



# Saint Philip Catholic Parish

*The People of God in Pittsburgh, Thornburg, Ingram, and Crafton*

**WEEK OF MAY 8, 2022**

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## OFFICE HOURS:

*Monday - Friday: 9:00am to 3:00pm*

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## CONFESSION

Available Saturdays from 12:00pm to 1:00pm at *Ascension Church*.

## SACRAMENTS

**Baptism:** A seminar is required for first-time parents. Baptisms are celebrated on the first and third Sundays of the month at 12:15pm at *Saint Philip Church* or at *Ascension Church*. Call the Faith Formation Office at 412-922-6388 for more information.

**Matrimony:** The Pastor is to be contacted 6-18 months in advance of the requested wedding date. Participation in a Pre-Marriage Program is required. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Following a weekend Mass and on the last Saturday of the month at 8:30am at *Ascension Church*.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):** Call the Faith Formation Office at 412-922-6388 for more information.

**Priesthood/Religious Life:** Contact the Pastor for more information.

**Victim's Assistance Hot-Line:** If you are a person who has been hurt by abuse from clergy or others associated with the Church, the Diocese of Pittsburgh offers assistance with counseling, spiritual direction and referrals to other supportive services.

For information, contact our Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at 412-456-3093.

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VICTIM HOTLINE: 1-888-808-1235

CHILDLINE: 1-888-932-0313 to report child abuse  
Call 911 if a child is in imminent danger.

# MASS SCHEDULE

*Our Liturgies are celebrated at both Saint Philip Church, 50 West Crafton Avenue, Crafton, and Ascension Church, 114 Berry Street, Pittsburgh*

LOCATION	TIME	MASS INTENTION	REQUESTED BY
<b>SATURDAY, MAY 7 — EASTER WEEKDAY</b>			
Ascension	8:00am	Living & Deceased Members of St. Philip Parish	
Saint Philip	4:00pm (Vigil)	Robert Dulick	Dulick Family
Ascension	5:30pm (Vigil)	Helen Stein	Dennis Stein
<b>SUNDAY, MAY 8 — FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>			
Saint Philip	7:00am	Amanda Louise Ogden	Dan Ogden
Ascension	9:30am	Ed “Norton” Moskovitz	Joe & Shirley Zieger
Saint Philip	11:00am	Living & Deceased Members of St. Philip Parish	
<b>MONDAY, MAY 9 — EASTER WEEKDAY</b>			
Saint Philip	8:00am	Frank & Jean Daily	Frank Daily
<b>TUESDAY, MAY 10 —EASTER WEEKDAY</b>			
Ascension	8:00am	Sullivan Family	Ron & Jane Benedetti
<b>WEDNESDAY, MAY 11 — EASTER WEEKDAY</b>			
Saint Philip	8:00am	Anthony & Edith Apone	Carolyn Jordan
<b>THURSDAY, MAY 12 — EASTER WEEKDAY</b>			
Ascension	8:00am	Mary Kendra	Rose
<b>FRIDAY, MAY 13 — EASTER WEEKDAY</b>			
Saint Philip	8:00am	Joe & Dorothy Chmiel	Chmiel Family
<b>SATURDAY, MAY 14 — SAINT MATTHIAS, APOSTLE</b>			
Ascension	8:00am	Henkel, Cunningham & Danter Families	Jerome J. Henkel, Jr.
Saint Philip	2:00pm	Wedding - Daniel J. Durkin, III & Christina M. Rust	
Saint Philip	4:00pm (Vigil)	Luke Connolly	David & Tammy Dulick
Ascension	5:30pm (Vigil)	Louis & Irene Schubert	Rich & Mary Schubert
<b>SUNDAY, MAY 15 — FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>			
Saint Philip	7:00am	Shane Phillips	Phillips Family
Ascension	9:30am	Kunsman & Scholz Families	Don & Donna
Saint Philip	11:00am	William Thomas McDevitt	McDevitt Family

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## Notes from the Pastor

Greetings once again, and best wishes for a blessed Season of Easter!

The Blessed Mother Mary in the Easter Season and in May

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! The Lord Jesus is Risen from the dead!** As we celebrate these 50 days of the Easter Season of the Resurrection, this continues to be our joyful proclamation now and through Pentecost Sunday.

**During these holy days of the Easter Season**, we hear every day from the Acts of the Apostles and the Gospels in our Sunday and weekday Liturgies. The readings during these 50 days are very inspiring. Along with the Gospel accounts of Jesus' life, the Acts of the Apostles share with us the faith, life, and growth of the Church during the first generation of Christianity and the Catholic Church.

**Along with the Apostles and disciples who were members and leaders of the earliest Church**, we can also be certain that **the Lord's mother, Mary**, shared in the life of the Christian community and in the announcement of Jesus' Resurrection. Mary was most important in her Son Jesus' life, ministry, death, Resurrection, and Ascension. The Blessed Mother participated in the early Church and shared her life, faith, and love with the disciples of her Son as countless people came to believe in Jesus, in His Good News, and in His death and Resurrection.

**Throughout these twenty centuries of the Church and today as well**, the Blessed Mother Mary has continued to share her life, faith, and love with the disciples of her divine Son Jesus. What an extraordinary mother she is to us as she has always been to Jesus!

**As such, it's truly fitting that Mary should receive our gratitude and honor for her giving life to the Lord** - and for her presence and role in the Lord's life and in the life of His people! That's why this month of May has - for many centuries - been designated as the month of our Blessed Mother Mary. We do well to honor Mary for all that she has given of herself for Jesus' mission to bring about our Redemption and eternal Salvation. We also do well to honor and thank Mary for the love, compassion, care, and help which she shares with all of us who call upon her.

**May you and your family continue to enjoy a blessed Easter Season**, and may all of us - in this month of May - honor and express our gratitude to Mary - the Lord Jesus' mother and our mother - who remains with us and is directing us toward her Son in the life and the Kingdom of Almighty God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit!



Best wishes to our moms and to all women for a good Mother's Day!

**It is truly good that we Americans celebrate our annual Mother's Day today!** Our mothers, grandmothers, stepmoms, adoptive moms, foster moms, godmothers, expectant mothers, and ALL women share life, love, care, and goodness with all of us throughout their lives and our lives. May we always be grateful to the moms in our lives - both living and deceased - who have given us life and so much love. Best wishes to all moms and women of our parish community for a happy and blessed Mother's Day!

Congratulations and best wishes!

**This month**, dozens of our young students are celebrating the Sacraments of First Eucharist or of Confirmation. Many thanks are extended to these

young members of our parish for their faith and dedication to the Lord! Our gratitude is also extended to their parents, grandparents, godparents, and families for preparing them for the Sacraments!

**It is our parents and families who first share our Catholic Christian faith** and ways of life with their children and with future generations. The Lord Jesus and our holy Church depend on all parents, grandparents, and family members to bring our newest generations to Jesus and to His salvation.

**I'd also like to extend thanks and gratitude** to our catechists and teachers, as well as to our Faith Formation Director, Ms. MaryAnn Garfold, and her assistant, Mrs. Linda Bey, for their truly dedicated and diligent work throughout the year to share our faith in so many ways with our young students - and with parish members of all ages!

**Congratulations again to our students, and many, many thanks** to their parents and families as well as our parish staff and catechists for your participation in the life of the Lord Jesus and in the life of Saint Philip Catholic Parish!

Our Parish Share Program for 2022 needs your donation!

**We're continuing this year's Parish Share Program** to contribute our required funding for the operations of the Catholic Diocese of Pittsburgh in 2022. Every year, each parish is asked to raise an extra 17.5% of its income received during the previous year. This extra 17.5% is our annual Parish Share Goal. The funds which you contribute are the primary way that the ministry of our Bishop and his staff are financed - along with all of the important and charitable programs of our Catholic Diocese of Pittsburgh.

**For 2022, our Parish Share Goal for Saint Philip Parish is \$128,391. This year's goal is \$51,422 higher than the 2021 PSP goal.**

**As such, I continue to invite every household in our parish to contribute or pledge at least \$250 to the Parish Share Program this year.** If you contribute \$500, or \$1000, or \$2500 or more, your generosity will be



greatly appreciated. Contribution and pledge cards have already been mailed to all of our registered parish households. **Additional donation and pledge envelopes are available in both of our two churches.**

**As always, I thank you very much for your participation** in our parish community and Liturgy, and I thank you for your financial contributions and support for the benefit and operation of our Diocesan Church of Pittsburgh and our Saint Philip Catholic Parish. Your generosity and donations help to keep our parish alive - and help to continue and to grow the Kingdom of God here in our community and region!

Best wishes for a blessed Easter Season!

**Best wishes for this Easter Season!** Again, thank you very much for your continued faith, discipleship, dedication, goodness, and generosity - to our parish community, to one another, and to those in need.

Until next weekend, may you and all in our community receive goodness, health, and divine grace from God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. May the Lord Jesus bless you, your family, and our parish community now and always!

Yours,  
Father Jim Torquato





### Sunday, May 8

Acts of the Apostles 13:43-52;  
Revelation 7:9-17; John 10:27-30

### Weekdays

Acts of the Apostles 11-13;  
John 10-15

### Sunday, May 15

Acts of the Apostles 14:21-27;  
Revelation 21:1-5; John 13:31-35



## FINANCIAL REPORT



## OUR SAINT PHILIP PARISH FINANCES

Sunday collection total, **April 30 - May 1, 2022** -- \$8,848.00  
Online donations April 30 - May 1 -- \$1,370.00

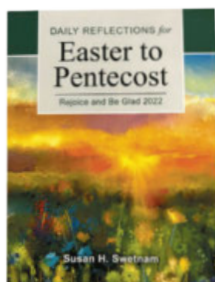
Parish income needed for this Fiscal Year -- \$724,000.00  
Parish income received since July 1, 2021 -- \$502,859.46  
Parish fundraising since July 1, 2021 -- \$34,572.37  
Estate gifts received since July 1, 2021 -- \$15,000.00

Average weekly staff salary and benefits expenses -- \$7,208.00  
Average weekly maintenance/operation expenses -- \$ 973.00  
Average weekly utility expenses -- \$1,539.00  
Average weekly insurance expenses -- \$1,251.00  
Weekly contributions to Guardian Angel Academy -- \$1,630.32

Parish members -- 3,463 Parish families -- 1,719  
Church attendance on April 30 - May 1 -- 704  
Sunday envelopes used April 30 - May 1 -- 255  
Online contributions April 30 - May 1 -- 52  
Total households receiving envelopes -- 1,149

2022 Parish Share Goal -- \$128,391.00  
Parish Share received as of May 1 -- \$114,511.84

## Your Easter Season Reading



Please remember to read every day the booklet of Easter Season Reflections, ***Easter to Pentecost***, that was offered to our parish members and families at each church!

## SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS



**Thank you for your generous financial contributions to SAINT PHILIP PARISH!**



*Your goodness and participation help to keep our parish alive!*



# Parish News

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

### LECTORS - May 14 & 15

4:00pm at St. Philip - Gregory Healy  
5:30pm at Ascension - Robert Okraszewski  
7:00am at St. Philip - B. J. Gamble  
9:30am at Ascension - Linda Barone  
11:00am at St. Philip - Joe Allen

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - May 14 & 15

4:00pm at St. Philip - Ursula Eberle  
5:30pm at Ascension - Katie Phillips  
7:00am at St. Philip - Dian Perkins  
9:30am at Ascension - Barbara Hendrick  
11:00am at St. Philip - Maribeth Cringle

## REGULAR PARISH OFFICE HOURS HAVE RETURNED

The Parish Offices are once again open for in-person parish business, Monday through Friday from 9:00am to 3:00pm.

If you have not been fully vaccinated, please wear a face covering to enter the offices. Thank you very much for your cooperation.

## NEXT WEEKEND - SPECIAL COLLECTION

We can respond with compassion to a world in need through next weekend's combined collection for Catholic Relief Services, and for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, the Church in Latin America, and the Church in Africa. This collection is an excellent opportunity to help funding agencies that work to serve our suffering brothers and sisters through humanitarian aid, resettling displaced individuals and families, and advocating on behalf of victims. The shared collection also supports seminaries, youth ministries, pastoral centers, and evangelization. Please be as generous as you can.



## *Happy Mother's Day*

We are happy to extend our prayers and best wishes to the mothers of our parish on this Mother's Day weekend. We ask God to bless them and give them much happiness and fulfillment in their vocation.

## *Mother's Day Blessing*

Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so You watch over Your Church. Bless these women, that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with the spirit of profound respect.

- Book of Blessing #1728

## SALVATION HISTORY

We will meet again on **Tuesday, May 10 at 7:00pm** in the Meeting Room in the Administration Building on the Ascension Campus. Our topic will be *"The Israelites are going to the Promised Land."* Please join us.

## PARISH SUPPORT

We are grateful for your continued support!

If you are unable to attend Mass, you may mail your weekly offering to the Parish Office at 114 Berry Street, Pittsburgh 15205 or drop it off in the mail box located outside the main office door. St. Philip Parish also offers the option for ONLINE GIVING.



## ELECTION DAY BAKE SALE AND LUNCHEON

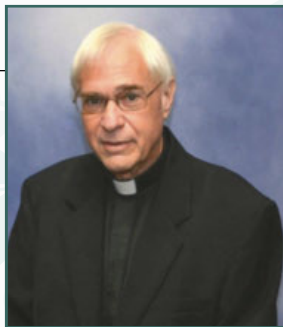
**Election Day is Tuesday, May 17.** Our parish Election Day Luncheon and Bake Sale will be held from **10:00am to 2:00pm** in Ascension Conner Hall. **Baked Goods are needed.** We have become known for our fabulous baked goods table thanks to your generosity and willingness to help. Sooo...., we are asking you once again to get out your recipes and consider whipping up a batch or two of your specialties (cookies, cakes, pies, fudge, candy) for our bake sale. All proceeds benefit the parish. Help us keep this good thing going.

**Donations of baked goods can be taken to Conner Hall on Monday, May 16 from 6:00pm to 7:00pm.** And don't forget, no matter where your polling place, if you are looking for somewhere to have lunch before or after voting, please stop by.

## 2022 PARISH SHARE PROGRAM

If you have not yet made your donation or pledge to the 2022 Parish Share Program, please consider a generous response this week. Your support of the Parish Share Program offers support for ministries in ways that individual parishes can't provide on their own. This year our assessment is \$128,391.00. We ask that you return all Parish Share donations and pledges to the parish office or the collection basket. Thank you for your generosity!

## Congratulations on 50 years of priesthood, Father Walter W. Dworak



Fr. Walt Dworak reaches this milestone while enjoying his retirement in Aubrey, Texas with his family. He stays active as he helps out at St. Martin de Porres Parish, presiding at Sunday Masses, Bible Study, Children Masses and confessions.

Fr. Walt served as Pastor of Saint Philip Parish from February 2000 to his retirement in October 2015.

If you would like to send Fr. Walt Dworak a note or card, he would love to hear from you.

His address is: **P.O. Box 502  
Aubrey, Texas 76227**

*Ad Multos Annos!*  
*Many More years!*



We offer our sympathy to the families of **Patrick J. Kennane** and **James Volpe** who entered into eternal life. Please keep them in your prayers.

## Sanctuary Lamp

This week's Sanctuary Lamp at **St. Philip** burns  
*In Loving Memory of Deceased of the Macklin &  
Macino Families*

Offered by Anita Macklin & Family

This week's Sanctuary Lamp at **Ascension** burns  
*In Loving Memory of Rev. Walter Sobon*  
Offered by Diana Miller



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*Thank you for helping to underwrite the  
production of our weekly Parish Bulletin.*

## DONATE ONLINE

## Make donating easy!

Your regular online contributions to Saint Philip Parish are encouraged and always welcome!

You can send your weekly donations through our ***We Share!*** internet service at  
**[www.saintphilipchurch.weshareonline.org](http://www.saintphilipchurch.weshareonline.org)**.





# Religious Education

Ms. MaryAnn Garfold, Director of Religious Education  
412-922-6388 [stphilipreligioused@gmail.com](mailto:stphilipreligioused@gmail.com)



**A NOTE FROM MARYANN:** This week's readings truly speak to all of us at St. Philip Parish. We hear "*the Word of the Lord continued to be spread through the whole region...The disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.*" The Word of the Lord has touched us in so many ways here at St. Philip. Our Parish Mission filled us with joy and the Holy Spirit. Over 200 individuals came for 3 evenings and heard the Word of the Lord. They returned home filled with the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Our mission talks can be found on the St. Philip Facebook page for those unable to attend. Our second grade students encountered Jesus for the first time in the Holy Eucharist on Sunday, May 1. Our eighth grade students will encounter Jesus in the Sacrament of Confirmation at the 11:00am Mass on May 15. Our St. Vincent de Paul Society is filled with the gifts of the Holy Spirit as they minister to those in need. Our Legion of Mary is filled with joy in the ministry of prayer and service. Our Parish membership continues to share the gifts of the Spirit with one another and the community. Let us continue to hear and spread the Word of the Lord so others can be filled with joy. **Let the seeds planted during our mission continue to grow. You are invited to join us for the *Discovering Christ Series* which begins on Wednesday, May 18. The evening includes a dinner, prayer, video input, discussion and dessert. There is no cost. Please consider joining us. Call the Office of Faith Formation at 412-922-6388 to register. You do not have to attend all 7 sessions but are asked to attend as many as possible. Even if you have never attended anything formal before, let the seeds planted during the mission grow. Consider joining the *Discovering Christ Series*.**

## FAITH FORMATION NEWS

**CONFIRMATION:** 8<sup>th</sup> grade students from St. Philip Parish will participate in the Sacrament of Confirmation with Bishop David Zubik **next Sunday, May 15 at the 11:00am Liturgy in St. Philip Church.** The students have participated in instruction, field trips to the historical churches of the Diocese, service to the Church (Catholic Charities, Jubilee Kitchen), service to our Parish, and times of reflection and retreat. Please keep these students and their families in your prayers.

**FAITH FORMATION SESSION:** Our final session this year for Pre-School (ages 2, 3 and 4) through 7<sup>th</sup> Grade was held on **Monday, May 2.** This year our program included St. Francis Day Family Celebration, All Souls Day Celebration, Advent Journey to Bethlehem with dinner, crafts and stories as well as Mardi Gras and Holy Week Celebrations. Information and Fall registration will be mailed in early August. If you or someone you know would like to join our unique family based faith formation and weekly faith formation sessions, please contact the Office of Faith Formation at 412-922-6388. We pray for a restful and safe summer for all of our families.

Our final session for 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Candidates will be **Monday, May 9.** This final session will include preparation for Confirmation and Confirmation rehearsal. It will be held from 7:00pm to 8:15pm in St. Philip Church.

**TRAVEL MINISTRY: CATHOLIC CLEVELAND! There are a few seats left.** Travel Ministry will be going to Cleveland on Thursday, May 26. The trip includes: Depart Ascension Church at 6:30am with breakfast stop on your own; visit the magnificent Shrine Church of St. Stanislaus for a tour and Mass; lunch provided and time for shopping and sightseeing; visit to St. Paul Shrine, home of Poor Clare Nuns with perpetual adoration and home of Mother Angelica's early formation; visit Cleveland Museum of Art; arrive back at Ascension Church at 7:00pm with dinner stop on your own; and gift shops are available at all stops. **Tour Fare: non refundable \$115 per person payable to Wendt Touring. Call 412-922-6388 for reservations. Tour is limited to 50 people.**





**PLEASE NOTE!!!** The Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered by Bishop David Zubik at the **11:00am Mass next Sunday, May 15**. This Mass will include the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. If you usually attend this Mass, please be aware of the extended time of this Liturgy and plan according to your schedule.



# PARISH MISSION

Our Parish Mission brought many gifts. Our Parish enjoyed talks by **Father Joe Freedy** as well as the opportunity for confession, adoration, and celebration of the Mass. Each evening included a social with an opportunity to renew old friendships and create new one. We thank **Father Torquato** and the committee for providing us with this wonderful opportunity.

Committee Members included: **Linda Bey, Bill Eberle, Chris Falki, Marty Matko, Claire Megyesy, Rose Musser and Anita Okraszewski.**





# Guardian Angel Academy

*One of the South Region Catholic Elementary Schools (SRCES)*

**CLASSROOM CHRONICLES:** Each week we will highlight the amazing things that are going on in our classrooms at Guardian Angel Academy.



## MISS LINDA GERRITY - 2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE CLASSROOM

Spring has sprung in Second Grade!

It was a long winter and the students are excited for spring. They are anxiously waiting for their reception of the Eucharist for the first time when they will be able to fully participate in the Mass. Their hearts are fully open to receive the Body of Christ on their First Holy Communion Day. They have been preparing by learning the parts of the Mass along with the prayers and responses said at Mass.

Second Grade has become published authors. Together they wrote a class book titled, The Amazing Animal World. They each chose a different animal and wrote a paragraph about the anatomy, habitat, and diet of their animal and then illustrated a picture of the animal. Second Grade celebrated with a Publishing Party when the books arrived.

The Second Grade has been learning to navigate their Chromebooks. They are enjoying using different websites to enhance their subject areas and

completing and turning in digital assignments to their Google Classroom.

The spring season will bring some planting activities to Second Grade. They will enjoy an Arbor Day/Earth Day Program sponsored by the Green Tree Garden Club. The class was awarded a \$75 Grant from the Green Tree Garden Club to be used for anything involving plants, recycling, nature, growth, or beautification of any kind. The class will be doing a few planting activities in the classroom as well as starting a beautification project on the grounds of the school campus.

Art class is always a favorite of Second Grade. They created forsythia blooms to welcome the beautiful season of spring. A spring flower garden fills our classroom windows. The students painted flowers, butterflies, bees, and a shining sun. The windows bring lots of cheer to our classroom!

Happy Easter Season to all from Second Grade!





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#### Osteoporosis Risk:

An ultrasound is performed to measure the shin bone for abnormal bone mass density.

**We will be in your neighborhood soon Mon., June 20, 2022**

**St. Philip Parish, 114 Berry St,  
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The **Christ Life Series**, *Discovering Christ*, is coming to St. Philip Parish! This program uses videos and discussion. Individuals discover the meaning of life and establish a close relationship with Jesus Christ. This free weekly program runs for 7 weeks **beginning Wednesday, May 18 from 6:30pm to 8:45pm** and includes dinner. **A typical evening is as follows:**

- 6:30pm *\*Doors open and a light dinner*
- 7:15pm *\*Opening prayer and spiritual reflection*
- 7:30pm *\*Video*
- 8:00pm *\*Small group discussion*
- 8:30pm *\*Wrap up and closing prayers*

**SESSION DATES INCLUDE:** May 18 & 25; June 1, 8 & 15; June 18, Retreat from 9:00am-2:00pm; and June 22 & 29.

#### **CHRISTLIFE: COME AND SEE!**

You can register by calling the Office of Faith Formation at 412-922-6388 or drop this form in the collection basket, or mail it to St. Philip Parish, 114 Berry Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15205. This program is open to everyone. You do not have to be a member of St. Philip to attend.

#### ***ChristLife* Program Registration Form**

Name:

Email:

Telephone:

If attending with others, do you have any preference in seating within the small discussion group?



No matter how we say it, we could never Thank everyone for all the help with the Parish Fish Fry! Every week, from Thursday mornings to Saturday afternoons, they were there and ready for work. Even though the first two drive-thrus didn't work out as planned, changes were made, more volunteers stepped up and things were back to the "well oiled machine" that the Ascension Fish Fry is known for with our delicious dinners, reasonably priced food, great selection of desserts, and most of all, FRIENDLY-community togetherness. ***We are grateful for the people who helped our parish with this annual fundraiser.***

*Perhaps you breaded fish,  
To help with the perfect dish.  
Perhaps you worked the line,  
Your job was mighty fine.  
Perhaps you cooked or fried,  
Or cleaned the mess left behind.  
Perhaps you baked/sold the delicious treats,  
Know that someone loved your sweets.  
Perhaps you came to eat,  
Sorry, you didn't get a seat.  
Perhaps you were not there at all,  
Just thought of us that day.  
We thank you so much -  
Whatever the part,  
We thank you from the bottom of our heart!*





# Ministries & Societies

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY UPDATE

If you follow our posts and, specifically, read the ways in which we assist our friends in need each week, you have seen that since we have been able to restart our furniture ministry in January after finding new storage space, we have been helping a lot of friends in need with furniture. We need your donations and we need volunteers to help with this ministry.

Our furniture ministry volunteers pick up donations of furniture, clothing, household items and appliances from within the parish boundaries and slightly beyond. You do not have to have a truck or trailer to be a volunteer as our volunteers always go in pairs, but volunteers that have trucks or trailers, even open trailers, are especially needed at this time. The volunteers either then take these donations to our storage area or directly to a friend in need if we already have a home for the items. Sometimes volunteers are picking up items from our storage area and taking them to a friend in need. Since the timing of these pickups and deliveries is very flexible, this is the perfect volunteer opportunity for someone with a busy schedule that is looking to help out as their schedule permits. You can also turn this into a family affair by getting your teenager involved.

For those of you interested in donating, we accept donations of most furniture and household items, including stoves (gas and electric), washers, dryers (gas and electric), refrigerators, pots, pans, couches, tables, chairs, etc. We are most in need of beds and dressers. We normally do not accept televisions unless they are flat screen and come with or are compatible with an over-the-air antenna, as we cannot always assume that our friends in need will be able to afford cable. These items are distributed to our friends in need within our parish boundaries and in Tunnelton,

West Virginia. We also accept clothing donations for our friends in need in Tunnelton.

Thank you in advance for helping us to continue our furniture ministry by either volunteering or donating. If you cannot do either, please pray for us. As you can see, the need in our community is great. By providing our friends in need with gently used furniture and appliances through our furniture ministry, we do not have to buy these items and we are able to save our money to help other friends in need with things such as utilities bills, rent and food. Our goal is to help as many people in as many ways as possible with the resources with which God has blessed us.

Just a reminder that we still have bins located at the courtyard entrance of the St. Philip worship site and the main entrance of the Ascension worship site for your donations of children's clothing for the Madonna Hope House in Tunnelton, WV; and we are still in need of a donation of an apartment-sided electric stove. Thank you for your donations!

This week, your generous donations enabled us to assist a woman with \$379.71 toward her electric bill to avoid a shut off; a woman was given \$75 to pay her security deposit and first month's rent; a single mother was given a bed for one of her children; a single mother was given 2 beds, dressers, living room furniture, pots and pans, clothing vouchers and a household goods voucher; a woman was given \$131.20 toward her water bill; and a woman was given \$402 toward her gas bill.

If you would like to make a monetary donation or a donation of \$10 Giant Eagle gift cards, place your donation in one of the poor boxes, mail them to the parish office at 114 Berry Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15205, or donate at <https://saintphilipchurch.weshareonline.org/ws/opportunities/StVincentdePaul>. Monetary donations made to our conference are used only to assist friends in need and to pay our operational expenses. No money is given to any other organizations.

As always, if you, or someone you know, are in need of assistance, call or text our hotline at 412-444-8140 or email us at [svdp.saint.philip@gmail.com](mailto:svdp.saint.philip@gmail.com).



# = Come on down = to the St. Philip Parish = ANNUAL BBQ =



**Where:** Ascension Church  
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**When:** Sunday, June 5, 2022 4:00pm-6:00 pm

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