Master, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life.

John 6:68
**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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**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.

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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 1:30 p.m.)

Website: http://www.st-phil.org  Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/StPhilipAddisonIL/

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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.
Interested in joining the Knights of Columbus? Please call 312-391-3843 or visit http://kofc650.org for more information.

If you have sight, you are blessed. If you have insight, you are a thousand times blessed.
(Anonymous)

August 22, 2021
Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
Prayer of the Faithful

Grateful for all that God has done for us, let us remember all who are in need.

For the Church as we strive to proclaim to the world the words of eternal life that Jesus has given us, let us pray to the Lord.

For refugees and all those who are forced to leave their homes in search of safety and security, let us pray to the Lord.

For those who do not believe or who turn away from the Lord, that they may yet hear God's invitation and listen to the words of life, let us pray to the Lord.

For all who are married or preparing to marry, as they join each other in the bond of love, let us pray to the Lord.

For all who have chosen to serve God daily in their lives, especially for all the women religious, let us pray to the Lord.

For all those who are sick, for all who suffer from COVID-19, and for all who have died, let us pray to the Lord.

For all the prayers that we hold in the silence of our hearts; for all our intentions spoken and unspoken, let us pray to the Lord.

O God, your Son Jesus brings us the words of eternal life. Grant us the grace to respond to those words.

Graciously hear all of these our prayers which we ask in his name, who is Lord for ever and ever.

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Please visit www.st-phil.org to access the Sunday readings.

We've partnered with FreeWill to make planned giving easier than ever. Visit freewill.com/dioceosedojoliet to write a will at no personal cost, and include the necessary language to support the diocese with a gift in your plans. FreeWill’s online will-writing tools allow you to make a lasting gift to the Diocese of Joliet quickly and easily.

We want to keep in touch! Please take a moment to update your contact information. It’s so easy! Just fill in the fields on our parish website page, click “submit,” and you’re done! Thank you! https://www.st-phil.org/contact-information-update.html

National Geographic
Cover Story: Mary, the Most Powerful Woman in the World!

Who is this woman who has dominated world history? What is true devotion? You will never be the same when you give yourself entirely to Jesus! Please join us for a five-week discussion group on Consecration at St. Philip the Apostle Parish.

Jesus Christ through Mary
by St. Louis DeMontfort True Devotion
Session 1: August 24 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 1
Session 2: August 31 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 1
Session 3: September 7 at 7:00 p.m. in Art/Music Room
Session 4: September 14 at 7:00 p.m. in Art/Music Room
Session 5: September 21 at 7:00 p.m. in Art/Music Room
Please RSVP to Peter Skocik at 630-261-0926.

ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE PARISH
BLOOD DRIVE
Monday, September 6 (Labor Day)
8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
St. Philip the Apostle Parish Gym
We are still struggling with the effects of COVID-19 restrictions so everyone is required to wear a mask. We pray that everyone who can donate will donate, as the need is great. Please stop by the table in the narthex to sign-up today or call Judy Socha at 630-628-1959 for an appointment. Thank you!

CREATE A FAMILY LEGACY!
Use this free tool to create a will, write your testamentary and make sure your values and values are passed on to those you love!
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We hope you were able to join us last Sunday, August 15, at the 10:00 Mass for our Family Reunion! As you can see from the pictures below, it was a beautiful day to celebrate being together again as a parish family. Special thanks to all of the volunteers, staff, and outside vendors who worked so hard to make this a special event—and especially to Kristin Gross and Melissa Ebbole for their creative drive and passion. Thank you also to our intrepid event photographer Nancy McKnight.
We will be welcoming back religious education families to the 2021/2022 school year during our Family Night on Wednesday, September 8, at 7:00 p.m. in the church. As part of that evening’s activities, you will have an opportunity to meet the catechists and learn about the plans for the coming year. The first class for Grades K-5 will take place on Saturday, September 11, from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m.; classes for Grades 6-8 will start on Wednesday, September 15, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Everyone participating in the RE Program, adults and children, will wear masks and maintain social distancing while they attend classes in our church building.

 Registrations are still being taken for the 2021/2022 classes. Forms may be downloaded from our parish website st-phil.org or you can pick up a form in the literature rack in the church narthex. Please let your friends and neighbors know that preparation for First Communion is a two-year process (Grades 1 & 2), but we encourage families to start their children off be enrolling them in kindergarten to establish a good (and fun!) foundation for their faith formation. Confirmation is a mandatory three-year process starting in Grade 6 and culminating in eighth grade. Home study is not an option during the sacramental years (Grades 2 & 8).

Please contact me if you have any questions about the upcoming year or religious education in general. We look forward to a wonderful new year of safe and productive in-person classes! Thank you to all of the parents for the work they did during last year’s homestudy classes to continue their children’s religious education during a challenging pandemic. Parents always will be their children’s primary religious education teachers and role models.

SCRIP gift cards are available to order throughout the year. Visit shop.shopwithscrip.com to see brands/denominations. Contact Lizzy Roberson at 224-287-5278 or email lizzywroberson@gmail.com for more information. All proceeds are earmarked for the school. Thank you for your support in keeping the St. Philip the Apostle School tuition low.

Devout Catholic School Teachers Needed
Full and part-time PreK to Grade 8 teaching positions are currently available in Diocese of Joliet Catholic elementary schools located in DuPage, Kankakee, and Will Counties. Candidates must be practicing Catholics who hold appropriate state licensure. Please view job descriptions and apply online at https://www.applitrack.com/dioceseofjoliet/onlineapp/.

- Early Childhood and Kindergarten
- Primary (Grades 1, 2, and 3)
- Intermediate (Grades 4 and 5)
- Junior High School English / Language Arts, Social Studies, Mathematics, and Science (Grades 6, 7, and 8)
- Specials (Art, Music, PE, and Spanish)
- Resource and Special Education Teachers
For the past several weeks as we’ve journeyed through Chapter 6 of John’s Gospel we’ve encountered Jesus as the one who can relieve physical hunger (in the feeding of the 5,000) and as the nourishment necessary for fullness of life. Today’s gospel and first reading call us to make a choice, just as the people of Israel did when Joshua, shortly before his death, gathered them together in an invitation to rededicate themselves to serving the Lord. This choice is also placed before the Twelve when Jesus asks them, “Do you also want to leave?” A life of discipleship is not easy. We are called to accept teachings that are difficult and commandments that, at times, may seem impossible. Jesus asks us to love our enemies, turn the other cheek, and embrace the same vulnerability and humility that he embodied on the cross. To any one of these requests we might be tempted to say, “This saying is hard; who can accept it?” And yet, Jesus reminds us today that these words, which cause consternation and challenge us to be more than we ever thought possible, are “Spirit and life.”

Source: Living Liturgy, Liturgical Press

The That Man Is You! Program will be returning in person for the 4th year in the Eastern DuPage Deanery soon. We are excited to kick off a new year of TMIY Elmhurst with a return to in-person breakfast, fellowship, and taking the next steps to experience authentic freedom as sons of God as we journey through a multi-speaker video series together. TMIY is an interactive men’s program focused on the development of male leadership in the modern world. It combines the best research from science with the teachings of the Catholic faith and wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of authentic men capable of transforming themselves, their families, and society.

Meetings will begin on Saturday, September 11, at Mary Queen of Heaven Parish Barrett Hall located at 426 West Avenue in Elmhurst 60126. Breakfast and fellowship will begin at 6:30 a.m. followed by a video presentation at 7:00 a.m. and small group discussions at 7:30 a.m. TMIY is open to men from all parishes. COVID protocols will follow all current parish/diocesan guidelines.

For more information go to www.tmiy.org or contact Andrew Morgan at 630-276-6401 or Ken Gillie at 847-980-2803. Advanced registration is preferred but not required. To register, go to www.tmiy.org; click on find a group/register for a class; select Elmhurst, IL and Mary Queen of Heaven; complete registration information. Returning participants do not need to resubmit registration information.

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One Last Bread of Life Story.
The gospel today is filled with doubt, murmuring, shock, and disbelief. So much so, that many stopped following Jesus, returning to their former lives. Jesus, thus, asked the Twelve: “What about you?”

Peter answers for them: “To whom shall we go? We are convinced you are the Holy One of God.”

♦ Why do I still follow Jesus?
♦ Of what am I convinced about him?
♦ Bread of life. Communion. What do I believe?
Thank you to everyone who helped plan and execute our 10:00 a.m. Outdoor Mass last weekend! Many weeks of effort was blessed by nearly perfect weather. As we celebrated the Assumption of Mary, our mother, members of our parish family had an opportunity to gather together in worship, catch up with each other’s news, and have some fun after Mass. Outside vendors supplied food and drink; children played games and drew with chalk on the circle drive. It reminded me of numerous family reunions I have attended.

This weekend we hear Peter say to Jesus, “Lord, you alone have the words of eternal life.” The belief in eternal life through Jesus gives us the courage and hope to get up each morning and face the day. Remaining in Christ by our words, thoughts and actions bring the life he promises into our world. As disciples, our calling is to be his hands and feet—bring the Good News to those around us. If there was ever a time for his presence to be felt, it is now. We hear of so much division and hurt on so many levels of society that only the peace of God can heal our wounds. Our unity and prayers can indeed change the world, but we need both to accomplish it. Our faith in Christ and our devotion to him will lead us. Let us continue to walk in his steps and place our trust in him as our mother Mary showed us through her life.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday:** 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Mt 23:13-22  
**Tuesday:** Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51  
**Wednesday:** 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-12ab; Mt 23:27-32  
**Thursday:** 1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-14, 17; Mt 24:42-51  
**Friday:** 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12; Mt 25:1-13  
**Saturday:** 1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Mt 25:14-30  
**Sunday:** Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Ps 15:2-5; Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

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**Support our local businesses!**

We ask that you remember our parish bulletin advertisers in any way you can during and after this difficult time. We want to express our extreme gratitude for everything that they do. They are the financial resource for the bulletin which helps us to stay in touch with you. As you can, please patronize these businesses that do so much for St. Philip the Apostle and our community. Please keep them in your prayers as well.

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**Collection for August 14/15, 2021**  
**Collection:** $10,622  
**Budget:** $13,115  
**Difference:** ($2,493)

**Cumulative for Year to Date ending 06/30/22**  
**Collection:** $87,586  
**Budget:** $91,808  
**Difference:** ($4,222)

**Maintenance Fund Collection YTD:** $21,416

May God bless you for your generosity!
MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

MONDAY, AUGUST 23
8:00 AM People of the Parish

TUESDAY, AUGUST 24
8:00 AM

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25
8:00 AM Ray Sanchez

THURSDAY, AUGUST 26
8:00 AM Flor Agbayani

FRIDAY, AUGUST 27
8:00 AM

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28
4:00 PM INDIVIDUAL RITE OF PENTANCE
5:00 PM Anticipated Mass for Sunday
Fathers’ Day Mass Card Intention Recipients
Helen DiCicco / Jean Troksa / Wayne Berg

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29
Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM John, Ben, & Michael Peros
John Tedeski / David Loveday / Luigi Salerno
Ralph Rocco
10:00 AM (Same as 8:00 a.m. names)

Please 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
Steven J. DeMarco, Army
Matthew Deimling, Army
Jack Domek, Marines
Adam Domey, Army
Samantha Fallon, Navy
Diego Feros, Army
Joseph Frost, Army
Blaze Galardy, Air Force
Martin Garcia, Army
Mark Jastowski, Marines
José Juarez, Navy
Paul Keppler, Navy
C. J. Loveland, Air Force
Drew Loveday, Marines
Kristofferson Marzo, Army
Andrew Maslanka, Army
Matthew Maslanka, Army
Bradley Melson, Marines
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

To add a name to the list, please call 630-543-1754 or email bnicolai@st-phil.org.

St. Philip the Apostle On-Line Giving Link
https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/3124

Questions? Call 630-628-0900 x103.

Registration now open!

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER FOR THE VIRTUAL FALL CONFERENCE WITH FR. RONALD ROLHEISER!

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION UNTIL SEPTEMBER 1ST: $25
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2021.
Mayslake Ministries

Saturday, November 6, 2021
9:00 a.m. to noon
$30/person; $25/person until September 1
This is an ONLINE CONFERENCE
REGISTRATION NOW OPEN.
Register ONLINE at mayslakeministries.org
Or by phone at 630-852-9000
Master Card and Visa Accepted

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


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.
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.