

St. Philip's Weekly Newsletter August 20th

Hello everyone! I must apologize for again sending out an abbreviated version of the newsletter. It has just been busier at church than a colony of bees. That's probably good news, ministry-wise. But I need a rest! Haha!

It is, of course, most important that I give you an update on your fellow parishioners and their needs, concerns and thanksgivings. So let's get that underway:

Prayer Concerns and Thanksgivings

- The family of Bob and Jo-Ann Miller thank God for you and for the love, sympathy and concern you have shown them. Please do keep Jo-Ann in your prayers. Cards are most welcome!
- The family of Fr. Tom Janiec has not planned any sort of memorial at this time. They are working with a Deacon Tom ministered with at the hospital. Their plans may change and Deacon Michael has told the family that St. Philip's stands ready to help in any way they wish. The family is going to notify the diocese on their own terms and they request that we do not. If you wish to send cards, they may be sent to:

The Janiec Family

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- We thank God that our brothers Don Mueller and Bill Peterson are home from the hospital. In Don's case, the doctor believes his

sodium numbers dropped but he is doing much better. Pam and Don thank you for your prayers. Bill Peterson is recuperating at home after leg surgery following a car-pedestrian accident. He is in good spirits but I am sure would appreciate visits, calls and cards.

- Keep the DeMeyer family in your prayers. Michael has lost a grandmother and an uncle very recently. We love Michael, Jen, James and Hannah and want them to know we care!
- On a happier note, Michael gives thanks for the wedding of his sister – a truly joyful bit of news!
- This coming Tuesday, the clergy and elders of St. Philip's will anoint Linda Purcell for healing. St. James urges the sick to call for the elders of the church (elders implies leadership in this case, not age) to lay hands on the sick and anoint them with holy oil. If you can't be present, please pray during the 9:30-10:30 hour on Tuesday. We love Bob and Linda!
- Michelle Webb recently collapsed at work, the pain in her arm was so great. Please pray for her! This has necessitated moving up her surgical date to August 26th. Michelle will not be with us for a couple months. While we will miss her terribly, we want to give her as much time as needed for complete healing. We will have a series of supply music ministers and probably some Sundays with pre-recorded music. Get well, Michelle! We want you healthy and back with us!
- We give God thanks for the lives of our brothers Marv Hill and Lou Holian, each of whom is celebrating a birthday this week!
- Continue to pray for all those with ongoing medical or other needs. If I have missed someone or if someone needs to come off

this list, please let me know. Too, please remember that there are some folks who do not want to be listed and we respect their decision. Please pray for Diane Knowles, Jill Hill, Kim McDonald, Ken and Janie Jenssen, Roberta Butler; Andreas Kistner; Christina Guzman; Kelly Scolnick; Tim Zierer; Kurth Horner; Joe and Toni Saladino; Levi Tsu and his family; Molly and her parents – Laura and David; Lillian Conway; Peggy and Don; and Marge.

I also ask your prayers for Bishop-Elect Paula Clark. Her recovery continues. She has done amazingly well according to all her doctors but the Standing Committee and Presiding Bishop Curry want to give her a generous period of rest, recuperation and rehab after a recent brain bleed. Please pray also for our new Assisting Bishop, the Right Reverend Chilton Knudsen. Her ministry in our diocese will begin in early October and she will provide pastoral care to our clergy and standing committee in lieu of Bishop Clark. She is a daughter of this diocese and served parishes in Bolingbrook and Elmhurst before joining Bishop Frank Griswold's staff. She was Bishop of Maine from 1998 to 2008. We welcome Bishop Knudsen!

That's it for this week. I apologize for the brevity of this but I am up against several appointments today. We'll return to all the fun stuff next week. God bless and keep you all!

Fr. Jim