

Church of St. Philip the Apostle

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1st Sunday of Advent

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Mrs. Carissa M Bennett, *Parish Secretary*
Mrs. Raquel Swierczewski, *R.C.I.A*

Mrs. Glenda Ulloa, *Faith Formation Co-Director*
Mr. Edgar Noveron, *Faith Formation Co-Director & Youth Director*

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 RCIA 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'S DESK

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1st Sunday of Advent – Advent begins each year with Jesus' teaching on the end of the world. The Lord is steering us between fearful preoccupation on one hand and thoughtless disregard on the other. Advent means "to come" and we are preparing for our celebration of the birth of Jesus and always, his second coming as well. Isaiah lived 700 years before the birth of the Lord, and he is recognized as the best prophet from the Old Testament. In today's first reading, Isaiah invites us to "**Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!**" In today's 2nd reading, Paul calls out to us and to the Romans and declares "**Now is the hour to awake from your sleep. Let us throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light.**" Jesus echoes the cry of Isaiah and Paul, when He tells us in the Gospel that "**you also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come.**" No matter how humble or simple, place four candles on your dining room or kitchen table with a little greenery. On a daily basis, light the appropriate candle and pray that you and yours may have a greater sense of the sacred and may grow in holiness as we prepare for the celebration of Christmas and the Lord's second coming as well. (Be safe with the candles and don't leave them burning unattended)

The readings for the **2nd Sunday of Advent** will be Isaiah 11: 1-10; Romans 15: 4-9; Mt. 3: 1-12.

Advent is a penitential season, to help us prepare for Christmas – The Christ Child was born to forgive us our sins. The Sacrament of Reconciliation was instituted by Christ to give grace. In the Gospel of John, Jesus said to the first priests "**Whose sins you shall forgive, they are forgiven them**". This Monday (11/28) at 7 p.m. **12 priests** will be here for the **Sacrament of Penance**. **Take advantage of this opportunity and plan to make a good confession.** The priests are: Fr. Darren Balkey from Winston-Salem, Fr. Camilo Cárdenas Bonilla from Taylorsville, Fr. John Eckert from Salisbury, Fr. Peter Fitzgibbons from Albemarle, Fr. Paul Gary from Mint Hill, Fr. Stephen Hoyt from Lenoir, Fr. José Antonio Juya and Fr. Lucas Rossi from Gastonia, Fr. Larry M. LoMonaco from Hickory, Fr. Bernard Oleru from Mooresville, Fr. Joseph Wasswa from Greensboro, and your pastor.

This Tuesday (11/29) at 6:30 p.m. will be **the all important Parishioner Input & Update Meeting** to come up with some final plans the new and much needed **Activity & Education Center**. Your ideas, suggestions and enthusiasm are crucial for the success of this endeavor. The Diocese has given us the green light to move ahead with the demolition of the present and the construction of the new facilities. In addition to our hard working **Planning & Building Committee**, we expect the presence of our **Architect**, a representative from **Southside Constructors**, plus the **Project Manager and the Director of Development** from the Diocese of Charlotte. **Refreshments will be served** and prior to the meeting, all of our parishioners are invited to take a tour of the present and condemned facilities.

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 26

5:00 pm Margaret Fien † by Carol Micalizzi

Sunday, November 27

8:00 am Bill McEvilly † by Herman Pekarek
10:30 am Christine Daly † by Tommy Parr & Family
12:30 pm Luis Vargas † by Vargas Family

Monday, November 28

9:00 am Norma Suclupe † by Echevarria Family

Wednesday, November 30

6:00 pm Ben Brown † by The Hardig Family

Thursday, December 1

9:00 am Caroline Wienckowski † by The Sadowski Family

Friday, December 2

9:00 am Ileana B. Smolarz † by Family & Friends

Saturday, December 3

9:00 am Bill McEvilly † by Mr. & Mrs. Jack Kelley
5:00 pm Paula & Bob Schopps †† by The FerguStein Families

Sunday, December 4

8:00 am Carol Murphy Stewart † by The FerguStein Family
10:30 am Josefina Curiel † by The Swierczewski Family
12:30 pm Gonzalo Echevarria † by Echevarria Family

READERS

December 3 5:00 pm Dawn McGinn
December 4 8:00 am Michele Woldman
10:30 am Jesse Brooks
12:30 pm Heriberto Torrealba

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

December 3 5:00 pm A. Eisele (HM), L. Hardig (HA),
B. McGinn (HC)
December 4 8:00 am M. Swierczewski (HM),
R. Swierczewski (HA), C. Difulvio (HC)
10:30 am S. McMurry (HM), P. Eavenson (HA),
T. Eavenson (HC)
12:30 pm Manuel C. (H), Cristina G., Lupe V.

ALTAR SERVERS

December 3 5:00 pm Colleen M., Bret L.
December 4 8:00 am Emily S., Caden C.
10:30 am Bryce O., Sam W.

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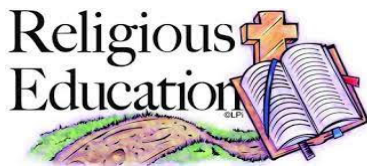
PLEASE COME AND JOIN US. WE NEED YOU AND ARE COUNTING ON YOU. PLEASE AND THANK YOU.

The Knights of Columbus will meet at 7 p.m. this Thursday, December 1st, in the social hall.

The First Friday of the month is Dec. 2nd – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. **The First Saturday of the month** is Dec. 3rd. The Rosary will be prayed at 8:40 a.m. followed by the 9 a.m. Mass.

Christmas Flower Donations can be dropped in any collection prior to Christmas. Memorials & Honors can be noted on the envelope and will be posted on the bulletin board next to the Faith Formation Office.

Mrs. Glenda Ulloa : If you need to contact Faith Formation, please call the office at 704-872-2579 or email Glenda at stphilipfaith@gmail.com



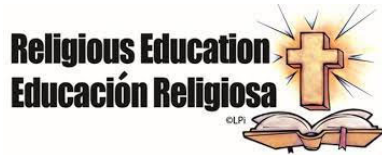
Mr. Edgar Noveron : If

you need to contact Edgar please call the office at 704-872-2579 or email Edgar at stphilipfaith@gmail.com
Inclement weather- check WSOCTV for Faith Formation class cancellations and/or changes in the Mass schedule for that specific day. This information will also be available on the Philip Camden Facebook page. You may also call the office for further information, please listen to the entire message when you call. 704-872-2579

Faith formation Mass cards will be collected at the following times only:

5pm Mass-before
8am-before 10:30am-after 12:30pm-after
No card collection during Holiday's

Mrs. Glenda Ulloa: Si desea comunicarse con Glenda de la Formación Fe, por favor llame a la oficina al 704-872-2579 y deje su mensaje o envíe un correo electrónico a Glenda a stphilipfaith@gmail.com



Mr. Edgar Noveron: Si desea comunicarse con Edgar de la Formación Fe, por favor llame a la oficina al 704-872-2579 y deje su mensaje o envíe un correo electrónico a Edgar a stphilipfaith@gmail.com

Inclemencias del tiempo: consulte WSOCTV para ver si hay cancelaciones de clases de Formación en la Fe y / o cambios en el horario de la Misa para ese día específico. Esta información también estará disponible en la página de Facebook de Philip Camden. También puede llamar a la oficina para obtener más información, es muy importante escuchar el mensaje completo cuando llame. 704-872-2579

The Week Ahead

Monday November 28
7pm Advent Penance Service

Thursday December 1
6pm Offsite CDA Dinner
7pm K of C meeting

Tuesday November 29
6:30pm Parish Input & update meeting for education & activity center

Sunday December 4
5-7pm Youth Group

Wine & Cheese Saturday night After Mass

Coffee & donuts after the Sunday morning Masses



Knights of Columbus want to thank everyone for supporting our Poinsettia Fundraiser. We greatly appreciate the support of our parish. Remember to pick up your flowers after Masses on Dec 3 & 4.

November 27, 2022

Due to the need for early transmission last weekends collection totals are not available for this bulletin.

Collection totals from Sunday 20

5:00 pm.....\$0.00
8:00 am.....\$0.00
10:30 am.....\$0.00
12:30 pm.....\$0.00
Regular Total.....\$0.00

Food Closet\$0.00
Forward with Christ.....\$0.00

Forward With Christ as of October 10

Total Funds in bank.....\$2,534,396.96
Remaining Pledges.....\$167,535.10
Total Cash & Pledges.....\$2,701,905.06

Accumulative Fiscal Year Collections As of October 9

Last Fiscal Year	This Fiscal Year
Regular \$96,983.50.....	\$105,503.02
Food Closet \$6,132.17.....	\$5,980.00



At home... Lillian Alvey, Anna Eisele Singleton, Jessica Allison, Jessica Crosso, Andrew Gulley, Jackie Mejia, Angela Moreno, Alan Eisele, Marion Weber, Joan Chiodo, Jack Kelley, Ligaya Kates, Mary Rutten, Jeannine Dessert, Gerry Yannarella, Healing for all ill with Coronavirus **Autumn Care...** Brenda Kelley. **Brookdale Peachtree Alzheimer's Care.** **Spring Arbor** Pat Reilly **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.**

Congratulations to Kevin Micalizzi & Tim Kindred Book #31, Game 10, \$50 winners of the Monday Night NFL Football Pool. Thank you for supporting the Knights of Columbus.



Happy Birthday 11/28/2022 to 12/4/2022
11/28 Ronald Echevarria, Emma Thomas
11/29 Hadley Bradford, Audrey Robinette, Stephanie Thao
11/30 Anthony Hernandez Garcia, Dottie LaClair, Jezabell Medina, Laney Medina, Kaitlyn Rinehimer
12/1 Daniel Chambers Jr., Maria Cox, Ofelio Solis Valerie Walsh
12/2 Valerie Ferguson, Caroline McMurry, Maritza Morales
12/3 Efigenia Gasper, Megan Rupp
12/4 Wilson Mejia Jr., Crystal Titus

Happy Anniversary 11/28/2022 to 12/4/2022

11/28 Mr. & Mrs. Diego Castano
11/29 Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Tighe,
Mr. & Mrs. John Rinehimer
11/30 Mr. & Mrs. Luis Alva

