January 23, 2022, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MONDAY-THURSDAY 9:00 AM-3:00 PM FRIDAY: 9:00 AM-12:00PM

#### Welcome

#### **OUR MISSION**

With St. Philip as our patron and heavenly intercessor we, the parish family of St. Philip Catholic Church of Battle Creek, MI, are a community centered in the Eucharistic Christ. Together we strive to live in constant conversion, invitation, and prayerful anticipation of the heavenly kingdom that awaits us.

## **Up Coming Events**

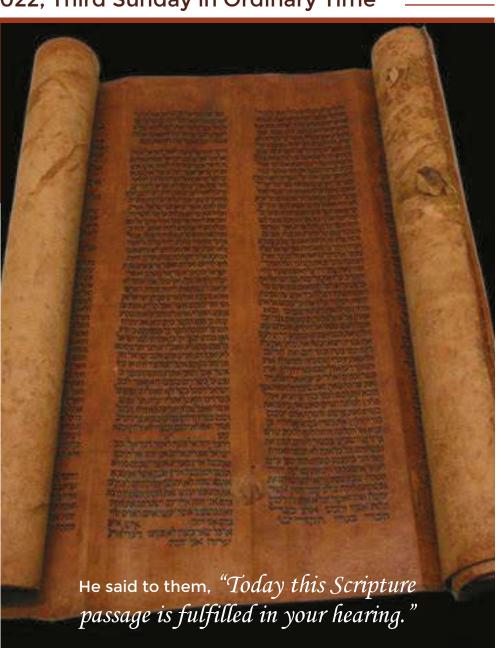
Baby Item Collection for Caring Network and Alternatives of Battle Creek January 22/23

Knights of Columbus free throw contest will be held at St. Philip school gym, starting at Noon, January 29th.

Pancake breakfast served from 10-11am. In the Parish Center on January 30th.

## **Today's Scripture**

January 23, 2022 Nehemiah 8:2-4, 5-6, 8-10 1 Corinthians 12:12-30 Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21



#### **SACRAMENTS**

THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Contact the office. In an Emergency, contact the Parish Office and follow the prompts.

MARRIAGE: Registered parishioners should contact the Pastor or Deacons at least six months before the desired date for appropriate marriage preparation instruction.

BAPTISM: Family must be registered at the Parish and attend a preparation class. Contact the Parish Office for information.

RECONCILIATION: 45 minutes before every Mass, lasting for 1/2 hour. Saturday at 3:00pm - 4:00 pm

#### **PASTOR'S LETTER**



Dear friends of St. Philip,

Perhaps the most important thing we do as a parish is to pray. Prayer is first and foremost a conversation with God, and by association, with the blessed in Heaven who have life in Him. The purpose of prayer, at its fullest, is to draw us into the life of grace which is the life of God Himself. As a parish, we pray together in the prayer of the Mass, and the devotions of the Church year. In our common prayer we share in the work of the people of God, that is the Church. Our common prayer is our first response to the

duty of a creature in love of the Creator. Our common prayer is a work in justice before God, who is due our praise.

In the common prayer of the Church, we are also formed in a sort of school of prayer. The prayer of the Mass, especially, is a pattern that we can follow to learn how to pray individually before God. While regular Sunday Mass attendance and participation is a duty of faith, it is also a habit that moves us to greater ability to pray as we ought. This is one reason why it is good for Christians to know the Mass well in its various prayers and parts and to participate actively and attentively, most especially by joining in the responses of the people and joining our thoughts to the prayers of the priest.

Another part of the common prayer of the Church is the Divine office, also called the Liturgy of the Hours. This prayer that is prayed by every priest and religious in the Church is also the prayer of the people of God. The priest or religious promises to pray this prayer daily for the good of the Church, but the laity are also encouraged to participate in this prayer. It was the expressed desire of the bishops at Vatican II that this prayer should be a part of parish life, at least in larger parishes, especially Sunday vespers (evening prayer). The Divine Office has as its principle part the prayer of the Psalms, as well as canticles from the Scriptures and writings of the saints. Divided over the course of the day and following a four week cycle in its modern form (monks still follow the more ancient pattern of praying the Psalms in a one week cycle) the Liturgy of the Hours helps consecrate the day in prayer. This most ancient form of prayer forms the Christian mind in the Word of God. A beginner in the Liturgy of the Hours could easily start with the morning and evening prayers in about ten to fifteen minutes each.

These ways of prayer that form the public prayer of the Church help instill a habit of conversation with God that fills the day and keeps the Christian mind and heart tuned to Him. From these flow the life of personal prayer and the growth of one's relationship with God. What better work could there be?

"Pray for me and I will pray for thee, that we may merrily meet in Heaven" - St. John Fisher

Rev. James Richardson



## SACRED HEART ADORATION CHAPEL

Rosaries Prayed: 276 Year 2022: 384 Grand Total: 261,955

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel has resumed, Wednesday 9 a.m.-Saturday 9 a.m. If you are interested in signing up for a specific day and time please contact Betty Dillard at 962-8255.





Knights of Columbus
Council 11114

Next meeting: February 15th 6:00 pm

For Information Contact:

John Lindsay, Grand Knight 269-968-6645 or email kofc11114@comcast.net

## PRAYER & WORSHIP

Mass Intentions | Pray For



Jeanette Aleo Margie Lanko Geri Bateman Hannah Leonard **Bev Behrndt** Barb Mendella Sharon Mileski Mary Bishop Sandy Bosrock Kathleen Moore Annabelle Breedon Patricia O'Brien Megan Buckle Michael Osowski Tom Burgess **Carter Palone** Judy Butler **Cheri Perkins** Gina Cobb **Norman Porter** Dick Cohfeldt Jo Powell **Katy Comtois** Ron Quada Mel Retzke **David Crell** Clayton Cummings Gail Robinson Joe Cummings Jeff Robotham Jim Dillard Karl Routman Virginia D'Lamatter Barb Ryan Valerie English Kevin Rzeppa J.T. Faber **Kathy Scott** Jennette Gagnon David Sheehan Agnes Gallagher Pam Smith **Noah Garrett Rolland Smith Peyton Garrett** Matt Steele Carol Graham James Strole Philip Granish Franklin Swart Bill H. **Jackie Swart** Jeffery Holmes Kizaya Suto David Jaconette Donna Thiessen Nicole Johnson Sandy Walliczek **Ethan Kosmerick** Bob Ward **Nolan Kosmerick** Luna Wert Dee Wygant Dave Kulka Karen Zande **Kykora family** Josh Laforge Peggy Laforge

When blessings are received and someone should be removed from this list, please let the parish office know so we can give thanks.



The Sacrament of Reconciliation/ Confession are available at the following times:

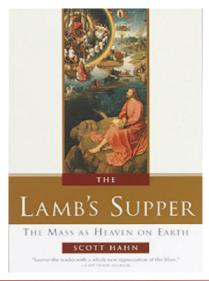
Monday-Saturday 7:15-7:45 am Saturday: 3:00-4:00 pm Sunday: 8:15-8:45 am 10:45-11:15 am.

### **Mass Intentions**

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SATURDAY JANUARY 22			
8: <b>00 a.m.</b> .	†Don Eldridge		
4:30 p.m.	Zander Barnett (special intentions)		
SUNDAY JANUARY 23			
7:00 a.m.	Latin Mass		
9:00 a.m.	†People of the Parish		
11:30 a.m.	Hayden Dukeman (Special intentions)		
MONDAY JANUARY 24			
6:30 a.m.	Latin Mass		
8:00 a.m.	†Anne McKeon		
TUESDAY JANUARY 25			
6:30 a.m.	†Deceased members of Turek Family (Latin Mass)		
12:10 p.m.	Aadyn Currie (special intentions)		
WEDNESDAY JANUARY 26			
6:30 a.m.	†Deceased members of Beck Family (Latin Mass)		
8:00 a.m.	†Josephine McCauley (birth date)		
THURSDAY JANUARY 27			
6:30 a.m.	Latin Mass		
8:00 a.m.	David Hendrickson (birthday)		
FRIDAY JANURAY 28			
6:30 a.m.	Latin Mass		
8:00 a.m.	Mimi Hibbard (special intentions)		
SATURDAY JA	SATURDAY JANUARY 29		
8:00 a.m.	†Clem Lewandowski (anniversary)		
4:30 p.m.	Lilah Barnett (Special intentions)		
SUNDAY JANUARY 30			
7:00 a.m.	Thomas Beck (Latin Mass)		
9:00a.m.	†Charlie Dinkins		
11:30 a.m.	People of the Parish		

All Saints Bible Study Group: Anyone interested in joining a virtual Bible/ Book Study Group this is a wonderful opportunity.

The group meets on Tuesday mornings at 10 am. through "Messenger Chat". Starting February 1 a new book will be "The Lamb's Supper" by Scott Hahn, an amazing book. If you are interested in joining please contact Eileen Stewart through the parish office or Janice Gray at 269-719-6911, to get the information to join the chat.



### **Alpha Center Update**

The Alpha Center Project continues to move forward. The project includes a complete renovation of the St. Philip Tiger Room building and is a collaboration between St. Philip Parish, the Diocese of Kalamazoo, Battle Creek Unlimited, and the Economic Development Administration. Originally planned for construction in 2021, the project was delayed due to utility easement completion but is now projected to go to bid by the end of February.



## An Offering of Thanks to God

JANUARY 16, 2022			
Sunday	\$	6,588.00	
Electronic Transfer	\$	4,641.00	
Year to Date	\$	390,105.11	
Budget YTD	\$	426,057.67	
Restoration Fund	\$	172,556.62	

## **Weekend Ministry Schedule**

	terra minetry corrections	
JANUARY 29/30		
Lectors		
4:30 pm	Denise Pajak	
9:00 am	Bill Hoffman	
11:30 am	Sub requested	
Altar Server		
4:30 pm	Matt Arver, Lucas Buehner	
9:00 am	Mimi Hibbard, Sean Gage	
11:30 am	Brady Lightfoot, Lilah Barnett	
Sacristan		
4:30 pm	Sandi Summers	
9:00 am	Tom Lawrence	
11:30 am	Kathy Bevins	
Ushers		
4:30 pm	Brian Wemple, Pat Hirzel, Cathy Hirzel	
9:00 am	Mike Sartor, Sharon Frey	
11:30 am	Bruce Behrens, Daniela Bethel, Tim Cole	



The Knights of Columbus will be

serving a pancake and egg breakfast on Sunday January 30th

in the Parish Center from 10-11am.

Coffee and donuts will be offered in the Parish Center on

the following Sunday from 9-11:15 a.m. Please join us for some sweets and fellowship.

We are looking for some volunteers to help with coffee and donuts once a month. If interested please see Carla Behrens at coffee and donuts or call the office at 968-6645.

## PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

#### **News & Events**

## YOUTH ACTIVITIES SPONSORED BY THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

The annual Knights of Columbus free throw contest will be held at St. Philip school gym, January 29th starting at Noon. It is open to any boys and girls age 9 to 14, competing in their age group. Encourage your sons and daughters and grandkids to participate. It's always fun for the kids. Winners in each age group are eligible to move on to district contest. Contact Brian Wemple for more or to sign up 579-6582. The St. Philip K of C Council thanks Michelle Fuller and the faculty of St. Philip High School for administering the KofC "Catholic Citizenship Essay" contest. We look forward to this becoming an annual event.

The Knights Council is happy to be a supporter of the Scholarship Program for St. Philip Altar Servers.

#### BABY ITEM COLLECTION FOR CARING NET-WORK AND ALTERNATIVES OF BATTLE CREEK JANUARY 22/23

Some of the parishioners from our three Battle Creek Catholic Churches have been praying for over 125 spiritually adopted babies every day for the last nine months. We will welcome these babies along with Baby Jesus on Christmas and would like to invite ALL parishioners to celebrate their arrival with a collection of baby items that will be donated to the Caring Network or Alternatives of Battle Creek. There will be cribs set up at all three parishes for your donations on **January 15/16 and January** 22/23. If you would rather make a monetary donation, you can make a check out to "Caring Network" or "Alternatives of Battle Creek" and put it in the collection basket.

#### **CHRISTMAS THANK YOU**

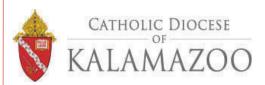
Members of the St. Vincent de Paul at St. Philip Church wish to thank St. Philip parishioners for your generosity to those in need. The final number of recipients this year includes 73 families from Santa's Helper. We delivered Food gift cards for Christmas dinners to all the families, feeding 295 people, including 164 children, each child also receiving a Meijer's gift card for Christmas.

Thanks to all parishioners for your prayers and generous donations to the Giving Tree, which covered the expenses for food and Christmas gifts. The gift cards were purchased through the Battle Creek Area Catholic Schools.



Planning for the future is hard when you're still paying for the past! Listen—there's a better way! Join our Financial Peace University class, and we'll learn how to beat debt and make a plan for the future together! Interested? Join us at St Philip Church starting Sunday, February 6, 2022 Seton Center 10:30 am. You can sign up and start your 14-day free trial of Financial Peace at fpu.com/1146698. If you have any questions feel free to contact Ken

fpu.com/1146698. If you have any questions feel free to contact Ken Huebschman at 269.274.7765 or Louise Huebschman at 269.209.7636 (Please leave a message if we don't pick up) or email at Idhuebschman@gmail.com. If you cannot afford the class, please contact us as there are several scholarships available for St. Philip parishioners.



## Middle School Youth Rally featuring Catholic Artist Joe Melendrez

Middle school aged students from around the diocese are invited to a Youth Rally on Saturday, February 12, 2022 from 1 to 4 p.m. at St. Augustine Cathedral's Crowley Center. Cost is \$25/person. Register online at www.diokzoo.org/youthrally.

#### The Presence Lite

All 9th-12th grade youth are invited to The Presence Lite on Saturday, February 19, 2022 from 6 to 9 p.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 939 Charlotte Ave., Kalamazoo, MI 49048. Cost is \$25 Register online at

www.diokzoo.org/presence2022

The Diocese of Kalamazoo has and will continue to cooperate with the Michigan Attorney General's investigation and encourages anyone with information related to misconduct to call the reporting number set-up by the Michigan Attorney General's office at: 844.324.3374

The Catholic Rishon Abuse Re-

The Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service (CBAR) has been established to receive reports of sexual abuse and related misconduct by bishops and to relay those reports to proper Church authorities for investigation. To make a report, visit: ReportBishopAbuse.org or phone (800) 276-1562. When a report includes a crime, such as the sexual abuse of a minor, it will also be reported to civil authorities. Otherwise, reports will be kept confidential.

## SCHOOL NEWS

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## Can you help us reach our goal for the 2021-2022 Annual Fund Drive?



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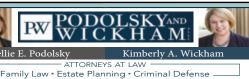
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