

## Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, January 21, 2018

*“This is the time of fulfillment. the kingdom of God is at hand.  
Repent, and believe in the gospel.” Mk 1:15*



### Mass Intentions for the Week



**Jan 20, Saturday, Weekday, St. Fabian,  
Pope & Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr;  
BVM**

12:05 Valerie Malone  
5:15 William McGillian

**Jan 21, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 Pro Populo- For the People of the Parish  
9:30 Muriel C. Corrigan  
11:00 Claire Diviny  
12:30 Intention of the Priest Celebrant  
6:30 Pro Populo- For the People

**Jan 22, Monday, USA: Day of Prayer for the Legal  
Protection of Unborn Children**

7:15 Lomo Berarducci & Family  
12:05 Thomas Richard Forester

**Jan 23, Tuesday, Weekday,  
St. Marianne Cope, Virgin**

7:15 For the Intention of Ralph Berarducci  
12:05 Edith Timlin

**Jan 24, Wednesday, St. Francis de Sales,  
Bishop & Doctor of the Church**

7:15 Mary Ann Campanella  
12:05 Patricia Lynch

**Jan 25, Thursday, The Conversion of  
St. Paul, Apostle**

7:15 Noreen McDermott  
12:05 For the Intention of the Heyer Family

**Jan 26, Friday, St. Timothy & St. Titus,  
Bishops**

7:15 Irene Felten  
12:05 Janice Fisher

**Jan 27, Saturday, Weekday,  
St. Angela Merici, Virgin & Religious  
founder; BVM**

12:05 Nancy Brennan  
5:15 Joanne Weller

**Jan 28, Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 Pro Populo- For the People of the Parish  
9:30 Andrea Smith & Connie Angelone  
11:00 Antoni and Maddelena Leone  
12:30 Eustaquio Delgado  
6:30 Pro Populo- For the People

Dear Parishioners,

Tomorrow, January 22, 2018, is the 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Supreme Court decision, *Roe vs. Wade*, which legalized abortion in the United States. Since 2011 at the direction of the American Bishops, Catholics in the United States have observed January 22 as a day of prayer and penance. The intention of our prayer is the full restoration and legal guarantee of the right to life. Our penance is for the violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion. Decide today that you will pray for this intention tomorrow, and what your personal sacrifice will be as well. Consider coming to the 7:15 AM or the 12:05 PM Mass in the Cathedral Chapel as part of your prayer for this day. *The Holy Rosary will be prayed twenty minutes before both Masses tomorrow for the intention for the protection of human life.*

*We are in the midst of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.* This Week of Prayer began on Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup> and will conclude this Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, the Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle. Jesus prayed at the Last Supper that all his followers would be one, with Him and with each other. Circumstances of history have brought great division to the Church and, although united in Christ and His Church through Baptism, these divisions among Christians continue into our day. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity gives us the focused opportunity to pray for unity of Christians. Please bring this intention to your personal prayer, especially during your prayers at Mass.

*The Basilica and the Chapel are open to the homeless year-round.* Our only rule is that they sit up in the pew and every hour get up and move around. This is to prevent someone from setting up camp in one of the pews. Our location in Center City makes our Basilica and Chapel an inviting location for the homeless, providing a warm place when it is cold outside, and likewise a cool place when it is hot. We cooperate with a variety of agencies to provide for the homeless when they are willing and we also do our part in taking care of many of these men and women. At times, though, there is unacceptable behavior, including panhandling, stealing and vandalism. If you see anything like this taking place, please report it immediately to one of the sacristans, a member of the maintenance staff, a Cathedral Ambassador/Greeter or one of the parish priests, who can then report it to the proper authorities. Unfortunately, we continue to see an increase in this unacceptable behavior. The homeless are always welcome and we have a duty to care for them. At the same time, we have a duty to protect people and property from harm.

The second collection at Mass next Sunday *will be directed to winter maintenance expenses of the Cathedral Parish.* 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

## FIRST FRIDAY EXPOSITION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

*Adoración Eucarística el primer viernes del mes*

Friday, February 2, 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*

*"What wonderful majesty! What stupendous condescension! O sublime humility! That the Lord of the whole universe, God and the Son of God, should humble Himself like this under the form of a little bread, for our salvation"*

*"...In this world I cannot see the Most High Son of God with my own eyes, except for His Most Holy Body and Blood."*

*St. Angela of Foligno*



### *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.

## CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS NEXT WEEK

*Jesus Worships in His Church:  
Eucharist, the Radiating Center*

Thursday, January 25, 7:00 PM

Meeting in the Neumann Room

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 Religious Education Ministry line, 267-570-0074. <http://www.cathedralre.org/>

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION MINISTRY

All program schedules, registration and e-tuition payment options have been posted on our new website. You may register, or contact us with questions, via the website, phone, text, or email. All Cathedral Catechetical Programs are in English, (with Spanish speaking supports as needed). Volunteers needed, (necessary training, certifications and support will be provided). **Phone: 267.570.0074 (text messages acceptable). Website <http://www.cathedralre.org/> Coordinator Email: [patty.smith@CathedralRE.org](mailto:patty.smith@CathedralRE.org)** To speak with a representative in Spanish, contact Nora Martin in the Parish Office, (215)561-1313.

## Readings for Mass for this Week

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. If you only put \$1 in the collection would you consider \$5, if you put \$10, would you consider \$20? The Offertory Collection for 01/14/2018 was \$8,549.50.

*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:*

*Santiago Guzman, Mary W., Joan Decker, James Pinto, Mary Frances McElhare, Joan Decker, George Gunning, April DeMatto, Laura Kerr, Cris Burbage, Robin Abate, Bryan Anderson, Glen Jackanis, Susan Silverstein, Joshua White, Susan Kirk, Robert Dove, Doreen Quinn, John Zelez, Charlotte McLaughlin, Philip Costantini, David O'Shea, Mary McManus, Christopher & Stephanie Tama, Marilyn Mullen, Carolyn Jacobs, Stephen Garramone, Kim Cantwell, Janet Campellone, Nancy Rice, Frank Byrne, Gerald Leo, Eileen Swartz, 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, William Spiro, Scott Towers, 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

**Jan 23** Legion of Mary, Neumann Room, 7:00 PM

**Jan 24** Morning Scripture Reflection for Lawyers,  
Neumann Room, 8:00 AM

Charismatic Prayer Group, Neumann Room, 6:00 PM

**Jan 25** Catechetical Session, Neumann Room, 7:00 PM

## **UNBOUND: Conferencia, Libertad en Cristo** **Sábado, 24 de febrero de 2018 - 9:00 AM—4:45 PM**

El ministerio arquidiocesano, **bilingüe**, de *Unbound* es un ministerio de sanación con el cual un equipo de oración entrenado ora con individuos para ayudarlos a superar los obstáculos espirituales que encuentran en su camino de discipulado cristiano y a alcanzar una mayor libertad en Cristo. Este ministerio utiliza las Cinco Claves de *Unbound*, un método de liberación desarrollado por Heart of the Father Ministries en Ardmore, PA.

Las personas que vienen para orar con el método de Unbound narran su historia personal relacionada con el área donde sienten que necesitan libertad. Enseguida, ellas son dirigidas por el equipo de oración a través de una serie de oraciones basadas en las **Cinco Claves de Unbound**:

- Primera Clave: Arrepentimiento y fe
- Segunda Clave: Perdón
- Tercera Clave: Renunciación
- Cuarta Clave: Tomar autoridad
- Quinta Clave: La Bendición del Padre

Ejemplos de situaciones donde la oración *Unbound* puede ser una ayuda efectiva para las personas incluyen:

- Pecado habitual
- Discordia marital o familiar
- Incapacidad de perdonar
- Problemas en las relaciones
- Persistente visión negativa de Dios o de uno mismo
- Depresión y ansiedad
- Vida espiritual estancada

La oración de *Unbound* no reemplaza los medios ordinarios de crecimiento en la vida cristiana, como la oración personal y los sacramentos. Tampoco reemplaza los medios ordinarios de desarrollo humano como el asesoramiento y otras formas de apoyo psicológico. Sirve como una herramienta adicional que trata las influencias específicamente espirituales que con frecuencia son parte de cualquier problema personal.

**Para hacer una cita, el participante debe asistir a una conferencia de *Unbound* o leer la primera parte del libro *Unbound*, el cual también está disponible en español con el nombre de *Libertad* en la página web:**

[www.heartofthefather.com/about/espanol/](http://www.heartofthefather.com/about/espanol/)

**Lo animamos a participar en la conferencia en inglés del 24 de febrero y/o a leer el libro y luego llamar a la Oficina para la Nueva Evangelización para obtener más información y para pedir una cita: 215-320-8065 o [phillyevang@archphila.org](mailto:phillyevang@archphila.org).**

**Lugar de la conferencia:** SS Simon and Jude Parish Meehan Center, West Chester, PA. **Costo:** \$50 por persona; \$20 sacerdotes/religiosos/estudiantes universitarios.

## LA CORRESPONSABILIDAD

### MATERIA PRIMA

Alguien ha opinado que si Jesús mandara a sus doce discípulos a hacerse una prueba psicológica hoy día el reporte sobre el resultado diría de esta manera: “Gracias por proporcionarnos el curriculum vitae de los doce hombres que usted ha escogido para puestos empresariales en su nueva organización. Todos han pasado por nuestras pruebas completas e intensas. Además, fueron programadas entrevistas con cada uno de sus candidatos por nuestros psicólogos y consultores de aptitudes vocacionales. Después de todas estas pruebas la opinión de nuestro personal es que la mayoría de sus candidatos carecen de la experiencia, la educación y las habilidades necesarias para el éxito de su empresa. Ninguno de ellos entiende el concepto de equipo. Simón Pedro es impulsivo y una consejería sobre el manejo de su ira le vendría muy bien. Andrés no tiene ninguna cualidad de liderazgo que se pueda apreciar. Santiago y Juan, los dos hermanos, ponen su ambición personal antes de la fidelidad a la compañía. Tomás demuestra una actitud escéptica que tiende a menoscabar la moral. En su negocio previo a Mateo lo pusieron en la lista negra del Buró de Empresas Responsables de Jerusalén. Santiago, el hijo del Alfeo, y Tadeo definitivamente tienen inclinaciones políticas bien radicales, y además sus temperamentos parecen inestables. Sin embargo, uno de los candidatos muestra verdaderas posibilidades. Es un hombre con habilidades y emprendedor, posee excelentes aptitudes sociales y tiene buenos contactos en lugares de influencia. Está bien motivado, es ambicioso y responsable. Nosotros recomendamos a Judas Iscariote para ocupar el puesto de auditor y que sea su mano derecha en la empresa”. Hoy Jesús nos llama a *nosotros*. Como Pedro no tenemos fe. Como Andrés tenemos mucho que aprender. Como Santiago y Juan somos egoístas. Como Mateo tenemos un pasado. Como Tomás muchas veces dudamos. Si Jesús pudo utilizarlos a ellos, ciertamente puede utilizarnos a nosotros. Con la ayuda de Dios también nosotros podemos ir fortaleciéndonos más y más, y llegar a lograr grandes cosas para Dios y su Reino. El llamado que te hace Jesús para seguirlo es urgente. Responde ahora.

### La Corresponsabilidad Viva Ahora

Dios no exige la perfección moral como requisito para servirle. Dios te pide un corazón amoroso y tu fidelidad en el compromiso.

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## ON THE VALUE OF TIME

What respect ought we not to have, then for the time which is given to us! We ought to value it as much as, nay more than if it were a diamond which would buy a kingdom. For what is an earthly kingdom compared with the kingdom of heaven?

*"Time is as precious as heaven,"* says St. Bernard; and nothing is more true, because not only, no one will attain heaven without having passed through the trials of time, but he will only obtain it, according to the divine promises, as the reward of a good use of time. This eternal reward can depend upon a single moment well employed. Witness the good thief: his life had been a bad one; he was certainly on the point of death; but in that awful moment, enlightened by grace, he humbly recognized his sins, he implored mercy from our Divine Redeemer; immediately heaven was promised to him, and Jesus said to him, "This day thou shalt be with Me in Paradise."

*"Time is as precious as the Blood of Jesus Christ,"* adds St. Bernard, because ... redemption has been wrought only at the price of the Blood of Jesus Christ; it is (the shedding of) His Blood (in time) which has made time fruitful. How avaricious ought we then to be of time, and how should we fear to lose one moment of it! For even God is avaricious of it. He bestow His gifts and graces on us in torrents, but time He gives us only drop by drop; no one ever received two instants of it at once. And how people do waste this precious time! They spend it on trifles, they study how to get rid of it, they use it to offend God and to bring eternal misery.

*Time is worth as much as God Himself:* and behold why and how, continues the holy doctor, by every instant well employed we can win the eternal possession of God. Therefore what a severe account will one day be demanded of us! One moment is sufficient to utter an idle word; and Jesus Christ assures us that this loss of time, insignificant as we think it, will not pass unnoticed: "I say unto you, that every idle word that men shall speak, they shall render an account for it on the Day of Judgement" Matt. 12:16 (Source: [www.institute-christ-king.org/uploads/westorange/bulletins](http://www.institute-christ-king.org/uploads/westorange/bulletins))

## The Pilgrim Virgin of Fatima



Would you like the Blessed Mother's statue to visit your residence? The Queen of Apostles Praesidium of the Legion of Mary at Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul would like to offer you the opportunity to host the pilgrim virgin statue of Our Lady of Fatima. If you are interested in hosting this blest statue, please contact Ms. Charlotte Thomson at 267-761-4951 or 267-441-0350, or email at: [cmt67280@gmail.com](mailto:cmt67280@gmail.com). We believe Our Lady will bring you the blessings she has shown others in the homes she visits. The legionary members will help to deliver the statue, or you may obtain it at the sacristy of the Cathedral.



## YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Upcoming Events

**St. Paul Series 2018: St. Paul, A Contemporary Teacher for Your Adults. Session Three: The Letters to the Colossians and the Thessalonians . Jan. 26, 2018, 7:30 PM. Presenter:** Fr. Dennis Gill, Rector & Pastor of the Cathedral. **Location: The Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, 222 N. 17th St. Philadelphia, PA 19103.**

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 at [youngadults.cathedral@gmail.com](mailto:youngadults.cathedral@gmail.com) or search for our Facebook page (search: Young Adults at the Cathedral).

## Gospel Reflections 2018

The last Tuesday in January is the 30th, we will meet at 11:00 AM in the Neumann Room. The reflection and discussion will be on the Gospel for the 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Mark 1:29-39.

The next series of gatherings will be during Lent, each Tuesday; these dates are: February 20th, 27th, March 6th, 13th 20th and 27th. When the group comes together, it is our practice to have read ahead, the Gospel for the coming Sunday. Our Lenten Sunday Gospels are rich with Jesus' call to repentance, love and sacrifice. These passages give us food for thought in living out our daily lives. We truly help one another by sharing aloud what words or thoughts the Gospel writers and the Holy Spirit have provoked in each of our hearts.

If you are interested in this short, but rich spiritual exercise, please come. There will be a book for you with the whole year's Sunday Readings, for a cost of \$10. It would be most helpful, you called S. Eleanor McCann if beforehand at 215-561-1313 if you plan to come, so that we can better prepare our meeting space for the group and have an ample supply of books ready for you. If you already have a reflection book like Living with Christ, Magnificat, Give us This Day or other, you will not need to buy a book, just bring what you have. It is important that you know that each person's presence for this graced time is a gift to the whole group. We value your silent presence as well as your willingness to share.

## Morning Scripture Reflection for Lawyers

We want to share a standing invitation from a group of center city lawyers to join them each Wednesday morning from 8 to 9 am to read the scripture selections for the upcoming Sunday Mass, reflect on those passages and share a few moments of prayer together. This group meets in the Neumann Room directly behind the Basilica. For more information, feel free to reach out to Mike Broadhurst at 215-569-5438 or [Broadhurst@blankrome.com](mailto:Broadhurst@blankrome.com)

## OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

### First Saturday Morning of Recollection

Saturday, February 3, 2018

**8:30 AM Mass** followed by a **Holy Hour** in the Church.

**10:30 AM Talk** in the Fr. Szal Conference Room.

Dr. Denise D'Attore, Headmistress of Regina Luminis Academy, Berwyn, PA, will offer a brief talk on Dr. D'Attore will gather with those interested for an introductory study of St. John Paul's encyclical Veritatis Splendor and the Body and Blood of Jesus in the Gospel of St. John. She will discuss how our obedience to the universal and unchanging moral norms taught by Christ's Church both respects and safeguards the freedom and individuality of every human person. Topics to be covered: •The "Hour" of Jesus and Our Lady •Wedding Feast at Cana and Christ as the divine Bridegroom •Holy Eucharist as Marriage Banquet •Jesus' Body as New Temple and theme of "Living Water" •Bread of Life Discourse •Blood and Water from Jesus's Heart on Calvary. Location: Holy Martyrs Parish, 120 Allison Road, Oreland, PA

## EVERY MAN HAS THIS MISSION

### Fraternus Information Session

Monday, February 12, 2018 at 7pm



It is the mission of every man to guide his sons and other boys into mature manhood. Are you equipped to accomplish this? Come learn about **Fraternus**, a parish-based ministry in which adult Catholic men are formed to be "True Mentors" for boys of the parish to help guide them into authentic, virtue-based manhood rooted in Jesus Christ. Catholic Men who are interested in launching a Fraternus chapter are

invited to attend a Fraternus Information Session. Location: St. Charles Seminary in Wynnewood. No charge to attend. Please **RSVP** at [phillyevang.org/events](http://phillyevang.org/events). To learn more about Fraternus, visit [fraternus.net](http://fraternus.net).

**SAVE THE DATE:** Cathedral Parish Prayer Vigils  
February 23 and March 23. Sign up for 1 hour!

**UNBOUND:** Freedom in Christ Conference  
Struggling with a problem or burden?  
Come to the Unbound Conference!

**Saturday, February 24, 2018 - 9:00 AM—4:45 PM**

**What is Unbound?** Unbound is a ministry of healing and deliverance that helps you find freedom in areas of your life where you feel bound. This conference will help you discover the freedom that Jesus Christ has in store for you and teach you how to help others find that freedom. Unbound can help with relationship problems, inability to forgive, anger, fear, sadness, and other spiritual obstacles. Location: SS Simon and Jude Parish Meehan Center, West Chester, PA. Fee: \$50 per person; \$20 for priests/religious/college students.

Sponsored by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia Office for the New Evangelization. **To learn more and register, visit:**

[phillyevang.org/unbound](http://phillyevang.org/unbound)

## LIVING STEWARDSHIP NOW

### THE RAW MATERIAL

Someone has suggested that if Jesus were to send his twelve disciples for psychological testing today he might receive this reply: "Thank you for submitting the résumés of the twelve men you have picked for managerial positions in your new organization. All of them have taken our complete battery of tests. In addition, we arranged personality interviews for each of your candidates with our psychologists and vocational aptitude consultants. It is the opinion of our staff that most of your nominees are lacking in the background, education, and skills necessary for the success of your enterprise. None of them shows an understanding of the team concept. Simon Peter is impulsive and would benefit from anger-management counseling. Andrew has no measureable leadership qualities. The two brothers, James and John, place personal ambition above company loyalty. Thomas shows a skeptical attitude that would tend to undermine morale. In his previous business, Matthew was blacklisted by the Jerusalem Better Business Bureau. James, the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddeus definitely have radical political leanings, and appear to have unstable temperaments. One of the candidates, however, shows real potential. He is a man of ability and resourcefulness, possesses excellent social skills, and has contacts in high places. He is highly motivated, ambitious, and responsible. We recommend Judas Iscariot as your comptroller and right-hand man." Today Jesus calls *us*. Like Peter, we lack faith. Like Andrew, we have much to learn. Like James and John, we are selfish. Like Matthew, we have a past. Like Thomas, we sometimes doubt. If Jesus could use them, he can certainly use us. With God's help, we too can grow from strength to strength and accomplish great things for God and the Kingdom. The call to follow Jesus is urgent. Answer now.

### Living Stewardship Now

Jesus sees you, accepts you, and welcomes you for who God does not demand moral perfection before you can be of worthy service. God asks for a loving heart and a willingness to stick with your commitment.

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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.