

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 20, 2017

***“Jesus proclaimed the Gospel of the kingdom
and cured every disease among the people.” Mt 4:23***



Mass Intentions for the Week



**Aug 19, Saturday, Weekday,
St. John Eudes, Priest; BVM**

12:05 Lisa De Pasquale
5:15 Rita Nardo

Aug 20, Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 Pro populo- For the People of the Parish
9:30 Vincent & Josephine Galypo
11:00 Mario Dercole & Family
12:30 Sabino y Ester Serrano
6:30 Pro Populo- For the People

Aug 21, Monday, St. Pius X, Pope

7:15 Intention of Marie & Bill Hart
12:05 Elizabeth Eichenlaub

**Aug 22, Tuesday, The Queenship of the
Blessed Virgin Mary**

7:15 Intention of Fr. Stephen Harris
12:05 Robert Stemper

**Aug 23, Wednesday, Weekday,
St. Rose of Lima, Virgin**

7:15 Marie Taggart
12:05 Elisa Ionata

Aug 24, Thursday, St. Bartholomew, Apostle

7:15 Connie Mazzola
12:05 Robert Klumpp

**Aug 25, Friday, Weekday, St. Louis;
St. Joseph Calasan, Priest**

7:15 Louis Paolino
12:05 James D. Hay, Jr.

Aug 26, Saturday, Weekday, BVM

12:05 Intention of Teagan & Michael Welsh
5:15 Leone, Cuccurullo, Kenny deceased
family members

**Aug 27, Twenty-First Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

8:00 Pro populo- For the People of the Parish
9:30 Peter Francis Nepi
11:00 Domenica Giacomucci & family
12:30 Sabino Serrano
6:30 Pro Populo- For the People

Dear Parishioners,

The Keys and Sword Event 2017 was a success in so many ways for our Cathedral Parish. The celebration marked a tremendous outpouring of support and generosity for our Parish. In a previous Rector's Letter, I promised you an update on our success once all bills were paid. Our goal was to raise two-hundred and fifty thousand dollars which would include the payment of all expenses incurred such as publicity, printing, the Ad Book and costs associated with the dinner. Some of the dinner costs included the entertainment, the flower decorations, and rental fees. We didn't quite reach our ambitious goal this year. However, in the end more than one-hundred fifty thousand dollars was netted by the Parish. This is a tremendous accomplishment for all of us. From the beginning, as part of our revived *Keys and Sword Event*, we pledged ten percent of our netted income to the Saint Francis Inn in Kensington, Philadelphia. I am happy to tell you a check for a little more than fifteen thousand dollars from the Cathedral Parish has been sent to the Franciscan Fathers and Brothers to assist them in their everyday work of feeding thousands of homeless men, women and children. I believe, and I hope you share this belief with me, that it is our Christian duty to share our good fortune with those less fortunate. To share our good fortune freely is only to see it return to us in another way.

Perhaps it is too soon to remind you that our Keys and Sword Event 2018 is already scheduled for Friday, June 29, 2018. Mark your calendars! More information will be available about our 2018 event in the months ahead. Next year, we pledge ten percent of our net income to the Sacred Heart Free Home for Incurable Cancer in Philadelphia. The Hawthorne Dominican Sisters provide palliative care for their patients, supported only by donations.

A very important liturgical ministry in our Cathedral Parish is the Greeter. Sometimes we take this important ministry for granted. This ministry is carried out by the person who welcomes us to the Basilica or Chapel, who provides us with a hymnal and a worship aid, who answers our questions, and gives us the Parish Bulletin after Mass. The Greeter is a concrete expression of Christian hospitality. We need more Greeters. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact Sister Eleanor at the Parish Office, 215-561-1313.

The second collection at Mass next Sunday will go to the support of the Little Sisters of the Poor and their work to care for the elderly poor in the Philadelphia area. Thank you so very much for all of your goodness and generosity to the Cathedral Parish in so many ways, and to the *Annual Catholic Charities Appeal*.

God bless you,
Father Dennis Gill

FIRST FRIDAY EXPOSITION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoración Eucarística el primer viernes del mes

Friday, September 1, 2017

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 am

El Santísimo Sacramento será expuesto para adoración antes de la Misa de las 12:05 pm el primer viernes de cada mes a partir de las 11:00 am en la Capilla de la Catedral. Confesiones en inglés a las 11am. Por favor ven a adorar al Señor

"If we but paused for a moment to consider attentively what takes place in this Sacrament, I am sure that the thought of Christ's love for us would transform the coldness of our hearts into a fire of love and gratitude."

- St. Angela of Foligno

TAKE A STAND FOR LIFE



From September 27 to November 5,

Our community will take part in 40 Days for life... a groundbreaking, coordinated international mobilization. We pray that, with God's help, this will mark the beginning of the end of abortion in our city - and beyond. For more info on how to register contact the Parish Office or visit <https://40daysforlife.com/> "Wherever people are suffering make it your task to serve them." St. John Paul II

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. If you only put \$1 in the collection would you consider \$5, if you put \$10, would you consider \$20? The Offertory Collection for 08/13/2017 was \$7,508.00. **Thank you very much for your generous financial support. God bless you!**



Communion for the Sick

The priests of the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul are anxious to serve the spiritual needs of their Catholic brothers and sisters who live in Residences such as **Atria, Kennedy House, Penn Center House, Riverside Presbyterian, and Watermark and anyone else who may be confined to their homes**. Therefore, if you are aware of anyone who would like a priest to visit and administer the Sacrament of Penance, the Sacrament of the Sick, and Holy Communion, please let us know. There is no better way that we can emulate Jesus Christ than by sharing his love with all whom he places in our paths, especially the sick and the aged who long for his healing presence.

Please pass the above requested information on to us by calling the **Parish Office at 215-561-1313**. Be assured of the love, concern, and prayers of your priests at the Cathedral, and in your goodness, pray for us that we may always be channels of Christ's love and peace to others. God bless you always and in all ways.

Philadelphia Catholic Grandparents Association Conference

Sat, August 26, 2017, 8:30 AM – 5:15 PM

Join with other Grandparents for a day of learning, sharing, prayer and support with keynote speakers, Catherine Wiley, Founder, International Catholic Grandparents Association & Jim & Joy Pinto, EWTN's Jim & Joy Show. Topics to include: Your Biblical Mandate, the importance of Grandparents to the Church, the Family and Society, Grandparenting in Secular Times, Practical, Secular and Spiritual Catechesis. Ending with celebration of Holy Mass. **St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Wynnewood, PA.** For more info & to register, visit phillycatholiclife.org.

Save the Date! Sept. 24, 2017

Walk For Life & Archdiocesan Kick-Off for 40 Days for Life

- ◆ Youth rally - 4:00 pm ◆ General rally - 5:00 pm
- ◆ Walk for Life - 5:30 pm

- ◆ Mass 6:30 pm Abp. Charles Chaput, Celebrant.

Speakers: Shawn Carney, President of 40 Days For Life & Kristan Hawkins, president of Students for Life of America (SFLA). Location: Sister Cities Park—3:30 pm.

For more info visit: <http://phillycatholiclife.org>

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

Ed & Shirley Pinto, Thomas Sabol, Susan Kirk, Robert Dove, Doreen Quinn, John Zelez, Charlotte McLaughlin, Philip Costantini, David, David O'Shea, Mary McManus, Christopher & Stephanie Tama, Marilyn Mullen, Carolyn Jacobs, Stephen Garramone, Kim Cantwell, Janet Campellone, Giuseppe Giuliani, Nancy Rice, Frank Byrne, Gerald Leo, Eileen Swartz, Dan Moyer, Rose Johnston, William Zawacki, Carla McCollum, 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, William Spiro, Scott Towers, Daniel Moyer Sr., James Pinto, 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

Aug 20 Marian Celebration (in Spanish),
Chapel Hall, 1:30pm

Aug 22 Legion of Mary Meeting,
Neumann Room, 7:00 pm

Aug 23 Morning Scripture for Lawyers,
Neumann Room, 8:00 am
Charismatic Prayer Group,
Neumann Room, 6:00 pm

EVENTOS DE INTERÉS

Celebración de la Santísima Virgen

Domingo, 20 de Agosto, 2017 a la 1:30 pm

Durante la Misa de español de las 12:30pm estaremos celebrando a Nuestra Señora de los Ángeles, la patrona de Costa Rica, y a Nuestra Señora De la Candelaria de Copacabana, patrona de Bolivia. Al terminar la misa, todos los feligreses están invitados para un compartir en el salón de la Capilla. Aquellas personas que quisieran compartir un plato típico, será bien recibido.

Un Día para la Familia!

En el Seminario San Carlos Borromeo

¿Cuándo? El Domingos, 17 de Septiembre,
de 12:00 pm a 5:30 pm, comenzando con la Misa

¿Para quien? Hombres jóvenes hispanos en la escuela secundaria y mayores junto con sus familias

¿Para que? Los participantes podrán recorrer los terrenos, jugar un partido de futbol con los seminaristas, y asistir a las Vísperas en la tarde.

Habrà música en vivo, comida, refrescos, juegos para los niños, oración, y mucho mas.

Para mas información y para registrarse llame a la
Oficina para Católicos Hispanos al 215-667-2820

Dirección: 100 East Wynnewood Rd,
Wynnewood, PA 19096.

Anote en su calendario! Sept. 24, 2017

**Marcha Por la Vida e inauguración de la Campaña
de otoño de 40 Días por la Vida. Lugar: Sister Cities
Park, al frente de la Catedral**

Consagración de la Arquidiócesis de Filadelfia a Nuestra Señora de Fátima

En honor al Centenario de las apariciones de la Santísima Virgen Maria en Fátima, Portugal, el Arzobispo Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap consagrará a la Arquidiócesis de Filadelfia a Nuestra Señora de Fátima el **domingo, 15 de octubre del 2017. La consagración se llevará a cabo en la Misa de las 11:00am en la Catedral Basílica de San Pedro y San Pablo en Filadelfia.** Todo el clero, religiosos y fieles de la Arquidiócesis están cordialmente invitados a este evento especial en la vida de nuestra Iglesia local. Para más información y recursos de preparación espiritual visite la página web: archphila.org/fatima

El Sacramento del Bautismo en Español

Octubre 29, 2017— 1:30 PM

El Sacramento del Bautismo normalmente se celebra en español cada 3 meses, el último domingo del mes; **Por favor hable con el Diácono Epifanio para suscribirse en la clase de preparación y para programar el Bautismo de su hijo/a. Si su hijo/a es mayor de 7 años, el proceso es diferente**, por favor llame a la oficina parroquial para mayor información. El Sacramento del Bautismo normalmente se celebra en inglés el primer domingo de cada mes. Para más información por favor llame a la oficina parroquial, 215-561-1313.

LA CORRESPONSABILIDAD

¿DE ADENTRO O DE AFUERA?

El Jesús que encontramos en el Evangelio de hoy parece un poco distante, pues primero luce como si ignorara la súplica de la mujer cananea para que cure a su hija. Mateo parece sugerir que hasta este momento Jesús creía que su misión era sólo con el pueblo judío. Cuando se ve confrontado por una persona cananea, y encima de todo una mujer, parece desconcertado. Pero después de la clara determinación de la mujer, Jesús no puede seguir ignorándola ni dejar de escucharla. Aún más importante es que Jesús reconoce que la fe que ella tiene en él iguala a la que ha encontrado en otros judíos. Por último, Jesús elogia su fe y cura a su hija. Mateo escribió su Evangelio para una comunidad judeo-cristiana que reconocía a Jesús como el Mesías prometido por Dios al pueblo judío. Sin embargo, también estaba consciente de que la fe cristiana estaba atrayendo a personas de otras razas y religiones. Indudablemente que para ellos eso resultaba difícil al tratar de conjugarlo con las profecías de las Escrituras hebreas, las cuales predecían a un Mesías destinado a salvar el pueblo de Israel. El encuentro de Jesús con la mujer cananea nos da una pista acerca de cómo entender esta situación. Cuando Jesús se ve desafiado para curar a una persona de afuera, o sea, no israelita, su primera reacción fue de rechazo; pero luego ve la gran fe de ella y eso sobrepasa el hecho de que no pertenecía al primer pueblo que él vino a salvar. La comunidad judeo-cristiana debió haber encontrado ayuda en este ejemplo y darse cuenta de que aunque su renuencia inicial para admitir una persona de afuera podía entenderse, el comportamiento de Jesús les dio asimismo a entender que Dios siembra la fe en otras personas también, y que es la fe y no el origen ni los antecedentes lo que abre las puertas del reino.

La Corresponsabilidad Vivida Ahora

Dedica un lugar y un tiempo de silencio para escuchar a Dios que te habla en tu corazón. Empieza despacio; quince minutos dos veces a la semana, luego aumenta a quince minutos al día. No permitas que nada interrumpa o importune ese tiempo especial.



YOUNG ADULT GROUP

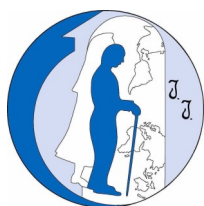
Upcoming Events for the Young Adults
of the Cathedral Parish

Friday, October 6, 2017, 7:30 pm:

Discipleship Series - Session Four: Christian Disciples as Witnesses to Jesus and his Church to Others **Presenter:** Fr. Dennis Gill, Rector & Pastor of the Cathedral. **Where:** The Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, 222 North Seventeenth St., Philadelphia, PA.

youngadults.cathedral@gmail.com

The Little Sisters of the Poor will visit us next week



The Little Sisters of the Poor came to Philadelphia 148 years ago, 30 years after St. Jeanne Jugan took an elderly, blind and partially paralyzed beggar woman off the streets and placed her into her own bed in France. Jeanne Jugan's vision of 'family' influenced her approach to the apostolate where today the Little Sisters of the Poor serve the elderly poor in 31 countries around the world in 180 Homes - begging for their sustenance daily. This Charism of simplicity and humility is faithfully lived out through their fourth vow of hospitality. "Making the Elderly Happy is Everything" JJ. They will be visiting us, appealing for your financial assistance to support their work. Your support is GREATLY APPRECIATED and is God's tangible providential assistance to the poor.



Archdiocese of Philadelphia Television Mass

Sundays at 5:30 AM - WPVI-TV, Channel 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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

To Receive Information regarding program options, as well as any special situation for Adults and Children Register by phone, text, email or on the website.

Cathedral Parish Religious Education Ministry:

Phone: 267.570.0074 [text messages acceptable]

Coordinator Email: patty.smith@CathedralRE.org

New Ministry Website: <http://www.cathedralre.org/>

To Speak With A Representative in Spanish, Contact Nora Martin in the Parish Office, (215)561-1313.

Please note these upcoming dates

Volunteers Needed, Training, Certifications and Support Provided

A Catechists Information Session is planned for **Saturday, August 19th from 10-12 noon**. Catechists are needed for Children's Sacramental Preparation (Sunday Mornings), + Wednesday programs for Children's Christian Initiation, Cathedral and Regular Religious Education, 4th Grade, at St. Francis Xavier. Details to be forwarded. Also, if you have interest in serving as a Catechist in our Thursday evening, Adult program, please inquire. Kindly register your contact details to receive updates on this meeting.

A Parish Sponsor Information Session: is planned for **Thursday Evening, September 7th @ 7:00pm** in the Nemann Room. Consider being a part of a dynamic team of Parish Sponsors, in our Adult Program, Thursday evenings. Details to be forwarded. Kindly register your contact details to discuss and receive updates on this meeting.

Fall Program Announcements

All Cathedral Catechetical Programs are in English,
with Spanish Speaking Supports, as needed

The 1st Fall Information Sessions for Adults inquiring about the Catholic Faith and Full Christian Initiation, as well as Sacramental Preparation for Baptized Catholics and Baptized Non-Catholics seeking Reception into Full Communion with the Catholic Church, will begin **Thursday, September 21st @ 7pm** in the Neumann Room. Please register your contact details to discuss with our Inquiry Coordinator, Ken Bradley, and receive updates on this meeting.

New Registrations for ALL Fall Programs for Parish Children, will begin on site **Sunday, August 20th, after the 11:00am, Solemn Mass and after the 12:30 Spanish Mass**. Stop by our registration and information table by the Our Lady of Guadalupe shrine, in the Basilica after Mass.

Families may register for Regular Religious Education at St. Francis Xavier, Wednesday evenings, Christian Initiation for Children of Catechetical Age or the Cathedral Parish Sunday Sacramental Preparation Program.

All Program Schedules, Registration and e-tuition payment options have been posted on our new ministry website.

OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

Men's Retreat

Come and experience God's love and Peace in a unique atmosphere this year. **Join us at the Retreat House in Long Branch, NJ on September 8th, 9th, and 10th, 2017.** The retreat is given by the Redemptorist Priests, and promises to be a three-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 beachfront view that would cost hundreds of dollars a day during the season.

This is a wonderful opportunity for reflection meditation and prayer. **Please contact Joe Harvey at 215-232-8123.**

Solemn Pontifical Mass in the Extraordinary Form

Thursday, September 14, 2017, 7:00pm

Come and experience the beauty and splendor of Mass in the Extraordinary Form (Latin Mass) for the Solemnity of the Triumph of the Cross!

**Celebrant: Most Rev. Joseph Perry,
Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago**

**Location: Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul,
Philadelphia**

The AbbeyFest: Faith, Music, and Family Festival

AbbeyFest is the premier celebration of family, friends, and contemporary Catholic/Christian music in the greater Philadelphia area. Over 3,000 kids, teens, and parents attended last year. This year's musical headliners are Matt Maher and Mandisa, along with many other Christian musicians! Saturday, September 16, 2017, Daylesford Abbey, Paoli, PA. More info & tickets at theabbeyfest.com.

Come Learn About Walking with Purpose

Saturday, September 23. Church of St Monica, Berwyn
Do you have a heart for other women and a desire to connect them in your parish...to meet women where they are and draw them closer to Christ? Attend an information session about Walking with Purpose, a fast-growing women's Catholic Bible study now offered at 15 parishes in the Archdiocese and over 200 parishes in the US, Canada, Switzerland and Argentina. The event will be held on Saturday, September 23rd at the Church of St. Monica, 635 First Ave, Berwyn from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Continental breakfast will be provided, no cost to attend. Contact Laura White at laurawhitewp@gmail.com for more information or to register.

Save the Date!

The Manly Dad Breakfast

Sat. September 23, 2017 8:00—11:30am

For fathers and men who plan to be fathers. This breakfast will discuss manliness and its life-changing effects in children's lives. Location: Archdiocesan Pastoral Center 222 N. 17th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103. Cost: \$15

LIVING STEWARDSHIP NOW

INSIDE OR OUTSIDE?

The Jesus we meet in today's Gospel seems a bit stand-offish. He appears at first to ignore the Canaanite woman's pleas to heal her child! Matthew seems to be suggesting that, until this point in his ministry, Jesus himself thought that his mission was only to the Jewish people. When he is confronted by a Canaanite, and a woman at that, he seems baffled. Her sheer determination to make him listen ensures that he cannot continue to ignore her. More importantly, Jesus acknowledges that her faith in him is equal to that of any of the Jewish people he has met so far. In the end, Jesus praises her faith and heals her daughter. Matthew was writing his Gospel for a community of Jewish Christians who had identified Jesus as the Messiah—the One promised by God to generations of the Jewish people. They were aware, however, that the Christian faith was attracting people of other races and other religions. They would, inevitably, have been struggling to work out how this fit with all the prophecies of the Hebrew scriptures that foretold a Messiah who was destined to save Israel. The meeting between Jesus and the Canaanite woman offers them a clue about how to understand this situation. When Jesus is challenged to heal the outsider, his initial reaction is to refuse; but then he sees her great faith, and this far outweighs the fact that she does not belong to the people he primarily came to save. In this story the new Jewish Christian community must have found help to see that their initial reluctance to admit outsiders was understandable, and then to recognize that God plants faith in others too—and that it is faith rather than background that opens the doors into the Kingdom.

Living Stewardship Now

People come to the Church because God calls them. Try volunteering in the parish ministry for people seeking to become Catholic (RCIA), or in a ministry welcoming Catholics who left the Church and want to come home.

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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.