

# 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. Richard Anjantha Tah

### **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](http://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 26, 2026**

#### **Monday**

Drill Team 6:00 PM

Wellness Walk 10:00 AM & 2:00 PM

#### **Tuesday**

Rosary Makers 9:00 AM

Legion of Mary 10:00 AM

Peanut Butter & Jelly Makers 12:00 PM

Wellness Walk 10:00 AM & 2:00 PM

Drill Team 6:00 PM

#### **Wednesday**

N.A. Group 6:00 PM

Choir Rehearsal 6:00 PM

Wellness Walk 10:00 AM & 2:00 PM

#### **Thursday**

Bible Study 10:00 AM

Line Dance Class 6:00PM

#### **Saturday**

Women of St. Cyprian 10 AM every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat.

Men of St. Cyprian 10 AM every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday

CYO 10:00 AM (every 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month)

May Jesus Christ, our Shepard who protects, leads, and guides us to the Father, be with you!

We continue our wonderful celebration of Easter. Continue to reflect on what Jesus did for all believers and the grace and blessings we receive during this season of grace.

Congratulations to our First Communion children, Grayson Brickson, Karter Hourston, Tori Jackson, Eliele Jondoh, Grace Madeh & Christ Tsayo who received Jesus Christ in Holy Communion today. May they always receive Jesus in Holy Communion with joy and enthusiasm.

The month of May will bring several parish liturgical events. Starting with our month-long celebration of the Blessed Mother Mary. We will have a May procession, celebrate and bless married couples, and celebrate Mother's Day. The Archdiocese of Philadelphia will celebrate the Ordination of eight Priests. This month will be filled with excitement.

As always, I encourage you to participate in all parish events and activities. These events are important to our parish and fellowship with one another.

Don't forget to keep our parish in your prayers. Remember our homebound and sick parishioners; and parishioners who have yet returned to Church.

Our readings for Today's Mass reminds us of Jesus, the Good Shepard. He leads and guides us; we listen to his voice, and he protects us from evil. May we allow Jesus the Good Shepard to always lead us in truth, hope, and to the eternal kingdom.

*Peace and Blessings,  
Msgr. Dr. Britto*

WEEKLY SCRIPTURES

<p><b>Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup></b>  <b>Fourth Sunday of Easter</b>                      (I) Acts of the Apostles 2:14a, 3-41                      (PS) 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6                      (II) 1 Peter 2:20b-25                      (G) John 10:1-10</p>	<p><b>Monday, April 27<sup>th</sup></b>  <b>Easter Weekday</b>                      (I) Acts of the Apostles 11:1-18                      (PS) 42:2-3, 43:3, 4                      (G) John 10:11-18</p>	<p><b>Tuesday, April 28<sup>th</sup></b>  <b>Easter Weekday</b>                      (I) Acts of the Apostles 11:19-26                      (PS) 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7                      (G) John 10:22-30</p>	<p><b>Wednesday, April 29<sup>th</sup></b>  <b>St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin &amp; Doctor of the Church (Memorial)</b>                      (I) Acts of the Apostles 12:24-13:5a                      (PS) 67:2-3, 5, 6 &amp; 8                      (G) John 12:44-50</p>
<p><b>Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup></b>  <b>Easter Weekday</b>                      (I) Acts of the Apostles 13:13-25                      (PS) 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 &amp; 27                      (G) John 13:16-20</p>	<p><b>Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup></b>  <b>Easter Weekday</b>                      (I) Acts of the Apostles 13:26-33                      (PS) 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab                      (G) John 14:1-6</p>	<p><b>Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup></b>  <b>St. Athanasius, Bishop &amp; Doctor (Memorial)</b>                      (I) 1 Peter 5:5b-14                      (PS) 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17                      (G) Mark 16:15-20</p>	<p><b>Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup></b>  <b>Fifth Sunday of Easter</b>                      (I) Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7                      (PS) 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19                      (II) 1 Peter 2:4-9                      (G) John 14:1-12</p>

## Mass Intentions

### Sunday

8:00 AM

Janise Victoria Livingston & Richard  
Randolf Lyde II

11:00 AM

George Ekwerike

### Monday

8:00 AM

Frank & Beatrice Flood

### Tuesday

8:00 AM

### Wednesday

8:00 AM

Living & Deceased members of the  
Monk Family

### Thursday

8:00 AM

### Friday

8:00 AM

## Mass Intentions

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

12 PM

**DID YOU PRAY TODAY!!!**

*For our world... Our  
Church... Our community...*

## Collections

April 19, 2025: \$4,700.00

April PayPal: \$670.89

Total: \$5,370.89

Easter Collection: \$10,523.00

Good Friday: \$1,524.00

Catholic Charities Appeal: \$940.00

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. Security cameras around  
the property
2. Pointing of Church façade

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

## Thought for the Month

“Start where you are. Use what  
you have. Do what you can.”

Arthur Ashe

## Upcoming Events

- **Helping Hands for the  
Hungry 5/30**
- **Mystery Dinner Theatre  
4/11**
- **Women’s Day Brunch 5/2**
- **Sight & Sound “Joshua”  
Sold Out**
- **Bingo 6/6**



## PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Servers

Bereavement Committee

Bible Study

CYO

Eucharistic Ministers

Food Pantry Volunteers

Helping Hands for the Hungry

Health & Wellness

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’s Day Brunch Committee

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 the rectory.

### 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

Consider starting your day by attending Daily Mass. Monday to Friday at 8:00 AM in our Parish Chapel. It is a great opportunity for prayer and asking God to bless your day.

### Parish Ministries

New members are welcome to share your gifts and talents. Become a member of one of the parish ministries. The names of the Parish Ministries are posted in our bulletin.

### Important Notice

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

### Catholic Charities Appeal 2026

The Archdiocese Catholic Charities Appeal continues. Our parish goal is \$7,878.00. Our parish is a recipient of this Appeal.

### 2025 Contribution Statement

If you would like your 2024 statement of contribution for Income Tax purposes, please call the rectory.

### Church Tithes

Your stewardship of treasure to the Church is very important. You can use PayPal for your tithes via the website donation button or QR code in the bulletin. Use [saintcyprianparish8@gmail.com](mailto: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 call the rectory at 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.

### Altar Servers

Would you like to serve at the altar for Sunday Mass? Altar Servers are needed, especially for the 8AM Sunday Mass. Adults are encouraged to be an Altar Server. Call the rectory if you are interested.

### Parish Ministries Events

When your ministry has an event or meeting, please take pictures and send them to [stcyprianparish8@gmail.com](mailto:stcyprianparish8@gmail.com) to be put on the parish website.

### Catholic Philly.com

All Archdiocesan news, events, and activities are now located online. Check out [phillycatholic.com](http://phillycatholic.com) to see what is going on around the Archdiocese.

### St. Cyprian Food Pantry

The Food Pantry accepts all non-perishable foods. Your donations are greatly appreciated. Please be conscience of the expiration dates on the items donated.

## 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, Pearl Cunningham, Loretta Davis, Dawson Family, Debra Dickerson, Priscila Effinger, Dorothy Fitzgerald, Roberta Fitzgerald, Helen Freeman, Joseph Gilbert, Joseph Gilstrop, Remie Green, Clanthie Gordon, Rhonda Hardnett, Naja Harrison, Barbara J. Hawkins, Celestine Henry, Lois Henry, Mary Horton, Philip H. Jackson, Phoenix Jackson, Luna Jackson, Ernestine Jenkins, Fulton Jennings, Derrick Johnson, Edward Johnson, Leta Johnson, Joan Jones, Leola King, Stephanie Marshall, Maurice Massenberg, Burrell Martin Massey Sr., Sandy McAfee-Bennett, Anthony McMillian, Hiram Milburn, Pierre Muller, Marie Muller, Jeffrey Myers, Gayle Norman, Christina Marie Nyame, Joe Nyame, Anthony Pelle Jr., John Price, Paris Price, Yvonne Randall, Anthony Robinson, Jeannette Robinson, Mary Ross, Tonya Sewell, 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

**NAVY:** J. Thomas, J. Brown, J. Lightfoot. **ARMY NAT. GUARD:** H. David, Alexander Patrick, Seth Reyes **MARINES:** M. Kent, E. Mills, Christopher Johnston, Daryl Davies, Samuel Cordero, **ARMY RESERVES:** C. Knox, P. Batts **COAST GUARD:**

### 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

### Blessing of Marriages

On May 24<sup>th</sup>, at all Masses, married couples are invited to have your Marriage blessed.

### Parish Van

The Parish van will begin to pick up parishioners for Mass. Call the rectory if you or anyone you know needs a ride to Church.

### Easter Season Prayer

Lord, thank you for This Easter celebration and all the gifts You give us. May the glory of Jesus' resurrection remind us that without you, nothing is impossible or without hope. As we move through this season, help us to be messengers of Easter joy, reflecting Your light and love in all we do. Through the resurrection, fill us with renewed strength, unwavering faith, and everlasting joy. Amen.

### World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Remember in your prayers vocations to the priesthood and religious life. There is a greater need for priests, religious sisters, deacons, and religious brothers. "The harvest is plenty. But the laborers are few." On this World Day of Prayer for Vocations (April 26<sup>th</sup>), pray that men and women will consider this wonderful path.

### 2026 National Eucharistic Pilgrimage

Celebrating the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of the United States, concludes in Philadelphia on July 2<sup>nd</sup> to the 5<sup>th</sup>. The National Eucharistic Pilgrimage will conclude on July 5<sup>th</sup> with Mass at the Cathedral and a Eucharistic Procession from the Cathedral to the Shrine of St. John Neumann. All are welcome to participate.

**Recitation of the Rosary**

The rosary is prayed every Sunday at 7:30 & 10:30 am. Join us as we pray the rosary for your intention and the intentions of others.

**Spiritual Devotions**

1. Pray the rosary daily
2. Take 5 minutes of silence before starting your day.
3. Spend 10 minutes meditating on the “Our Father” prayer
4. Attend Mass during the week in addition to Sunday Mass
5. Attend Bible Study
6. Spread kindness to someone who would never expect it.

**Health & Wellness Tips**

- Set realistic goals
- Walk 3x a week
- Get proper sleep: 8 hours.
- Take deep breaths over the course of the day.
- Practice self care regularly
- Smile every now and then.

**Easter Raffle Winners**

**Please pick up your baskets from the rectory.**

**Trip**

The Museum of the Bible, Washington DC, June 13<sup>th</sup> Cost \$65 per person Contact St. Ignatius rectory to reserve your space, 215-386-5065

**Clothing Room Assistant Needed**

Assistance needed on Monday mornings 9:30-11 AM. If interested please call 267-808-2468

**April Awareness Month**

Autism Awareness, Medicaid Awareness, National Cancer Awareness & Early Detection, National Child Abuse, National Minority Health, Parkinson Awareness, Stress Awareness.

**Change your Batteries**

Don't forget to change the batteries and update your smoke detector. Your life is important.

**Women's Day Brunch**

Women's Day Brunch Committee's Annual Women's Day Brunch 5/2/26 11AM-3PM. This year's theme *Wellnes, Wisdom & Worth*. Tickets go on sale now \$45.

**Flocknotes**

This media outlet is a quick way to get parish announcements to all parishioners. Take advantage of this. If you wish to sign up for flocknotes, send an email to Tonya Banks at [ttbanks26@yahoo.com](mailto:ttbanks26@yahoo.com)

**During the month of May**

Everyone is invited to wear something **blue**, in honor of the Blessed Mother Mary. You're also invited to place flowers on Mary's altar in Church in remembrance of a loved one, or in front of the Mary statue in front of the Church.

**May Procession**

Will take place May 3<sup>rd</sup>, the first Sunday of May from Church to the Mary Statue outside.

**Special Happy Birthday**

*To Herman Wiliby, a parishioner who turned 108 years old. May God continue to bless him with good health.*

**Go Make Disciples**

Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, June 6<sup>th</sup>, & June 13<sup>th</sup>. Classes held at the Temple Newman Center 2129 N Broad St. Registration is \$25. Register at [PHILLYEVANG.ORG/EVENTS](http://PHILLYEVANG.ORG/EVENTS)

**Catholic Charismatic Conference**

Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$50 per person, lunch is included. Ages 12-18 \$25, under 12 is free. Mass with the Most Reverend Efen V. Esmilla at Epiphany of Our Lord Church, 3050 Walton Rd, Plymouth Meeting, PA. Register at <https://archphilaccr.org>

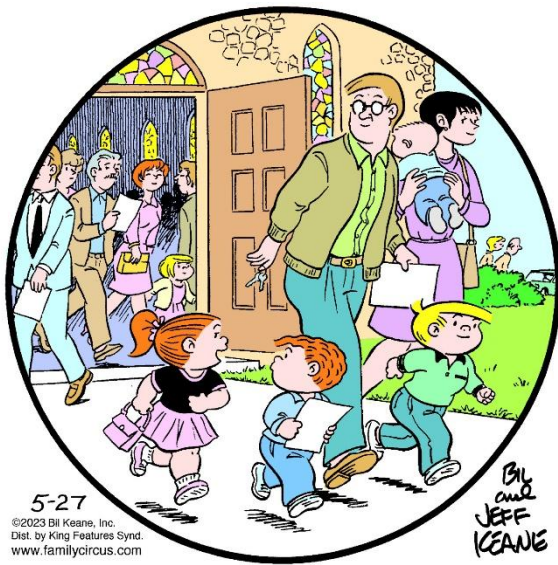
**Lectors for Mass**

Readers are needed to proclaim the scriptures for Sunday Mass, especially the 11:00 Mass. Please contact the rectory, Tonya Banks or Msgr. Britto if interested. Don't be shy to join this joyful ministry.

**Take care of your heart**

Ways to take care of your heart:

- Eat more fruit, vegetable, whole grain
- Limit salt, sugar, processed foods and alcohol
- Move more- aim for 150 minutes a week of moderate level activity
- Manage weight, stress, blood pressure, cholesterol, and diabetes
- Have regular checkups and follow medical advice.



5-27  
©2023 Bill Keane, Inc.  
Dist. by King Features Synd.  
www.familycircus.com

**“I like singin’ in church.  
Everybody sings whether they  
know the words or not.”**



Scan. Pay. Go.

**EASTER IS A TIME  
WHEN GOD  
TURNED THE  
INEVITABILITY OF  
DEATH INTO THE  
INVINCIBILITY OF  
LIFE**

### Bible Trivia

The archangel Michael and the devil disputed over the body of...?

1. Jesus
2. Elisha
3. Moses
4. Aaron

Last week’s answer: Bethel

### Question of the Week

“How can I live my life more abundantly?  
What specific things can I do this week to increase the love and mercy in my life?”

## 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.

Through the intercession of our Patron St. Cyprian, we come together in *Unity-Faith-Hope*



*Words by Simone*

Engineer by Profession  
Technical Writer by Choice  
[www.WordsbySimone.com](http://www.WordsbySimone.com)  
[Simone@wordsbySimone.com](mailto:Simone@wordsbySimone.com)

### Forrest Walker Funeral Home

(Forrest Funeral Services)

228 s. 53<sup>rd</sup> Street

☎ 215-688-2809

✉ [mforrest.fd33@yahoo.com](mailto:mforrest.fd33@yahoo.com)

### St. Cyprian Community Hall

Available for your next  
event

Ask about our discount  
Friday's!

Call the Rectory 215-747-3250 for  
more information.

### HAIR BEAUTIFUL

By

Marcia Lupton

Specializing in Senior Citizens &  
Homebound Clients  
Appointments taken on time.

215-380-5645

Put your  
ad here

### WATTS Electrical Service

Specializing in renewing older homes. Fuse box  
conversions, circuit breakers, A/C & appliance  
lines 120-220 lines. Licensed in Phila. #15709,  
Surrounding Counties & State of Delaware

Phone Estimates available.

☎ 610-662-3833

In Memoriam

of

Marian George

nee Carrette

### Price Funeral Home, Inc. Family Owned and Operated

613 N. 43<sup>rd</sup> St., Phila, PA 19140

T: 215-222-6538, 215-386-9987 Fax-215-222-2031

John M. Price, Sr. Founder

John M. Price, Jr., Funeral Director

Ample on Premises Parking, Air-Conditioned Parlors

Put your ad here.  
Contact the rectory for  
more information.

215-747-3250

### Sabin & Associates, Inc.

T: 610-853-1550 – F: 610-  
853-1569

8729 West Chester Pike,  
Upper Darby, PA 19082

Plumbing, heating,  
Ventilation. Air  
Conditioning Maintenance

### Philadelphia Realty Exchange

Vladimir Valentin  
Realtor

Buying, Selling, Renting, All  
your Real Estate Needs

T: 215-545-6111 ext 17

Cell: 215-444-3976

Email: [VLAD@PRE215.com](mailto:VLAD@PRE215.com)

1608 Spruce St. Philadelphia,  
PA 19103

### Robert Bruce Hill, Jr. Funeral Home, INC

At RBH you can trust us to guide you through the  
process of honoring your loved one.

1001 North 63<sup>rd</sup> St. Phila, PA 19151

[BRUCEHILLFUNERALS.com](http://BRUCEHILLFUNERALS.com) / 267-713-7984

Funeral Services offered: Traditional, non-traditional,  
cremations, graveside & green burials, memorials,  
wakes & committals.

The Commitment is Service Excellence