

A Timeline of St Philip's



- February - March 1978 - Father Boniface Black ordained Deacon and Priest.
- Summer 1978 - Services begin in facilities of St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church on Route 73.
Choir begins.
Steering Committee guides our mission.
- October 1979 - January 1980 - Services at Crossroads Motor Inn Conference Room.
- February 1980 - Began use of Historic Meeting House on Rt. 152, Horsham Township.
Fall 1980 - Sunday School begins.
- Fall 1983 - Stewardship Program (pledging) begins.
- February 1984 - Constitution approved by His Eminence, Metropolitan PHILIP.
First Parish Council elected.
- Great Lent 1984 - First Pastoral Visit by His Grace, Bp. ANTOUN.
Beginning of the Building Fund.
- Summer 1984 - First Vacation Church School held.
- Fall 1984 - Women's Auxiliary formally organized.
- January 1985 - Fr. Boniface becomes full-time Parish Priest.
- Great Lent 1985 - First Lenten Retreat.
- Fall 1986 - Land purchased on Clearview Road in Hilltown Township.
- November 14, 1988 - Feast of St Philip; 10th Anniversary celebrated.
- Fall 1989 - Tithing and Percentage Giving Emphasis added to Stewardship Program.
- September 30, 1990 - Groundbreaking for Phase I of the New Church Facilities.
- Spring 1991 - Construction begins.
- December 1991 - New Church Building completed.
- 1992 and 1993 - Building Committee plans addition.
- Spring 1993 - Bell Tower and Historic Church Bell donated and installed.
- Summer 1993 - Iconostasis installed.
Iconography project begins.

- September 26, 1993 - Consecration of Church by His Eminence, Metropolitan PHILIP.
Groundbreaking for Sunday School and Education Center.
15th Anniversary observed.
Fr. Boniface elevated to Archpriest.
- Fall 1996 - Sunday School and Education Center completed.
- Summer 1997 - Mission Work begins in Chester County.
- September 1998 - 20th Anniversary celebrated.
Dn. Herman Acker ordained Deacon.
- Fall 2000 - Joseph Butts ordained Deacon.
- Fall 2001 - Fr. Joseph Butts ordained to the Priesthood, becomes Assistant Pastor.
- Spring 2002 - St. Philip's cemetery inaugurated.
- Summer 2003 - Hosted Parish Life Conference.
25th Anniversary.
- Spring 2003 - Fr. Joseph Butts becomes Pastor at Holy Ascension, Chester County.
- Spring 2004 - Fr. John Oliver becomes Assistant Pastor.
- Summer 2006 - Fr. John Oliver departs to become Pastor at St. Elizabeth Mission in Tennessee.
- Fall 2006 - Fr. Noah Bushelli becomes Assistant Pastor.
- March 2009 - Fr. Noah becomes Pastor of St. Philip's and Fr. Boniface retires and goes to become Pastor of St. Andrew Mission in Lewes, DE.
- August 2011 - Nave Iconography completed.
- August 2012 - Fr. James Thayer retires to this area and is attached to St. Philip's.
- September 2012 - First International Food Festival.
- Summer 2013 - 30th Annual Vacation Church School.
- August 2016 - Fr. Boniface Black reposed in the Lord.
- October 2016 - Fr. Herman Acker ordained Priest.

