PRODUCES MUCH FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE PARISH

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SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2024

THE MISSION OF OUR PARISH

As members of the Diocese of Joliet, we are a faith community united in Christ by a common bond to the universal Catholic Church. Our words and actions are a reflection of Christ's presence among us. We manifest God's Word through active participation in spiritual, liturgical, educational, service, and social ministries directed at bringing all people to Christ.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday at 8:00 a.m. Communion Service on Wednesday at 8:00 a.m.

> *Weekend Masses* Saturday at 5:00 p.m. Sunday at 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

Rosary Monday-Friday at 8:30 a.m.

ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE PARISH DIRECTORY & INFORMATION Rectory Office Hours: Monday through Thursday (8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.), Friday (8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.) School Office Hours: Monday through Friday (8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.) Website: st-phil.org Facebook: www.facebook.com/StPhilipAddisonIL

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If you are a new visitor to our church today, welcome!

If you would like more information about our church or would like to

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PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS & BULLETIN DEADLINES

Parish staff reserves the right to accept/decline/edit pulpit announcements and bulletin submissions. Please submit pulpit announcements to Deacon Phil Heitz (pheitz@st-phil.org; 630-628-0900 x104) no later than the Thursday preceding the desired weekend. Please send bulletin submissions to Cathy Jaskey (cjaskey@st-phil.org; 630-543-1754) a week prior to desired publication date.

Holy Week & Easter Schedule

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Palm SUNDAY

March 23 5:00 p.m. Mass March 24 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 Masses Blessing of Palms at all Masses Easter Egg Hunt at 11:00 a.m. Egg Hunt RSVP: tinyurl.com/spaegghunt2024

Holy THURSDAY

March 28, 2024

8:00 a.m. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper with Traditional Choir 8:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament







3:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross 7:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Lord's Passion with Communion & Contempo Choir

Holy Saturday EASTER VIGIL March 30, 2024

8:00 a.m. Prayer Service 11:30 a.m. Easter Basket Blessing No Confessions 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass with Contempo Choir





Easter SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. Mass with Traditional Choir 10:00 a.m. Mass with Children's Choir

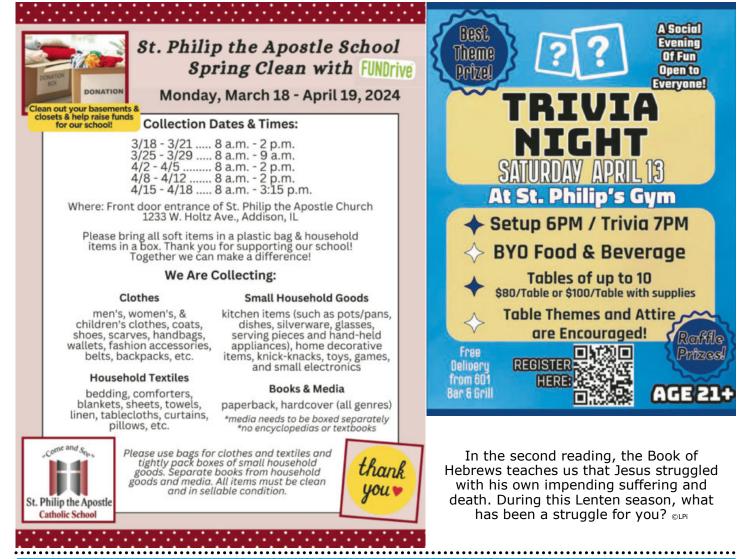


March 22 at 7:00 p.m. Good Friday at 3:00 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF March 18 to 24, 2024

Monday 3/18/24	8:00 a.mMass (Church) 7:00 p.mSt. Vincent de Paul Meeting (Room 2)				
Tuesday 3/19/24	8:00 a.mMass (Church) 7:00 p.mContempo Choir Practice (Church) 7:00 p.mFollowing Christ (Room 1) 7:00 p.mKnights of Columbus Meeting (Rectory)				
Wednesday 3/20/24	8:00 a.mCommunion Service (Church) 4:15 p.mRE Classes for Grades K - 5 5:00 p.mRE St. Joseph Day Prayer Service (Church) 6:45 p.mRE Classes for Grades 6 & 7				
Thursday 3/21/24	8:00 a.mMass (Church) 10:00 a.mRE Deanery Meeting (Room 1) 3:00 p.m. School Children's Choir Practice (Church) 7:00 p.mTraditional Choir Practice (Church)				
	No School				
Friday 3/22/24	8:00 a.mMass (Church) 6:00 p.mRosary (Church) 7:00 p.mStations of the Cross (Church) 8:00 p.mAdoration of the Blessed Sacrament Following the Stations of the Cross (Church)				
	Medical Pre-Screening Event 8:00 a.m4:00 p.m.				
Saturday 3/23/24	8:00 a.mLegion of Mary (Room 1) 8:30 a.mArt & Environment (Church) 4:00 p.mConfessions 5:00 p.mMass (Church)				
	Palm Sunday				
Sunday 3/24/24	8:00 a.mMass (Church) 9:00 a.mOCIA (Room 1) 10:00 a.mMass with Traditional Choir (Church) 11:00 a.mEaster Egg Hunt				

For Lenten Regulations and our entire Lent & Easter Schedule, please visit our website: <u>https://www.st-phil.org/lent--easter-schedule.html</u>







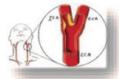
Vascular & Organ Wellness Ultrasound Screenings St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church on Saturday, March 23rd

Please call 832-437-7355 for your appointment.

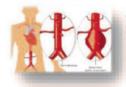
Do You Have Any of These Risk Factors?

High Blood Pressure ♦ High Cholesterol ♦ Family History of Stroke, Heart Attack, Aortic Aneurysms or Cancer Diabetes ♦ Atrial Fibrillation ♦ Obesity

The first symptom of a stroke IS a stroke! Early detection helps to save lives. Manage these controllable risk factors: smoking, unhealthy diet, physical inactivity, excessive weight, and alcohol consumption.



Stroke Risk Screening Ultrasound of the carotid artery looking for plaque or blocked arteries.



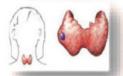
Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening Ultrasound of the abdominal aorta looking for an aneurysm.



Liver Screening Ultrasound looking for physical lesions such as masses or tumors.



Kidneys (2) Screening † Ultrasound looking for physical lesions such as cysts, masses, and stones.



Thyroid Screening † Ultrasound looking for physical lesions such as nodules or cysts.



Gallbladder Screening † Ultrasound looking for physical lesions such as polyps, stones, and sludge.

Total Discounted Package: All 7 Ultrasounds for \$169

Appointments: 832-437-7355; + No substitutions or discounts allowed

Additional Testing Available* (not included in package cost)

- A1c (Diabetes) \$25
- Lipids/Cholesterol \$25
- VTD (Vitamin D) \$45
- PSA (Prostate) \$45
- TSH (Thyroid) \$45
- CRP (Cardiac/Inflammation) \$45
- COR (Cortisol/Adrenal Glands) \$45
- GGT (Liver Enzyme) \$45
- CRE (Kidney Creatinine Serum) \$45
- TTE (Testosterone) \$45
- Bone Density (T-Score) \$25

*Bloodwork may not be available in all regions.



For blood package pricing, open phone camera, hover over QR code and tap the link.

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- Wear a two-piece comfortable outfit, no dresses.
- No food or caffeine 4 hours prior to screening.
- If you are diabetic, make sure to eat a light snack.
- No chewing gum before the exams.
- 8 hours fast if having the cholesterol test.
- If you are taking medication, continue to take it.

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Bishop Hicks' Column



March 2024

SUPER BOWL SURPRISE



ON A SUNDAY IN FEBRUARY, I gathered with my family and friends to watch the Super Bowl. It was entertaining hearing everyone's reasons for gathering around the game that day. Some were cheering on a particular team or player. Others couldn't

wait to view the halftime show or catch a glimpse of Taylor Swift. A few just relished being in the company of friends and family and indulging in the abundance of food and drink. Regardless of each person's motivation, the Super Bowl provided us with an opportunity to come together in the spirit of fun and camaraderie.

I enjoyed the gathering and the game for all those reasons, but I must admit many of the commercials left me confused! I found myself asking, "What was that commercial about?" or, "What product were they trying to sell? I just don't get it!" Thankfully, there were plenty of younger people around to explain curious ads to me.

Then, to my surprise, a 30-second commercial popped up featuring the actors Mark Wahlberg and Jonathan Roumie. I did a double-take and blurted out in surprise, "Wait a minute! Did they just actually run a positive, CATHOLIC commercial?!" I convinced my family and friends to rewind it and rewatch it with me three times. Amazingly, the commercial urged viewers to take a break from the game, thank God, and enjoy a moment of prayer on this Sunday. The ad highlighted a 40-day Lenten prayer challenge to be found on the Hallow app. The last three words in the commercial nudged us to "Stay prayed up." If you have not yet seen this commercial, you can find it on Hallow's YouTube channel (hallow.com/youtube).

I'm already a subscriber to the Hallow app. But I immediately clicked to join the 40-day prayer challenge which began on Ash Wednesday. It seems I was not alone in heeding that call! The day after Ash Wednesday, the Hallow app reached the number-one spot in Apple's App Store. I'm liking this structured and intentional Lenten challenge; it has enhanced my further spiritual growth during this season of Lent. Here's what's stirred me: the Pray40 Community Prayer Challenge offers a different, well-prepared meditation or reflection from a variety of presenters, including Mark Wahlberg, Jonathan Roumie, Sister Mary Bernice, M.C.; Sister Miriam James, S.O.L.T; and Father Mike Schmitz. Many of the days guide us through the astonishing, spiritual classic, *He Leadeth Me*, written by Fr. Walter J. Ciszek, S.J. Fr. Walter was a Jesuit priest and missionary, imprisoned for more than 20 years in the Soviet Union. Amidst horrific and brutal conditions, Fr. Walter underwent a profound spiritual journey. He surrendered his life to God and gifted us with an extraordinary example of faith, humility, and hope in Christ.

I've noticed several testimonials about the positive, spiritual effects of using the Hallow app this Lent. One that was moving was from a man who shared "Hallow right now is bringing me back to my faith and I will see where it goes. I abandoned my Catholic upbringing because I struggle with religion being the root of so much division and war in our world. I've just recently introduced Hallow and am taking great comfort in welcoming God back into my life."

This Lent, I've been trying to spend less time on social media and more time in quiet and meditative prayer. So it seems like a paradox to me that Hallow's Lent Pray40 challenge is leading me back to my phone. Yet, using this particular app doesn't make me feel like I just wasted a large chunk of time—instead, it's guided me to feeling nourished, inspired, and blessed during my Lenten journey.

This Lent, I've noticed how many people are seeking to go deeper spiritually. So many yearn to return to God and the Church. The Church gives us so many beautiful paths to do so. Astoundingly, this year's Super Bowl commercial, which was broadcast to millions throughout the world, just might have been the voice of the Holy Spirit whispering with a megaphone to each one of us! We have been invited to draw closer to the Lord this Lent and become more fully the person God created us to be. So, here's my commercial: if you have not already done so, I encourage you to download the Hallow app and start following the Lent Pray40 challenge daily. It's never too late to stay prayed up!







March is another busy month in the Religious Education Program!

Our St. Joseph Donation Drive is underway. Donations of toiletries, paper goods, and personal hygiene items may be placed directly in the large gray donation bin in the church narthex for distribution to individuals in need in the Addison area.

Grades K-5 will bring donation items to class for the **St. Joseph Prayer Service on Wednesday**, **March 20th at 5:00pm.** These items will be placed on the altar and blessed. Parishioners are also invited to bring your items for this special time of prayer and giving. All are welcome.

Calendar Reminders:

- There will be no RE classes on March 27th because of Spring Break.
- The last day of class for the 2023/2024 RE school year is April 10th. It went by so quickly!
- There will be a First Eucharist practice on Saturday, April 20th, at 9:00 a.m.
- Our First Eucharist will be held on Saturday, May 4th, at 11:00 a.m.
- Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School which will meet June 10 to 12, 2024. This year's theme is "Scuba, Diving into Friendship with God" Space is limited, so please watch for when registration opens and register early! Registration forms will be sent home to school & RE families. It will also be shared on the parish website, <u>st-phil.org</u>.





DEACON PHILIP HEITZ, OFS Director of Liturgy & Adult Faith Formation Marriage/Baptismal Preparation

In today's Gospel, we hear that some Greeks "would like to see Jesus." Jesus then explains that His disciples must follow Him and serve, while He would "draw everyone to myself." Being drawn to Jesus as intentional disciples is what we have been considering as we continue to delve into Leonard Doohan's insights in *The Lay*-

Centered Church.

"The Church is a family. To be Church, to live as Church, means to live as a part of this family, aware that we need others. No one is complete in isolation, and no member can be left out. What is true of the layperson's family is true of the Church as well. There must be unity and respect for all members, a mutual appreciation among all, and a freedom for the adults of the group...In each person there must be an irrevocable personal commitment to the group, and all must contribute actively to its life, since each one has a task to fulfill. We can only be Church today and be relevant to the world in which we live when we tap and develop the rich variety of people's gifts from the Spirit."

"An important aspect of recognizing the gifts of others lies in leading them to recognize and use their gifts themselves...Our faith in the Church needs to be expressed in all the members of this family working together...Where lay responsibility is absent the Church is incomplete...Each baptized person has both the right and the responsibility to cooperate in the Church's mission to the world, as well as the right and responsibility to contribute to the inner life and organization of the ecclesial community... There is always tension between what spirituality was in a previous generation and what it needs to be today and tomorrow."

While discussing trends in how church is viewed Doohan writes, "...the basis of all these trends is the realization that all the baptized are called to see the intimate unity between their faith and the fulfillment of their daily obligations."

Next week we'll continue with Doohan's book as we celebrate Palm Sunday.

Ministry Schedule for March 23 & 24, 2024 Palm Sunday			Ministry Schedule for March 28 & 29, 2024	
Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Lector: Cathy Kluczny, Karyn Ustas Extraordinary Ministers: Linda Cipolla, Debbie Sramek, Pamela Reith, Andy Kluczny Altar Servers: Abigail Trevino, Izabella Trujillo Ushers: Michael Grigsby, Mike Provinzino, Dave Schwichtenberg, Fran Schwichtenberg	Holy Thursday 7:00 p.m. Good Friday		
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	Lector: Barbara Erazmus, Marilyn Nemecek, Ramona Sowada Extraordinary Ministers: Stella Kordeluk, Sue Lawrence, Jay Lawrence, Patti Gebala Deacon Sean McGreal, William Kerber Altar Servers: Franklin Meeks, Ryder Reyes Ushers: Four Needed		7:00 p.m.	Rosa Calabrese, Annamarie Corcione, RCIA Candidate 1, RCIA Candidate 2, RCIA Candidate 3, Pamela Reith, Karyn Ustas Marilyn Lambros, Jay Lawrence, Cathie Lorenzo Holy Oils: RCIA Candidate 1, Dave Schwichtenberg, Fran Schwichtenberg
Sunday 10:00 a.m.	Lector: Kristin Gross, Valerie Kosinski Extraordinary Ministers: Vincent Panzeca, Deacon Phil Heitz, Anthony Amato, Michael Bruntz, Louise Russo Altar Servers: Vinny Calabrese, Kasper Wojcik Ushers: Angela Addante, Pat Corcione, Dave Marshall, Joe Bien		Friday	Lector: Barbara Erazmus, Ralph Scavone Extraordinary Ministers: Rita Ferenzi, Deacon Phil Heitz, Deacon Sean McGreal, Michael Bruntz Altar Servers: Vinny Calabrese, Gino Pace, Victoria Pace Ushers: Angela Addante, Pat Corcione, Joe Bien, Rudy Tamondong



DEACON SEAN MCGREAL Pastoral Associate & OCIA Director

One of our Lenten practices is prayer. Prayer is the most loving and caring action we can do for someone. The power of prayer can encourage and affect the hearts of those being prayed for.

Last September, four individuals began their journey towards entering full communion with the Church. They are Ashley, her daughter Khloe, Dave, and Rocco pictured below. During this time they have been formed into the tenets of our shared faith as well as suggestions on how to live the life they are called to.

I ask that you hold these people in your prayers so the Holy Spirit may continue to guide them as we and they finish this Lenten journey that brings us to a deeper relationship with Jesus in gratitude for the sacrifice he made to bring all into his marvelous light.

Peace, Deacon Sean



Weekend Offertory for March 9/10, 2024 Actual Offertory: \$14,934 Budget Offertory: \$13,187 Favorable/(Unfavorable): \$1,746

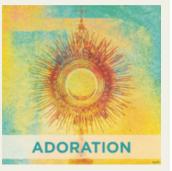
Fiscal Year to Date - July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024 Actual Offertory: \$454,447 Budget Offertory: \$487,922 Favorable/(Unfavorable): (\$33,475)

Fiscal Year to Date - Current Year Vs. Prior Year Current Year to Date Offertory: \$454,447 Prior Year to Date Offertory: \$455,718 Favorable/(Unfavorable): (\$1,271)

Thank you for your generosity!

Fr. Binu has expressed an interest in having First Friday Eucharistic Adoration. Due to logistical issues, the current thought is to have adoration starting at 4:00 p.m. & lasting to 7:00 or 8:00 p.m.

To determine whether the parish is interested in having adoration, we are asking anyone interested to contact Fr. Binu or Deacon Phil to sign up for an hour to be with Our Lord.



MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MARCH 18 St. Cyril of Jerusalem 8:00 AM Alexander Pope

TUESDAY, MARCH 19 St. Joseph 8:00 AM John Brokenshire Rosolino & Florence Di Tusa

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20 8:00 AM (Communion Service)

THURSDAY, MARCH 21 8:00 AM Matthew De Pasqua

FRIDAY, MARCH 22 8:00 AM Marc Stolfe Larry Mariano 7:00 PM (Stations of the Cross)

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

St. Turibius of Mogrovejo **4:00 PM Individual Rite of Penance 5:00 PM Anticipated Mass for Sunday** Sandi Milazzo Joseph Virgilio John Hayden Mary June Hayden Mother's Day Mass Card Recipients

SUNDAY, MARCH 24

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord8:00 AM People of the Parish10:00 AM People of the Parish

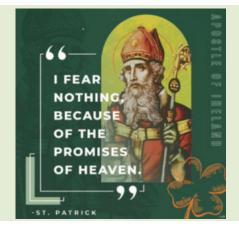
Let us remember in prayer our deceased relatives, friends, and parishioners, especially:



Karen Schiavone

Oronzo (Larry) De Sario

Our sympathy to their friends and families.



Please pray for our sick & shut-in and those who are healing & convalescing...



Jenny Bellezza, Tania Brewer, Ray Bugielski, Alison Carey, Toni Cheloni, Brian Cherry, Tim Kullum Cherry, Sylvia Culotta,

William Czerniak, Jack D'Angelo, Rosanna DePinto, Michael DeStefano, Leo Di Fazio, Elios Gallardo, Todd Gardener, Anna Marie Gubenko, Lucas Hameau, Anita Harshbarger, Tom Hemstreet, Ifrena Holtz, Judy Jaskey, Zachary Kasper, Joyce Klein, Kroll Family, Domenico Latrofa, Nicholas C. LaValle, Shirley Legaspi, Janet Lombardi, Sandra Lundgren, MacMillan Family, Diane McLaren, Cindy Miles, JoAnne Moberg, Rhodes Modelski, Vito Montana, Sam Mulay, Geri Mulcahy, Avery Quarles, Cindy Reboletti, John Rossi, Rita Seidl, John Silvestri, Bill Slovik, Wanda Slupik, Josephine Smith, Louis Sommesi, Bella Sosa-Cortes, Mary Taschetta, Raymond Troksa, Zarko Vecerkovic, Diana Waden

Please get permission from family members or the person who is ill before requesting that his/her name be added to the prayer list. To add names to the list, please call 630-543-1754 or email cjaskey@st-phil.org.

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A TANNARYPlease pray for all of our young men
and women currently serving in the
Armed Forces, especially:

Richard Avila, Marines Salvador Bonilla, Jr., Air Force Elijah Burgins, Marines Emiliano Carrazco, Marines Kevin Catano, Marines Steven J. DeMarco, Army Matthew Deimling, Army Jack Domek, Marines Adam Dorney, Army Samantha Fallon, Navy Diego Feros, Army Blaze Galardy, Air Force Martin Garcia, Army Mark Jastowski, Marines Dylan Johnson, Army José Juarez, Navy Paul Keppler, Navy Ben Krause, Marines C. J. Loveland, Air Force Trevor Martin, Marines

Kristofferson Marzo, Army Andrew Maslanka, Army Matthew Maslanka, Army Anthony Milazzo, Navy Ryan Mills, Air Force Billy Moncatch, Marines Jason Okara, Army Enrique Ospina, Marines Adam Ostrander, Navy Cole Parent, Marines Randall Petrbok. Air Force James Roman, Marines Ryan Ruizol, Navy Andrew Tarchinski, Army Patrick Tobias, Air Force Isaiah Wuich, Marines

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Baptism Information: Baptisms are celebrated on the second & fourth Sunday of each month. A pre-Baptism program must be attended by the parents. Please call the rectory to register for a program.

Marriage Information: Please call the rectory to make arrangements at least six months (a year is preferred) in advance of the wedding date. It is recommended you do not rent reception facilities until your wedding date is confirmed with the pastor. Your preferred wedding date may be unavailable, and we do not want you to lose your deposit with the reception venue.

Parish Registration: New families are welcome and are asked to register at the rectory. Also, previously registered parishioners are asked to notify us of any address changes.

Liturgical Ministries: We need men, women, and children to become Lectors, Communion Ministers, Ushers, and Altar Servers. Please contact Deacon Philip Heitz, OFS if you are interested.

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any serious illness in your family. If you have a hospitalized loved one who would like a visit, please call the rectory with contact information since the hospitals and hospices no longer notify parishes. Please do not wait until the last minute to have someone anointed. There are always accidents/emergencies, but sometimes there is less panic when the anointing can be done prior to someone passing.

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