



***Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 16, 2014***

**“Lord, grant that I may know Thee,
and that I may know myself.”**

St. Augustine



February 15, Saturday, Weekday

12:05 Jacqueline Fioravanti
5:15 Richard Edward Burghardt

February 16, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 For the People
9:30 Helen H. Ireland
11:00 Donald J. Scully
12:30 Stefan Manea
6:30 For the People

February 17, Monday, Weekday

7:15 The Sherry family
12:05 Marjorie Traister
12:35 Mary Ann Paolone

February 18, Tuesday, Weekday

7:15 Dora D. Miglionico
12:05 Damian Shembel
12:35 Eileen Mahoney

February 19, Wednesday, Weekday

7:15 Special Intention
12:05 Juan Chico
12:35 Robert Naugle

February 20, Thursday, Weekday

7:15 Delmore C. Guilmette
12:05 Russell H. Crawford
12:35 Joseph Russo

February 21, Friday, St. Peter Damian

7:15 The Sherry family
12:05 Rose Stewart
12:35 Esther Opperman

***February 22, Saturday, The Chair of Saint Peter the
Apostle***

12:05 Doris Hink
5:15 Vita Maria Viggiani

February 23, Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 For the People
9:30 Regina H. Greer
11:00 Irene Thompson
12:30 Professor Sara Lydon & family (L)
6:30 For the People



**Cathedral Priests' Weekend
Mass Schedule**

Saturday Vigil, February 22

5:15 pm Fr. Kennedy

Sunday, February 23

8:00 am Msgr. Rodgers

9:30 am Fr. Burke

11:00 am Fr. Gill

(Spanish Mass) 12:30 pm Fr. Hernandez

6:30 pm Archbishop Chaput

**Fast and Abstinence and
Other Acts of Penance for Lent - 2014**

The bishops of the United States prescribe, as minimal obligation, that all persons who are fourteen years of age and older are bound to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday, **March 5, 2014**, on all the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday. Further, all persons eighteen years of age and older, up to and including their fifty-ninth birthday, are bound to fast by limiting themselves to a single full meal on Ash Wednesday and on Good Friday, while the other two meals on those days are to be light.

All the faithful are encouraged, when possible, to participate at Mass and to receive the Holy Eucharist daily, to celebrate frequently the Sacrament of Penance, to undertake spiritual reading, especially the study of the Sacred Scriptures, and to participate in parish Lenten devotions as well as Lenten education programs. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is especially recommended.

All are encouraged to participate in Operation Rice Bowl which has aided countless hungry persons here in the Archdiocese as well as throughout our nation and our world.

WORDS FROM POPE FRANCIS.....

Reflecting on the words of any Pope helps us to grow in our faith—after all, he is our shepherd, the one who calls us on as one body in Christ. We will offer short excerpts taken from Pope Francis' addresses and homilies since his election which will reflect the themes that we can expect to hear again and again during his pontificate.....

Why the Cross?

Why the cross? Because Jesus takes upon himself the evil, the filth, the sin of the world, including the sin of all of us, and He cleanses it: He cleanses it with His blood, with the mercy and the love of God. Let us look around: how many wounds are inflicted upon humanity by evil! Wars, violence, economic conflicts that hit the weakest; greed for money that you can't take with you and have to leave. When we were small, our grandmother used to say, "A shroud has no pocket." Love of power, corruption, divisions, crimes against human life and against creation! And—as each one of us knows and is aware—our personal sins: our failures in love and respect toward God, toward our neighbor, and toward the whole of creation. Jesus on the cross feels the whole weight of the evil, and with the force of God's love He conquers it; He defeats it with His resurrection. This is the good that Jesus does for us on the throne of the cross. Christ's cross embraced with love never leads to sadness but to joy, to the joy of having been saved and of doing a little of what He did on the day of His death.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE BASILICA

- Feb. 19** Charismatic Prayer Group, Neumann Room, 6 pm
- Feb. 20** R.C.I.A., Rectory, 7 pm
- Feb. 24** Choir Rehearsal, Chapel Hall, 7:30 pm
- Feb. 26** Charismatic Prayer Group, Neumann Room, 6 pm
- March 1** Girls Choir Rehearsal, Chapel Hall, 10 am

Tithing Online

You can make weekly, monthly or quarterly contributions or other donations on-line, either from your personal checking account or a debit/credit card. Go to our new website: www.cathedralphila.org and click on "Make A Donation" and follow the instructions.

One option is to manually make weekly or monthly donations or you can have your credit/debit card or checking account automatically debited each week/month.

We hope this service will provide convenience and ease to our parishioners and visitors. Thank you for your truly generous support during this difficult financial time and for your continued interest in our Parish!

Prayers for the Sick

One of our parishioners will send a prayer card to any of our parishioners and friends who are in hospital or sick at home. If you would like them to receive a card, please call the Rectory office - 215-561-1313 - to register them.



Please remember these parishioners and friends of the Cathedral in your prayers:

Catherine Greco, Lolita Compitello, Ann Reilly, Mary Ellen Foyle, Dorothy Banar, Bernard Thompson, Larry Ross, Sandra Milia, Samada family, John DeMelas, Nick Capozio, Linda Brigandi, Dottie Bianci, Alexia Mervine, Sarah Murnghan, Pauline Cope, Ted Rice, Rita Borsaris, Bernie Brill, Molly Sujun, Linda Brigandi, Elizabeth Grinder, Joe Capozio, Linda Watson, Michael Roman, Diane Motley, Jason Toomey, John Bradford, Brother Thomas Chadwick, Nick Pella, Charlotte McLaughlin, Judge Joe Bruno, Mary Colgan, Ryan Laskey, Belinda Young, Melvin Smith, Jr., Joseph Bianco, Carola & Robert Fitts, Catelyn Rossi, Marguerite & Robert Grant, Barbara & William Zawacki, Thomas McKewen, Kevin Hubbard, Amy Hanselmann, Phil Cooper and those in nursing homes or hospitals and all the sick. Please call the rectory with the names of anyone sick to be included in our prayer list.

Catholic Charities Appeal

Taking care of those who need help the most is the most important things we can do as Catholics. The Catholic Charities Appeal helps the most needy in the Greater Philadelphia Area by providing them with an education, shelter, food, clothing and medical assistance, to name a few. This year, the Catholic Charities goal is \$10 million, a goal that so desperately needs to be reached. Our Parish goal is \$44,613. It is important that every parishioner and every parish do their part to help raise \$10 million dollars because we are all one family in Christ.

The 2014 Catholic Charities Appeal kicked off last weekend and you are asked to consider how you can Give Hope to the neediest in our area. The reality is that one-third of Philadelphia's population lives below the poverty line and rely on your generosity for a hot meal, a warm place to sleep, and a safe place to learn.
Thank you for your generosity.

The Faithful Traveler in the Holy Land EWTN Broadcast on Feb. 17-22

This mini-series debuts on the EWTN Network nightly from February 17 to 22 at 6:30 pm and again at 3:00 am Eastern time.

The Faithful Traveler team filmed the Archdiocese of Philadelphia's Pilgrimage to the Holy Land led by Cardinal Justin Rigali. The trip includes visits to **The Church of the Holy Sepulchre**, **The Church of St. Anne** (Mary's birthplace and home of Saints Anne and Joachim), **The Church of the Annunciation**, **The Church of the Nativity** and many more sites. In addition to Cardinal Rigali, there are a number of Philadelphians and Philadelphia priests in the show.

Basilica Tours



A guided tour of the Basilica is available **after the Sunday 11 am Mass**. Please meet in front of the side altar of the Sacred Heart, which is to the right of the Main Altar.



Readings of the Week

Monday: February 17

James 1:1-11/Psalm 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76
Mark 8:11-13

Tuesday: February 18

James 1:12-18/Psalm 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19
Mark 8:14-21

Wednesday: February 19

James 1:19-27/Psalm 15:2-4ab, 5
Mark 8:22-26

Thursday: February 20

James 2:1-9/Psalm 34:2-7
Mark 8:27-33

Friday: February 21

James 2:14-24, 26/Psalm 112:1-6
Mark 8:34—9:1

Saturday: February 22

1 Peter 5:1-4/Psalm 23:1-3a, 4-6
Mark 16:13-19

Sunday: February 23

Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18/Psalm 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13
1 Corinthians 3:16-23/Matthew 5:38-48

Generation Phaith

Archdiocesan Teen Rally

Sunday, March 2 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm
Archbishop Carroll High School

There will be great speakers, terrific music, interesting workshops, a holy hour with the opportunity to go to Confession, Mass, exhibits, lunch and more. The day will be formative, informative and fun. Cost for the day is \$20 per person. Call 215-587-3760 or visit:

<http://archphila.org/YYA/youth-ministry>



The Sunday Collection for the weekend of 2/09/13 was \$5,353. Mail-in: \$1030. Thank you for your generous support! We rely upon the sacrificial generosity of our parishioners and visitors.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

One of the earliest lessons we learn from our catechism is, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength; and you shall love your neighbor as yourself.” None of us ever fulfills this obligation perfectly, but each day we try our best to live this twofold commandment of love. We show our love for God by how we treat and take care of our neighbor. A very special group of our “neighbors” is the good priests who have faithfully served the Catholic community in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

So many of these good priests are now retired or ill and being cared for at Villa Saint Joseph and Saint Francis Country House (both in Darby, PA), at Regina Coeli (Warminster, PA), and at many of our other Catholic Health Care Facilities. The cost of health care today is enormous and we are all aware of the tremendous financial burden this is for our families. The financial situation of our family of faith, the local Church in this Archdiocese, has certainly been made known to all of us over these last years. I have made every effort to make you aware of the challenging circumstances we all face and the ways in which I have continued to address these challenges. Our retired priests themselves now contribute 40% of their retirement pay for their ongoing care. We all have to try our best to meet today’s burdens, and we are all trying to do our part. Once again, “our neighbors,” your priests, need your prayerful and financial support. They depend on your goodness.

Our Annual 2014 Collection for the Care of Aging and Infirm Priests of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia will be taken up next weekend, February 22/23. As you have responded so faithfully and generously in the past, please continue to express your love of God and neighbor during these challenging times by caring for those very special “neighbors”, your priests. Please remember these good priests in your prayers, as they remember each of you and your intentions in their daily prayers and Masses.

Gratefully and with best wishes in Jesus Christ,

Most Reverend Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap.
Archbishop of Philadelphia

Opportunities from the Vocation Office for the Diocesan Priesthood

Come and See: This is a retreat on the weekend of **February 21-23** for high school age young men to be held at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary. This is a free retreat. Weekend will include hanging out with seminarians and hearing vocation stories, playing sports, going to Mass. You will also have the opportunity for Confession and Eucharistic Adoration as well as Morning, Afternoon and Evening prayer. For more information call: 610-667-5778.



We have designated the 4th Sunday of each month for donations to the Blessed Margaret of Castello Home for Crisis Pregnancies. Items most in need are: Similac Advance Formula, Diapers (size 4 and 5), Baby bottles and “Onesies” all sizes. You can bring in your donations next Sunday and leave in the sacristy.

Thank you for your continued generosity. God Bless.

16 de febrero del 2014
Domingo sexto durante el año

LECTURAS CICLO A

Primera lectura: *Eclesiástico 15, 15-20*. Delante de nosotros está la vida y la muerte. Somos libres de escoger. Dios nos ayuda en el camino de la vida.

Segunda lectura: *1 Corintios 2, 6-10*. Dios da a aquellos que le aman una sabiduría superior, capaz de orientarlos rectamente en su vida.

Evangelio: *Mateo 5, 17-37*. Jesús nos revela la "novedad" de su mensaje: no es la legalidad exterior la que agrada a Dios, sino las motivaciones profundas del corazón

**¿QUIÉN ES ESE JESÚS
QUE TANTO MENCIONAMOS?**

Pregunta inquietante y difícil de responder. Muchos cristianos han respondido no con hermosas definiciones sino con su vida.

Muchos se contentan con respuestas aprendidas. Son muchos los libros que los creyentes y no creyentes han dedicado a este Jesús universal.

Son muchos los sermones que, este domingo, se predicarán sobre el predicador de Galilea. Pero desgraciadamente nadie puede responder por usted o por mí.

Sólo podemos responder desde la fe personal. Sin fe en Jesucristo, verdadero Dios y verdadero hombre, la respuesta es mera-mente humana, será sabia pero no será verdadera.

La verdadera respuesta brota de los labios de los que han experimentado la vida con Cristo, los que han compartido su mesa, los que escuchan su mensaje y dan la cara por Él.

Ese Jesucristo que tanto mencionamos es el camino, la verdad y la vida para los que deciden seguirlo.

Dos mandamientos adicionales

NO mastica chicle: Masticar chicle en la Misa es falta de respeto.

NO hablas por el celular durante la Misa del Señor. Hoy Dios te va a hablar pero no por celular. Por favor apágalo antes de entrar.

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REGISTRACIÓN PARROQUIAL

Para recibir una carta del párroco diciendo que eres un miembro registrado de la parroquia es necesario que asistas a la Misa del Domingo regularmente, que estés registrado en la parroquia, y que ayudes a apoyar la parroquia con el uso de tus sobres de la iglesia. Si no estás recibiendo tus sobres, por el correo, no eres un miembro registrado en la Catedral. También, si no estás recibiendo tus sobres de la iglesia cada mes, favor de ir a la oficina de la rectoría para registrarte.

Por favor, rueguen por los enfermos: *Isaac Hernandez, Miguel Santiago, Cookie Fontanez, Diacono Jose Fernandez, Eduvige Rodriguez, Julia Rodriguez, Felix Mogollan, Evelina Navarro, Carmen Vega.*