

# Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 31, 2016

*"Our relatives and friends who have passed into eternity, exhort us, from the other world, to labour in this life for the attainment of goods which are not lost at death. If at that awful moment we shall be found to have attended only to the accumulation of Earthly goods, we shall be called fools, and shall receive the reproach addressed to the rich man in the gospel..." -St. Alphonsus Liguori*



## Mass Intentions for the Week

**July 30, Saturday, Weekday,  
St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop & Doctor  
of the Church; BVM**

12:05 John Zinzel  
5:15 Special Intention

**July 31, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 Pro Populo - For the People of the Parish  
9:30 Deceased Members of the League  
of the Sacred Heart  
11:00 Berarducci Family  
12:30 Clemente y Catalina Carrera  
6:30 Pro Populo - For the People

**Aug. 1, Monday, St. Alphonsus Liguori,  
Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

7:15 Dr. Edward Joseph Fitzgerald  
12:05 Yoldin Almanzal

**Aug. 2, Tuesday, Weekday,  
St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop;  
St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest**

7:15 John Morrone  
12:05 John Caulfield

**Aug. 3, Wednesday, Weekday**

7:15 Essie Mae Rubin  
12:05 Rita Capacci

**Aug. 4, Thursday, St. John Vianney, Priest**

7:15 Andrew Janusz  
12:05 Anna Perino

**Aug. 5, First Friday, Weekday, The Dedication  
of the Basilica of St. Mary Major**

7:15 Nicholas Capocci  
12:05 Benedict Victor Arul

**Aug. 6, First Saturday,  
The Transfiguration of the Lord**

12:05 Mary Persia and Doris Schatzman  
5:15 Antonio Di Crescenzo

**Aug. 7, Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 Pro Populo - For the People of the Parish  
9:30 Arthur Quici  
11:00 In honor of God the Father  
12:30 Claudino Colon  
6:30 Pro Populo - For the People

Dear Parishioners,

*We profess our Catholic Faith, minister to others and welcome all, as founded on the Word of God and the celebration of the Sacraments of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.* This is the second of the two sentences of our Parish Mission Statement. Right in the center of the sentence is the aspect of our mission to *minister to others and welcome all.* When our parishioners and visitors are greeted and welcomed to the Basilica and Chapel for the celebration of the Sacred Liturgy and for other occasions, this is an expression of our parish mission.

Recently, in an effort to enhance the ministry of our *Parish Greeters* for Sunday Mass, I developed the following description of their role:

*Parish Greeters assist parishioners and visitors during the course of the celebration of the Sacred Liturgy. They welcome them as they enter the Cathedral Basilica or Chapel, provide them with a hymnal and/or worship aid, answer any questions they may have, especially with regard to the location of the bathrooms, indicate any reserved seating, take up the collection(s), guide the presentation of the Gifts, watch for the careful reception of Holy Communion, guide the Communion Procession, if necessary, distribute the Parish Bulletin and collect the hymnals and/or worship aids after Mass. Parish Greeters should be mindful the vestibules and pews are in good order following the celebration of the Sacred Liturgy.*

The Cathedral Parish has benefitted from the generous and long service of many men and women over the years who have assisted us well as *Parish Greeters*. One of our current greeters has been a familiar face at the 9:30 AM and 11:00 AM Solemn Mass for over fifty years! *At this point we need more men and women Parish Greeters. I would like to see a regular team of four Parish Greeters responsible for each Sunday Mass, including the 5:15 Anticipated Mass. Each Mass will have a Lead Greeter to oversee the duties of the other greeters. Please consider this opportunity! If you are willing and interested, please contact Sister Eleanor at 215-561-1313 or [s.emccann@archphila.org](mailto:s.emccann@archphila.org).*

The second collection at Mass next Sunday will be directed to support the parish religious education programs. Thank you so very much for all of your goodness and generosity to the Cathedral Parish in so many ways and to the Catholic Charities Appeal.

God bless you,  
Father Dennis Gill

**FIRST FRIDAY EXPOSITION  
OF THE  
MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT**

**Friday, August 5, 2016  
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.**

**“Do you realize that Jesus is there in the tabernacle  
expressly for you - for you alone?” - St. Thérèse of Lisieux**

**HOLY DOORS OF MERCY**



The Holy Door in the Cathedral  
Basilica is Open

**Weekdays 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM**

**Saturdays 9:00 AM - 6:30 PM**

**Sundays 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM**

Passage through a Holy Door is a sign of our decision to enter into the life of Jesus Christ and Make the passage from sin to grace. During a Jubilee, pilgrimage to a Holy Door offers the possibility of obtaining a Plenary indulgence under the usual conditions. To learn more, visit: [cathedralphila.org/mercy/](http://cathedralphila.org/mercy/) & [archphila.org/mercy/liturgy](http://archphila.org/mercy/liturgy)

***Holy Hour of Mercy  
for the Jubilee Year of Mercy***

*Thursday, August 4, 2016 - 7pm*

One of the 14 Archdiocesan Holy Hours of Mercy for the Jubilee - join us as we contemplate Mercy Himself, present in the Eucharist! Special feast day of St. John Vianney, patron saint of priests! **Location:** Our Lady of Ransom Parish, 6701 Calvert St; Philadelphia.

**More info visit [archphila.org/mercy/calendar/](http://archphila.org/mercy/calendar/)**



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

*William Spiro, Scott Towers, James Duffin, Daniel Moyer Sr., Andrew Marconi, James Pinto, James Ross, Pearl Hammond, Loretta Braccili, Dorothy Tomassini, Pam Bucelli, Barbara Denny, Charlotte McLaughlin, Amberlyn Boland, Wendy Cornel, Michelle, Oscar Rodriguez, Enrique Rodriguez, Linda Watson, Randy Burbage, Rosa Maria Santos, Amy Fife, Theodore Barry, M.D., Marissa Kostrzewa, David Kaplan, Marilyn Mullen, Kathleen Aponik, April DeMatto, Paula Cohen, Janice Holshin, 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, Thomas Sabol, 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.***



***The Sanctuary Lamp Candle burns  
this week in the Cathedral Basilica***

*For the intentions  
of Karen & Larry Vannasdall*

*From: Mary Erfle*



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.

**Readings for Mass for this Week  
in English and Spanish**

Please see the website of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. [usccb.org/bible/readings](http://usccb.org/bible/readings)

**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.

The Offertory Collection for Sunday, 7/24/16 was \$5,769. This generosity demonstrates the support, interest and encouragement of so many for the ministry and service of the Cathedral Parish to carry out the work of the Gospel.

*Thank you very much for your generous financial support.*

**CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES**



Dear parishioners, we kindly ask that you use the contribution-envelopes that are mailed to your home. If for some reason you must make use of a different envelope, please be sure to include on it your parish data base identification number (which can be found on your regular contribution-envelopes). Only those offerings which are properly labeled can be reflected in your annual statement declaring tax deductible contributions to the parish.

If you have moved, or are not receiving contribution-envelopes, or if you have any questions please contact the Parish Office at 215-561-1313. Thank you.

## De la Vanidad del Mundo

-San Alfonso Maria de Ligorio-

“Era tal el atractivo y la dulzura con que nuestro divino Salvador trataba a cuantos le seguían, que se llevaba tras sí millares de personas. Un día se vió cercado de una gran muchedumbre, que habiéndole seguido tres días, no tenían que comer. Y movido a compasión de ellos, dijo a sus discípulos: «Me da compasión esta multitud de gentes, porque hace tres días están conmigo, y no tienen que comer. Movido por esta compasión, hizo el milagro de multiplicar siete panes y unos pocos peces que hallaron sus discípulos, y de este modo alimentó a toda aquella multitud abundantemente. Este es el sentido literal del milagro obrado por Cristo; pero el místico significa, que no hay manjar ninguno en este mundo que pueda saciar nuestras almas. Todos los bienes de la tierra, las riquezas, los honores, los placeres, deleitan los sentidos del cuerpo; más no pueden saciar al alma, que fue creada por Dios y para Dios, y que solo Dios puede contentar. Por esto quiero hablaros hoy de la vanidad del mundo, y demostraros cuan engañados viven sus amadores; que llevan una vida infeliz mientras viven en él, y se ponen en gran peligro de pasar otra todavía más infeliz en la eternidad...”

“¡Cosa extraña! Jesucristo dice: Los hijos de este siglo, o amadores del mundo, son en sus negocios más sagaces que los hijos de la luz. ¡Cuántas incomodidades sufren los hombres por adquirir esta posesión, o aquél empleo! ¡Cuánto cuidado ponen en conservar la salud del cuerpo! Consultan al mejor médico, toman las mejores medicinas, observan con el mayor rigor cuanto se les ordena. ¡Y por la salud del alma son tan descuidados los hijos de la luz, esto es, los cristianos, que no quieren sufrir la menor incomodidad! ....Estando para morir Felipe II, rey de España, hizo llamar a su hijo, y descubriéndose el pecho roído de gusanos, le dijo: Hijo mío, mira de que modo trata el mundo al fin de su vida, aún a los monarcas. Y murió exclamando: ¡Ojalá hubiese yo sido lego de alguna religión y no rey! Así hablaban a la hora de la muerte hasta los grandes de la tierra, a quien los hombres suelen llamar árbitros del mundo. Pero, ¿de que sirven entonces esos deseos y suspiros, sino para aumentar la pena y los remordimientos a los amadores del mundo, cuando se acaba el drama de la vida?... Con razón decía Santa Teresa: No apreciemos lo que termina con la vida, el verdadero modo de vivir es, vivir de manera que no temamos a la muerte. Aquél no la temerá, que vive desengañado de las vanidades de este mundo, y se ocupe únicamente de adquirir aquellos bienes que pueda llevar consigo a la eternidad, y le hagan feliz por los siglos de los siglos. Amén.”

## What's Happening at the Parish Outside the Liturgical Schedule

- August 2** Augustine's Brothers  
Prayer and Support group for Men,  
Neumann Room, 7:00 PM
- August 3** Charismatic Prayer Group  
Neumann Room, 6:00 PM
- August 4** Young Adult Bible Study  
Neumann Room, 7:00 PM
- August 8** Same Steam Benefit Concert  
Basilica, 7:30 PM

## La Corresponsabilidad Viva Ahora

Rico o no, hay muchas maneras de compartir las bendiciones de Dios:

**Dona** la ropa que esté poco usada y artículos domésticos a algún lugar benéfico.

**Compra en tu comunidad** y apoya a los negocios de tu localidad.

**Muéstrate resistente a los anuncios;** compra sólo lo necesario.

**Pasa tiempo** con familiares y amigos.

**Comparte** con algún banco de alimento local alimentos que no se echen a perder.

**Apoya** los esfuerzos de tu parroquia y las causas buenas con tu tiempo y habilidades.

**Apaga el televisor** y emplea ese tiempo para montar en bicicleta, practicar el excursionismo, la pesca, una buena lectura o simplemente caminar y dar un paseo por ahí.

**Sé bueno con el planeta tierra:** Disminuye los residuos, recicla, siembra un jardín.

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## Noche de Adoración y Reflexión

Lunes, 8 de agosto del 2016

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Predicación, Hora Santa  
de Misericordia, y Confesiones.

**Lugar:** Parroquia Anunciación

1511 South 10th Street, Philadelphia, PA



## Cathedral Parish Pilgrimage for the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy Shrines of the US and Canada

**August 21 - 28, 2016**

All are most welcome to join Fr. Brabazon for our Cathedral Parish's upcoming pilgrimage to the shrines of the Northeastern United States and Canada in honor of the Jubilee Year of Mercy

For additional information please contact Teresa Zubert,  
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## JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

August 2017

### The Corporal Works of Mercy

Jesus was a Person of **action** who showed mercy and compassion in concrete ways. Jesus fed the hungry, sheltered those in need, visited the sick and buried the dead. Jesus took time and paid close attention to recognize the basic needs of the persons He encountered. He challenges us to do the same. The Catechism teaches that “human misery elicited the compassion of Christ the Savior. Hence, those who are oppressed by poverty are the object of a preferential love on the part of the Church” (2448).

The Corporal Works of Mercy are a roadmap for each of us to share in Jesus’ ministry. As St. Teresa of Avila reminds us: “Christ has no body now on earth but yours, no hands but yours, no feet but yours. Yours are the eyes through which to look out Christ’s compassion to the world. Yours are the feet with which he is to go about doing good.” Actions such as feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, sheltering the homeless, visiting the sick and burying the dead are all actions that extend God’s compassion and mercy.

The scriptural basis for the works of mercy are laid out in Matthew 25 when Jesus reminds us that when we feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, visit the sick and imprisoned, we are doing it for HIM. The works of mercy are not optional but rather essential to living the Christian life of holiness and goodness. We are not only to receive the mercy of God but to use it by being merciful to others through our actions. –Anne Ayella, Diocesan Director, Catholic Relief Services

#### **How to Live It**

Discern the ways that God is calling to more deeply integrate the corporal works of mercy in your life. Here are all seven: Feed the hungry; Give drink to the thirsty; Clothe the naked; Shelter the homeless; Visit the sick; Visit the imprisoned; Bury the dead. To learn about practical ways to live the works of mercy, visit [archphila.org/mercy/works](http://archphila.org/mercy/works).

#### **Quote from Catholic Tradition:**

“Extend your mercy towards others, so that there can be no one in need whom you meet without helping. For what hope is there for us if God should withdraw His Mercy from us?” -St. Vincent de Paul

“There is a terrible hunger for love. We all experience that in our lives - the pain, the loneliness. We must have the courage to recognize it. The poor you may have right in your own family. Find them. Love them.” -Blessed Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa)

To continue reflecting on this theme, consider one of these resources!

- **Recommended Book for the Month:** *What to Do When Jesus Is Hungry?*, Fr. Andrew Apostoli, CFR
- **Lighthouse Catholic Media CD:** *Encountering the Poor: Biblical Roots for Catholic Social Teaching* by Dr. Tim Gray. Source: [archphila.org/mercy](http://archphila.org/mercy)

## YOUNG ADULT GROUP

### Upcoming Events for the Young Adults at the Cathedral Parish

**Friday Evening Bible Study:** We are adjusting Bible Study back to **EVERY OTHER Friday evening from 7:00-8:30pm** in the Neumann Room (room entrance is from the outside on the backside of the church). Our group gathers to reflect on the readings and the Psalm for the upcoming Sunday. We look forward to having you join us. Our next Bible Study will take place on **August 5 and 19**.

**Summer Game Night!** Thanks for all who joined our outdoors game night – it was a blast and be on the lookout for the next date!

If you are interested in the Young Adults of the Cathedral Parish as well as receiving the most up-to-date information on our group’s events please e-mail [youngadults.cathedral@gmail.com](mailto:youngadults.cathedral@gmail.com). Please search for our Facebook page (search: Young Adults at the Cathedral).

## 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](http://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!

## LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR RAFFLE



“The Little Sisters of the Poor invite you to join in their ministry of caring for the needy elderly by participating in their St. Jeanne Jugan - Pot of Gold Raffle! Besides helping our 97 residents live in a secure and compassionate home, you have a chance to win one of the ten prizes, with a grand prize of \$25,000!

Only 2,016 tickets will be sold! This year’s honorees are Msgr. Ralph Chieffo and Ray and Judy Coughlin.

To purchase a ticket, please send your name, address, and check for \$100 to: Holy Family Home Dept. PB, Attn: Sr. Veronica, 5300 Chester Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19143. Or visit our website at [littlesistersofthepoorphiladelphia.org](http://littlesistersofthepoorphiladelphia.org)

Thank you for your prayers and support!”

## OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

### The Same Stream Benefit Concert

Monday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM

“The Same Stream,” one of America’s most exciting new professional choirs, presents “ABIDE” – an evening of music for reflection, contemplation, and healing. Conducted by their artistic director, Dr. James Jordan, “The Same Stream” presents choral works by some of the world’s greatest living composers including Paul Mealor, Thomas Lavoy, Dan Forrest, and others on Monday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM, at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul in Philadelphia. Tickets are free, and a free -will offering will benefit the Cathedral Basilica.

### St. Andrew’s Parish Pilgrimage to the Basilica of National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception Washington, D.C.

Celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Dedication of the Lithuanian Chapel. Sunday **October 9, 2016, Solemn Mass 2:00 PM.**

#### Participants in the Solemn Celebration:

- Archbishop Lionginas Virbalas, S.J. from Kaunas, Lithuania.
  - The combined thrilling sound of 4 choirs!  
“Laisve” from Philadelphia – “Exultate” from Cleveland  
“Dainava” from Chicago – “Volunge” from Toronto
- Departure from St. Andrew’s Church 9:00 AM and from St. Casimir’s Church: 9:15 AM

### 2016 Catholic Women's Conference!

Ladies, you’re invited to step away from everyday life for a day of inspiration and renewal at the Catholic Women’s Conference, “Mother of Mercy, Make Our Hearts Like Yours!” on **Saturday, October 29, 8:30 AM-4 PM**, at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown PA.

Nine dynamic speakers will address all facets of the feminine genius and a woman’s mission of mercy in the family, the Church, and the world. This special day includes something for every woman, married, single and consecrated, featuring presentations in English, Spanish, American Sign Language and a track for young women in high school and college. For more info, visit

[catholicwomensconference.org](http://catholicwomensconference.org)

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## LIVING STEWARDSHIP NOW

### The Pizza Guy

Thomas Monaghan is a pizza mogul. Raised in an orphanage, he thought that wealth was justifiable and necessary. He realized that he craved riches to impress—a form of pride. So he simplified everything—no private jet, fancy cars, or huge mansion—and now experiences joy in giving. He said recently that people who think he’s sacrificing don’t understand. The money is not his money. Yes, he worked hard, but where did he get the enthusiasm, energy, willpower, and persistence to work hard? From God. What Monaghan has produced already belongs to God, so he’s only sharing God’s bounty. When people ask what motivates him, he thinks it is blindingly obvious: he was raised to believe that the true value of life is to get to heaven while dragging along as many people with him as possible! It’s flattering when people say that he’s a devout Catholic, but he feels he is too much of a struggling sinner to deserve such praise.

### Living Stewardship Now

Wealthy or not, there are many ways to share God’s blessings:

**Give away** gently-used clothes and household items to local charities.

**Buy locally** and support businesses in your neighborhood.

**Resist advertising;** buy only as much as you need.

**Spend time** with family and friends.

**Share** non-perishable food with local food banks.

**Support** your parish and good causes with your time and skills.

**Turn off the TV** and try biking, hiking, fishing, reading, or just take a walk.

**Be good to the earth:** Reduce waste, recycle, plant a garden.

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### Tours of the Cathedral Basilica



A guided tour of the Basilica is available **after the 11:00 AM**

**Sunday Mass.** Please gather in front of the Side Altar of the Sacred Heart, which is located to the right of the Main Sanctuary. -5- 062 cathd