

# Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 7, 2016



*“Blessed the nation whose God is the LORD, the people he has chosen for his own inheritance.” “Our soul waits for the LORD, who is our help and our shield. May your kindness, O LORD, be upon us who have put our hope in you.” –PS 33*



## Mass Intentions for the Week

### 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

### Aug. 8, Monday, St. Dominic, Priest

7:15 Henry J. Hagan  
12:05 Msgr. Joseph McCahon

### Aug. 9, Tuesday, Weekday,

#### St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr

7:15 Rosaline Micucci  
12:05 Silverio Berarducci

### Aug. 10, Wednesday, St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr

7:15 Rita Dellaratta  
12:05 Mary Harvey

### Aug. 11, Thursday, St. Clare, Virgin

7:15 Dr. John J. Leahy  
12:05 Nancy Calabree

### Aug. 12, Friday, Weekday,

#### St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious

7:15 Nancy Mc Garrity  
12:05 Leone Family

### Aug. 13, Saturday, Weekday

#### Ss. Pontian, Pope & Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs; BVM

12:05 Agnes Mc Morris  
5:15 Catherine Ferrero

### Aug. 14, Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 Pro Populo - For the People of the Parish  
9:30 Quici, Galipo and Greco Families  
11:00 Norma Judak  
12:30 Josefina Rodriguez  
6:30 Pro Populo - For the People

Dear Parishioners,

Over the last several weeks we have prayed during Mass with the Universal Prayer or Prayer of the Faithful for an end to terror and violence in our country and in our world. We have every confidence in the provident love of God that He hears our prayers and will answer them according to his will for us. All acts of terror are horrific, tragic and senseless and leave us with a palpable fear and unrest. However, the recent terrorist slaying of Father Jacques Hamel during the celebration of Mass in France evoked an additional response to his senseless death that is significant for us Christians.

The Bishops of the Church in France called upon all Catholics—in fact all people of good will—to fast on the Friday following the murder of Father Hamel. The purpose of this fasting was to remind all of the need for God and to repair for the damage brought about by sin and evil. In the Gospel (see Matthew 17: 21), the Lord himself directs us to see that at times the only way to overcome sin and evil in our lives, in others, and in the world, is by prayer and fasting.

*I propose to you that we can all have a part in the eradication of terror and violence in the world—and sin and evil in our own hearts and those of others—if we seriously consider a discipline of prayer and fasting for this intention.* Every Friday of the Church Year is a day of penance. In the United States, if Catholics—outside of Lent—choose to eat meat on Friday then they are to take on another penance on that day in commemoration of the death of the Lord. This penance can take a great variety of forms and should be a part of living the Christian life. Might we consider a Friday penance of additional praying and fasting from food between meals for peace and freedom from sin in the world and in our lives and those of others? If we take Jesus at his word, there is the power for good in this discipline. It is his power as our Savior and Redeemer that then rescues us from what seems more powerful than us. While there is great benefit for us to individually adopt this practice, there is even greater benefit when this would be the practice in your home with your spouse and/or with your family members. *Please consider this.*

*On Thursday, August 18, 2016, here at the Cathedral Basilica at 2:00 PM, Archbishop Chaput will ordain and consecrate Monsignor Edward M. Deliman an auxiliary Bishop for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.* Bishop-elect Deliman served here at the Cathedral Parish at one time, especially the Spanish speaking community. Everyone is welcome to attend the Ordination Mass. Let us keep the Bishop-elect in our prayers.

The second collection at Mass next Sunday will be directed to support the Young Adult Group in the Cathedral Parish. 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

## 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)

## Solemn High Mass in the Extraordinary Form ~ Solemnity of the Assumption ~ of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Monday, August 15, 2016  
7:00 PM

**The Reverend Robert C. Pasley KCHS**  
Rector of Mater Ecclesiae  
Celebrant and Preacher

Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter & Paul



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## 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.



## 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  
Ron and Marie Bornstad*



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, 7/31/16 was \$8,585. 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.*

## AUGUSTINE'S BROTHERS

**Augustine's Brothers** is a support accountability group for men who struggle with pornography as well as other excessive sexual behaviors. Many men try to break themselves of this habit/addiction alone and fail time after time. This is something that cannot be done alone. The chains of bad habits and addiction are heavy but with God's grace and the support of other men who understand the struggle, you can break the chains! **YOU ARE NOT ALONE.** You can find the freedom and peace to become the man God created you to be.

**Augustine's Brothers** meets weekly in the Neumann Room on Tuesday nights at 7:00 PM. All inquiries are kept in strict confidentiality and one's wish to remain anonymous is highly respected. There is no need for registration, just come and join us. For information visit: [AugustinesBrothers.org](http://AugustinesBrothers.org) or call 800-348-0758.

## ¡Año del Jubileo de la Misericordia

Agosto 2016

### Las obras corporales de misericordia

Jesús fue una persona de **acción** que mostró misericordia y compasión en formas concretas. Jesús alimentó a los hambrientos, protegió aquellos en necesidad, visitó a los enfermos y enterró a los muertos. Jesús tomó tiempo y puso atención para reconocer las necesidades básicas de las personas que encontró. Él nos desafía a hacer lo mismo. El Catecismo enseña que «...la miseria humana atrae la compasión de Cristo Salvador [...]. También por ello, los oprimidos por la miseria son objeto de un *amor de preferencia* de parte de la Iglesia» (2448).

Las obras corporales de misericordia son un plan para que cada uno de nosotros compartamos en el ministerio de Jesús. Como santa Teresa de Ávila nos recuerda: «Cristo no tiene otro cuerpo que el tuyo; no tiene manos ni pies en la tierra, excepto los tuyos. Tuyos son los ojos a través de los cuales él mira a este mundo con compasión. Tuyas son las manos con las que él bendice a todo el mundo». Acciones, como alimentar al hambriento, dar de beber al sediento, dar albergue al que no lo tiene, visitar al enfermo y enterrar al muerto son todas acciones que extienden la compasión y la misericordia de Dios.

La base bíblica para las obras de misericordia son establecidas en Mateo 25 cuando Jesús nos recuerda que al alimentar al hambriento, dar de beber al sediento, visitar al enfermo y encarcelado, lo estamos haciendo por él. Las obras de misericordia no son opcionales sino esenciales para vivir la vida cristiana de santidad y bondad. Estamos no sólo para recibir la misericordia de Dios sino para utilizarla siendo misericordiosos con otros a través de nuestras acciones.

– Anne Ayella, directora diocesana, Catholic Relief Services

#### Cómo vivirlo

Discierna las formas en que Dios lo está llamando a integrar más profundamente las obras corporales de misericordia en su vida. Aquí están las siete: alimentar al hambriento, dar de beber al sediento, vestir al desnudo, albergar al desamparado, visitar al enfermo, visitar al encarcelado, enterrar al fallecido.

#### Cita de Tradición Católica

«No puedes pensar en los demás como si fuesen números o escalones, para que tú puedas subir; o masa, para ser exaltada o humillada, adulada o despreciada, según los casos. Piensa en los demás —antes que nada, en los que están a tu lado— como en lo que son: hijos de Dios, con toda la dignidad de ese título maravilloso.

Hemos de portarnos como hijos de Dios con los hijos de Dios: el nuestro ha de ser un amor sacrificado, diario, hecho de mil detalles de comprensión, de sacrificio silencioso, de entrega que no se nota. Este es el *bonus odor Christi*, -el buen olor de Cristo- el que hacía decir a los que vivían entre nuestros primeros hermanos en la fe: *¡Mirad cómo se aman!*»  
-San Josemaría Escrivá

**Lectura recomendada para el mes:** *Amar con obras; a Dios y a los hombres*, Fernando Ocariz. [archphila.org/mercy](http://archphila.org/mercy)

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

**August 8 Same Steam Benefit Concert**  
Basilica, 7:30 PM

**August 9 Cathedral to close at 2:30 PM**

Augustine's Brothers  
Prayer and Support group for Men,  
Neumann Room, 7:00 PM

**August 10 Cathedral to close at 2:30 PM**

Charismatic Prayer Group  
Neumann Room, 6:00 PM

**August 11 Cathedral to close at 2:30 PM**

**August 15 Feast of the Assumption**

Mass times: 7:15 AM, 12:05, 12:35 & 5:15 PM;  
*Solemn High Mass in the Extraordinary Form,*  
7:00 PM

## VIVIENDO LA CORRESPONSABILIDAD

### No te lo puedes llevar

Querida Eleonor,

Gracias por la tarjeta de cumpleaños. Ahora que tengo 83 años, mi vida está llena de experiencias que apreciar. Estoy leyendo más y limpiando menos, y me siento en el patio para admirar el panorama. Paso más tiempo con familiares y amigos. Uso la mejor vajilla y la cristalería buena para celebrarlo todo—una libra de peso perdida, un lavabo que ya no está tapado o el primer brote de los tulipanes. Me pongo mi perfume favorito y mi mejor chaqueta para ir al mercado. Es fantástico decir, “quédate con el cambio” y dar buenas propinas a las personas con trabajos monótonos. Mi trabajo voluntario en San Vicente de Paúl me hace olvidar mis dolores y pesares. Nada de aplazar, retrasar o dejar de hacer lo que le añade lustre o una sonrisa a mi vida. Estoy escribiendo ciertas cartas que siempre intenté escribir. Le digo a las personas más cercanas que las amo. Cada día es un regalo de Dios y le doy gracias porque la vida es tan maravillosa.

Te quiere,

Rosa

### La Corresponsabilidad Vivida Ahora

Escribe en tu calendario una vez al día algo por lo que estás agradecido. Revisa tus apuntes al final del mes. Repite esta acción.



## Archbishop Chaput's Catechesis at World Youth Day Krakow, Poland, July 27

...“Our time in the world is never really “ours.” Each day of life is a free gift. We didn’t earn it. We don’t own it. And we always share the time allotted to us with others, because all of our lives interlock. What we do with our time inevitably impacts the people around us for good or for ill. Each of us has the starring role in his or her life. But we’re also a supporting actor in the lives of everyone around us. And all of us are part of a much larger story which we’ll only fully understand in the next life – God’s story of creation and salvation. The point is this: None of us is a neutral visitor to the world. We’re not tourists. We’re co-authors and players. Each of us either adds to or subtracts from the great story of the world by our choices.

The past is gone. The future isn’t here yet. So the decisive moment in our lives is always *right now*. We need to know the past and learn from it so we can understand why the world is the way it is. And we need to think about the future so we can make it a better place for the people who come after us. But we always do that, or fail to do that, *now* in our choices and actions. The past is memory. The future is good intentions. But now is real. Now is where we exercise our freedom.

The irony is that much of modern life limits our freedom. Work, school, family, health, money or the lack of it – all of these things limit our freedom to do what we want. And meanwhile, every day, our lives “silt up” like a river clogging with dirt – in other words, we choke on all the hurts and injustices we inflict on other people, and all the hurts and injustices that other people inflict on us. The world becomes a tangle of debts we owe to others, and debts that others owe to us. Debts that can never be paid. And the result is suffering and conflict with everyone demanding their rights, everyone demanding justice, and no one really getting it.

The only way to be free of our debts is to free others from the debts they owe us. Justice is part of the nature of God, and as free creatures we’re accountable to him for the good and the evil we do. But if we think of his justice purely as a math problem – who gets punished how much for what sins – we miss God’s deeper reality, which is fatherly love. And mercy is the expression of that fatherly love that allows us to free others and find real freedom ourselves.

There’s a famous legend from the ancient world that involves the Gordian Knot. The Gordian Knot was a large and extremely complicated knot of powerful rope that allegedly could not be untied. Dozens of strong men had tried and failed to unravel it, but the knot was too complex. Alexander the Great solved the problem by simply slicing through the knot with his sword. In a sense, the demands of justice are the impossible knot we create with our interlocking sins and resentments. And mercy is God’s love that liberates his children by cutting through the knot like a sword...”

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## 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 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.

### San Alfonso Retreat House Men’s Retreat

Come and experience God’s love and Peace in a unique retreat atmosphere this year. Join us at the Retreat House in Long Branch, NJ on **September 9, 10 and 11, 2016**. The retreat is given by the Redemptorist Priests, and promises to be a tree-day experience of God’s love at a beautiful setting right on the beach at the New Jersey shore. The cost is \$210, including lodging, delicious food and a beachfront view that would cost hundreds of dollars a day during the season. This is a wonderful opportunity for reflection, meditation and prayer. For those interested please contact **Joe Harvey at 215-232-8123**.

### 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



### DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH

The Cathedral Parish offers year round opportunities for people seeking more information about the Catholic Faith, the Sacraments and living the Christian Life. These opportunities are for adults who would like to inquire about following Jesus and becoming a member of the Catholic Church, or, if you are already a baptized Christian and would like to become a Catholic, or, if you are already a baptized Catholic and would like to receive Confirmation and Holy Communion. There are many people like yourself inquiring, and we are ready to answer your questions. Please contact the Parish Office for more information. (215)561-1313

## LIVING STEWARDSHIP NOW

### *You Can’t Take it with you*

Dear Eleanor,

Thanks for the birthday card. Now that I’m 83 I realize that life is filled with experiences to savor and I’m trying to recognize these moments and cherish them now. I’m reading more and dusting less. I sit in the yard and admire the view without fussing about weeds in the garden. I’m spending more time with my family and friends, and less time doing chores. I’m not “saving” anything: I use the good china and crystal to celebrate every possible event, such as losing a pound, getting the sink unstopped, or the first amaryllis blossom. I put on my favorite perfume every day and wear my good blazer to the market. “Someday” and “one of these days” are losing their grip on my vocabulary. If it’s worth seeing or hearing or doing, I want to see and hear and do it now. It’s fun to say “Keep the change” to someone, to give a large tip to a person with a dreary job. I’ve discovered that giving my time and attention to someone in trouble makes me forget my aches and pains, so I signed up as a Saint Vincent de Paul volunteer. I’m trying very hard not to put off, hold back, or save anything that would add laughter and luster to life. It’s little things left undone that would make me angry if I knew how limited my hours are: angry that I hadn’t written certain letters that I intended to write one of these days; sorry that I didn’t tell the people closest to me often enough how much I truly loved them. Every day, every minute, every breath truly is a gift from God. And every morning when I open my eyes, I thank God because life is so wonderful.

Love,  
Rose

### *Living Stewardship Now*

Once a day write on your calendar something you are truly grateful for. Review at the end of the month. Repeat.

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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