St Philip Parish & St Clare Mission

Roman Catholic Parish, Richmond, Ontario



January 14, 2024
Pastor: Father Bob Poole
Deacon: Dcn Louis Seward
Website: www.stphilips-church.com
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St Clares Mission Est 1849

'A welcoming Catholic community seeking holiness in the Body of Christ'

Sunday Masses: St Philip: Saturday 4:30pm, Sunday 10:30am & 12:30 (Charismatic Mass) St Clare: Sunday 9am

Weekday Masses: Resume in the Fall What's On Weekly—See Page 2
Fr Bob's Homilies: www.stphilips-church.com (right side of homepage under the 'Donate Now' button)
Register as a Parishioner: Fill out the form found at the church entrance and drop in collection basket.

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Fr Bob writes:

Our first reading this weekend describes Samuel's call to become priest and prophet for Israel's God, Yahweh. At that time, Eli and his sons served as priests at the sanctuary in Shiloh, where the tabernacle with the ark of the Lord was kept. Hannah, a childless woman getting along in years, had gone to Shiloh to petition the Lord for a child, promising that, should she be blessed with a child, he would be dedicated to the Lord's service.

Eli, observing her emotional sobbing, thought her to be drunk and reprimanded her. On learning what was actually going on, he blessed her. Hannah conceived and gave birth to Samuel. After he was weaned, Hannah and her husband brought the boy to Shiloh and turned him over over to Eli's care and direction. Thus, Samuel, as a young boy, helped Eli at the sanctuary. The good-hearted boy must have been a good companion and solace to Eli whose heart was

grieved by his own two adult sons who had "respect neither for the Lord nor for the priests' duties toward the people" (1 Samuel 2:12).

In this beautiful recounting of little Samuel learning to recognize the voice of the Lord, we all would do well to pray in the words old Eli taught the youth: "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening."



Ottawa Cursillo Movement Announces the Next Men's Cursillo Weekend

The Ottawa Cursillo Movement is holding a Men's Weekend from February 1-4 at Centre de L'Amour in Plantagenet. The weekend is called a Cursillo. Cursillo is a Spanish word meaning "little" or "short" course. The Cursillo begins on Thursday evening with a short introduction and orientation and then the retreat phase begins. The weekend also includes a daily celebration.



tion of the Mass and times of prayer. A good part of each day is spent listening to talks given by a priest and Catholic lay men followed by group discussion. There are three meals provided each day. The weekend ends late Sunday afternoon. No one is too well informed or too spiritual to make a Cursillo. Cursillo could be for you. The Cursillo Movement is a powerful instrument of renewal in the Catholic Church. Its aim is to concentrate closely on the Person and teachings of Jesus Christ. The Cursillo gives those who attend it a living understanding of basic Christian truths and the desire to serve the Church. If you feel such a weekend may be good for you, please contact Sylva or John Sheridan: sylva.sheridan@gmail.com or visit the website at: https://ottawacursillo.ca/. "

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Parish Life—Regular Activities

Pastoral Council-3rd Tuesday of month after 7pm Mass Coffee Sunday—2nd Sunday of month.

CWL-every 2nd Thursday of the month at 7 pm

ST PHILIPS:

Adult Ed/RCIA: Dcn Louis-444-1228

Adoration o/t Blessed Sacrament: Mondays, 2-6:45pm and Thursdays, 3-6:45pm

Apostles Div Mercy: 2nd & 3rd Tues, 7:45pm. For location,

Contact Janet (44401228) Bible Study: Resumes in the New Year

Coffee Sunday: Sundays weekly after 10:30am Mass, Hall Euchre: Every 2nd Wed, 7pm in Hall: Jan 10 & 24 First

Friday Mass: Watch this space for date to resume Knights of Columbus—2nd Tues of mo-7:30 in Hall **Ladies Auxiliary:** Wednesday Jan 17, 7 pm in Hall Pastoral Council: 1st Tues of month, 8pm, Hall

Prayer Meeting—Every Thurs, 7:30pm, St Philips Hall Rosary: St Philips, 4:10pm (before 4:30pm Saturday mass) &10:10 (before 10:30am Sunday Mass)

St Vincent de Paul–3rd Wednesday of the Month (Rectory) Temporal Affairs Cnc'l: 4th Tues of the month, 7pm, Hall

POPE FRANCIS' INTENTIONS **FOR JANUARY**

For the gift of diversity in the Church We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different

traditions and rituals in the Catholic

Church.

Announced Masses—December

Saturday, 4:30 at St. Philip

Jan 6-In Memory of Diane MacKay by David & Elizabeth Vickers

Sunday, 9 am at St. Clares Mission

Jan 28—In memory of David Hamilton requested by Reta Hamilton

Sunday, 10:30 am at St. Philip Parish

Catechism Corner

What does Jesus think about nonviolence?

Jesus places a high value on nonviolent action. He commands his disciples: "Do not resist one who is evil. But if any one strikes you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also" (Mt 5:39). He rebukes Peter, who wants to defend him with force: "Put your sword into its sheath" (Jn 18:11). Jesus does not call his disciples to take up weapons. He remains silent before Pilate. His way is to take the part of the victims, to go to the Cross, to redeem the world through love, and to call the peacemakers blessed. Therefore the Church, too, respects people who for reasons of conscience refuse to be part of the armed services but place themselves at the service of society in some other way. (YOUCAT questions 397-398). Dig Deeper: CCC section (2311) and other references <u>here</u>.



Please Consider Donating



at: WelcomeHome1819@gmail.com

Please ensure you include your full name and mailing address, and your parish 'Donation Box Number' (if you have one). You will receive a tax receipts from the parish in February next year.

Automatic Monthly Pre-Authorized Payment

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Donate by Cash of Cheque—donations in numbered envelopes (or in an envelope with your name & address) can be dropped in the collection plate. OR cheques can be mailed to the office.

Why is it important to support the parishes financially? Just like any other charity or non-profit organization, it costs money to keep St. Philip Parish and St. Clare Mission afloat. For example, the annual operating expenditure budget of St. Philip Parish is approximately \$155,000, which goes towards paying for the following items:

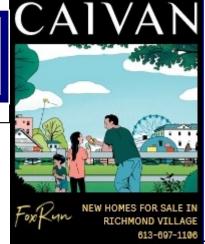
- Paying for the parish priest, the parish office administrator, replacement priests to say Mass and the parish bookkeeper;
- Diocesan tax on parish revenues (donations);
- Utilities (heat, hydro, water, sewer, utilities, etc.)
- Repairs and maintenance on St. Philip Church, the Parish Hall, and other buildings and grounds;
- Office expenses: and.
- Pastoral expenses.

In addition, St. Philip Parish also spends about \$10,000-\$20,000 per year on major projects and renovations to replace and/or renovate the parish buildings and other items within the parish.





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Parish News

LECTOR AND EUCHARISTIC TRAINING /

REFRESHER SESSION for new and current volunteers will be held on Thursday, January 11, 2024, 7:00 pm in the Church. For further information contact Christina Murdock at tandcmurdock@gmail.com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHARITY RAFFLE

Tickets are now available from Peter Moore (613-762-5060) or John Evans (613-558-9620). This Raffle is a major fundraiser in our parish community with all proceeds donated to the Richmond Food Bank (50%) and our two churches (St. Philip and St. Clare - 50% shared).

FAMILY FUN BINGO NIGHT THIS SATURDAY

On Saturday January 13th beginning at 6pm the Ladies Auxillary will be hosting a Family Fun Night, serving up Lasagna and Bingo in the Parish Hall. Cost is 10.00/person, maximum 30/family. Tickets available until January 10th, after masses on the last weekend of December and the first weekend of January. E-transfer payments can be made to stphilipsladiesaux@gmail.com. For more information contact Veronica Gervais at 613-791-2723.

MONDAYS & TUESDAY EVENING 7PM MASSES

... have resumed. All welcome!

BIBLE STUDY RESUMES MONDAY JANUARY 22

after 7pm Mass. In person of by ZOOM. Call the office to have the ZOOM link sent to you.

2024 NUMBERED DONATION BOXES

Please pick up your 2024 box at the entry of the church.

LIVE-STREAMING MASSES CONTINUES

Watch at www.stphilips-church.com, or go to https://www.stphilips-church.com, or so that the state of the state o www.youtube.com/@stphilipparish_stclaremission/streams or click this link. Many thanks to our faithful volunteers!

BRIDGE CLUB

St Andrew's Presbyterian is interested in forming a bridge club. The club would start in the new year, on an afternoon in the hall at St Andrew's. There would be a minimal charge to play and refreshments could be arranged. If you are interested, please phone Sharon at 613-838-3723.

THE OFFICE IS OPEN—JANUARY SCHEDULE

The office continues to be open on a hybrid work model. Tuesday & Thursday 9am-1:30pm—open virtually: phone or email the office at welcomehome 1819@gmail.com Wednesdays 9am-1:30pm—office is open for in-person service.

OFFICE HOLIDAYS / FEBRUARY SCHEDULE

The office will be closed for holidays the first two weeks of February, and will be open virtually the last two weeks of February. Email us at: welcomehome1819@gmail.com or phone 613-838-2314.

VIDEOGRAPHY / PHOTOGRAPHY

A volunteer has generously offered to do videography and photography for Baptisms, Weddings, Receptions, Funerals etc. Those who use this service are asked to make a freewill donation to St Philip Parish. Contact Stan Pioro: Phone/Text: 613-277-0513 or email: stanpioro@gmail.com

RCIA (Rite of Catholic Initiation of Adults)

Contact Dcn Louis for more details at 444-1228.

Parish Directory :

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Office Hours: Virtual Tues & Thurs – 9am-1:30pm. Wed: In Person 9-1

Bulletin Deadline: Tuesdays at 12 noon

Hall Rentals: Office (613-838-2314) Parish Schools: St. Philips Catholic School – 613-838-2466

Sacred Ĥeart High School (Stittsville) - 613-831-6643

Baptisms: Third Sunday of the month (3pm); Baptismal preparation required. Contact office 8 weeks in advance.

Marriages: Contact office at least 6 months in advance of desired date

Reconciliation: First Fridays 7-8pm; OR

By appointment – call the office (613-838-2314)

Confirmation/1st Communion – Next Enrollment is September 2024

Sacrament o/t Sick-on request,&after every Mass on last whend of month

WINNERS OF LADIES AUXILIARY RAFFLE

Winners of the beautiful gift baskets were as follows: Basket #1 David Vickers, #2 Marguerite Guitard, #3 Ian Linton, #4 Melanie, #5 Stephanie Murphy, #6 Maureen Vickers, #7 Elaine Cameron. Thanks to everyone who purchase tickets; it was a very successful!

CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE

Thanks to all who contributed!

PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Please pray for Gerry vanGall, Fr Bob Poole, Cecilia, Rosie, Mavis Lewis, Sheldon Seward, Kathleen Crozier, Glenna Leighton, Melissa Doyle, Mary Fitzpatrick, Krista Van Gaal, Elizabeth Vickers, Heather Murphy, MJ Wilson, Tracy Haddad, Samson Purdy, Ray Lalonde, Theresa Slattery, Alfie Kavanagh, Robert Braund, Michael Lawless, Suzanne Denis. Joyce Cook, Elizabeth van Galder, Karen McCarthy, Doris Calagoure, Lorraine Wannamaker, Amber Williamson, healthcare workers, those affected by COVID, those who are isolated and all who mourn. God bless them & families with peace, joy, strength. St Joseph, Hope of the Sick, Patron of the Dying, intercede for us.

'PARISH NEWS' EMAIL BULLETIN

Available each Thursday by email. Contains a link to the bulletin and breaking news. if you wish to receive this newsletter in the new year, email us at welcomehome 1819@gmail.com.

RICHMOND NURSERIES BEAUTIFIES ALTAR

We would like to send out a HUGE thank you to Richmond Nurseries Peter Rofner and Claudia Rofner who donated beautiful poinsettias for the Christmas altar at St. Philips. We cannot thank you enough!

ROAD CLOSURES SUNDAY JANUARY 28

...due to the Richmond Road Races. More info by contacting Alistair at 613-234-2221 or questions@runottawa.ca.

~ALL THE BEST FOR 2024! ~



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Ministries:

St Philip Ministries:	
Pastoral Council-Fr Bob Poole	838-2314
Temporal Affairs- Dan McKenna	
Children's Liturgy – Tina Sul	301-1585
Sacristans – Betty Dolan	838-3181
Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers- Christina Murdock	324-3287
Ladies Auxiliary – Sharon Crossan	790-7720
Knights of Columbus – John Evans	jte65@outlook.com
Cemetery – Brian Goss	838-4269
St Vincent de Paul - David Vickers	838-2314
Coffee Sunday—Veronica Gervais	791-2723
Live-Stream—Patrick McIver	

St Clare Ministries:

Pastoral Council Ryan O'Connor	Ryan@unreserved.com
Finance Chair – Anastasia Bowles	257-8249
Lectors, Sacristans – Ada Gorrie	838-2490
Cemetery – Jerome O'Connor	838-2704
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