I have come to set
the earth on fire,
and how I wish
it were already blazing!

Luke 12:49

Twentieth
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 14, 2022

ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH
1233 W. Holtz Avenue in Addison, IL 60101
Phone #: 630-628-0900      Website: www.st-phil.org
**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.

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**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.)
Rectory Summer Office Hours:  Monday through Thursday (8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.); Friday (8:30 a.m. to noon)
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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 Carol Schubert (cschubert@st-phil.org; 630-628-0900 x104) no later than the Wednesday preceding the desired weekend. Please send bulletin submissions to Barb Nicolai (bnicolai@st-phil.org; 630-543-1754) a week prior to desired publication date.

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**PLEASE JOIN US FOR:**
- Masses at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
- Communion Service at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday
- Rosary at 8:30 a.m. on Monday-Friday
- Individual Rite of Penance at 4:00 p.m. & Mass at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday
- Sunday Masses at 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.
PRAYER OF THE WEEK
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
O God, who have prepared for those who love you
good things which no eye can see,
fill our hearts, we pray, with the warmth of your love,
so that, loving you in all things and above all things,
we may attain your promises,
which surpass every human desire.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:
What has God promised to me?

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Today well lived makes every yesterday a dream of happiness and tomorrow a vision of hope. (Kalidasa)
During a recent conversation with a longtime friend, she mentioned she had just signed up to volunteer at her parish by teaching religious education to fifth and sixth graders. I was overjoyed to hear that she was going to use her talent and time to pass on our faith to our youth.

When my friend told me of the multistep process she had to go through to be approved as a volunteer, I nodded in my head in understanding – and waited for a complaint. Instead, she said she was impressed by and proud of her Church for its commitment to keeping children safe.

As a bishop, I am heartened to hear her words, especially when we in the Catholic Church are this year marking the 20th anniversary of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People. Known as the Charter, this document sets out a mandated blueprint for dioceses to follow to create a safe environment for children and vulnerable adults in our churches, schools, and activities.

My friend, like all other volunteers who work with minors and vulnerable adults in the Catholic Church, had to submit to a criminal background check. She also created an account with the parish administrator of a national training program that combats child sexual abuse. She then took the training class, followed by a class on mandated reporting of child abuse or neglect required by the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS). She also was required to read the Diocese of Joliet’s policy regarding sexual abuse of minors and vulnerable adults, in addition to the diocesan standards of behavior for those working with minors and vulnerable adults. She signed and dated forms stating she had read these policies and standards. She also filled out a volunteer application.

None of these steps is intended to discourage volunteers, but the Catholic Church is committed to creating and maintaining a safe environment for minors in all situations. All diocesan clergy and employees follow the same process, with the addition of reading monthly continuing education materials.

The Charter also puts in place a transparent and supportive process to receive and respond to allegations of sexual abuse by clergy of individuals when they were minors. The Catholic Church takes seriously every allegation that is brought forth, be it reported by an individual who suffered abuse or a third party. The first step is always the same: All allegations of abuse and/or neglect of minors are encouraged to be reported to the state child welfare agency – the DCFS hotline (1-800-25-ABUSE) here in Illinois – and the local civil authorities.

Dioceses also report the allegation to these agencies, and offer the help of a victim assistance coordinator to the individual who suffered the abuse. The victim assistance coordinator listens to, affirms, and connects the individual with the appropriate services. This same pastoral care is offered when the alleged abuser is deceased.

Dioceses then undertake an investigation into the abuse allegation. The same investigative process is followed when the accused priest or deacon is deceased or already listed on the diocesan list of credible allegations of sexual misconduct with minors. If the priest or deacon is in active ministry, he is removed while the investigation is ongoing and advised of his right to counsel. If public authorities conduct a criminal investigation against the cleric, the diocese defers its own investigation until that public inquiry is concluded, and cooperates fully with civil authorities.

Following the diocesan investigation, allegations against clergy not on the diocesan public list go before the diocesan review board. The Charter requires this panel to be composed of a majority of lay people not employed by the diocese and to include a pastor and a person with expertise in the treatment of minors who have been sexually abused.

The review board advises the bishop in his assessment of the allegations and the cleric’s suitability for ministry. Priests or deacons determined to have credible allegations are permanently removed from ministry and placed on the diocesan list, which is published on the diocesan website. When the allegation is found to be unsubstantiated, the cleric is returned to active ministry.

The most recent report on the implementation of the Charter – dated May 2022 – shows the impact of the Catholic Church’s commitment to protecting minors and vulnerable adults. The number of credible allegations reported against clergy nationwide has decreased from a high of 162 in the five-year period from 1970-1974 to four in 2022. I encourage you to read the report at the following link: www.usccb.org/offices/child-and-youth-protection/audits

Policies, procedures and data inform our vigilance against abuse, yet we must always keep sight of the victim/survivors. Thankfully, no new credible allegations have surfaced during my time in the Diocese of Joliet, yet I hold in my heart a mantra I learned while serving as vicar general of the Archdiocese of Chicago: “Any decision we make should be made as if the child were in the center of the room.”

Interested in joining the Knights of Columbus? Please call 708-415-7719 or visit http://kofc650.org for more information.
Religious education classes will begin on Wednesday, September 14. We warmly welcome all families of the parish! Things will look a bit different this year—so get ready to celebrate family time with the themes of Saints, Sacraments, Holy Days, and Holidays. Food and fellowship will be an important part of each celebration. Classes are filling up, so if you have not registered, please do so as soon as possible. You can find more information on our parish website at st-phil.org.

If you have been thinking about volunteering in the RE Program, please prayerfully consider the following opportunities: Catechist in Grades 3 or 5, and front door hospitality person from 4:15 to 5:45 pm. All volunteers are required to complete the Protecting God’s Children training and State Mandated Reporter training. Both are free of charge.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

- RE Family Night on Wednesday, September 7, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.
- First RE classes on Wednesday, September 14, for Grades K-5 at 4:15 p.m. and Grades 6-8 at 6:45 p.m.
- GIFT I for Grade 8 students and parents on Wednesday, October 5, at 6:45 p.m.

St. Philip the Apostle School is seeking a part-time teaching assistant (10-15 hours/week) to work in our full-day pre-kindergarten classrooms serving children aged 3 to 4. The assistant will work with a full-time lead teacher in serving up to 20 children every day during core instructional time as well as recess, meals, rest time, and other activities. Candidates should have a deep devotion to the Catholic faith, strong classroom management skills, and experience in communicating with parents. Applicants should submit a completed application to the Diocese of Joliet and have experience working with 3-5 year olds. For more information, please contact Principal Julie Noonan at jnoonan@st-phil.org or at 630-543-4130 x201.

Why Does Jesus Jar the Crowds?
He startles us today by announcing his baptism by fire (his coming Passion and Death). And he further reminds us that our own Baptism empowers us to undertake something new. Discipleship. It is constantly learning anew how to live in this world as preparation for living forever in the next. But we do this not alone. The writer of Hebrews reminds us we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses.

- What surprise does Jesus present?
- Whom will I want to surround me? Why?
- What discipleship work does Baptism empower me to do today?

Thank you for pledging a gift to the CMAA (Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal)!
It is important these pledges be paid, so our parish will reach our goal. Once we have reached our goal in paid pledges, 70% of the amount over goal will be returned to our parish for our needs. Below is our progress:

- **PARISH GOAL:** $62,500
- **AMOUNT PLEDGED:** $59,243
- **AMOUNT PAID:** $53,866
- **REMAINING BALANCE:** $5,376

Help Us Clear the Waitlist!
There are currently 18 St. Philip the Apostle School students who have received a Tax Credit Scholarship thanks to generous donations to the Tax Credit Scholarship program. There are nine more who are eligible and waiting for donations to fund their scholarships. Your donation to a tax credit scholarship can help us clear the waitlist and offer more children access to a life-changing Catholic school education. In addition, your donation is eligible for a tax credit of up to 75% on your Illinois state income taxes. Interested in helping out? Apply for a 2022 tax credit and donate to Empower Illinois Scholarship Granting Organization and indicate that you want to donate to support scholarships at St. Philip the Apostle School. We are here to guide you through the process. Please contact me for details.
Jesus’ words in today’s gospel seem rather surprising coming from the Prince of Peace. At first glance, it may even sound like Jesus is promoting division and violence. Yet, if we look at today’s passage within the overall gospel narrative, however, we find that Jesus’ words remain consistent with what he has taught thus far and will continue to preach through his death and resurrection. Essentially, Jesus reminds us that we all have a choice to respond to God’s invitation. Some will accept the invitation and others will reject it. Because of this, there will be division among people and families. We must also remember the context of Jesus’ mission and ministry. Many people were upset that Jesus would teach and preach about the kingdom of God in a way that seemingly contradicted their established religious beliefs. There was a real tension present when Jesus spoke. Our reading from Hebrews reminds us that as consequential as this reality is, it is not something to necessarily fear with great trepidation. Rather, we can find consolation that we journey with “so great a cloud of witnesses” that support and walk with us on our journey to follow Christ. We live not as isolated individuals but as a profound community of believers. With this, we can follow Christ with confidence and look forward with joy to the coming of the reign of God.

Source: Living Liturgy by Liturgical Press

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Do you hear God calling you to ministry in the church? We need men, women and children to become Lectors, Communion Ministers, Ushers, and Altar Servers. Please call Carol Schubert at 630-628-0900 x104 if you want to answer the call...

SENIOR SOCIALITES
All seniors are welcome!
Thursdays from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. in Room 1

2022/2023 DATES & THEMES
September 8, 2022: Tropical/Bright Colors
October 13, 2022: Halloween/Black & Orange
November 10, 2022: Thanksgiving/Fall Colors
December 8, 2022: Christmas/Red & Green
January 12, 2023: Happy New Year!/Yellow & Gold
February 9, 2023: Valentine/Red, White, & Pink
March 9, 2023: St. Joseph & St. Patrick/Red & Green
April 13, 2023: Easter/Pastel Colors
May 11, 2023: Celebration!/Anything Goes!

Senior parishioners come together to celebrate each other every month through the sharing of a home-cooked meal, a time of prayer, and fun and games. This is a great opportunity to get to know other seniors in the parish! Anyone over 55 is welcome to participate in the festivities. You can come to one or all of the events, depending on your schedule. We welcome everyone! There is a nominal donation of $5 to help defray the cost of food. For more information, please contact Carol Schubert at 630-628-0900 x104 or email cschubert@st-phil.org.
Jesus said that he came to set the world on fire. To set a fire of love for God in all people was his mission and it is now our mission. As members of the faithful, we are to spread the Gospel message to all. There are many who are looking for direction, meaning, and purpose for their lives. We can all help them in this search by being living examples of the presence of God in our world. In our actions and words we show our true selves, following the commands of our Lord. In doing so we display a better way to look at life. We have the confidence of a living faith, knowing that we have God and each other to help us with everything that comes our way. This confidence allows us to be positive about life and to walk secure in the knowledge that good always overcomes evil. In a few weeks many in our diocese and throughout the world who are searching will begin a journey to know the love that God alone can give. They will start their formation through the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) to become members of the Catholic Church. I ask you to prayerfully consider asking someone you know that would benefit from a deeper life with Christ to come to the faith. Our sessions will begin on September 25 after the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Encourage them to contact me at the rectory and you will be following the words of Jesus at the time of his Ascension when he said, “Go forth and make disciples of all nations.”

Collection for August 6/7, 2022
Collection: $16,882
Budget: $13,680
Difference: $3,202

Cumulative for Year to Date ending 06/30/23
Collection: $76,534
Budget: $82,079
Difference: ($5,545)
Thank you for your generosity!

Sources & Uses of Maintenance Fund
Maintenance Fund Collection YTD: $42,566
Beautify the Bathrooms Donations: $18,965
Total Donated: $61,531

Investment in St. Philip the Apostle Parish:
Replacement of Church Lighting: $7,439
Parking Lot Repairs & Resurfacing: $69,729
Church/School Bathroom Remodeling: $80,775
Total Spent to Date: $157,943
Deficit: ($96,413)

Projects Yet to Begin:
Bathroom Remodeling on 2nd Floor: $44,225
Parking Lot Lighting: TBD
Rectory Air Conditioner: $6,500

Your generosity in helping fund this work is greatly appreciated!

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF August 15 to 21, 2022

Monday 08/15/22
7:00 p.m.-St. Vincent de Paul (R2)
7:00 p.m.-Legion of Mary (VR)

Tuesday 08/16/22
7:00 p.m.-Knights of Columbus (RC)
8:00 p.m.-AA Meeting (R2)

Wednesday 08/17/22
9:00 a.m.-Back-to-School Visits
12:00 p.m.-School Staff Meeting

Thursday 08/18/22
Teacher Orientation Day

Friday 08/19/22

Saturday 08/20/22
Senior Socialite Table (NX)
9:00 a.m.-RE Catechist Institute (R1)
6:00 p.m.-K of C Parish Movie Night (GY)

Sunday 08/21/22
Senior Socialite Table (NX)
10:00 a.m.-Mass & School Backpack Blessing (CH)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday: Vigil**
1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28

**Day:**
Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

**Tuesday:**
Ez 28:1-10; Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35cd-36ab; Mt 19:23-30

**Wednesday:**
Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 20:1-16

**Thursday:**
Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 22:1-14

**Friday:**
Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-9; Mt 22:34-40

**Saturday:**
Ez 43:1-7ab; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 23:1-12

**Sunday:**
Is 66:18-21; Ps 117:1, 2; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30
MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS
MONDAY, AUGUST 15
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
(not a Holy Day of Obligation this year)
8:00 AM Anna Treccia

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16
8:00 AM Assunta Presta / Santo Morlinaro
Francesco Ruffolo / Tony Scavone

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17
8:00 AM (Communion Service)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 18
8:00 AM Paulina Bytna / Jose Bugante

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19
8:00 AM Rosolino & Florence DiTusa
Barry Zurliene

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20
4:00 PM INDIVIDUAL RITE OF PENANCE
5:00 PM Anticipated Mass for Sunday
Lou DiIacova / Margaret Loftus / Dan Meyers
Sandi Milazzo / Brad Burde / Nicole Zabe
Donna Giuseffi / Lenore Koda

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21
Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM People of the Parish
10:00 AM Robert Zaworski / Marie DiFazio
Larry Gasunas / Michael Furio / Mary F. Hames
George & Mary Calabrese / Geri O’Boyle
Maddalena Morrone / William O’Brien
Harold & Ruth Stelzer / Marc Stolfe
John, Ben, & Mirko Peros

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

Our sympathy to his friends and family.

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

Jenny Bellezza, Ray Bugielski, Alison Carey, Toni Cheloni, Brian Cherry, Tim Kullum
Cherry, Sylvia Culotta, William Czerniak, Michael DeStefano, Leo Di Fazio, Todd Gardener,
John Garrett, Lucas Hameau, Anita Harshbarger, Ifrena Holtz, Judy Jaskey, Kroll Family,
Jim Lamberti, Shirley Legaspi, Janet Lombardi, Sandra Lundgren, MacMillan Family,
Fred Maglio, Cindy Miles, JoAnne Moberg, Rhodes Modelski, Vito Montana, Geri Mulcahy,
Avery Quarles, Frank Reid, John Rossi, Bud Schubert, Chelsea Sladek, Bill Slovik,
Wanda Slupik, Louis Sommesi, Mary Taschetta, Jim Wright.

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 bnicolai@st-phil.org. Names are deleted from the list after six months unless a request is made for a perpetual listing.

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ABORTION ALTERNATIVES: Waterleaf (630-701-6270), Post Abortion Healing (877-467-3463), Birthright (800-550-4900, 24 hours)
**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.

**Emergency Sick or Anointing Calls:** Please notify us immediately of 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.

We now have available low-gluten hosts which make it possible for people who have celiac disease or allergies to wheat or gluten to be able to receive communion. If you have celiac disease or an allergy to wheat or gluten, please let us know before Mass so that arrangements can be made for you to be able to receive communion at Mass.
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