



Saint Philomena Parish - 1898

Saint Cyril of Alexandria

Lansdowne, Pennsylvania

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 5, 2021

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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,
Another summer has passed us by—school is starting, the leaves will soon be changing colors and a time to look forward for the rest of the year. As we celebrate the Liturgy this day, we are reminded of the restorative power of the Church through the Sacraments of the Eucharist, the power of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, the healing that is given to us through the loving action of Our Savior. In the first reading of today's Eucharist, we see Isaiah telling the people of how God saved them and to be strong in their faith. *"Say to those who are frightened: Be strong, fear not! Here is your God, he comes with vindication; with divine recompense He comes to save you."* James; in the second reading is telling the people that we are not to show partiality because one may have more than us—that we are all equal in the eyes of our God. In the Gospel; we see how Christ healed the man who was deaf to the astonishment of the people and how they could not help, but to proclaim it for all to know of how the man was healed. *"They were exceedingly astonished and they said, He has done all things well. He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."* **When we look at the world, there is no doubt that there is a need for healing—it begins with us—for when we forgive another and they forgive, it becomes contagious, and through the healing presence of our God—the Church—Each other we come to know the restorative power that will always make us one in the eyes of God for all eternity.**

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Rev. Paul A. Castellani
Pastor



SAVE THE DATE
SEPTEMBER 12, 2021
3:00 PM
RAIN OR SHINE

Readings for the week of September 5, 2021

Monday: Col 1:24—2:3/Ps 62:6-7, 9 [8]/Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday: Col 2:6-15/Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11 [9]/Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c [Is 61:10]/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23
Thursday: Col 3:12-17/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 [6]/Lk 6:27-38
Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11 [cf. 5]/Lk 6:39-42
Saturday: 1 Tm 1:15-17/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7 [2]/Lk 6:43-49

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday - Labor Day
9:00 Members of the Military
Tuesday
8:00 Rose Mammele
Wednesday - The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8:00 Jean & Robert Thompson
Thursday - St. Peter Claver
8:00 Deceased Members of the Curley Family
Friday
8:00 Patricia Dillon
Saturday - BVM
8:00 John McTernan
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sat. 5:15 Michael & Julia Cerrone
7:30 Matthew & Bridgid Margeson -
(Wedding Anniversary)
10:00 Dolores Griffin
12:00 Ronald J. Beard Sr.

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

The winner for 29 August is Paul Haggerty with the answer of the hands & the forehead

The winner for 5 September will receive a gift card to CVS

Who said that "Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ"?

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SCRIP

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

BIBLE STUDY

BOOKS OF JOSHUA and JUDGES

Bible Study will open on Thursday, September 16, at 7:00 P.M., in the Parish Center. We plan to meet "in-person," although we were much more confident about that in June than we are now.

Jesus was a Jew. We know that, of course. But sometimes we forget that he was born, raised and "breathed" the world of Judaism. The Old Testament, with its ways, its horrors, its triumphs, its heroes, - these were his theology course.

So, for a few weeks, we shall dive into that world, picking up where Moses left off. The conquest of Canaan, the period of the "judges," - we shall read and digest some of the highlights.

Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact Theresa and Paul Haggerty at haggety83@msn.com or at 610-504-5558.

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.

SCHEDULE FOR STREAMED MASSES

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

Saturday, September 18 5:15
Sunday, September 19 10:00

September 5 - Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time:

In today's Gospel we hear how Jesus "makes the deaf hear and the mute speak!" In living the gospel, we must open our ears to hear and recognize all the everyday opportunities for making God's presence known especially to those who are poor and suffering. On September 9, the Church also celebrates the feast of Blessed Frederic Ozanam, the founder of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Frederic heard the call of Jesus to love and serve those who are suffering.

Is there an elderly person, disabled individual or family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Rectory to notify our Society of St. Vincent de Paul conference so that together we can "make God's presence known" to those who are suffering and poor. To donate please use envelopes in your monthly packet. To consider joining our Society as a full or associate member, please contact Tom Chenoweth at 610-622-0972 and leave a message. God Bless you!

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

As we continue day to day with current Situations 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:

Ignorance: Acts 3:17-18; "Now I know, brothers, that you acted out of ignorance, just as your leaders did; but God has thus brought to fulfillment what He has announced beforehand through the mouth of all the prophets, that His Messiah would suffer."

Redemption: Job 19:25-28; "But as for me, I know that my Vindicator lives, and that He will at last stand forth upon the dust; Whom I myself shall see: my own eyes, not another's, shall behold Him, and from my flesh I shall see God; my inmost being is consumed with longing."

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