

St. Philip Neri

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Twenty-Eighth & Twenty-Ninth Sundays in Ordinary Time



October 15, & October 22, 2023



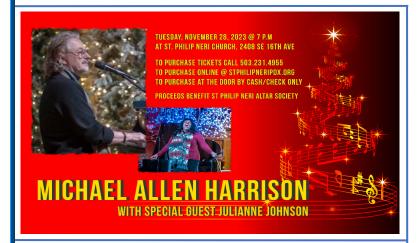
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 15

A backdrop for today's Gospel parable is the growing tension between Jesus and the Jewish religious leaders in Jerusalem. This has been the case for the past two Sundays and will continue for a few more weeks.

Jesus compares the kingdom of heaven to a wedding banquet. When invited to the wedding, wear the proper garment. It's a reminder that while many are invited to the kingdom of heaven, not all are able to meet its requirements. God invites us to his feast, giving us his salvation through His Son. Yet still, he asks us to repent for our sins (clean wedding garment). The generous invitation does come with obligations.

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 22

In today's Gospel Jesus and the religious leaders in Jerusalem continue their tense exchange of questions and challenges. At this point the disciples of the Pharisees, together with the Herodians, try to entrap Jesus by their question about the payment of taxes.



Concerts coming to St. Philip Neri

For more information check the websites



October 20, 2023
December 20, 2023

Michael Allen Harrison
with special guest
Julianne Johnson

November 28, 2023

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December 9, 2023 December 10, 2023 Matthew sets up an unusual partnership between the Pharisees and the Herodians. The Herodians were supporters of Herod Antipas, a Jewish



political leader who collaborated with the Romans. Such collaboration would have required a compromised observance of the Mosaic Law. The Pharisees, on the other hand, taught scrupulous observance of the Mosaic Law and opposed Roman occupation. Herodians favored the payment of taxes; the Pharisees opposed it.

Both groups approach Jesus, asking that he take sides in their dispute. If Jesus answers with the Pharisees, he shows himself to be an enemy of Rome. If he answers with the Herodians, he offends popular Jewish religious sensibilities. Jesus' response to this attempt to trap him shows that he is very much aware of what they are up to.

He asks to see a Roman coin and wants his questioners to examine it. When all agree that it is Caesar's image on the coin, Jesus tells them that it must belong to Caesar. By avoiding the question of lawfulness altogether, Jesus responds to their question with simple logic. Then, going a step further, he tells them that their obligation is to pay to God that which belongs to God.

Jesus' response to the Herodians and Pharisees suggests the ethic that Christians ought to adopt. It's a reminder of the importance of keeping things in their proper perspective. Do we attach ourselves to worldly things at the expense of the love and honor that we owe to God?

— LoyolaPress.com, October 2023



Our BBQ was a great success thanks to all our wonderful parishioners who came to celebrate, and the many helpers who set it up, who cooked, cleaned, brought supplies, and cleaned up and put it all away. What a great bunch of people! Thank you! Thank you! We'll plan for maybe September in 2024.

With heartfelt appreciation, —Father Andrew



Officially known as the "Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed," it is a day of prayer and remembrance for the souls of those who have died.

Mass will be offered at 6:00 PM Nov. 2nd in the Church. Please join us.

Envelopes in the pews can be used to write the names of loved ones who will be rememberd during the Mass that night, along with your donation.

In a lovely parish tradition, we encourage you to bring a departed loved one's photo to display on any of the side-altar niches. All our loved ones are now members of the Communion of Saints!

Don't forget to put your name or address on the photo's reverse side so it doesn't get lost and can be returned safely. Consider also writing the name of the person in the photograph on the frontside, too, so that others will pray for those you treasure!



Andrea Del Rosario ♥ Antonette Amato
♥ Georgene Raab ♥ Colin Andries ♥ Bill
Dietzler ♥ Barb Douglas

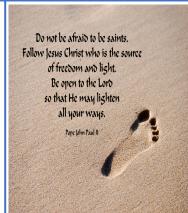
Please contact the office if you, or someone you know needs our prayers!

Annual St. Philip Neri School Alumni Gathering

Our Italian-style luncheon will be Sunday, October 22nd at Carvlin Hall. *The meal will be catered by DeNicola's Italian Restaurant, compliments of the parish. There is no charge to attend, but we ask you to RSVP for catering.* The morning will begin with a special Sunday mass honoring all alumni at 11AM, followed by a wine reception at Noon. Lunch will be served at 1:00 PM and includes an entrée, salad, bread and cookies for dessert. Get those RSVPs in to the office.

Church Cleaners Schedule





Sat. Oct 14: 4:00 p.m. † Ferdinando & Mary Frangipani - Gatto/Jarvis

Sun. Oct 15: 9:30 a.m. † Ambrose Calcagno Jr

Wed. Oct 18: 9:00 a.m. † Frances Gatto – Gatto/Jarvis Family
Thur. Oct 19: 9:00 a.m. Fr. Andrew Thomas – Barb Douglas
Fri. Oct 20: 12:10 p.m. † George Spada – Altar Society
Sat. Oct 21: 4:00 p.m. † Augie Gatto – Mary Schleich
Sun. Oct 22: 9:30 a.m. † Joe Graziano – Mary Jo Grazino
Wed. Oct 25: 9:00 a.m. Fr. Andrew Thomas – Barb Douglas
Thu. Oct 26: 9:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving – Andrew Le

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Fri. Oct 27: 12:10 p.m. John Miletich – Jeanne McPherson
Sat. Oct 28: 4:00 p.m. † Augie Gatto – Jarvis Family
Sun. Oct 29: 9:30 a.m. † Hartley Kneeland – Kellee Harris

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October 15 - October 21 + Ambrose Calcagno Jr

October 22 – October 28 † Mary Murphy

"We the welcoming community of St. Philip Neri Parish, empowered by the compassion of Jesus and supported by the Eucharist and the Word, dedicate ourselves to engage with and enrich the lives of those we touch."

Reconciliation Times Saturday

by appointment only

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