

## Parish Life – Weekly Bulletin March 2025

**Newcomers Reception** – Are you new to St. Philip's Community? Well, it's time to give you a PROPER WELCOME!

Join us on Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM in the Parish Hall for snacks, beverages, and information about St. Philip's!

Fr. Eric, Ministry Board Chairs, and Vestry Leadership will provide short introductions to their ministries. Lots of time for sharing, asking questions and getting to know other folks who are new to our wonderful parish.

RSVP to Kim Bernard – text 714-261-5875 Or email: [kimberlysusanbernard@gmail.com](mailto:kimberlysusanbernard@gmail.com)

**EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN SEEKS RUMMAGE SALE ITEMS** - Episcopal Church Women (ECW) of St. Philip's Episcopal Church are having their 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Rummage Sale set for Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, from 8 a.m. to noon in the Church Fellowship Hall, and are seeking donations.

Donations for the sale can include toys, children's books only, jewelry, tools, kitchenware, linens (mark any linen with their dimensions), holiday decorations, glassware and utensils, pots and pans, serving pieces, sporting goods, un-upholstered furniture (stools, cabinets, bridge table and chairs etc.) and much more. Donations can be made Monday and Tuesday March 10 and 11<sup>th</sup> at the Fellowship Hall from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on both days.

This year, we are not accepting furniture, flat screen/smart TVs and electrical appliances. We cannot accept any live plants, artificial flowers/greenery, Christmas trees, clothing, mattresses, CDs/DVDs, tapes/records, other TVs or books (except children's books).

Pick up of larger items will take place on Tuesday March 11<sup>th</sup> and can be arranged by contacting Bill Happer (704-305-3361 or [fishinginsouthport2022@gmail.com](mailto:fishinginsouthport2022@gmail.com)) for pickup of items. St. Philip's is located on the corner of Moore Street and Dry Street in Southport (across the street from Southport Community Center).

All Rummage Sale proceeds will go to benefit St. Philip's Outreach Ministries. Any questions, please contact Pat Bittenbender (910-253-9846 or [patbitt@atmc.net](mailto:patbitt@atmc.net)), Chair of the Rummage Sale.

**MANY VOLUNTEERS (BOTH MEN AND WOMEN) NEEDED TO MAKE THE RUMMAGE SALE ON SATURDAY MARCH 15TH A SUCCESS**

So many volunteers (both Women & Men) are needed to make the Rummage Sale a huge success on Saturday March 15<sup>th</sup>. Items are to be brought in on Monday and Tuesday, the 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> by not only our Parishioners but local folks. Ladies are needed for the week to help with placement and pricing. If you can help during the week, the doors to the Parish Hall will be open at 8:00 a.m.

On the day of the event, ladies are needed to man the tables, stock replacements, and dole out boxes. 3 folks are needed to man the 3 jewelry tables. Check Out need's volunteers too.

PLEASE Let Pat B. know when you plan on coming to help.

Men are needed to help pick up larger items and deliver them to the church. Also, Men are needed to help bring larger items to the customer's cars and also for Security. Please contact Bill Happer with Men on a Mission [MOAM] [fishinginsouthport2022@gmail.com](mailto:fishinginsouthport2022@gmail.com))

All left over items will go to Restore and Sheltered Treasures

### **No Churchwide Breakfast this Month – Join US for Shrove Tuesday**



**Official St. Philip's Merchandise** – How can you be an Ambassador for St. Philip's, inviting new neighbors and friends to join us? We must build awareness and what better way than to wear the "official" St. Philip's apparel. Hoodies, Hats, Polos, & T-shirts. We will have the "store" opened at every 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Breakfast. But if you just can't wait...call or text Kim Bernard @ 714-261-5875 and she will happily meet all your fashion needs.

**Coffee Hour** - Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex for all Sundays through March 2025. Please keep our caffeine & camaraderie strong. We would like to continue 8:00 coffee hour, therefore we need hosts. Judy Radcliffe will gladly lead you through the procedure. Add your name to the sign-up. Questions contact Maryann Darzano @ [darzanoma@gmail.com](mailto:darzanoma@gmail.com) or 910-471-0293.

**ECW LUNCH BUNCH** will be held on March 20, 2025 Thursday ,11:30am, at Koko Cabana , 705 Ocean Dr., Oak Island, NC. Koko is a beach front restaurant offering tranquil ocean views and fabulous food! Join us in fellowship by making your reservation today. Contact Mary Ann Bonifant at [bonifantma@gmail.com](mailto:bonifantma@gmail.com). Please wear your name tag ( temporary tags are available). ECW lunches are open to ALL women so please invite a friend. Need a ride? Let us know. We look forward to seeing you.

**Email Address Issues** – Did you know that the Parish Office sends out a weekly email to ALL parishioners? Are you getting it? We have learned that the communication system that the church uses, Constant Contact, cannot pick up some of the older email services such as Hotmail, ATMC, or even some Yahoo accounts. It is suggested that, if possible, you update your email address to Gmail to ensure you can keep in touch with all things St. Philips. If you need assistance, please contact Kim Bernard – [Kimberlysusanbernard@gmail.com](mailto:Kimberlysusanbernard@gmail.com).

### **Stay Connected with St. Philip's on Facebook!**

Did you know St. Philip's Episcopal Church is becoming more active on Facebook? Follow us to stay updated on upcoming events, news, and ways to get involved in our vibrant parish life.

### **To follow our page:**

1. Visit our website: [www.stphilipchurch.org](http://www.stphilipchurch.org)
2. Scroll to the bottom and click the f "Facebook" icon.
3. Once on our page, click LIKE to follow us and stay informed!

We look forward to connecting with you online as we continue to grow together in faith and fellowship.

*"For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I with them."*  
— Matthew 18:20

**We'd love to hear how faith or St. Philip's has impacted your life.**

Your story can inspire and connect our community! Share moments of inspiration, challenges overcome, or spiritual growth.



- Share moments of inspiration, challenges overcome, or spiritual growth.
- Reflect on how the welcoming spirit of St. Philip's shaped your journey.
- Submit your story (signed or anonymous):
- ✉ [SaintPhilipsStories@gmail.com](mailto:SaintPhilipsStories@gmail.com)
- 🏠 Drop it off at the church.



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**St. Philip's is making a big difference in the lives of the food insecure. We ask that you please continue to be generous as we enter the winter season. Remember, the weather is getting colder, and hunger just seems more acute.** When you're in the grocery store just pick up a couple of extra items and donate the food pantry. Keep up God's work. Thanks for all that you do to support this essential mission. Please contact David S. at [drccs83@gmail.com](mailto:drccs83@gmail.com) with any questions concerning what food items are needed.

**Winter Needs:**

Cold Cereal (Adult/Children)

Hot Cereal

Fruit (Cans)

Vegetables (Cans, No Green Beans /Corn)

Canned Meats/Proteins  
Spaghetti/Spaghetti Sauce  
Snacks  
Soups (Chicken Noodle, Tomato, Vegetable, ...)  
Rice/Dry Beans  
Cookie Mix  
Bisquick  
Cooking Essentials (Oil, Spices)  
Instant Potatoes

If you are interested in supporting this mission by doing more than providing contributions, volunteers to deliver goods to the Food Bank on a weekly basis are needed. Currently volunteers are delivering each Monday for a period of a month.