa C. Scott & Dennis T. Scott

## Gluten Free Host

If you are a parishioner who needs a Gluten free host please let the priest know before Mass.

## SCHOOL SUPPLIES

We will be collecting school supplies of pencils, red and blue pens, plain 2 pocket folders, glue sticks, rulers, yellow highlighters, crayons, etc. to help our students attending St. Cyril/St. Philomena School. You can bring your donations to the rectory or place them in the back of the church.



## Catholic Trivia Contest

**The first one to submit the answer by email after 6:00 P.M. on Sunday evening will be the winner.**  
The email address is [stphilomenaparish@rcn.com](mailto:stphilomenaparish@rcn.com)

The winner for 22 August is Helena Szarewicz with the answer of Monasteries

The winner for 29 August will receive a gift card to Colonial Market

**Name the two parts of the body that are generally anointed with the oil of the Infirm by a priest as part of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick?**

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### Thank You For Your Support

Offering for August 22, 2021 - \$ 4,688.00

#### **PLEASE USE SCRIP TO BENEFIT OUR PARISH**

Scrip is available for sale on the front porch of the Rectory (enter through the vigil candle chapel) on Sundays from 10 a.m. until 12 Noon. You may drop off your request and payment before Mass and pick up your scrip cards after Mass.

**The scrip office will be closed on:**  
**Sunday, September 5, 2021**



**SAVE THE DATE**  
**SEPTEMBER 12, 2021**  
**3:00 PM**  
**RAIN OR SHINE**  
**WATCH FOR THE FLYER**

#### **Help Wanted**

***We need your help to keep the beauty of the grounds here at St. Philomena. We need a group of gardeners or just maybe someone who wants to learn who knows so much more than myself. Please contact the rectory if you are able to help at 610-622-2420. Thank you for all that each of you do for the parish and community.***

**Fr. Paul**

**As we continue day to day with current Situation in our lives, we face many effects that Occur that we may feel discouraged, angry, lonely.**

**Here are some references from the Holy Bible that We can all read and see how we can overcome These feelings and see the presence of our God.**

When we are feeling:

**Envy:** Sirach 30:24; "Envy and anger shorten one's life, worry brings on premature old age."

**Compassion:** Psalm 40:12-13; "Lord, do not withhold your compassion from me; may your enduring kindness ever preserve me. For all about me are evils beyond count; my sins so overcome me I cannot see. They are more than the hairs on my head; my courage fails me."

#### SCHEDULE FOR STREAMED MASSES

**Saturday, September 4 5:15**  
**Sunday, September 5 12:00**

**Saturday, September 11 5:15**  
**Sunday, September 12 7:30**

#### **August 29 - Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time:**

The gospel today hits home closer than we may think. What traditions do we blindly cling to? Perhaps it is enough for us just to go to Mass on Sunday? Do we keep the letter of the law and miss entirely the spirit of the law. Interior righteousness means a heart turned to God. Purity of heart is expressed in righteous living: self-giving for the sake of others.

**As you give your gift to the poor through the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, in your heart you also will find the good news of God's love. To donate please use envelopes in your monthly packet. To consider joining the Society as a full or associate member, please contact Tom Chenoweth at 610-622-0972 and leave a message. God Bless you!**

*Our church family is a circle of strength and love. With every new connection, the circle grows. Every joy shared adds love. Every crisis faced together makes the circle stronger.*

**Pray for our Parishioners Serving in the Military**  
US Army, Specialist Rosanna Sallom, US Army Stephen Zwolak, Richard Basilio Jr. 3rd Infantry Army, Pvt. Ryan McCullough, Chief Warrant Officer, Larissa Zwolak, US Navy, Matthew Gaynor, US Army, Capt. US Army Specialist Kevin Michael Haggerty, Lt. Brian Province, US Coast Guard, SSG. James J. Bygrave USAF, Air Force Justin Mickle, US Marine, Capt. Dustin Chubb

#### **Please Pray for the Sick of Our Parish**

Nancy King-Pantelone, Jackie Waldt, Howard Gaynor, Paula Kucich, Scott Stierheim, Mary Jo Bradley, Dorothy Walsh, Benjamin Froelich, Donald P. van Krieken, Elaine Fairweather, Ava McLin, Michael Kelly, Laura Szarewicz Pelzar, Pasquale Pantaleone, Joseph Vancelette, Josh Rudolph, Lou Ruffo, Dolores Kelly, Anna Wilson, Maryann Waldt, Alan Abbonizio, Evelina Moffa, Paul Rudolph, Bill Brock, Infant Arielle Worley, Theresa Sherwin, Neal Pizzano, Jacinta Maughan, Jack McElhinney, Thomas Flynn, Roseann Kenney, Bob Flounders, Kate Carroll, Mary Susan Riley

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