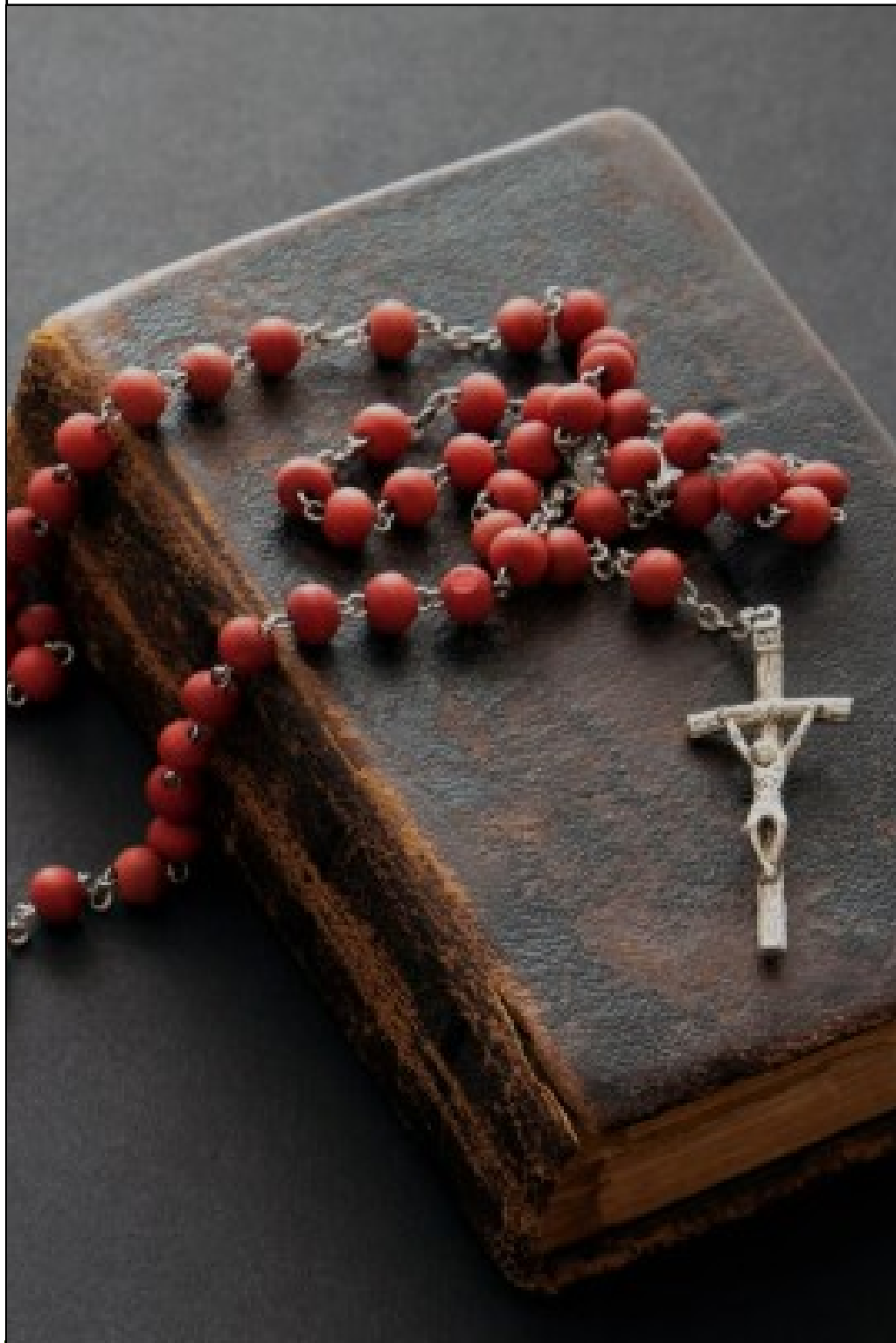


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*"Go, then, to all peoples everywhere and make them my disciples.
Preach the gospel to all people."*



November 15-16, 2025

**Thirty-Third Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass 4:00 PM

Sunday Mass 10:00 AM

Tuesdays 8:30 AM

Wednesdays 8:30 AM

RECONCILIATION

Wednesdays 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

ADORATION

Wednesdays 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

PRAYER REQUESTS

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PARISH REGISTRATION

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors

Saturday, November 22

Valerie M., Peggy E. Lector: Mindy S.

Sunday, November 23

Dey S., Lehsley W., Cindy G., Janet E.

Lector: Mike K.

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PARISH CALENDAR

Tuesday, November 18

Daily Mass 8:30 AM

Faith Formation: Gospel of John—10:00AM

Book Club 1:30 PM

Faith Formation: Gospel of John—6:30PM

Friday, November 21

Share the Word (explore the Sunday readings) 9:00 AM

Saturday, November 22

Women's Health & Fitness 8:30 AM

Sunday, November 23

RE Classes 11:15 AM

OCIA 11:15 AM

Tuesday, November 25

Daily Mass 8:30 AM

Faith Formation: Gospel of John—10:00AM

Faith Formation: Gospel of John—6:30PM

KOC Officers & Directors meeting 7:00 PM

Wednesday, November 26

No Daily Mass

Thanksgiving Vigil Mass 6:00 PM

Pie Social with volunteers to distribute
new pew books 7:00 PM

Thursday—Friday, November 27-28

Thanksgiving Holiday— Parish offices closed

Saturday, November 29

Men's Fellowship & Breakfast 7:00 AM

SAVE THE DATE

Thursday, December 4

5:30 - 7:30 PM



Tree of Sharing

Again, we have teamed up with a local grade school, helping children who need it the most with a Christmas they would not otherwise experience.

The Tree of Sharing will be in the lobby on November 15 with gift tags available for check out. We use a system that allows everyone in the parish a way to participate. Please take a tag (or two) and help us spread the love of God as we celebrate the birth of His Son.

Return gifts with tags by November 30.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 15 - St. Joseph Parishioners

Sunday, November 16— Geri Comstock+

Tuesday, November 18— Bob Watkins+

Wednesday, November 19— Robert Czapinski+

Saturday, November 22 - St. Joseph Parishioners

MONDAY MONEY COUNTERS

We are looking for a pair of un-related parishioners to help count and process the offertory money from the weekend Masses. This volunteer position alternates Mondays with other money counters. Please call the office if you can help.

Thank you.

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Emily Busch, Religious Ed. Coordinator

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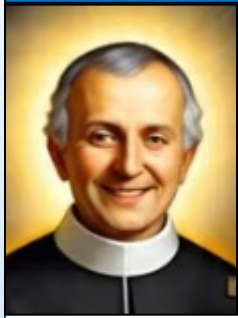
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Spotlight on Saints



St. Philip Neri was known as the Apostle of Joy and as the third Apostle of Rome. Throughout his ministry, he stressed the importance of joy in the life of a disciple of Christ. His own joy and humility attracted people from every walk of life to him and ultimately Christ.

St. Philip was born in Florence in 1515. Born to an affluent family, he forfeited a promising career in business with his uncle in order to move to Rome in 1535. While in Rome as a layman, Philip would immerse himself in prayer during the night at the catacombs and during the day would care for the sick in the overcrowded hospitals and the pilgrims. Philip developed a following in Rome who wanted to imitate his example and was reluctantly ordained to the priesthood in 1551. Philip and this group that he attracted would “meet informally for prayer, discussion, and recreation together, before going off to minister to the needy.” They became known as the Oratorians and helped to re-evangelize Rome.

It is helpful to examine a few reasons as to why his charism is relevant today. Firstly, St. Philip’s ministry was characterized by its relational approach. He evangelized one on one. During the Carnivale in Rome which brought much disgraceful behavior with it, St. Philip went out in the city and organized events to counteract the Carnivale. He first built relationships with people and then invited them into a deeper relationship with Christ. He was able to achieve this and build so many relationships because his ministry was characterized by joy and humility. For St. Philip, joy and humility were both integral parts of the Christian life and inseparable from one another. He repeatedly said, “Cheerfulness strengthens the heart and makes us persevere in a good life. Therefore a servant of God ought always to be in good spirits.” People were attracted by his joy and authenticity and wanted to experience it for themselves.

St. Philip Neri’s example should inspire us to always joyfully seek a deeper relationship with the Lord. St. Philip understood we will not attract people to Catholicism if we do not exhibit the joy that is a result of our relationship with Christ.

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K—1st Grade Saints

First Reading *Malachi 3:19-20*

Responsorial Psalm *98:5-6,7-8,9*

Second Reading *2 Thessalonians 3:7-12*

Gospel Reading *Luke 21:5-19*

Background on the Gospel Reading

In the context of Luke, today's Gospel appears near the end of Jesus' teaching in Jerusalem, just prior to the events that will lead to his crucifixion. His warnings and predictions are ominous but can be read in many ways.

To those who first heard Luke's Gospel, those may have been words of encouragement. The destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem by the Romans was history (70 A.D.); Luke's Gospel, Catholic scholars propose, was written between 80 and 90 A.D. His audience was probably Gentile Christians. Luke here tries to interpret the fall of Jerusalem for them and to locate it in God's plans for humankind (salvation history). At the same time, Luke is suggesting to his audience that there will be a considerable elapse of time before Jesus' final coming. Luke's listeners have likely seen much upheaval and are anxious to know if these are the signs of Jesus' coming. Luke is urging greater patience.

In the second part of today's Gospel, Jesus warns that his followers will face persecution for their beliefs. Luke presents persecution as an opportunity for the followers of Jesus for “It will lead to your giving testimony” (Luke 21:13). In persecution God's wisdom and power will be shown in the example of followers of Jesus. Perseverance in the face of persecution will lead to their salvation.

Here Jesus is assuring his followers that God is present to all believers, even in times of trouble. Ultimately, Jesus will witness to this with his own death. As disciples of Jesus, we try to follow his example, trusting in God's mercy and protection, even when we are facing difficulties.

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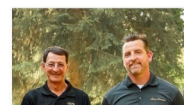
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