

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 5, 2017

**“You are the light of the world.
A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden.”**

-Matthew 5:14



Mass Intentions for the Week



Feb. 4, Saturday, Weekday, BVM

12:05 For the spiritual & temporal benefit of
Andrew Best

5:15 Mary Byrne

Feb. 5, Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

9:30 Charles & Angela Galpo

11:00 Raffaele Berarducci

12:30 Natividad Sanchez

6:30 Pro Propulo - For the People of the Parish

Feb. 6, Monday, St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs

7:15 Dorothy McCormac

12:05 Edwin H. Feather, Jr.

Feb. 7, Tuesday, Weekday

7:15 Ignatius J. “Iggy” Galante

12:05 Marguerite Grant

Feb. 8, Wednesday, Weekday, St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin

7:15 Mrs. Antonio Perez

12:05 Marguerite Pugliese Grant

Feb. 9, Thursday, Weekday

7:15 Special Intention Novena

12:05 Stella Refino

Feb. 10, Friday, St. Scholastica, Virgin

7:15 Thomas Duffy

12:05 John E. Dupre

Feb. 11, Saturday, Weekday, Our Lady of Lourdes; BVM

12:05 Thomas Duffy

5:15 John E. Dupre

Feb. 12, Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

9:30 Arthur Quici

11:00 Filomena Berarducci

12:30 Bernardina Berns Oxford

6:30 Pro Propulo - For the People of the Parish

Dear Parishioners,

This past week, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia buried two venerable priests, Bishop Martin Lomuller and Monsignor Richard Skelly. Both of these priests served the Archdiocese with outstanding dedication all throughout their active years as priests and also throughout their long retirement. We commend their souls to the mercy of God. We trust in the promises of Christ to all the baptized that these priests will soon enjoy the glory of heaven. The death of a priest is a clear reminder that we need priests. We need them in many ways—as icons of Christ among us, to preach his word and celebrate his Sacraments, especially the Mass.

*I ask to make it part of your daily prayers to pray that many more men will respond to the call to serve God and the Church as his priests. Encourage someone you think might have a vocation to the Holy Priesthood to give it some thought. Direct the person to speak to a priest. The work of promoting vocations to the Holy Priesthood is the work of every member of the Church. One of my assignments is to teach our seminarians at Saint Charles Seminary. This year, I have thirty-two fine young men in the first year class on the Sacred Liturgy. Those in formation also need our prayers. *May God bless the Archdiocese of Philadelphia with numerous vocations to the Priesthood—and hopefully someone from our Parish!**

Please allow me to introduce Maria Montero to you. Maria is parishioner who has volunteered to assume the responsibility of coordinating our Parish Respect Life Group. The aim of the group is to provide opportunities for our parishioners to be better informed about human life issues, to act on behalf of human life, and to pray for the protection of human life. There will be more information about the Parish Respect Life Group in future editions of the Parish Bulletin and on the Parish Website. Maria, thank you for your generous service.

This Saturday, February 11, 2017 is the Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes, World Day of Prayer for the Sick. Please keep this intention in your prayers on Saturday. If possible, join us for the 12:05 PM Mass in the Cathedral Chapel to ask the special favor of Our Lady for the Sick during Mass.

The 2017 Catholic Charities Appeal is on. You most likely have already received information about this important appeal in the mail. Please look for more information in future editions of the Parish Bulletin. The second collection at Mass next Sunday will be for the poor and needy in the neighborhood of the Cathedral. Thank you so very much for all of your goodness and generosity to the Cathedral Parish in so many ways.

God bless you,

Father Dennis Gill



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



HOSPICE SUNDAY NEXT WEEKEND

Please remember to bring your food donations for **St. John's Hospice**. Please bring all items to Mass and leave them in the Sacristy. Your recent donations were very much appreciated.

Thank you for your continued generosity,
God bless you.

GIVE TO GROW



Upcoming Community Concerts at the Basilica

February 18, 2017 at 6:30 PM

The Choir of Little Miami High School (free will offering)

For more information and to Purchase Tickets visit:

www.CathedralPhilaConcerts.org

New Parishioners

Welcome to the Cathedral Parish!

The easiest way to register can be accomplished by speaking with one of the parish priests after any regularly scheduled Mass. If preferred, you can also contact the Parish Office to schedule an appointment to meet with a priest. *The Parish Office phone number is 215-561-1313.*



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

For: John E. Dupre

From: The Johanssan Family



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

Please see the website of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. usccb.org/bible/readings

*Las lecturas de la semana están disponibles
en el enlace de arriba*

Mass Book 2018

On Monday, February 20, 2017, the 2018 Parish Mass Book will be opened. Once this Parish Mass Book is opened, it is possible to arrange for announced Masses and schedule Weddings for the calendar year 2018. Church law requires that announced Masses can only be scheduled as far as one calendar year in advance of the current year. So, the new Parish Mass Book typically opens after the beginning of the current new year.

Archdiocese of Philadelphia Television Mass

Sundays at 5:30 AM - WPVI-TV, Chanel 6. Rebroadcast each Sun. at: 9 AM, DT-2, Channel 6 digital • 10:30 AM, LaSalle University 56 • 5:00 PM, DT-2, Channel 6 digital

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, 01/29/2017 was \$7,521.00. Your 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.*



Please remember these parishioners and friends of the Cathedral Parish in your prayers/ Ora por los enfermos:

Dan Moyer, Rose Johnston, William Zawacki, Carla McCollaum, David Hernandez, Edward Panek, Irene McCarthy, Paige Bednarsky, Patrick DiGiovanni, Patricia Capone, Rosemary Lovett, Grace Teti, Nick Capozio, Darcel Burney, Fred Hankinson, Renee Kenny, Thomas J. Kenny, Stacey Smit, Anadelia Cacique, Alis de Pachecho, JoAnn Stein, Francis Pham, Ita Creavin, William Spiro, Scott Towers, Daniel Moyer Sr., James Pinto, Pearl Hammond, Loretta Braccili, Dorothy Tomassini, Pam Buccelli, Charlotte McLaughlin, Amberlyn Boland, Wendy Cornel, Michelle, Oscar Rodriguez, Enrique Rodriguez, Randy Burbage, Rosa Maria Santos, Amy Fife, Theodore Barry, M.D., Marissa Kostrzewa, David Kaplan, Marilyn Mullen, Kathleen Aponik, April DeMatto, Paula Cohen, 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.
Por favor llamar a la oficina parroquial para añadir a la lista los nombres de personas que estén enfermas.

What's Happening at the Parish Outside the Liturgical Schedule

- Feb. 5** Baptisms, Basilica, 12:30 PM
- Feb. 8** Morning Scripture for Lawyers,
Neumann Room, 8:00 AM
Charismatic Prayer Group,
Neumann Room, 6:00 PM
- Feb. 9** Catechetical Session,
Auditorium of the Pastoral Center, 7:00 PM
Concert by The Tallis Scholars, Basilica, 7:30 PM

CRUZADA MARIANA

Los únicos actos que se le piden a las personas que se unan a esta iniciativa, son la Consagración a Nuestra Señora del Encuentro con Dios, vivida en el rezo diario de las 3 Avemarias o el rezo del Sto. Rosario, por las intenciones del Sto. Padre, especialmente: la paz en el mundo, la familia, las vocaciones sacerdotales, religiosas y misioneras. También los que se consagran o Cruzados de María deben ofrecer sus oraciones por las intenciones particulares de cada uno de los Cruzados de María del mundo entero.

1^{er} Paso: Consagrarse incondicionalmente a María en alguna de las ceremonias que realizamos en algunas fechas concretas, o bien delante de alguna imagen de María en una fiesta dedicada en su honor de forma privada. Pueden descargar la [fórmula de consagración](#). Junto con la recitación de la consagración es fundamental, el propósito de conformar nuestra vida lo más semejantemente posible a las virtudes de María.

2^o Paso: Apuntarse o inscribirse en una de las siguientes categorías:

-Pequeños Cruzados:

Son los niños y adultos que hacen el propósito de rezar a la Virgen todos los días las Tres Avemarias por un tiempo determinado o de por vida.

-Cruzados del Santo Rosario:

Son los niños y adultos que hacen el propósito de rezar a la Virgen todos los días el Santo Rosario por un tiempo determinado o de por vida.

Ofrecerán sus oraciones por estas tres intenciones:

1. Por las intenciones generales del Santo Padre, en especial: Oración por la paz, la familia y el desarrollo de la vida.

2. Por las intenciones de todos los cruzados para compartir los bienes espirituales que cada uno alcanza en la oración, en virtud del Cuerpo Místico de Cristo.

3. Por las vocaciones sacerdotales, religiosas y laicales en la Iglesia. cruzadamariana.org/

La encuesta 2016-2017 para residentes de Filadelfia

¡Queremos escuchar de SU comunidad! Conteste la encuesta para tener la oportunidad de ganar una tarjeta de regalo de \$100! La Ciudad de Filadelfia quiere escuchar a todas las comunidades. La encuesta pide a los residentes que compartan sus opiniones sobre los diferentes servicios que la Ciudad ofrece (como la policía, seguridad pública, recolección de basura, parques locales y otros servicios comunitarios). Permanecerá abierta hasta el 15 de Feb. de 2017.

PHLSurvey.com o 215-204-5858

LA CORRESPONSABILIDAD

Lo Mas Elemental

En el Evangelio de hoy Jesús dice que somos sal y luz sólo cuando nos decidimos a ser útiles y a hacer el bien. En la antigüedad la sal se usaba para condimentar y conservar los alimentos, y para desinfectar las heridas. La sal significaba permanencia, fidelidad y compromiso. En esos tiempos los granos de sal contenían otros minerales y la sal se podía desvanecer fácilmente. Lo que quedaba sólo servía para dejar los caminos transitables sin vegetación; como dice Jesús, “ya no sirve para nada y se tira a la calle para que la pise la gente” (Mateo 5:13). En los tiempos de Jesús las casas se iluminaban con lámparas de aceite. Aun la más pequeña lámpara de aceite hubiera parecido muy brillante en la oscuridad y recordaba a Dios como creador de la luz. El profeta Isaías nos dice cómo ser luz y sal: “. . . que compartas tu pan con el hambriento y abras tu casa al pobre sin techo; que vistas al desnudo y no le des la espalda a tu propio hermano” (Isaías 58:7). Dice Jesús que tus buenas obras serán una luz que hagan que otras personas “den gloria a su Padre, que está en los cielos” (Mateo 5:16).

La Corresponsabilidad Vivida Ahora

¿Cuáles son tus obras de sal y luz? ¿Prestas algún servicio a tus compañeros parroquianos? ¿Te involucras en obras de caridad locales o actividades comunitarias? ¿Necesitas aumentar o cambiar tu participación?

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NUTRE TU ALMA Y TENDRÁS PAZ

NSERadio en internet nseradio.com. Programación las 24 horas del día. [Algunos programas dominicales:](#)

- 6:15 AM Evangelio
6:20 AM Imitación de Cristo
6:30 AM Horas Litúrgicas - Laudes y Ángelus
7:00 AM Santo Rosario - Misterios Gloriosos
7:40 AM Audio Libro 2
8:00 AM Formadores en la Fe
9:00 AM Con los ojos de Maria
10:00 AM Música
10:35 AM En Familia
12:05 PM Los Jóvenes hablan de Dios desde Cuzco
3:00 PM Coronilla de la Divina Misericordia
3:10 PM Historia de la Iglesia
3:30 PM La voz del Papa
4:00 PM Circulo bíblico
5:35 PM 15 Minutos con Jesús Sacramentado
6:00 PM La Santa Misa
8:00 PM Radio Benjamín (Infantil)
9:00 PM Examen de Conciencia
9:45 PM Mi alma y Dios/Maria siempre

Programación completa en nseradio.com/programacion

NSERadio trabaja en la producción y difusión de medios de comunicación al servicio del Evangelio, en total fidelidad a la Iglesia Católica. La programación tiene como objetivo no sólo informar, sino formar. No sólo divertir, sino convertir. Establecer no sólo comunicación, sino comunión.

CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS
THIS WEEK

The Sacrament of Holy Orders

Thursday, February 9, 7:00 PM

This week we are meeting in the Auditorium
of the **Pastoral Center** 222 N. 17th Street, Phila.

The weekly catechetical session is primarily for the adults among us who are preparing to receive the Easter Sacraments. However, anyone interested in the topic for better understanding and faith formation is most welcome to attend. Anyone, especially our parishioners, seeking more information on the reception of the Sacraments or assisting as a sponsor, please call the Parish Office., 215-561-1313.



*Concerts at the
Cathedral Basilica*

*Come and Experience
Great Music in the Cathedral*

The Tallis Scholars: Venetian Voices
Thursday, February 9, 2017 at 7:30 PM

The world-renowned Tallis Scholars return to Concerts at the Cathedral Basilica fresh from their Carnegie Hall appearance with a program featuring signature choral works written expressly for the famed "Church of Gold," Saint Mark's Basilica in Venice.

Premium Front, \$52.50

Front Section, \$44.50

General Admission \$37.50

Senior Admission, \$21.50

Student Admission - *must present valid student ID*, \$12

For more information and to
Purchase Tickets visit:

www.CathedralPhilaConcerts.org

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!

YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Upcoming Events for the Young Adults of the
Cathedral Parish

Holy Rosary before Mass: We hope that each of you will consider joining us every **second Sunday of the month at 5:45 PM prior to the 6:30 PM Mass** to pray the Rosary as a group. 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 us. Please search for our Facebook page (search: Young Adults at the Cathedral).

Friday, April 7, 2017: Discipleship Series - Session Two - Living as an Intentional Disciple of Jesus as a Member of his Church Presenter: Fr. Dennis Gill, Rector & Pastor of the Cathedral. **Where:** The Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, 222 North Seventeenth St., Philadelphia, PA, beginning at 7:30 PM. youngadults.cathedral@gmail.com



40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Help save lives in Philadelphia!
You can protect mothers and
children, here's how to take part:

Through prayer & fasting, peaceful vigils & Community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 725 K volunteers!

◆ Vigil location: Outside Planned Parenthood, 12th & Locust in Center City.

◆ Vigil hours: 8 AM to 5 PM, M-F • 8 AM to 3 PM, Sat.

◆ Local Contact: Pat Stanton 267-718-4851, Monique Ruberu 469-231-9084 roobearoo@hotmail.com

Learn more & get involved by visiting our campaign at
40daysforlife.com/philadelphia

GREETER

A Liturgical Minister of Hospitality

The Cathedral Parish, the Mother Church of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, is quite pleased to have a program for welcoming our worshippers. The goal of this ministry is one of great importance, for it acknowledges "Christ" as seen in the faces of all who come to participate in the Eucharist. We are privileged to help all who come, to feel at home and comfortable and to be assisted in many different ways as needed.

We have arranged to have a short

Rite of Commissioning

of our Greeters before Mass on each of the following days and dates:

Sunday, Feb. 5th before the 11:00 AM

Sunday, Feb. 12th, before the 9:30 AM and 12:30 PM

Sunday, Feb. 19th before the 6:30 PM

We welcome your prayers and consideration of serving in this ministry yourself. Just contact one of our priests or Sister Eleanor McCann, RSM -4- 062 cathd

OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

Archbishop's Lecture Series

-The Cultural Impact of Gender Ideology-

Monday, February 13, 2017, 7 PM

Speaker: Mary Rice Hasson, Fellow at the Ethics and Public Policy Center, Washington, DC. Location: Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary, St. John Vianney Hall Auditorium

Man-Up Philly: Men's Spirituality Conference

Saturday, March 4, 2017 - 8:30 AM-5 PM

Come be a part of this special experience and stand with your Brothers as true Men of God. **Speakers:** Marcellino D'Ambrosio, Ph.D., Kevin Reilly, Damon Clarke Owens, Mark Forrest. **Location:** St. Joseph's University, Hagan Arena, Phila. More info & registration: manupphilly.com

Post-Abortion Healing Retreat

March 10 to 12, 2017 - Malvern-Frazer, PA

This retreat for healing after abortion is designed to help you experience the mercy and compassion of God. It will help you focus on the buried emotions of the past and begin healing in a non-judgmental, safe, loving, and confidential environment. It will give you hope for your future and freedom from the pain within your heart and soul. For information call Geri at 610-399-0890 or Priscilla at 215-906-6337. Rachel Vineyard of Greater Philadelphia. All inquiries are strictly confidential. Financial aid is offered if needed. National website: www.rachelsvineyard.org

Deliver Us From Evil:

A Lenten Reflection on the Nature of Evil

Friday, March 10, 2017, 7-9 PM

In this Lenten reflection, you will learn how evil operates in our lives and how to defend yourself against its power. Reservations required.

Speaker: Susan Brinkmann, OCDS, staff journalist for Women of Grace and frequent guest on EWTN.

Location: St. Agnes Church, 445 N. Main St., Sellersville, PA. More info & registration: Visit the Events page at womenofgrace.com call 800-558-5452 to register.

Philadelphia Resident Survey 2016-17

The City of Philadelphia needs to hear from YOU! By participating in the 2016-17 Philadelphia Resident Survey, you can have a chance to provide feedback on City services, and have a chance to win \$100!

The survey will only take you ten minutes to complete at phlsurvey.com or by calling 215-204-5858. Your valued input on vital City services -- such as policing, public safety, trash collection, local parks and other community services -- will influence the Kenney Administration's response to the public's needs over the course of this mayoral term. The City of Philadelphia is conducting this survey in both English and Spanish, online, by phone and through mailed copies; it will remain open through February 15, 2017.

Hallahan 45th Reunion

Saturday, March 4, 2017, 5 PM

Penn's Landing Caterers 1301 S. Columbus Blvd. Philadelphia 19147. Cost: \$65.00 per person which includes dinner buffet and DJ. There will be a 'cash bar'. Spouses are invited to attend. For further info., please contact: soccermom1@comcast.net (or) latd53@aol.com

LIVING STEWARDSHIP NOW

Back to Basics

Salt and light are the two symbols that Jesus sets before us in today's Gospel. He says we are salt and light in the world, but only when we put ourselves to good and useful purposes. In ancient times salt was valuable not only as seasoning, but also to preserve foods and disinfect wounds. Salt signified permanence, loyalty, and commitment. In those days salt came either from evaporated sea water or from the Dead Sea. The crystals were large and grayish in color because of the presence of other minerals. The taste was different from what we are used to, and without additives to keep it stable, the salt could eventually leach out. What is left tastes "flat" and was worthless as a seasoning and useful only for keeping footpaths free of vegetation and occasional snow in winter. That may be why Jesus says it is then "no longer good for anything but to be . . . trampled underfoot" (Matthew 5:13). A light is only useful if it provides illumination for human purposes. Houses in Jesus' time were lit with small oil lamps. Oil was not cheap; therefore, lamps were only lit for what were essential and important activities—the Sabbath meal for example—to be shared by all. In a time before electricity, even one small oil lamp would have seemed very bright in the darkness, and a reminder of God as the creator of light. The prophet Isaiah in today's first reading gives us a "road map" of how to be light and salt in the world: "Share your bread with the hungry, shelter the oppressed and the homeless; clothe the naked . . . and do not turn your back on your own" (Isaiah 58:7). Take care of the human family, and your good deeds, says Jesus, will be like light and cause others to "glorify your heavenly Father" (Matthew 5:16).

Living Stewardship Now

What are your deeds of salt and light? Do you serve your fellow parishioners? Are you involved with local charities or community action? Do you need to increase or change your involvement?

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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.

