



# Saint Philomena Parish - 1898

## Saint Cyril of Alexandria

Lansdowne, Pennsylvania

Baptism of The Lord - January 9, 2022

### **Parish Staff:**

Reverend Paul A. Castellani, Pastor

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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,

At Baptism, we have all been a witness to the outpouring of the Holy Spirit when those words are said: "I Baptize you in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit." When those words are spoken, they are not just words, they are the reception of grace—both actual and sanctifying. In the first reading from Isaiah, he is speaking to the people to take comfort that the Lord will come— "to go up onto a high mountain, Zion, herald of glad tidings; cry out at the top of your voice, Jerusalem, herald of good news." As Paul is writing to Titus, he is reminding the people that we have been delivered through the grace of our God by Christ, and that we need nothing else. "When the kindness and generous love of God our savior appeared, not because of any righteous deeds we have done, but because of His mercy, He saved us through the bath of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit." Luke; in the Gospel helps us to remember of how John was telling the people to be ready, to be aware that the one who comes after me is the one that you are looking for. After John Baptizes Christ, we hear the voice of the Father for all to know of whom Christ was; "you are my beloved Son, with you I am well pleased." Through the Sacrament of Baptism, we are infused with the gifts of the Holy Spirit and made heirs of hope, of love and of grace that leads us to eternal life.

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

### **Please Pray for the Souls of the Faithful Departed, Especially**

John A. Calvecchio, Sr.      Mary T. Devlin  
Thomas Denelsbeck      Rosemary Gill  
Maurice Mitchell

### ***Gluten Free Host***

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

## PARISH CALENDARS & ENVELOPES

The **parish calendars** are in, you can pick one up in the Chapel, in Church, or at the rectory. If you or you know of someone who needs a calendar mailed please contact the rectory.

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Also, if you do not receive your monthly **envelopes**, please contact us at the rectory so that we can place a call to check on them.

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

### **Monday**

**8:00** Jamie Drown

### **Tuesday**

**8:00** Ernie One

### **Wednesday**

**8:00** Steve Jun

### **Thursday - St. Hilary**

**8:00** David William Parker

### **Friday**

**8:00** Eugene Harris

### **Saturday**

**8:00** Debbie Binder

### **Sunday - 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Sat. 5:15** Michael & Julia Cerrone

**7:30** Meghan Clarke & James Brennan

**10:00** Frank Bliss

**12:00** Mark Redding Sr. (living)

## HELP NEEDED

Volunteers are needed to assist residents to daily Mass in the late morning and to devotions on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons at St. Francis Nursing Home in Darby.

Volunteers must be fully vaccinated. If interested, please call Father John Gabin at 1-484-493-7173. If no answer, please leave a message.

## 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 12 December is Helen Beard

with the answer of St. Paul outside the wall

The winner for 19 December is Betty Whalen

with the answer of C.K. Chesterton

The winner for 26 December is Joanne Harris

with the answer of New Haven, CT

The winner for 2 January is Joanne Leonard with the

answer of Blessed Michael McGivney

**The winner for 9 January will receive a gift card to Giant**

### **The question for 9 January is:**

The Canterbury tales feature the tales told by pilgrims on their way to the shrine of which English saint and martyr at Canterbury Cathedral?

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### ***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.

### **Readings for the week of January 09, 2022**

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20  
Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28  
Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39  
Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45  
Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12  
Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17

### **A special message for Christmas and throughout the year**

**We have all had our moments in which we question within ourselves the how's and why's certain things happen. The message below to help us when we have these moments and remember how through that faith and hope of Mary and Joseph, the apostles, the saints and those who have given us our faith—our parents, grandparents and through the family of St. Philomena's/St. Cyril's that we have come to know throughout the years to this very day.**

**Happiness:** Luke 11:28; "He replied; Rather, blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it."

**Holy Spirit:** Acts 13:1-2; "While they were worshipping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said: Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them. Then, completing their fasting and prayer, they laid hands on them and sent them off."

### SCHEDULE FOR STREAMED MASSES

**Saturday, January 15** 5:15pm  
**Sunday, January 16** 7:30am

**Saturday, January 22** 5:15pm  
**Sunday, January 23** 10:00am

### **January 9: The Baptism of the Lord**

After Jesus was baptized, he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and a voice was heard "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." As we give to the poor, we also can hear these same words.

**As you help those who are suffering, know in your heart the truth of the words "you are my beloved with whom I am well pleased." To donate please use envelopes in your monthly packet. To consider joining the Society as a full or associate member and to help provide hope to those in need, 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, Sgt. Bridgette Cruz, US Army

### ***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, Mark Warriner, Martha Catel

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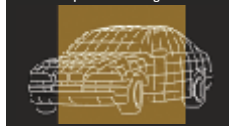
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