

Church of St. Philip the Apostle


est. 1898

Diocese of Charlotte

P.O. Box 882
525 Camden Drive
Statesville, North Carolina 28677

Office/Fax Phone (704) 872-2579
Rectory Phone (704) 681-4860
E-mail: stphilipapostle@bellsouth.net

Website: <http://stphilipapostle.com>



**Fourth Sunday
of
Easter**

The Lamb who is in the center of the throne will shepherd them and lead them to springs of life-giving water.

Revelation 7:17

May 12, 2019

Copyright © J.S. Paluch, Inc. Photos © CURAphotography/Fotolia

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Rev. Fr. Thomas J. Kessler, *Pastor*

Rev. Mr. Charles Brantley, *Deacon*
Mrs. Paula Coleman, *Secretary*
Mrs. Anita Lund, *Youth Director*

Mrs. Mary Brown, *Faith Formation Director*
Mrs. Norma Echevarria, *Faith Formation*
Mrs. Raquel Swierczewski, *R.C.I.A.*

Marriage - Baptism

Call the church office. Marriages, call at least 6 months in advance.

Reconciliation

3:45 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. on Saturday or by appointment.

Pastoral Council

Meetings are 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. September thru May except National Holidays.

Religious Education

Children, grades 1-Confirmation, are required to attend religious education classes. Call the office to register your children. Adult classes also available.

Parish Registration

We welcome new parishioners to the parish and we ask them to register as soon as possible. Parish registration is important and necessary. Also, if you move away from the Parish please notify the office. Thank you.

From the pastor...

The Fourth Sunday of Easter – Oscar suffers severely from cerebral palsy. When he was 8 years old he had no control of his arms, legs or his head. He was not able to speak. How is Oscar different from other children his age? Oscar can't swing, run, write, etc. There are other things that Oscar can't do that other children can do. For example, Oscar will never skip Mass on Sunday because he's playing soccer or working at Burger King. He will never hit or kick anyone. Oscar won't say mean things about other people. He'll never tell someone "I hate you" or speak ill of others. They call Oscar "handicapped" which is defined as – a disadvantage that makes achievement unusually difficult. Today's first reading indicates that "many followed Paul and Barnabas, who spoke to them and urged them to remain faithful to the grace of God". When it comes to sin, in some ways, Oscar has advantages over those of us who are not physically or mentally challenged. If we follow Paul and Barnabas advice, then we won't allow ourselves to be handicapped by sin. Remain faithful to the grace of God.

HAPPY MOTHERS DAY to all our Mom's. You are a gift to us from God. Thanks for who you are and all you do. Let's keep our Mothers in our prayers, both living and deceased. Thanks to the Knights of Columbus for the Mother's Day breakfast.

Next weekend we will celebrate the 5th Sunday of Easter. The readings at Mass will be taken from Acts 14:21-27, Revelation 21: 1-5, John 13:31-35. Come prepared.

Congratulations to those **Confirmed** this past Wednesday. May the power and grace of the Holy Spirit give you the strength to be true followers and soldiers of Christ.

The Parish Council will meet this Monday evening (5/6) at 7 p.m.

The Faith Formation Appreciation Dinner be at 6:30 p.m. following the 6 p.m. Mass this Wednesday, May 15th. We are so very grateful to all those who volunteer to assist to help us share our rich deposit of faith with God's children.

BINGO – next Saturday evening, May 18th. Come join in the fun, support our building project and win some money at the same time. Bingo starts exactly at 7 p.m. but food and refreshments are available following the 5 p.m. Vigil Mass. Hope to see you then.

The Past, Present and Future of the Forward With Christ building campaign. **The Past** -Three years ago, in this Sunday bulletin there was an update on our attempt to purchase and develop three lots which now comprise our new parking lot with 100 additional spaces. **The Present** – you can't help but notice the progress with the construction of our new Social Hall. We are told that it will be ready in October. Your patience during the construction is much appreciated. **The Future** – this Thursday we will meet with Bishop Peter J. Jugis and the Diocesan Building Committee to secure permission to have a Capital Campaign to fund Phase II of our building project. Phase II is the final and most important part of the project – whereby new and larger classrooms will be provided for the faith formation children in our parish. Of course these same facilities are also needed and will be utilized by The Catholic Daughters, The Knights of Columbus, RCIA, Choir practices, Committee Meetings, a Youth Group and much more. Phase II will also include new offices, additional storage and restrooms, etc. Hopefully, we can count on your prayers and support.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 11th

5:00 p.m. Caroline Wienckowski† by Sadowski Family

Sunday, May 12th

8:00 a.m. Josephine Ortiz† by Linda Ortiz

10:30 a.m. Elsa Romero† by Romero Family

12:30 p.m. Luis Humberto Cabra Merchan† by Humberto Cabra

Monday, May 13th

9:00 a.m. Bob Mulligan† by Jerry & Jean Watkins

Wednesday, May 15th

6:00 p.m. Eddie Byrne† by Carol Micalizzi

Thursday, May 16th

9:00 a.m. Bob Mulligan† by Altar Guild

Friday, May 17th

9:00 a.m. Patty Upton by Mariann Rhodes

Saturday, May 18th

5:00 p.m. Columba Ferguson† by Anthony & Valerie Ferguson

Sunday, May 19th

8:00 a.m. Patty Bowles† by Liz Bennett

10:30 a.m. John & Josephine Ortiz† by Linda Ortiz

12:30 p.m. Felipa de Jesus Perez† by Amelia Vera

READERS

May 18th 5:00 p.m. Mike Hoffman

May 19th 8:00 a.m. Michele Woldman

10:30 a.m. Linda Ortiz

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

May 18th 5:00 p.m. K. Sparks (HM), P. Coleman, A. Eisele, B. Haneline

May 19th 8:00 a.m. R. Swierczewski (HM), J. Archibald,

C. Difulvio

10:30 a.m. J. Sadowski (HM), S. Soltysiak (HA),
B. Stickle (HC), T. Viehland, J. Watkins,
C. Bennett, J. Bennett

12:30 p.m. Edgar N. (HM), Raúl E., Estela G.,
Martha R., Dora R.

ALTAR SERVERS

May 18th 5:00 p.m. Alayna F., Reagan L.

May 19th 8:00 a.m. Emily S., Braeden S.

10:30 a.m. Jergin H., Raoul E.

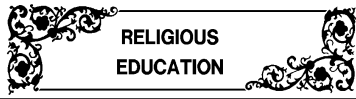


Happy Birthday 5/13/2019 to 5/19/2019

5/13 Mrs. Joyce Martucci, Carrie Moore, Kenneth Parker, 5/14 Thomas McCoy, Ms. Martha Mendoza, Matthew Rigsbee, Isaac Webber, 5/15 Ms. Angela Humes, Emma Kate Johnson, Grace Johnson, Caitlin McGinn, Delane Morron, Teresa Rutten, T. Kent Waugh, 5/16 Kandy Aguayo, Jimena Cuanas, Mr. Michael Hoffman, Jeanne Klauss, Peter Powers, Savannah Warren, 5/17 Kevin Burns, Philip Helderlein, Jennie Neader, Julie Sadowski, 5/18 Patricia Hughes, Bryce Overcash, Lucia Sarcona, 5/19 Shirley Brantley, Maria Duenas, Richard Lyon, Mr. Jorge Mendoza, Mrs. Christa Rhyne, Scott Kendall, Mrs. Victoria Vanderstine

Happy Anniversary 5/13/2019—5/19/2019

5/13 Mr. & Mrs. Nathan McElwee, 5/14 Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Ferguson, Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Jewell, 5/15 Mr. & Mrs. Richard Hoops, 5/17 Mr. & Mrs. Terry Gutsch, Mr. & Mrs. William Carlin, 5/18 Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Gay, 5/19 Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Hardig



RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION

May 12th, 2019

**PARISH SUPPORT
CHURCH YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2019**

Collections Last Week

Regular	
5:00 p.m.....	\$3,213.00
8:00 a.m.....	\$1,079.00
10:30 a.m.....	\$4,151.00
12:30 p.m.....	\$1,192.00
Total.....	\$ 9,635.00

Food Closet	
Total.....	\$45.00

Forward With Christ	
Total.....	\$8,822.00

Spanish Food Fundraiser FWC	
Total to date.....	\$25,458.06

Collections Year to Date

	Last year	This Year
Regular	\$358,996.94.....	\$351,828.09
Forward With Christ Phase 2		\$109,712.57
Food Closet	\$17,877.00.....	\$15,351.50

St. Philip's Graduates – During the Masses on May 18 & 19, St. Philip's Family Life Committee and Parish will recognize this year's **Post graduate degrees, College, High School and Middle School graduates**. If your kinfolk is a member of our parish and is graduating this spring please call Ann Simons at 704-871-1074 and leave the graduate's name, phone number, graduate level and school name. This way we'll be able to add them to our list and honor their achievements.

The next Forward With Christ Fundraising Event is May 20th at Tacontento on West Broad St. from 3:00 p.m. until closing. 15% of all receipts will go to our Forward with Christ Building Campaign!!



At home. Richard Homola, Lillian Alvey, Anna Eisele Shingleton, Jessica Allison, Jessica Crosso, Andrew Gulley, Jackie Mejia, Angela Moreno, Howard Stewart, Rick Stoup, Robinette Tilley, Alan Eisele, Joe Stallings, Marion Weber, Joan Chiodo, Nelson LaClair.. **Bryan Center**...Marion Kelly Culler..**Autumn Care**-Monica Charles, Bettye Byers, Dianne Robinson..

Please pray for the intentions on Our Prayer Tree. To place a name on the Prayer Tree, please sign the Prayer Book in the Lobby .

BINGO NIGHT will take place on Saturday May 18th after the 5:00 P.M. Mass. Hotdogs, drinks and snacks will be available for purchase starting at 6:00 p.m. and Bingo will start promptly at 7:00p.m. Cost to play is \$20.00 for 10 games and cash prizes will be awarded. Join us for an evening of fun and a chance to win some cash while supporting our Forward with Christ Phase II building fund.

Mrs. Mary Brown: If you need to contact Mrs. Brown, Faith Formation Director, please call or text 704-929-0152 or email her at faithformationdir@att.net or if you need to contact **Mrs. Norma Echevarria** please call the office at 704-872-2579 or email her at echevarria_norma@yahoo.com.

Faith Formation registration forms for 2019-2020
Please let Ms. Brown or Ms. Echevarria know if you would like to volunteer for Faith Formation next year. Faith Formation registration forms are available in the Faith Formation office.

Congratulations to St. Philip's 1st Communion Recipients':

Aguirre, Anali, * Alarcon Loyola, Dayana * Cabra Florez, Isabella * Castro, Karol * Coronado, Estefany * Corrales, Jairo * Corrales, Joselyn * De Gante, Allen * Diaz Hernandez, Elizabeth * Diaz, Carlos Manuel * Diaz-Hernandez, Nicolas de Jesus * Gonzalez, Tessi * Grant, Riley * Haneline, Olivia * Hernandez Jesenia * Hernandez JR. , Rodolfo * Hernandez, Alexis * Hernandez, Brandon * Hernandez, David * Jimenez, Oscar * Jones, Carson *Kenyon, Chloe * Limon, Allison * Luviano, Esmeralda * Marino Zaragoza, Christopher * Martinez, Alexander * Martinez, Nanci * Mata Osorio, Brenda * Mehall, Aubrey * Nuñez, Felipe de Jesus * Nuñez, Miguel Angel * Nuñez, Roberto * Pesantez Arteaga, George * Quintero, Lisbeth * Ramos Lopez, Heyly * Ramos Lopez, Miriam * Rebollar Santibañez, Yamylet * Reyes Sanchez, Alizon * Reyes Sanchez, Keyla * Rodriguez, Jose Gustavo * Romero, Jorge Alberto * Santivañez, Israel * Santivañez, Mia Valeria * Solis Santibañez, Hernan * Suclupe, Leonardo * Tamayo, Lizeydi * Ulloa Ramirez, Melissa * Vallejo, Fabian * Vallejo, Jazmine * Vallejo, Jonathan * Vallejo, Joselyn * Vallejo, Juriel * Vargas, Osvaldo * Vivas-Joya, Manuel *Vu, Ethan Tiger * Webber, Leah

THE WEEK AHEAD

Saturday, May 11th

Sunday, May 12th

Knights of Columbus Mothers Day Breakfast

Monday, May 13th

7:00 p.m. Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday, May 14th

9:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. Catholic Daughters Sewing

Wednesday, May 15th

6:30 p.m. Faith Formation Volunteers Appreciation Dinner

Thursday, May 16th

Friday, May 17th

Saturday, May 18th

5:00 p.m. Graduation Recognition Mass
6:00 Bingo Food
7:00 BINGO

Sunday, May 19th

8:00 a.m./10:30 a.m./12:30 p.m. Graduation Recognition Masses