

November, 2015

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Dear Friends,

I am writing this while attending an annual clergy event known as the College of Presbyters. The location is our conference center located near Hammond miles deep in the woods. It seems I always feel awkward when I leave home for three days for this event as I believe that if I am not on vacation I should be home serving all of you. However, it does not take long for me to realize that time away, even for a conference, is a time of refreshment that is so important for me to be able to serve. Also, it does not take long for me to be reminded of all the other things for which I am thankful.

The month of November is associated with thankfulness. Often, I say it is a time simply to remember a thought of the past. Although we should recognize our blessings every day, November is a time to search our hearts for not only the past, but the things present and future for which we should be thankful.

When I came to St. Philip's twelve years ago, there was great joy in our hearts and great expectation in the parish. In many ways, that joy and expectation has been realized. In some ways, we have our

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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

Please donate to the food bank!



Bring in just one item of non-perishable goods when even you come to church and the combined effort will go a long way to support the food bank at The United Churches of Algiers (UCA). For years St. Philips has been a major supporter of the food bank. UCA recently advised our liaison, Norma Gatlin, that their coffers were severely depleted. Please, at this time of great need, let us pull together to help feed the less fortunate in our community.

From the Parish Register...

Sacrament of Marriage:

Ashley Green & Kenneth Antin 10-18



Angel Tree 2015

"Remember that when you leave this earth, you can take with you nothing that you have received--only what you have given."

– Saint Francis of Assisi

It's that time of year again! Every year, St. Philips truly shows how generous of a congregation we are during the Angel Tree program. This year we will continue to buy toys and clothing for the children in several families, but we will also be collecting items for two of our local animal shelters, Animal Rescue New Orleans (ARNO) and the Jefferson Parish West Bank Animal Shelter (JPAS). By donating to the shelters, they are able to put more money and efforts into saving and finding homes for these deserving animals. The tree & sign in sheet will be available to people wanting to participate beginning on November 15th in the Narthex. All items will be due by December 13th in order to get everything to where they need to be by Christmas. To get a head start, below is a list of items desperately needed by ARNO and JPAS. ARNO is completely volunteer run and JPAS is extremely underfunded. We will start collecting these items immediately in the Narthex. You may already have some of these items in your home!

blankets (#1 priority)	cat toys	towels
newspaper	ping pong balls	Kongs (large for dogs)
plastic storage containers	bleach	dog shampoo
British rope slip leashes	small dog collars	cotton balls
sm. soft dog treats for training	small dog biscuits	pens
liquid laundry detergent	card stock	hand sanitizer
office supplies	gauze pads	dryer sheets
Purina One dog & cat food	leashes	45-55 gallon contractor bags
Dawn liquid detergent		

gift cards: Wal Mart, Amazon, Petco, Petsmart

Both agencies have volunteer and foster opportunities, for those interested. Please see Callie Fitzgerald or Kayce Stackel with any questions about the Angel Tree program.

Sanctuary Farm and Wellness News.....

Hello Wellness Fans!

Wellness Wednesday returns **November 18th, 6:30pm in the Parish Hall. Prep & Prepare** for this meal will be **Tuesday, November 17th from 9-noon.**

We hope you will join us and bring a friend. Share what's happening here at St. Philip's. I am going to bring back some health topics to review this month and if you have a request for dinner, drop me an email or give me a call!

Your suggestions are always welcome!

The greenhouse has been cleaned out for the fall and soon there will be seedlings of winter crops for those who would like to give a winter garden a try! Hearty fall and winter crops include broccoli, brussel sprouts, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, collard greens, kale, lettuces, spinach and most other greens. In the wellness program we believe, the greener the better! Also, please remember that if you see something growing in the garden near the office, please feel free to help yourself.

Just FYI, we have not yet received notification from the USDA on our federal grant proposal. I continue to be on a prayerful lookout! Will keep you posted!

Stay well!

Lots of love, Mimi

Outreach and Evangelism Committee (O&E)

O&E met 10/21 to begin preparation for 2016 outreach. We are working with our neighbors to develop a civic association in this area. St. Philip's will be hosting the meetings. We believe this is a great opportunity for us to get to know our neighbors and welcome them to our great church home. If you have ideas or would like to know how you can help, please contact Mimi.

The next **O&E meeting** will be **January 13 at 6:30pm** in the **Ministries Center.**

November Readings

1st All Saints Day
Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9
Psalm 24
Revelation 21:1-6a
John 11:32-44

8th Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
1 Kings 17:8-16
Psalm 146
Hebrews 9:24-28
Mark 12:38-44

15th Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
Daniel 12:1-3
Psalm 16
Hebrews 10:11-25
Mark 13:1-8

22nd Christ the King
Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14
Psalm 93
Revelation 1:4b-8
Mark 18:33-37

29th First Sunday of Advent
Jeremiah 3:14-16
Psalm 25:1-9
1 Thessalonians 3:9-13
Luke 21:25-36



Donate with Paypal!

Supporting our church home just got easier!

Now, in addition to mailed in and weekend plate offerings we now have the convenience of setting up one-time or scheduled monthly donations on line. To set up your donation, just log onto the church's 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 Mimi or Dagny at the office!

November Acolytes

- 1st** Sophia Lucurto
- 8th** Volunteer
- 15th** Jamie Camardelle
- 22nd** Douglas Stinson
- 29th** Jamie Camardelle

November Flowers

- 1st** Pam Higgins
- 8th** Heintz/Zrabkowski
- 15th** Joy Miller/Hammatt
- 22nd** Vicki Korosi
- 29th** ADVENT

Scouts Corner

Sunday, November 8th is **Scout's Sunday**. The scouts will be participating in the 10:30 service. Following the service, there will be a **Flag Retiring Ceremony**. Anyone who wishes to have a flag retired by burning, please bring them to this service.

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

First Fridays

November 6th—Gordon and Noretta Stackel
December 4th— Grace Benson Christmas Party

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!



We Can Help!



St. Philip's is offering free 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.

History of Church and State

Rob Zrabkowski continues on Sunday, November 15th, 9:15 AM. Come join us .

Altar Guild for November

- 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** Betty Gaudet, Mary Olsen, Don Schwarzenbach, Frances Webb

Serving Our Worship in November

8:00AM Eucharist

Lectors

- 1st** Allen Hero
8th Frances Webb
15th Mark Bullard
22nd Mark Bullard
25th Don Schwarzenbach
29th Rob Zrabkowski

Lay Eucharistic Ministers

- 1st** Allen Hero
8th Frances Webb
15th Mark Bullard
22nd Norma Gatlin
25th Don Schwarzenbach
29th Rob Zrabkowski



November Ushers

- 1st** Pamala Judd, Morris Judd
8th Jim Lyon, Jim Olsen
15th Mary Ann Bass, Casey Bass
22nd Melissa Zrabkowski, Brett Heintz
29th Pamala Judd, Morris Judd

November Hospitality Guild

St Joan Team
Team Captain: Anne Cain

Mildred Smith, Janet West, Connie Brechtel
Martine Lowe, Noretta Stackel

Serving Our Worship in November

10:30 AM Eucharist

Lectors

- 1st** Don Schwarzenbach
8th Brett Heintz
15th Susan Smith
22nd Tiffany Stinson
25th Don Schwarzenbach
29th Jamie Camardelle

Lay Eucharistic Ministers

- 1st** Don Schwarzenbach
8th Jean Heintz
15th Rob Zrabkowski
22nd Sherri Hammatt
25th Don Schwarzenbach
29th Rob Zrabkowski



September Financial Statement

Income:	\$11,648.00
Expenses:	-\$19,936.00
YTD Projected Net Income:	-\$24,402.00
YTD Actual:	-\$18,857.00

November Church Closing

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| 1st Frances Webb
Mark Bullard | 22nd Bobbie Durkovich
Susan Smith |
| 8th Norma Gatlin
Martin Lowe | 29th Bobbie Durkovich
Susan Smith |
| 15th Kayce Stackel
Susette Bradley | |