

ST. CYPRIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



Prayer of St. Cyprian

Almighty God, we are reminded through your servant St. Cyprian, of Spirit always within us and your continued presence in us, and of our oneness with you and the Church. May we always grow together and profess you in Faith, Unity and Hope. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

PARISH INFORMATION

Pastor

Msgr. Federico A. Britto

Parochial Vicar

Fr. Rene Againglo

In Residence

Fr. David Fisher

Permanent Deacon

Deacon Anthony Willoughby

Director of Religious Education

Mark Gonzalez

Director of Parish Services

Carla Caple- Petty

Parish Bookkeeper

John Duffner

Administrative Assistant

Babette Henry-Taylor

Contact Us

Parish Office Hours

M-Th 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Noon-1:00 PM closed for lunch.

Evenings by appointment

☎ 215-747-3250

Website: Saintcyprianchurch.org

f Saint Cyprian Roman Catholic Church

Mass Schedule

Weekdays 8:00 AM

Sunday

8:00 AM (English)

11:00 AM (English, Live Stream)

1:00 PM (Igbo)

3:30 PM (Francophone)

Week of April 21, 2024

Monday

Drill Team 6:00 PM

Diabetic Group exercise 2:00 PM

Tuesday

Rosary Makers 9:00 AM

Legion of Mary 10:00 AM

Peanut Butter & Jelly Makers 12:00 PM

Wellness Group Exercise 2:00 PM

Drill Team 6:00 PM

Wednesday

N.A. Group 7:00 PM

Choir Rehearsal 6:00 PM

Thursday

Bible Study 10:00 AM

Saturday

Women of St. Cyprian 10:00 AM (every third Saturday of the month)

Men of St. Cyprian 10 AM via zoom every third Saturday of the month)

CYO 10:00 AM (every 2nd Saturday of the month)

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

May Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd who brings life to his sheep, be with you!

The weather is beginning to turn in our favor, that is for those who prefer warmer weather. For us who use oil to heat our house or Church this climate will help lowering our oil bill. So, thank you Mother Nature for listening to people's prayer for warmer weather. I apologize to those who pray for cooler weather.

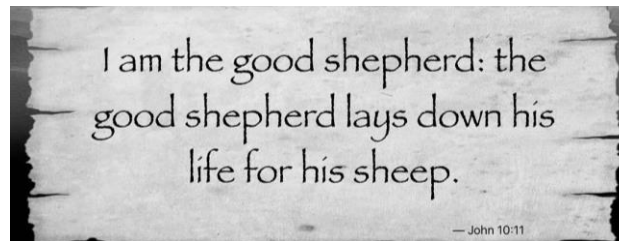
Our weeks and months are flying by rather quickly. I encourage you to remain focused on this Easter Season. Keep taking some time to reflect on this beautiful, spiritual season of grace. We should not forget what Jesus did for us. Stay alert, stay reflective, stay blessed and grateful.

I want to thank everyone for your stewardship of time, talent, and treasure. It is very important to the vitality, viability, and health of our parish. Just like it takes a village to raise children, it takes every parishioner working, praying, and fellowshiping together to make our parish strong and spiritually viable.

Today is National Good Shepherd Sunday and World Day for Vocations. Please remember in your prayers the Holy Father Pope Francis, Archbishop Perez, and all our Pastors. They work hard shepherding and leading God's people. Sometimes it is not easy, but they take on this ministry for the love of God and His people. Pray also for the vocations. We really need men and women to answer the call to be priests and nuns. And please keep Fr. Rene, Fr. Fisher, and me in your prayers.

The theme for our readings for today's Mass is about Jesus, the Good Shepherd, who leads and guides his followers on a journey of faith and conversion. May we always listen to Him and follow Him in faith, trust, and enthusiasm.

*Peace and blessings,
Msgr. Britto*



WEEKLY SCRIPTURES

<p>Sunday, April 21st Fourth Sunday of Easter (I) Acts of the Apostles 4:8-12 (PS) 118:8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 (II) 1 John 3:1-2 (G) John 10:11-18</p>	<p>Monday, April 22nd Easter Weekday (I) Acts of the Apostles 11:1-18 (PS) 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 (G) John 10:1-10</p>	<p>Tuesday, April 23rd Easter Weekday (I) Acts of the Apostles 11:19-26 (PS) 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 (G) John 10:22-30</p>	<p>Wednesday, April 24th Easter Weekday (I) Acts of the Apostles 12:24-13:5a (PS) 67:2-3, 5, 6 & 8 (G) John 12:44-50</p>
<p>Thursday, April 25th Saint Mark, Evangelist (Feast) (I) 1 Peter 5:5b-14 (PS) 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17 (G) Mark 16:15-20</p>	<p>Friday, April 26th Easter Weekday (I) Acts of the Apostles 13:26-33 (PS) 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab (G) John 14:1-6</p>	<p>Saturday, April 27th Easter Weekday (I) Acts of the Apostles 13:44-52 (PS) 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 (G) John 14:7-14</p>	<p>Sunday, April 28th Fifth Sunday of Easter (I) Acts of the Apostles 9:26-31 (PS) 22:27-27, 28, 30, 31-32 (II) 1 John 3:18-24 (G) John 15:1-8</p>

Mass Intentions

Sunday

8:00 AM

Ida Morgan

11:00 AM

Rev. Paul Quinter

Monday

8:00 AM

Joan Taggart

Tuesday

8:00 AM

Anne O'Shea

Wednesday

8:00 AM

Anthony Volpacchio

Thursday

8:00 AM

Suzanne Altieri

Friday

8:00 AM

Marie McCullough Douglas

Mass Intentions

Contact the rectory if you wish to have Mass said for the deceased, living or a Mass of Thanksgiving.

Collections

April 14, 2024: \$5,009.00

April PayPal: \$25.00

Total: \$6,534.00

Easter Flowers: \$1,390.00

Good Friday: \$1,395.00

Easter Collection: \$8,762.27

Church contributions to our parish are very important. It allows us to pay our bills and be self-sufficient from the Archdiocese. Please be generous with your Church contribution, if you miss a week, please make up for that missed week. Our weekly collection goal is \$5000.00.

Restoration Funds

Please continue to use your yellow restoration fund envelopes for our campus restorations.

1. Concrete work around the property
2. Security cameras around the property

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions will be heard a half hour before Sunday Mass, or by appointment.

Thought for the Month

“Go the extra mile, it’s never crowded.”

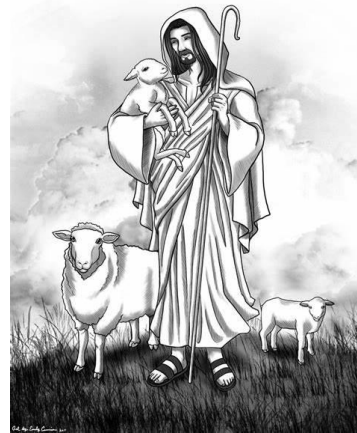
Upcoming Events

- + **Women’s Day Brunch 5/4**
- + **Women of St. Cyprian: Flea Market 6/8 rain date 6/15**
- + **Women of St. Cyprian: Price is Right 6/22**
- + **St. Ignatius: Painting with a Twist 4/27**
- + **St. Ignatius: Spring Flea Market 4/28 & 4/5**

Young Adult Corner:

- + **Theology on Tap 4/19 at St. Francis de Sales @7PM**
- + **Scripture Sharing & Social: St. Francis Xavier Oratory, 4/16, 4/27, 4/30.**

12 PM
DID YOU PRAY TODAY!!!
For our world... Our Church... Our community...



CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS

Altar Servers
 Bereavement Committee
 Bible Study
 CYO
 Eucharistic Ministers
 Food Pantry Volunteers
 Helping Hands for the Hungry
 Knights of Columbus

Knights of St. Peter Claver
 Ladies Auxiliary of KPC
 Lectors
 Legion of Mary
 Liturgy Committee
 Men of St. Cyprian
 Parish Social Outreach
 Peanut Butter & Jelly Ministries

Prep
 Repass Services
 RICA
 Rosary Makers
 St. Cyprian Choir
 Ushers & Greeters
 Women of St. Cyprian

Religious Education (PREP)

Religious instruction for elementary school students takes place on Sunday mornings at 9:00 AM. Please contact Mark Gonzalez for more information

Christian Initiation of Adults RCIA Program

This prepares adolescents and adults for Baptism and full Communion in the Catholic Church. Do you know anyone who might be interested in becoming Catholic or wanting to know more about the Catholic faith? If so, contact our Director for Religious Education, Mark Gonzalez @ 215-469-6810

Parish Registration Information

It is important that parish information is kept up to date. If there are any changes with either phone number, address, or name, please contact the rectory with your correct information.

New Parishioners

New Parishioners are most welcome and are encouraged to register as soon as possible after moving into the Parish. Please see an usher after church and request a form.

Daily Mass

Is celebrated from Monday to Friday at 8:00 AM in our Parish Chapel. Begin your day with Mass, which can also be viewed on our Parish Website.

Parish Organizations

New members are welcome to share your gifts and talents. Become a member of one of the parish organizations. Names of the Parish Organizations are posted in our bulletin.

T.V. Monitor

Please take note of the TV monitor in the Church vestibule. It offers parish and other liturgical information.

United Way

Through your workplace, please donate to the United Way in the name of St. Cyprian CYO #4547

Food Pantry

Every Monday and Wednesday, from 9:30-11:00, nonperishable food is given out to those who come. (bring you own bag) If you wish to volunteer at the Food Pantry, call the rectory

Rosary Makers

Meet every Tuesday morning at 9AM in the rectory. If you wish to help, make rosaries, all are welcome.

Church Tithes

Please be conscience of your Church tithes, give to the **restoration fund**, which is used for repairs and other restorations around the church. Your stewardship of treasure to the Church is very important. **Church contributions through PayPal using the donation button on the website** or QR code in the bulletin. Use saintcyprianparish8@gmail.com on the PayPal site. **Note: PayPal takes a 2% fee from every donation.** Please make sure to put your name and/or envelope number in the message of your donations.

Message to Parishioners

Please address all business pertaining to the parish during the work week, Monday – Thursday between 8 AM-3PM. If your parish envelopes have stopped coming (215-747-3250) so they can be reordered. Please write your full name on regular parish giving envelopes. Many parishioners share the same last name. **Note: We do not stop church envelopes unless you tell us. If you're not receiving your envelopes, it is USPS. FYI: The bulletin will be completed by Tuesday at noon.**

Home blessings & Holy Communion

Anyone who wishes their home blessed, please call the rectory. If any of our homebound or shut in parishioners wish to receive Holy Communion, please call the rectory.

Parish Development - We are looking for someone experienced in development. Please contact the rectory if interested.

FYI

Every five years, the City of Philadelphia inspects buildings over a certain height. Our Church bell tower is one of those buildings. It is a city requisite to have our bell tower inspected by a professional engineering company which will cost \$10,500.00. This inspection must be done, your financial assistance is extremely important.

Welcome...
may all who enter as guests
leave as friends 

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK, HOMEBOUND AND ARMED FORCES

Ramao Alagrin, Beverly Allmond, Anthony Allen, Renita Austin, M. Barry, Alice Barnes, Marie Barnes, Sam Bell, Andree Belizaire, Pauline Bond, Terry Bonds, Sharon Bosby, Jacob Abram Byrd, Catalina Caroli, Maxine Chisholm, Walter Chisholm, Joyce Coy, Lauretta Davis, Dawson Family, Debra Dickerson, Priscila Effinger, Eva, Dorothy Fitzgerald, Roberta Fitzgerald, Dorothy Franklin, Helen Freeman, Joseph Gilbert, Joseph Gilstrop, Remie Green, Clanthie Gordon, Rhonda Hardnett, Carole Hawkins Harris, Naja Harrison, Barbara J. Hawkins, Celestine Henry, Lois Henry, Philip H. Jackson, Phoenix Jackson, Luna Jackson, Fulton Jennings, Derrick Johnson, Edward Johnson, Leta Johnson, Joan Jones, Leola King, Hazel Lee, Burrell Martin Massey Sr., Anthony McMillian, Hiram Milburn, Jeffrey Myers, Gayle Norman, Christina Marie Nyame, Joe Nyame, Lori Odum, Anthony Pelle Jr., John Price, Paris Price, Yvonne Randall, Anthony Robinson, Jeannette Robinson, Mary Ross, William Smith, Brenda Taylor, Gary Taylor, Celeste Townes, Irene Tsokas, Camile Veasey, Lillian White, Lola White, Juanita Williams, Emily Wilson, and also those in nursing homes & hospitals.

List Information: Please call the parish office 215-747-3250 if you would like to add or remove someone's name from the prayer list. If you are aware of someone who is no longer sick, please let us know so that we can ensure there is room for others in need of prayer. Also reducing the list allows for those who need prayer to be more apparent. Thank you.

AIR FORCE: K. Williams, L. Jay, D. McCall, K. Burford, J. Harden, K. Norman II, M. Brown. **ARMY:** M. Davis, D. English, C. Johnson, W. Redheffer, L. Thompson, J. Johnson, S. Daley II, R. Lee, R. Nyame, Christina Perkins
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Anointing of the sick/ Homebound Parishioners

If you know a homebound parishioner who would like to receive Holy Communion and a visit, please contact the rectory to set up an appointment. If you know or are caring for a sick parishioner, please contact the rectory to set up a visit for anointing and Communion for the sick and dying.

Prayer for Peace in the streets

O God, our maker of all creation, we pray for peace and an end to gun violence. We pray for respect for human life in all its stages. We pray for a commitment to human rights and the protection of all lives. We pray for peace and for justice in our homes, city, and streets. Wrap all and each of your children in your love. We pray for an end to violence, especially gun violence and senseless deaths. Grant us this peace God. Grant us a peaceful world. Amen

Recitation of the Rosary

The rosary is prayed every Sunday at 9:30 AM in the Church. Join us as we pray the rosary for your intention and the intentions of others.

Theology on Tap

All Young Adults are invited to participate in discussions around theology and church related topics. It will be held at St. Francis de Sales Parish Hall at 7PM, April 19th. Speakers are: Dan Cellucci, Catholic Leadership Institute and Brian McCarthy, Chief Strategy Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Topic: "Catholic Life in the new Apostolic Age."

Questions to ponder: Disciples In Mission

- + How do I walk into God's hospitality and share that with others?
- + In what ways do I think of my parish as being built on Christ the cornerstone?
- + Do I anticipate being in the Father's house each day?

Health & Wellness

Keep on the move: Did you know too much sitting zaps your energy, makes your joints stiff and can negatively affect your health. Reduce your sitting time and boost your body by taking breaks to walk around at work. Park farther from the office and stores to get your daily steps in.

Mass Intentions

Please contact the rectory to make Mass intentions. Reminder: Each name for Mass intentions is \$10. You can pay in person at the rectory Mon- Thurs. during business hours, or write on an envelope "Mass Intention" and put it in the basket on Sunday.

Yappen Youth – Reflection by Angel Okeke

So many times I see youth, like me trying to fit in. As we grow and get into the real world, our natural instinct is to want to fit in and get into trends. Little do most of us know we are all just being followers. Who will be the leaders of the future if we stick to the same habits. Don't be afraid to be young and different.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Catholic Philly.com

All Archdiocesan news, events, and activities are now located online. Check out phillycatholic.com to see what is going on around the Archdiocese.

Important Notice

Everyone is kindly encouraged to use your restoration envelope. Our Church expenses have increased enormously, especially with the oil bill. Your help and stewardship is greatly needed. Please use your Restoration envelope.

Catholic Charities Appeal

The Archdiocese Catholic Charities Appeal continues. It is good for our parish to reach its goal \$7,878.00. Please support this appeal. Our parish is a recipient of this Appeal. To date we have collected \$1269.00

Calling all Young Adults

If you are between the ages of 21-44, you are invited to participate in the Young Adult Group. This group includes members of St. Cyprian, St. Ignatius, and St. Barbara's Parishes to start. Spiritual & Social Activities are part of this group gathering- contact the rectory for more information.

May Procession

On the first Sunday of May, there will be a May Procession to the Mary Statue outside after Mass. Everyone is asked to wear something blue, in honor of the Blessed Mother Mary.

Young Adult Corner

- Theology on Tap: St. Francis de Sales, 4/19 @7PM

- Scripture Sharing & Social: St. Francis Xavier Oratory, 4/16, 4/27, 4/30

Parish Cruise to the Bahamas 10/13-20/24

Royal Caribbean Symphony of the Sea leaving from Newark, NJ going to the Bahamas. Enjoy 7 days of fun in the sun, leave your worries behind. Pricing starts at \$800 per person for an Interior room. Prices are subject to change based on availability. If you're ready to travel with BC Travels contact Babette @ 267-879-7492

The Price is Right

COME ON DOWN! For an afternoon of fun, fellowship and prizes. Sponsored by the Women of St. Cyprian. Saturday, June 22, 1PM. Tickets are \$25 in advance and can be purchased from any member of the Women of St. Cyprian.

St. Ignatius Spring Fling

Indoor Flea Market Sunday, April 28th & Sunday May 5th from 11 AM-3PM 636 N. 43rd St. Vendors wanted \$25, 215-386-5065

Thursday Evening Bible Study

Zoom information for Thursday evening Bible Study is: Meeting ID: 893 324 9879 Passcode: 9JA4Vq

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Today we are called to pray for vocations to the priesthood. DEACONATE, AND RELIGIOUS LIFE. The Church needs men and women to dedicate themselves as a priest, deacon, religious sister, and brother. Pray that more men and women will hear God calling them to be a priest, deacon, or religious brother or sister.

Women's Day Brunch

Our 2nd Annual Women's Day Brunch, the theme is Building Ourselves With "I CAN" Owing Our Queendom. Saturday, May 4, from 11AM-3PM. Tickets are \$45, sales begin on March 31st after the mass. Small business vendors wanted: limited space. Contact the rectory for more information.

Adeodatus Urban Ministry

Group is committed to the urban spiritual needs of the imprisoned, victims of crime, and those addicted and/or depressed. These people are welcome to pray and experience the spirit of Christian love through direct communication. Join the Thursday Night prayer meetings at 7PM Cascia Center, Broad & Ellsworth St.

Wellness Walk

Want an easy way to start/stay healthy? Join other members of the parish on afternoon walks. It doesn't matter your level of walking, all are welcome! Please contact the rectory or speak to Mr. John Odum for more information.

FYI: April Bills

PGW: \$2,780.24

Water: \$725.36

Office Supplies: \$1,001.38

Maintenance: \$350

Transportation: \$722.20

Church/Altar Supplies: \$436.95

Rectory: \$316.58



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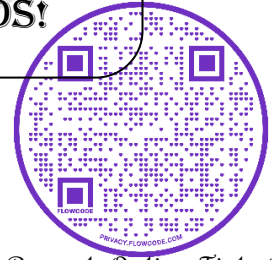
Bible Trivia

Who is the book of Acts addressing?

1. People
2. Churches
3. Apostles
4. Jerusalem

Last week's answer: Judea

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MORE THAN ELASTIC
WAISTBANDS!**



Women's Day Brunch Online Tickets

Question of the Week

"In what specific way can I lay down my life this week for someone who needs what I can give them?"

ST. CYPRIAN MISSION STATEMENT

We the parishioners of St. Cyprian Church are a family of Christians, created in the image and likeness of our loving God. We gather nurtured by the Word and nourished through the Eucharist.

Send forth Christ, we strive to share Him with each other in our daily lives, and to spread His message to all.

We respond to Christ's command to witness Gospel values to ALL PEOPLE through:

1. Adult Education and Parish Programs
2. Parish School
3. Youth Programs
4. Assistance to the Needy

With Christ as our cornerstone, we attempt to minister to the body, mind, and spirit of our fellow human beings, serving as a beacon of hope to our community.

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