



Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 23, 2014

**“One cannot be the friend of Jesus Christ, without loving the souls
 He has redeemed with His precious Blood”**

St. Ignatius of Loyola

*Mass Intentions
 for the Week*

**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

February 24, Monday, Weekday

7:15 The Sherry family
 12:05 John Connelly
 12:35 Vu Duc Chinh

February 25, Tuesday, Weekday

7:15 Dr. Joseph Farrell, Jr.
 12:05 Robert Jenkins, Sr.
 12:35 Mr. Hynotski

February 26, Wednesday, Weekday

7:15 Special Intention
 12:05 Paul DeCarle
 12:35 Jane Frances DeShan

February 27, Thursday, Weekday

7:15 Robert S. Miller
 12:05 Paulette Basciano
 12:35 For the priests

February 28, Friday, Weekday

7:15 The Sherry family
 12:05 Robert Di Caprio
 12:35 Robert Coyle

March 1, Saturday, Weekday, BVM

12:05 Annette Lynch
 5:15 Madalena Trivinia (L)

March 2, Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 For the People
 9:30 Quici, Galipo & Greco families
 11:00 Eleanor Masciantonio
 12:30 Francis McGinness
 6:30 For the People



**Cathedral Priests' Weekend
 Mass Schedule**

Saturday Vigil, March 1

5:15 pm Msgr. Rodgers

Sunday, March 2

8:00 am Fr. Kennedy

9:30 am Fr. Gill

11:00 am Fr. Burke

(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.....

He Gave Himself Up “for Me”

Jesus gave himself up to death voluntarily in order to reciprocate the love of God the Father, in perfect union with His will, to demonstrate His love for us. On the cross Jesus “loved me and gave Himself for me” (Galatians 2:20). Each one of us can say: “He loved me and gave himself for me.” Each one can say this “for me.”

We Are His Dwelling Place

Jesus lived the daily reality of the most ordinary people: He was moved as he faced the crowd that seemed like a flock without a shepherd; He wept before the sorrow that Martha and Mary felt at the death of their brother, Lazarus; He also suffered betrayal by a friend. In Him God has given us the certitude that He is with us, He is among us. “Foxes,” Jesus, said, “have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of man has nowhere to lay His head” (Matthew 8:20). Jesus has no house, because His house is the people; it is we who are His dwelling place; His mission is to open God's doors to all, to be the presence of God's love.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE BASILICA

- 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
- March 5** Charismatic Prayer Group, Neumann Room, 6 pm
- March 6** R.C.I.A., Rectory, 7 pm
- March 7** Stations of the Cross, 1 pm & 7 pm

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:

Molly Sujan, Edward Endrich, Nicole Carey, 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 Sujan, 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.**



The Sanctuary Lamp Candle burns this week in the Cathedral Basilica

For Dora D. Miglionico

Request of her children

**If you have any Palms
from last year,
please bring them to the Cathedral
to be burned and used on
Ash Wednesday.
There will be a basket near
the altar for the palms.**

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.

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 24

James 3:13-18/Psalm 19:8-10, 15

Mark 9:14-29

Tuesday: February 25

James 4:1-10/Psalm 55:7-10a, 10b-11a, 23

Mark 9:30-37

Wednesday: February 26

James 4:13-17/Psalm 49:2, 3, 6-11

Mark 9:38-40

Thursday: February 27

James 5:1-6/Psalm 49:14-20

Mark 9:41-50

Friday: February 28

James 5:9-12/Psalm 103:1-4, 8, 9, 11, 12

Mark 10:1-12

Saturday: March 1

James 5:13-20/Psalm 141:1-3, 8

Mark 10:13-16

Sunday: March 2

Isaiah 49:14-15/Psalm 62:2-3, 6-9

1 Corinthians 4:1-5/Matthew 6:24-34

Baptisms and Holy Matrimony

Information can be found on our website
under Sacraments

www.cathedralphila.org

New Parishioners

Download parish registration forms from the website or call the Rectory office to register.



The Sunday Collection for the weekend of 2/16/13 was \$5,481. Mail-in: \$850. Thank you for your generous support! We rely upon the sacrificial generosity of our parishioners and visitors.



St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance

St. Francis Xavier is having its annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance on Saturday, March 1 beginning at 6:30 p.m. Sean Fleming will provide music. Sean Fleming and his band play live classic Irish tunes, Motown classic and great covers of everyone from Us, Van Morrison, Springsteen, etc. The McDade Dancers will also make a special appearance.

Come, wear your green, bring your friends and enjoy this happy evening of Irish food and entertainment. Food will be served and will include hors d'oeuvres, ham and cabbage, carved beef, Irish potatoes, green beans, drinks and homemade desserts. Pitchers of beer will also be available. BYOB (setups provided). Tickets are \$30 in advance and \$35 at the door. For tickets call Christine at 215-765-4568.

Do You Know Your Tribunal?

The Tribunal is a group of specially qualified Catholics whose responsibility is to come to the help of people who have experienced divorce and who may wish to remarry in the Catholic Church.

When a divorce occurs, the Catholic Church always seeks to balance two realities. One is the unbreakableness of the bond of marriage. On the other hand, the Church is concerned about the spiritual welfare of the people involved.

If you are divorced and want to marry in the Church or remarried outside the Catholic Church, please telephone the Tribunal Office at 215-587-3750.

Opportunities from the Vocation Office for the Diocesan Priesthood

Adult Discernment Group: A men's discernment group for adults college age and up. The gatherings are for men interested in the possibility of priesthood. The group meets every 2nd Sunday of the month at the Cathedral following the 6:30 pm Mass. Upcoming dates are **March 9, April 13, and May 11**. For more information call: 610-667-5778.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

Rachel's Vineyard retreats are for anyone hurting from the spiritual and emotional pain of an abortion. The weekend will help you experience the mercy and compassion of God; grieve your loss; and forgive yourself and others. Retreat date:

March 7, 8, 9
Spirituality Center
Frazier, PA
215-906-6337 or 610-399-0390
All contacts are confidential
www.rachelsvineyard.org

Celtic Spirituality

Mother Boniface Spirituality Center is offering a weekend retreat - *Celtic Spirituality*, **March 7 to 9** Featuring Carmel Boyle, an Irish singer, recording artist and retreat presenter inviting participants to pray with Celtic themes through song and reflections. You will encounter the spirituality of the ancient Celts who were conscious of the immanence of God. This symbolic pilgrimage will visit the sacred places of your soul's journey while reflecting on the inspiration of St. Patrick and St. Bridget in the company of the Trinity.

Call 267-350-1830 for more information.



If you have a new address or telephone number please call the Rectory Office at 215-561-1313 so we can update your information. If you have not been receiving your weekly envelopes, please give us a call to be sure you are registered correctly.

Thank you

23 de febrero del 2014 Domingo séptimo durante el año

LECTURAS CICLO A

Primera lectura: *Levítico 19, 1-2. 17-18.* La lectura de hoy proclama que el Señor nos quiere “santos”, porque El es santo.

Segunda lectura: *1 Corintios 3, 16-23.* Pablo enseña que Cristo es el fundamento de la unidad Cristiana.

Evangelio: *Mateo 5, 38-48.* Superando todas las barreras culturales y religiosas, Jesús con su autoridad nos ordena que amemos a nuestros enemigos y oremos por nuestros perseguidores.

AYUNO, ABSTINENCIA, Y OTROS ACTOS DE PENITENCIA PARA CUARESMA

Los obispos de los Estados Unidos prescriben, como obligación mínima, que todas las personas que son de catorce años y mayores están obligadas a abstenerse de comer carne el Miércoles de Cenizas, 5 de marzo del 2014, todos los viernes de Cuaresma y el Viernes Santo. Además, todas las personas desde los dieciocho años de edad hasta los cincuenta y nueve años, inclusivos, están obligadas a ayunar limitándose a una comida fuerte el Miércoles de Cenizas y el Viernes Santo, mientras que las otras dos comidas en cada uno de esos días deben ser livianas.

Todos los fieles son animados, cuando es posible, a participar en la Misa y recibir la Santísima Eucaristía diariamente; a celebrar frecuentemente el Sacramento de la Penitencia; leer lecturas espirituales, especialmente el estudio de las Sagradas Escrituras; y a participar en las devociones cuaresmales de la parroquia, como también de los programas cuaresmales de educación. La Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento es especialmente recomendada.

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.

A TIEMPOS NUEVOS / AYUNOS NUEVOS

En Cuaresma nos proponemos siempre hacer pequeños sacrificios. Casi siempre tienen un carácter negativo: no comer postre, privarme de ese chocolate que tanto me gusta, no tomar el café de las 11... Sería deseable pensar en las cosas buenas que puedo hacer.

Un día con la Biblia. Leer las parábolas de Jesús.

Un día con ese vecino al que nunca saludo.

Un día escuchando el silencio.

Un día dando sangre.

Un día saldando las deudas.

Un día dando una limosna o fregando los platos.

Un día escribiendo una carta dando las gracias a alguien que me ayuda....

Un día sin teléfono, sin televisión, sin compras, sin críticas, sin tacos, boca limpia...

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.