

Pentecost Sunday

May 24, 2015

**"The true aim of our Christian life consists
in the acquisition of the Holy Spirit of God"**

St. Seraphim of Sarov



May 23, Saturday, Easter Weekday

12:05 Carmela Bane

5:15 Gina Gentile

May 24, Pentecost Sunday

8:00 Pro Populo - For the People of the Parish

9:30 Quici, Galipo & Greco family

11:00 Carmela Pomponio

12:30 Epifanio DeJesus, Sr.

6:30 Pro Populo - For the People

May 25, Monday, St. Bede the Venerable Memorial Day - Only one Mass today

9:00 Moira Coll

May 26, Tuesday, St. Philip Neri

7:15 Charlene Bembenek

12:05 Ellen M. Saurman

May 27, Wednesday, St. Augustine of Canterbury

7:15 Mary R. Gunn

12:05 Kenneth Charles Cramer

May 28, Thursday, Weekday

7:15 Moira Coll

12:05 Jack O'Connell

May 29, Friday, Weekday

7:15 Henry Hagan

12:05 Peg Arroyo

May 30, Saturday, Weekday

12:05 Luigi Pomponio

5:15 Kathleen Black

May 31, The Most Holy Trinity

8:00 Pro Populo - For the People of the Parish

9:30 Gelso Ventresca

11:00 Eduardo Cionci

12:30 Asuncioñ Carrasco

6:30 Pro Populo - For the People

Dear Parishioners,

Happy Easter! Happy Pentecost! Today we bring to a fitting conclusion fifty days of celebrating the great event of our Lord's Resurrection and receive anew the outpouring of the Holy Spirit from our Heavenly Father and his Son. The Holy Spirit, yes, God, the Holy Spirit, comes anew to the whole Church, the whole world, to each of us with his many gifts as on the first Pentecost. Let us take time today and during the week to reflect on the presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives, thankful for his gifts, and commit ourselves to living in new and more vivid ways as disciples of the Lord. May the Holy Spirit's fire of Pentecost ignite us with his powerful grace!

This week, as you will read elsewhere in the Parish Bulletin, the parish priests will join Archbishop Chaput for our archdiocesan priests' convocation. These two days are a wonderful occasion for the priests throughout the Archdiocese to assemble for prayer, reflection and fellowship with one another. On Wednesday and Thursday of this week, visiting priests will celebrate Mass and hear Confessions, as well as, be available for any sacramental emergencies. Pray for us as we will remember you in prayer during our convocation!

This past week our parish committee—to prepare for the *World Meeting of Families* here in Philadelphia in September 2015—met for the first time. The committee, under the fine leadership of Nicholas Pascale, consists of several other parish members as heads of various subcommittees. These subcommittees include: Communications, Hospitality, Landscaping, Liturgy, Maintenance, Parish Store, and Security. These subcommittees now need additional parish volunteers to assist with their projects and works. If you are interested, please call the Parish Office and identify your area of interest and someone will follow up with you. The *World Meeting of Families* is a tremendous opportunity for the Cathedral Parish to serve the Archdiocese, to serve the world!

Just a reminder, next Sunday, May 31, the second collection will be directed to the care of the poor in the Cathedral Parish, including our parish participation in *Aid for Friends*. Also, the *Catholic Charities Appeal* continues. Our parish goal remains the same as last year, forty-five thousand dollars. We met 72% of our 2014 goal. Please consider a contribution to this financial effort which assists so many in the Archdiocese. For more information, please visit the website of the appeal, <http://www.catholiccharitiesappeal.org/>. Thank you for your on-going generosity to the Parish and to the Archdiocesan *Catholic Charities Appeal*.

God bless you and Happy Pentecost!
Father Dennis Gill



The Sanctuary Lamp Candle burns this week in the Cathedral Basilica for:

Ellen M. Sourman

Request of Diane & Reg McKinstry



Donations are accepted for intentions for the Sanctuary Lamp in the Basilica and the Cathedral Chapel. This candle burns perpetually as a reminder that Jesus is truly and really present in the tabernacle. If you wish to make the suggested donation of fifteen dollars for an intention for a Sanctuary Lamp, you may contact the Parish Office directly or place your intention and offering in the collection basket.



Priests' Convocation

Archbishop Charles Chaput will assemble with the priests of the Archdiocese this coming week for a *Priests' Convocation*, from May 26 through May 28, 2015. This *Priests' Convocation* provides a unique opportunity for priestly fraternity and unity. It is also a time dedicated to prayer and reflection on the gift of the ministerial priesthood instituted by Christ for the Church. These days will include the celebration of the Liturgy of the Hours and Holy Mass, as well as, talks on the theme, *The Priesthood Fully Engaged*, given by Matthew Kelly of the *Dynamic Catholic Institute*.

The Deans have planned in advance for the sacramental needs and emergencies in our parishes and institutions during these days with the help of many Religious, senior and retired priests.

Please pray for our Archbishop, Auxiliary Bishops and Priests during the upcoming *Priests' Convocation*. May this *Priests' Convocation* bear fruit for our priests in holiness of life and of greater service to Christ and His Church.

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.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE PARISH

May 24 Mass and Confirmation for Catholic Adults, Archbishop Chaput, 6:30 PM Mass

May 25 Memorial Day - One Mass at 9:00 AM in the Chapel. The Parish Office will be closed.

May 26 Augustine's Brothers, Neumann Room, 7:00PM

May 27 Charismatic Prayer Group, Neumann Room, 6:00 PM

May 28 Choir rehearsal, Chapel Hall, 7:30 PM

May 30 Choir rehearsal, Chapel Hall, 3:30 PM

June 1 Choir rehearsal, Chapel Hall, 7:00 PM

AID FOR FRIENDS AT THE CATHEDRAL PARISH

Aid For Friends is a non-profit organization that seeks volunteers to prepare meals in their homes and/or to deliver food for those unable to prepare their own meals. These prepared meals are a tremendous service to the elderly and disabled who cannot afford their meals and/or have difficulty getting to the food store.

If you would like to prepare meals as part of *Aid For Friends*, please pick up the meal trays in Chapel Hall on Sunday mornings during the Mass times, from 8:00 AM through to 1:30 PM. These trays are located next to the *Aid For Friends* freezer which is also in Chapel Hall. Prepared meals can also be returned to the freezer in Chapel Hall on Sunday mornings during the Mass times.

If you are interested in taking meals to the homebound, especially in the Cathedral Parish area, please contact Mrs. Lynn Trumbetta, by phone (215-464-2224) or email afflynnt@yahoo.com. You must first register with *Aid For Friends* to deliver meals. *Aid for Friends* encourages a visit with the persons receiving the meal as well.

Baptisms and Baptism Preparation Session

The celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism is the doorway to the Christian life and to all the other Sacraments. As such, preparation of the parents and for the Baptism itself deserve very special attention. The celebration of Baptism at the Cathedral Parish will take place on the first Sunday of each month at 12:30 PM after the 11:00 AM Solemn Mass. Everyone is welcome. The celebration will be carried out with liturgical music and with a great sense of hospitality.

A *Baptism Preparation Session* will take place on the third Sunday of each month in anticipation of the celebration of the Sacrament. Parents in the Cathedral Parish are obligated to participate. The session is open to all of our neighbor parishes and to godparents as well. Parents are encouraged to participate during pregnancy, if at all possible. Please call the Parish Office to register for the Baptism Preparation Session. It will take place in the Neumann Room behind the Cathedral.



FIRST FRIDAY EXPOSITION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

Friday, June 5, 2015
11:00 AM to 12:00 PM
Cathedral Chapel

The Most Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for adoration before the 12:05 PM Mass.

Please come to adore the Lord!

The Sacrament of Penance will be available on the First Friday of each month, beginning at 11:00 AM.

EL AMOR ES NUESTRA MISIÓN: LA FAMILIA PLENAMENTE VIVA

Tema de reflexión

Luz en un mundo oscuro

El papa Francisco observó que la Iglesia es popular en el mundo cuando los católicos trabajan para la justicia social. Pero, el papa prosiguió en lo que concierne a la «crisis cultural» a la que se enfrenta la familia, «encontramos difícil hacer que la gente vea que cuando hacemos otras preguntas menos aceptables a la opinión pública, lo hacemos por fidelidad precisamente a las mismas convicciones sobre la dignidad humana y el bien común. Este capítulo examina con cuidado temas como la pornografía, la contracepción, y el llamado matrimonio entre miembros del mismo sexo. Estos son temas donde la enseñanza católica tiende a estar en desacuerdo con la opinión corriente mundana. La lectura de este capítulo en su totalidad es una oportunidad de considerar las razones de la enseñanza de la Iglesia. Cada uno de estos asuntos en el principio de esta catequesis, toda la enseñanza de la Iglesia sobre el matrimonio, la familia, y la sexualidad fluye de Jesús. La teología católica moral construye sobre convicciones básicas cristianas sobre la creación de Dios y la alianza, la caída de la humanidad, y la encarnación de Cristo, la vida, la crucifixión, y la resurrección. Estas enseñanzas implican gastos y sufrimientos para todos los que serían discípulos de Jesús, pero ellas también abren nuevas oportunidades para la belleza y la prosperidad humana. Este capítulo es su posibilidad para explorar como todo encaja, incluso cuando esto podría significar adoptar posturas impopulares en nuestra cultura. Este capítulo explica como siempre que la Iglesia dice «no» a algo que la sociedad secular acepta, es para poder posibilitar un «sí» más profundo a Dios y su plan para nuestras vidas.

- Cristóbal C. Roberts, redactor de catecismo.

MISA TELEVISADA EN ESPAÑOL

vía UNIVISIÓN 65 todos los domingos a las 6:30 a.m.



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

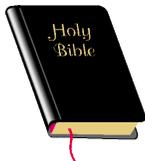
Paul Cohen, Janice Holshin, Vincent Abbruzzese, Lauri Mitchell, Maryann Healy, Darren Gardner, Barbara Elaine, Nicholas Tiziano, Christopher Browne, Darren Gardner, Laura Emerson, Regina Carberry, Patrisha Bollinger, Anna Marie Burgio, Jeanine Tingeter, Bobby Mitchell, Shirley King, Thomas Sabol, Doris Davison, Nancy Tomaszewski, Therese & Bob Black, Robert & Marguerite Grant, Andrés Castillo, Antoinette Gonnella, Bryon Hoch, Ryley June Nazario, Kim Whybrew, Josephina Bianco, Richard J. Mott, Charlotte McLaughlin, Sheila Kendall, Shahidah Kendall, Ralph Berarducci, Winifred McKeon, Teddy Beaver, Robert Honish, Molly Sujun, Edward Endrich, Nicole Carey, Ann Reilly, Mary Ellen Foyle, Bernard Thompson, Larry Ross, 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 and those in nursing homes or hospitals and all the sick. **Please call the Parish Office with the name of anyone who is sick, to be included in our prayer list.**



Sacred Heart Novena of Masses

The Visitation Nuns cordially invite you to their annual Sacred Heart Novena of Masses. Reverend Stephen De Lacy will conduct the Novena.

5820 City Avenue
Thursday, June 4 through Friday, June 12
7:30 PM



Bible in a Day

Join Sarah Christmyer, Editor of the *Great American Bible Study Series*, as she facilitates for us a One-day video "Quick Journey Through the Bible" on **Saturday, June 6th from 9 am-4 pm**. Designed for busy people, this Quick Journey in a Day will help you discover the "big" picture" of the Bible story: the major people, places, events, and themes in the Scriptures. The Sunday Mass readings will never be the same as they come alive knowing the context and understanding God's plan for us. The fee for this event is \$45 and noon dinner is included in the cost. To register, please contact us at (267) 350-1830.

PENTECOSTÉS

El tiempo de Pascua que hemos celebrado durante 50 días concluye con la conmemoración festiva de la efusión del Espíritu Santo sobre los Apóstoles. Con él los discípulos de Jesús dieron los primeros pasos de la Iglesia iniciando así su misión en el mundo: evangelizar a toda lengua, pueblo y nación.

Nos encontramos aquí, en nuestra iglesia, los cristianos de la parroquia compartiendo la certeza de que Dios nos habla y viviendo la experiencia, siempre nueva, del Espíritu que sigue derramándose sobre nosotros. Jesús nos da su Espíritu porque quiere contar con nosotros para continuar su obra en el mundo, el nuestro, el de Soria.

A diferencia de otras llamadas—que buscan seguidores para obtener prestigio social o beneficios económicos—la llamada de Jesús es para le entrega, para el amor sin límites, sirviendo a los hermanos. Para responder a ella, tenemos que "encontrarnos" con Él, transformar nuestra vida y seguir sus pasos.

Su llamada sigue en pie. Su Espíritu, nunca ocioso, nos acompaña siempre.

PENTECOSTÉS. FIESTA DEL ESPÍRITU.
DÉJALE ENTRAR EN TU VIDA.

24 de Mayo del 2015

Domingo de Pentecostés

LECTURAS CICLO B

Primera lectura: *Hechos de los Apóstoles 2, 1-11*. El relato de Pentecostés reafirma la universalidad de la Iglesia, de su misión y del empeño de todos para construir la unidad en Cristo.

Segunda lectura: *1 Corintios 12, 3b-7. 12-13*. La diversidad de dones que se dan en la Iglesia es signo de la fecundidad del Espíritu Santo. Los dones son dados para responder a los diferentes servicios comunitarios.

Evangelio: *Juan 20, 19-23*. La aparición a los discípulos miedosos, en la tarde de la primera pascua cristiana, ofrece a Jesús la oportunidad de darles la misión y el Espíritu Santo para cumplirla.



Readings of the Week

Monday: May 25

Sirach 17:20-24/Psalm 32:1-2, 5-7
Mark 10:17-27

Tuesday: May 26

Sirach 35:1-12/Psalm 50:5-8, 14, 23
Mark 10:28-31

Wednesday: May 27

Sirach 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17/Psalm 79:8, 9, 11, 13
Mark 10:32-45

Thursday: May 28

Sirach 42:15-25/Psalm 33:2-9
Mark 10:46-52

Friday: May 29

Acts of the Apostles 25:13b-21/Psalm 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/John 21:15-19

Saturday: May 30

Sirach 44:1, 9-13/Psalm 149:1b-6a, 9b
Mark 11:11-26

Sunday: May 31

Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39, 40/Psalm 33:4-6, 9, 18-22, Romans 8:14-17/Matthew 28:16-20



**Pope
Francis**

WORDS FROM POPE FRANCIS.....

Short excerpts taken from Pope Francis' addresses and homilies.....

We Can't Believe on Our Own

It is impossible to believe on our own. Faith is not simply an individual decision which takes place in the depths of the believer's heart, nor a completely private relationship between the "I" of the believer and the divine "Thou," between an autonomous subject and God. By its very nature, faith is open to the "We" of the Church; it always takes place within her communion.

Gala Block Party



Roman Catholic High School continues their 125th Anniversary celebration with a Gala Block Party on Saturday, May 30th. Vine Street will be blocked off from 13th Street to Broad Street from 12 Noon to 8:00 PM for the festivities. Admission is \$5.00 per person and only 18 and older will be admitted. We look forward to seeing you participate in the extravaganza.

PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

The Financial Support of the Cathedral Parish is the duty of our parishioners. Here at the Cathedral Parish we are greatly supported as well by our many visitors.

This sacrificial offering—which benefits all—is greatly appreciated. Please consider an increase to your weekly offering. The operation and maintenance of the Cathedral Basilica and Parish is approximately 20,000 dollars a week.

The Offertory Collection for the weekend of 5/17/15 was 7,287 dollars. Additional weekly income comes to approximately the same amount. Again, many thanks for your goodness and generosity!

Living Stewardship Now

GLAD TIDINGS

Pentecost marks the end of the Easter season and turns our focus to the Holy Spirit. Jesus said about himself, quoting the prophet Isaiah (61:1):

The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me,
because the LORD has anointed me;
He has sent me to bring glad tidings to
the lowly, to heal the brokenhearted.

The Holy Spirit descended on Jesus at his baptism and upon the disciples at Pentecost. The Spirit gave us new life at our baptism and gave us strength to be Christ's followers in confirmation. The Spirit inspires and strengthens us each day to live as disciples. If we trust the promptings of the Spirit, we will always speak and act with faith and truth. Our words or deeds may be just one small seed sown in someone's soul; we sow, then entrust the Holy Spirit to nurture that seed. The Spirit of God is upon us, so share the glad tidings!

Living Stewardship Now

The seven gifts of the Holy Spirit are as follows: wisdom, understanding, counsel (meaning right judgment), fortitude (meaning courage), knowledge, piety (meaning reverence), fear of the Lord (meaning wonder and awe in God's presence). Without these we cannot be true followers of Christ. Pray for an increase of whichever you need most.

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 commitment to our Parish!