



# ST. PHILIP BENIZI CATHOLIC CHURCH

November 19, 2023  
33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



## PARISH INFORMATION

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## MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil - 5:30pm Mass  
Sunday - 8:00am & 10:30am Mass  
Mon/Wed/Thurs/Fri - 8am Mass  
Tuesday - 6:30pm Mass  
First Saturday of each Month – 8am Mass Anointing of the Sick

## RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays – 4:00-5:00pm or by Appointment

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Thursdays – 8:30am-9pm  
(ends with *Benediction*)

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

If you or someone you know is homebound, wants to receive Communion or the Sacrament of Anointing, please call the parish office, 503-631-2882.

**Baptisms:** Call the Parish Office.

**Funerals:** Call the Parish Office.

**Weddings:** Call Fr. Joseph Hùng Nguyễn at least 6 months in advance of the potential date.

## St. Philip Benizi Mission Statement

St. Philip Benizi Catholic Church being part of the universal church shares in its mission: to proclaim Jesus Christ who came to the world to fulfill His father's will; by proclaiming the kingdom of God, building up the parish community as a witness to God's love and care for the world, helping one another to become what God has called us to be. We are therefore encouraged to work toward God's purpose of "wanting all men to be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth." (1 Tim 2:4).

## Reflection on Parish Life

The following article provides great reflection to what it is to be part of the community of faith on Earth. We have received permission from Catholic author and speaker, Marcel LeJune, to share the following article over the next several weeks in the bulletin. May the Holy Spirit bless our parish community and each individual within our parish, that we may draw nearer to Christ in the Most Holy Sacrament of the altar.

### “The Messy Necessity of Authentic Catholic Community”

<https://catholicmissionarydisciples.com/news/the-messy-necessity-of-authentic-catholic-community>

by Marcel LeJeune

(Continued from last week...)

#### FAMILY

It isn't easy and takes a lot of hard work. Folks who are invested for the long haul (think decades). Ready to invest in one another. People who aren't going to parish hop when things get bad, just like you don't leave the house because of a few arguments (note - there are valid reasons for changing a parish that I am not addressing here). Folks who are going to reach out and take initiative to serve others. People who are willing to invest deeply in a handful of others, then influence more.

Still, community is not friendship and friendship is not community. There is interplay between the two, but they are not the same thing. Community is wider, friendships are smaller. So, while you ought to form friendships within a community, not everyone in the community needs to be your friend. This lifts some of the burden off of us. While we are called to love and serve all in the Christian community, we don't have to be super close to everyone. So, we can now see that community is not just about me and my friends. It is about “we”. We need each other. We need the person that annoys us. We need the difficult people.

Just like the fact that siblings have to grow up in the same house and it is good for them to do so. We need others that challenge us. We need to be pushed to love those who are hard to love. This is why we need a community that is larger than just friends.

Just as you can't be a disciple of Jesus when you live a life apart from him, you can't be a part of Christian community and live apart from others (or Jesus). We need to have a bigger picture and part of what parishes need to do is try to foster authentic community and not just events and programs. These things can help start community, but without intentional leadership that has a vision for the long haul, it probably won't happen.

We don't need novelty. We need authenticity.

Catholics understand the need for others. We rely on the Saints and leaders of our Church to help us understand prayer, theology, Scripture, the Sacraments, etc. In the same way, we need to mine the depths of the great Catholics who have come before us in terms of community. How did they live, serve, and pray together?

Let us pray that we can truly grow in community. Not a false veneer of it. A community where we can learn to be saints, together. Where we can love Jesus, be challenged to grow, pray together, live side-by-side, and serve each other. This is community. It is messy and necessary.

#### Reflection on Article “The Messy Necessity of Authentic Catholic Community” by Melissa Bear

Last month the Pastoral Council had a retreat in which the article above and in the previous two weeks' bulletins was used as part of our reflection on what it means to be a Catholic, parish community. The message of this article not only resonated with me, but others on the Pastoral Council as well, which is why it was chosen to be shared with the whole parish family.

Parish family is not a term to be taken lightly and is not meant to illicit “Catholic guilt.” Think about the early church or the times in which the church has faced persecution throughout history, there was such a strong sense of a “community of faith.” Truly, St. Philip Benizi has been a parish family and community of faith for me. The very beginning of this article grabbed me in because much like the author, I have been to many other Catholic Churches (one for 2 full years) where nobody ever spoke to me and I did not speak to anyone. Spiritually, I was on my own. I missed the community and sense of belonging I had at St. Philip Benizi since the time my family moved to SPB around the time I was in Kindergarten.

Just like any family, our parish family has had its ups and downs. We upset each other and even argue at times, but at the end of the day we are a parish family. By no means are we perfect, but we are called to embrace the mess and place Christ at the center. We are called to call each other on to holiness and journey together to heaven. “This is my commandment: love one another as I love you.” John 15:12.

#### Saint of the Week: Blessed Miguel Pro

January 13, 1891 - November 23, 1927

Miguel was always known to have a sweet disposition growing up in his devoutly Catholic family in Mexico. At the age of 20, he entered the Jesuit order and began the seminary. However, when the Mexican Revolution started in 1914, many religious orders were forced to flee, sending Miguel to finish the seminary in Spain and Belgium. In 1925 “Padre Miguel Pro” was ordained. Shortly after his ordination, Miguel was sent to Mexico City, despite continued religious persecution. However, since he was not known to the authorities as a priest, Miguel was able to administer the sacraments and celebrate Mass underground in Mexico.



In 1927, there was a failed assassination attempt on President Calles. Miguel and his brothers were accused by the authorities and arrested on trumped-up charges. The three Pro brothers were found guilty. Miguel Pro was sentenced to a firing squad, which he faced boldly. Before his execution, he stretched out his arms like a cross and his last words were “Viva Cristo Rey!” or “Long live Christ the King!”

**Blessed Miguel Pro, pray for us!**

**This week at SPB and Upcoming Parish/Archdiocesan Events**

**Women's Christmas Tea**

The Women's Christmas Tea is Saturday, December 9, 6:30-9pm.  
Can you volunteer? Contact Loretta Payne 503-632-4370  
To host a table contact Elaine Keavney 503-939-5620

**Helping Hands Giving Tree**

The giving trees are up in the narthex and side door of the church! We are asking for \$25 or \$50 gift cards from either Fred Meyer or Target. Each child will receive \$50 in gift cards to purchase their desired gift. Please take a tag off the Giving Tree for donating a \$25 or \$50 gift card, turkey or ham. Return the gift cards to the labeled box under the tree in the Narthex or drop off at the office. You can also give money donations to Helping Hands in the collection basket or with your ConnectNow, online giving.  
**DEADLINE to return items is Sunday, December 10th.** Thank you for providing gifts to local children in need!

**Helping Hands Food Closet**

Helping Hands needs food and personal hygiene donations for Christmas baskets for 40 families. Items needed include flour, sugar, stuffing mix, rice, chili, spaghetti sauce, canned fruit, oatmeal, laundry & dish soap. Drop off food donations near the doors of the church or bring to the hall. Thank you for your generosity! **DEADLINE to return items is Sunday, December 10th.**

**C.A.S.E. Training**

Any adults working or volunteering in any ministry that involves contact with minors are required to complete C.A.S.E. (Creating a Safe Environment) Training. Trainings will be held this Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> 12-2pm and Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm. Please contact Melissa Bear to register.

**Time, Talent & Treasure**

Thank you to all who have completed the Time, Talent & Treasure! Each parishioner is being asked to complete one this year, even if you are unable to serve in a ministry at this time, the office is looking to update contact information. Please return completed forms to the collection basket or parish office.. Thank you!

**Healing the Whole Person Conference**

The Healing the Whole Person Conference will be held November 30- December 2<sup>nd</sup> at Our Lady of Lavang in Happy Valley. Speakers include Dr. Bob Schuchts and St. Miriam James. Register online at <https://jpiihealingcenter.org/event/11-29-23-hwp/>

**Finance Corner**

Registered Households 222	WEEK OF 11/12/23 <u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
<u>Donors</u>	\$4,752 (online \$1,595)	\$5,993
<u>Fiscal Year</u>	\$90,155.41	\$104,538

Thank you for your generous contribution!  
May God continue to bless you and your loved ones.

**Sunday, 11/19/2023**

8:00am Mass: + Robert Radtke  
10:30am Mass: + Nicole Payne

**Monday, 11/20/2023**

7:40am: Morning Prayer/Church  
8:00am Mass: + Jerzy Szczepanek

**Tuesday, 11/21/2023 Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

6:30pm Mass: + Tom Bible  
7:00pm: RCIA/Hall

**Wednesday, 11/22/2023 Memorial of St. Cecelia, Virgin and Martyr**

7:40am: Morning Prayer/Church  
8:00am Mass: + Annie Berg

**Thursday, 11/23/2023 Thanksgiving Day & Memorial of Bl. Miguel Pro**

8:40am: Morning Prayer/Church  
9:00am Mass: Joy Cabe Debardelaben  
  
10:00am-3:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration



6:00pm: Faith Sharing Group

**Friday, 11/24/2023 Memorial of St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs**

7:40am Morning Prayer/Church  
8:00am Mass: + Henry Planton Family

**Saturday, 11/25/2023**

4:00-5:00pm: Reconciliation/Church  
5:30pm Sunday Vigil Mass: Joy Cabe Debardelaben

**Thanksgiving Day Mass**

Thanksgiving Day Mass will be at 9am on Thursday, November 23. The collection on this day will be for Helping Hands. Bring your bread to be blessed and canned foods for Helping Hands. Adoration on this day will be 10am-3pm. Please consider spending some time with Jesus in the Eucharist!

**No RE Classes Next Weekend**

No RE Classes next Sunday, November 26th.

**The Mass- How Much Do You Understand It?**

Are you interested in learning more about the Mass? You are invited to join us for a Mass walk-through with RCIA this Tuesday, November 21 after the 6:30pm Mass.

**Pillowcases For Helping Hands Christmas Baskets**

Help is needed to make 150 home-made pillowcases for families in need and spread Christmas cheer. If you can help, please contact Leslie Bossen 503-658-3797

**Next Weeks Assignments.**

**Ushers**

11/25~5:30pm Clayton & Brenda Rosenau  
11/26~8:00am Butch Searls  
11/26~10:30am Kevin Horace

Thank you for serving in this ministry!

**Lector/Commentator Extraordinary Minister**

Tom Muldoon Jeanne Hubel  
John Buxman Claudia Evers  
Nancy Carnahan Janet Tankersley



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November Church Cleaners: Larry Sullivan (503-701-8752)  
November Altar Linens: Michelle Harrington (971-409-5664)

11/26 9:00am: Pat & Elaine  
11:30am: VOLUNTEER





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