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Dear Friends,

On May 1st, our bishop, The Right Reverend Morris Thompson, will make his official visit to St. Philip's. The Bishop is required to visit each congregation in the diocese at least every three years. In our Diocese of Louisiana, we see the Bishop about every 18 months to 2 years. During this visit, the Bishop in his role of chief pastor of the diocese preaches, teaches, and celebrates the sacraments. During Bishop Thompson's visit, he will do these things. He will preach at the 10:30 service, and he will celebrate the Eucharist.

There are two of the seven sacraments of the Church that only a bishop can administer. One is the ordination of deacons, priests, and other bishops. The other is the Rite of Confirmation. During his visit with us, the Bishop will administer Confirmation, which is a public affirmation of faith that was proclaimed at our baptism. In the Book of Acts 8:14-17, Peter and John are sent to Samaria because people there had received the Word of God and had been baptized. When they arrived, they laid their hands on them and prayed them to receive the Holy Spirit. This is one of the biblical precedents for Confirmation, and in fact the Bishop will lay his hands on people and pray that they be strengthened with the Holy Spirit and empowered to serve.

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Another thing that the Bishop does is formally receives into the Episcopal Church/Anglican Communion those who have already been confirmed in the Roman Catholic Church. We do not redo sacraments, and on Sunday there will be at least one person warmly received among us as a confirmed member of the Church.

It is always a very special time when the Bishop comes among us, and it is always a very special day when people are confirmed and received. I hope everyone will come to 10:30 to hear our Bishop and especially to support those being confirmed and received as they receive the Holy Spirit and begin a new chapter in their walk with our Lord.

In Christ,

Fr. Steve +

End of Life Planning

End of life planning is not something most of us want to deal with, but making wishes known for you and those you love is important and can relieve much stress when our earthly life ends. Information on end of life advanced planning and the things we all need to know when someone in our family dies is now available. Please contact Fr. Steve to make an appointment to receive this information and to make certain your wishes are known.

History of Church and State



Rob Zrabkowski continues his teachings with "The Middle Colonies" on Sunday, May 22nd, 9:15 AM, between services.
Come join us.



The Vestry and Vestry Notes

1. Fr. Steve reported that the search for an organist has begun again as Joe Hoppe had to remove himself from the position due to medical reasons.
2. Bishop Thompson is making his annual visitation on May 1st. There will be folk confirmed and received.
3. Plans for the annual crawfish boil were discussed. It will be on May 15th.
4. A fundraiser lunch will be sponsored by Debra Bullard on April 24.
5. The vestry approved the 2017 diocesan assessment in the amount of \$19,977.00.



Bring in your aluminum soda cans and Jamie Camardelle will turn them in for recycling and cash for our church !



ECW NEWS

Church Periodical Club will collect donations May 8th. The money collected goes to grants for worship materials and textbooks for Seminarians.

Office Hours:

9:00 AM - Noon, Mon.-Fri.
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Regular Worship Schedule

Weekend Services

Sunday:

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I
9:00 AM Coffee and Fellowship
10:30 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II
Sunday School up to 12 yrs old
11:40 AM Coffee and Fellowship

Saturday:

5:00 PM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Weekday Services

Monday:

8:30 AM Morning Prayer
2:00 PM The Landing

Tuesday:

8:30 AM Morning Prayer
6:30 PM Adult Bible Study

Wednesday:

9:00AM Holy Eucharist followed by Adult Bible Study

Thursday:

8:30 AM Morning Prayer

Scouts Corner

Troop 60 meets on Thursdays from 7-8PM. They are a very active troop that offers great experiences to the members. If you are interested in joining please call Danny Baldassaro at 638-3441.

May Church Opening

Joy Kaler, Grace Benson

May Hospitality Guild

St Ruth Team

Team Captain: Trudy Bourgeois

Ann Lewis, Debbie Yates, Kimbel Burt, Sandra Lyon,
Joy Miller, Stephanie Palmisano

First Fridays



First Friday will be May 6th at 6:30 PM in the Parish Hall hosted by Jamie Camardelle. It will be a Soup, Salad and Bread Night with Games of your choice.

First Friday in June will be at the home of Pat Blackman.

Consider signing up to host a First Friday. It's a wonderful opportunity to share time with your church family and have lots of fun too!

Call the office to reserve your month today! 504-394-2408



Annual Crawfish Boil

will be held May 15th after the 10:30 Mass. Please sign up to bring a side or dessert. The sign up sheet will be in the Parish Hall.



Bishop's Visit and Confirmation will be May 1st at the 10:30AM Service. A reception will follow in the Parish Hall.

Book Club

The St. Philips Book Club will meet May 26th at 6:30PM in the Ministries Center.

The book is..

The Shroud

by David Moore



We hope you can join us.

Sanctuary Farm and Wellness News.....

Hello Wellness Fans:

Over the last several weeks, we have been the host to **Second Harvest**, as they have been coming to our house to provide their “**Cooking Matters for Adults**” series. It has been a joy for me to see newcomers in our church home having fun, learning new things and just enjoying the place. We have several classes left in the series, one in which we will take a field trip to the grocery store and students will get the “\$10.00 challenge” where they will have to provide a healthy meal on a budget. **Second Harvest** will actually purchase the \$10.00 worth of groceries for those successful students. **Second Harvest** provides several other programs which we would be delighted to host. We hope to keep this relationship going. If you are interested in being involved with these programs as a participant, volunteer or instructor, please give me a call.

Last month I mentioned my focus will return to the **Interactive Education Garden Project** located in the rear corner of the church property. To that end, I was invited to participate in a grant program, this time by the Greater New Orleans Foundation. Our letter of intent was submitted at the end of last week. I ask you to please, again, keep this project in your prayers. If this grant is funded, it is likely to allow us to complete the gardens, and building a relationship with this organization could prove to be a continued source of funding in the future.

Our **ProFoodi** project continues to grow. This is very exciting as it means that we are bringing back healthy traditions and allowing folks to have access to significantly beneficial foods which they would have difficulty finding anywhere else. Have you been introduced to **ProFoodi**? If not, please make an appointment to see me so we can remedy that!

One more exciting new development at **Sanctuary Farms** is the **FYO** Project, or “**Finding your Optimum**”. We have covered a ton of health information in the **Wellness Program** as well as learned so many

May Readings

1st Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 16:9-15
Psalm 67
Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5
John 14:23-29

8th Seventh Sunday of Easter

Acts 16:16-34
Psalm 97
Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21
John 17:20-26

15th Pentecost—Whitsunday

Acts 2:1-21
Psalm 104: 25-35, 37
Romans 8:14-17
John 14:8-17, 25-27

22nd First Sunday After Pentecost—Trinity Sunday

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31
Canticle 13/2
Romans 5:1-5
John 16:12-15

29th Second Sunday after Pentecost

1 Kings 8:22-23, 41-43
Psalm 96:1-9
Galatians 1:1-12
Luke 7:1-10

March Financial Statement

Income:	\$17,457.00
Expenses:	-\$18,825.00
YTD Projected Net Income:	-\$3,068.00
YTD Actual:	-\$419.00



May Flowers

- 1st** Sylvia Schwarzenbach
- 8th**
- 15th** Pam & Kent Higgins
- 22nd** Les & Kate Kelsay
- 29th** Betty Hintz

From the Parish Register...

Rite of Christian Burial:

Marillyn Brou 4/25

Peggy Brou 4/25

Holy Matrimony:

Samantha Lehrmann and Jeff Winders 4/15

Transferred to Grace Church St. Louis:

Kurt Feigley

Outreach and Evangelism Committee (O&E)

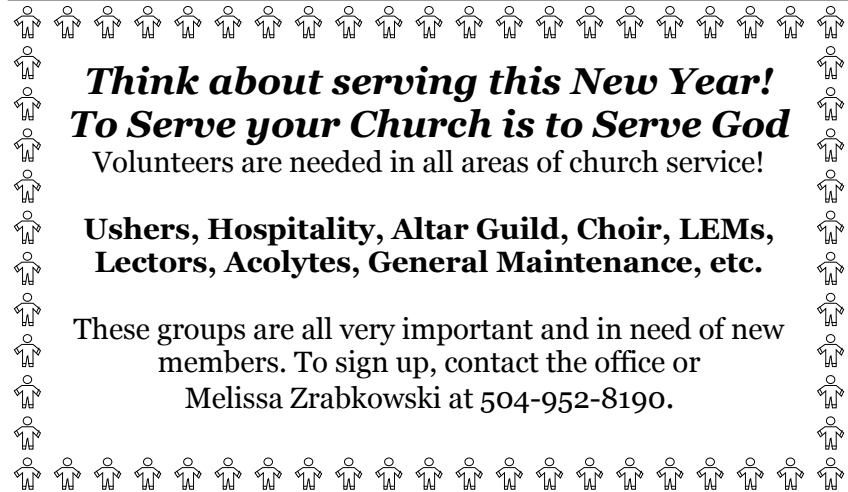
O&E will meet again in August. Until then, if there is an event you would like to see happen here at St. Philip's, please contact Mimi.

We Can Help!



St. Philip's is offering tutoring!

Tutoring sessions are being offered here at the church Monday through Friday, 3:00PM to 6:00PM. Anyone who needs or knows someone who needs help, contact the church office at 394-2408 or Jamie Camardelle 208-0054.



***Think about serving this New Year!
To Serve your Church is to Serve God***

Volunteers are needed in all areas of church service!

Ushers, Hospitality, Altar Guild, Choir, LEMs, Lectors, Acolytes, General Maintenance, etc.

These groups are all very important and in need of new members. To sign up, contact the office or Melissa Zrabkowski at 504-952-8190.



Donate with Paypal!

Supporting our church home is easy!

Mail-in, place in plate, or pay online with one-time or monthly automatic payments. To set up your donation, just log onto the website at **stphilipsno.org** and click on **Donate by PayPal**. Fill out the form to set your offering. We also have a device on site allowing us to accept credit or debit card donations of any kind! If you need help with this process, please contact

Serving Our Worship in May

8:00AM Eucharist

Lectors

1st Allen Hero
8th Mark Bullard
15th Allen Hero
22nd Frances Webb
29th



Lay Eucharistic Ministers

1st Allen Hero
8th Mark Bullard
15th Norma Gatlin
22nd Frances Webb
29th Don Schwarzenbach

May Ushers

1st Melissa Zrabkowski & Brett Heintz
8th Jim Lyon & Jim Olsen
15th Stephanie Palmisano & Volunteer
22nd Pamala & Morris Judd
29th Pat Blackman & Volunteer

May Church Closing

1st Frances Webb	22nd Bobbie Durkovich
Callie Fitzgerald	Susan Smith
8th Norma Gatlin	29th Norma Gatlin
Martin Lowe	Martin Lowe
15th Kayce Stackel	

Serving Our Worship in May

10:30 AM Eucharist

Lectors

1st Don Schwarzenbach
8th Tiffanie Stinson
15th Susan Smith
22nd Susette Bradley
29th Martin Lowe



Lay Eucharistic Ministers

1st Don Schwarzenbach
8th Brett Heintz
15th Sherri Hammatt
22nd Ken Bradley
29th Pat Blackman

Altar Guild for May

1st Betty Gaudet, Mary Olsen, Don Schwarzenbach,
Frances Webb
8th Joy Kaler, Connie Brechtel, Anne Cain
15th Mary Ann Bass, Grace Benson, Anne Lewis,
Pamala Judd
22nd Pat Blackman, Martine Lowe, Joy Miller
29th Joy Kaler, Connie Brechtel, Anne Cain

May Acolytes

1st Sophia Lucurto
8th Douglas Stinson
15th Jamie Camardelle
22nd Sarah Hargrave
29th Douglas Stinson