If you wish to come after me you must deny yourself, take up your cross, and follow me.

Mark 8:34

Twenty-fourth
Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 12, 2021

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.

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.

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.)
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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.

If you are a new visitor to our church today, welcome! If you would like more information about our church or would like to register in the parish, please contact any of the staff members listed above or fill out a simple on-line registration form at st-phil.org.
Prayer of the Faithful

We who are Jesus’ disciples now turn our attention to the world around us, offering up our prayers for all those in need.

For our Church, founded in Christ’s saving action on the Cross, as we seek to take up our cross in service to others, let us pray to the Lord.

For all nations to declare an end to torture for any reason, and for all those who now suffer from such brutality, let us pray to the Lord.

For our worshiping community here as we show our faith through the many good works of service to those around us, let us pray to the Lord.

For grandparents everywhere, for respect and dignity for them, for love from their children and grandchildren, let us pray to the Lord.

For an end to gun violence in our community and in our nation, 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.

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Please visit https://bible.usccb.org to access the Sunday readings.

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

Interested in joining the Knights of Columbus? Please call 312-391-3843 or visit http://kofc650.org for more information.
RENEWED IN THE SPIRIT
Virtual Retreats for Liturgical Ministers

September 25, 2021
Session One: 9:00 am – 10:30 am CT
Session Two: 11:00 am – 12:30 pm CT

Registration Information
Deadline: September 16, 2021
Note: Participate from home or gather at the parish. Each session is limited to 100 registrants. A registrant is a unique computer log-in.

Online Learning Platform
This session will take place on the Adobe Connect platform. Before the session begins, there will be an opportunity to test your technology. On September 23, participants will receive instructions and a link to the virtual classroom.

For questions or more information:
contact the Office of Divine Worship and Catechumenate at the Diocese of Joliet, 815-221-6229, odw@dioceseofjoliet.org.

This virtual retreat is a collaboration between the Diocese of Joliet and Liturgy Training Publications.

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Before returning to “back to normal,” we take some time to revisit what we do in our various liturgical ministries and why we do it. This pandemic has kept many of us from the Eucharistic celebration, and we need to reflect on this past year as we return to our roles.

What have we learned about the Eucharist since COVID-19?
How have I, or my parish community, changed during this time?
In what ways will my ministry be different?

You are invited to join us for our Virtual Retreats for Liturgical Ministers. This is a time to gather online with others from our diocese for prayer, formation, reflection, and discussion. Together, we will explore how the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation will prepare us to serve at the Celebration of the Eucharist.

SESSION ONE 9:00 am – 10:30 am CT
for Ushers, Greeters, and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

SESSION TWO 11:00 am – 12:30 pm CT
for Readers/Lectors and Music Ministers

PRESENTERS

JESSICA DEPRIZIO COLE is the director of faith formation at St. Denis Parish in Hanover, NH. Additionally, she teaches courses in ministry for both St. Joseph’s College in Maine as well as The Catholic University of America. Previously, Jessica served as the Associate Campus Minister for Liturgy and Worship at Catholic University.

MICHAEL RUZICKI is the director of music ministry at St. John Berchmans Church in Chicago and serves as the training and events manager at Liturgy Training Publications. Prior to these roles, he served as a parish pastoral associate and the diocesan director of music ministry in the Archdiocese of Baltimore.

To download a registration form, please visit
https://www.st-phil.org/virtual-retreat-for-liturgical-ministers.html
The first class for Grades K-5 took 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 by 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.

The St. Philip the Apostle School Parent Association is hosting a Back-to-School Family Fun Run on Sunday, September 19, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. on the parish grounds. All school and parish families are invited for color powder, silly string, bubbles, water relays, and more. See SchoolSpeak, the school office, or email lizzywroberson@gmail.com for the registration form. $15 per person. Help us to raise $10,000 to kick off this school year. Please also share our donation link with friends and family, https://donorbox.org/family-fun-run. Go Spartans!

Applications Now Open for CEF Grants and Scholarships
Apply for a grant for the 2022-23 School Year now until March 1, 2022 at:
https://online.factsmgt.com/aid

Please save the date for the Ties & Tiaras Daddy/Daughter Dance on October 8 at the Itasca Country Club!
For more information, please email Jen Lima at jenniferelima1@gmail.com or call 630-209-6240.

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.
Today, Jesus asks the disciples a deeply personal question, “Who do you say that I am?” Peter answers for the group by proclaiming, “You are the Christ.” Peter and the other disciples began this journey as ordinary men who were called from their everyday labors to follow an itinerant preacher. During their time with Jesus, they have sat at his feet as he proclaimed the good news that the kingdom of God has drawn near, watched as he healed those who are ill, and witnessed him casting out demons. Their discipleship is based not on a printed set of beliefs, but on their relationship with the Lord. This question, “Who do you say that I am?” is found in each of the Synoptic Gospels. We celebrate Peter’s first confession of faith that this is “the Christ” even as we confront this question ourselves today. We live a communal faith that is also deeply personal. Each one of us must answer for ourselves—who do we say Jesus is and how do we live out this belief with every moment of our lives?

Source: Living Liturgy, Liturgical Press

JOB OPENINGS IN THE JOLIET DIOCESE

♦ St. Mary Nativity Church in Joliet is now accepting applications for a part-time, non-benefitted maintenance custodian. The person in this position is responsible for performing general maintenance tasks including janitorial, completing work orders, maintaining the grounds at St. Mary Nativity and Holy Cross parishes. This position reports to the maintenance supervisor. This is an hourly position; hourly rate is commensurate with knowledge and experience. Proficient knowledge of electrical, plumbing, and appliance repair with hands-on experience. High school diploma or equivalent; college and/or trade school preferred. Relevant certification (OSHA) strongly preferred. To view a full job description, please visit https://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/hr/jobdetail.php?id=725 Send résumé and references to Mary Nemanich at mnemanich@smncs.com.

♦ St. Mary Nativity Parish in Joliet is seeking candidates for employment as an administrative assistant. The administrative assistant will be responsible for staffing the front desk, answering phones and the main door, maintaining sacramental and parishioner records, gathering information for upcoming sacramentals, secretarial assistance for the pastor and parish ministries, managing the parish calendar, and editing the parish bulletin. Additional responsibilities also include maintaining the Protecting God’s Children (PGC), files, the parish website and the Electronic Message Board. Candidates must have good communication and interpersonal skills, as well as the ability to work collaboratively as a member of a team in coordination with parish staff. This position requires the desire and ability to support the mission of the Catholic Church. Office experience is required, including knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel, and Publisher. Experience with the Diocese of Joliet software platforms is an asset. High school diploma required; some higher education is desirable. Fluency in Spanish is an asset, though not a requirement. Must support the mission, philosophy, objectives and policies of St. Mary Nativity Parish and the Diocese of Joliet. This exempt position is full-time and benefited. Please email résumé and cover letter including references to Fr. Jerome Kish via email at frkish@outlook.com or mail to Fr. Jerome Kish, 706 N. Broadway, Joliet, IL 60435.

If you bear the cross gladly, it will bear you.  
(Thomas à Kempis)
“Whoever wishes to follow me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.” How are we to deny ourselves? Another way of saying this is to die to self, the willing action to put other’s needs before our own. We know many people who are seen in this light, and I believe that we all from time to time do put the needs of others before our own. The challenge of being a follower of Christ is to act this way always as Jesus did for us. Not an easy task, because often our first thoughts are what is in this for me. Can we change that mindset? There is a saying that if you do something every day for two weeks straight it becomes a habit. With this in mind, there is hope that all of us can deny ourselves and be better followers of Christ. The random acts of kindness we perform can become a way of life and lead to greater acts of mercy and compassion. During this time in history we are called to care for each other in a way that is truly life giving. We may never know how many people we affect by our actions. If they are rooted in our modeling the sacrifice of the life of Christ, we know those acts will have a positive influence, bringing a little peace to our world that may even have a lasting effect for years to come.

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. 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.

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.

The letter of James is designed to enlarge your faith. James knew that his community faced trials that could lead them to abandon the faith, or perhaps to reduce faith to a comfortable, manageable size. In today’s passage, James calls the reader to resist reducing faith to safe, intellectual assent to teachings, and instead to expand one’s faith to actively engage in good works, especially in service to the poor. To have a “large” faith is to move from apathy toward others’ sufferings to empathy and to action. A large faith leads to a large heart, where we can take in the enormity of suffering in the world around us, not become overwhelmed by it, and do what we can to relieve it. With a large heart, we can even squarely face our own sufferings, accepting our own tragedies with forgiveness and hope, and walking in empathy with all who share in suffering.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** 1 Tm 2:1-8; Ps 28:2, 7-9; Lk 7:1-10

**Tuesday:** Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

**Wednesday:** 1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-6; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

**Thursday:** 1 Tm 4:12-16; Ps 111:7-10; Lk 7:36-50

**Friday:** 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-10, 17-20; Lk 8:1-3

**Saturday:** 1 Tm 6:13-16; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 8:4-15

**Sunday:** Wis 2:12, 17-20; Ps 54:3-8; Jas 3:16—4:3; Mk 9:30-37
**MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS**

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13**
8:00 AM  Livia George

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14**
8:00 AM  Giuseffi Family / Bruno Family

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15**
8:00 AM  Carmella Cronin

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16**
8:00 AM  People of the Parish

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17**
8:00 AM  Jean Troksa / David Loveday

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18**
4:00 PM  INDIVIDUAL RITE OF PENCE
5:00 PM  Anticipated Mass for Sunday
Richard Culen / Jack Glogowski / Paulina Bytna
Christine Perry / Merle Bucher / John Tedeski
David Loveday / John Brokenshire

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19**
Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM  Rosolino & Florence DiTusa
George & Mary Calabrese / Robert Zaworski
Harold & Ruth Stelzer / Vincenzo Giordano
Fathers’ Day Mass Intention Recipients
Franca & Oronzo Monti / Geri O’Boyle
Marc Stolfe / Ralph Rocco
10:00 AM  (Same names as 8:00 a.m.)

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

**Giulio Parducci**
**Robert Carbon**

Our sympathy to their friends and families.

**Deny. Take. Follow.**

On the long journey to Jerusalem, Jesus clarifies that
following the Christ (Peter’s response to Who am I?)
requires denying self, taking up the cross, and following.
St. James helps make this clear with the need for mercy
activity. Reread the Second Reading each day this week.

♦ Clothe the naked. What will I do?
♦ Feed the hungry. What will I do?
♦ Shelter the homeless. What will I do?

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

**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.

**PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY**

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 Dorney, 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
Ben Krause, Marines
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

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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.

**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.