### Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord Sunday, April 1, 2018

"Christ indeed from death is risen, our new life obtaining. Have mercy, victor King, ever reigning! Amen. Alleluia."

-Victimae Paschali Laudes

#### Mass Intentions for the Week



#### Mar 31, Holy Saturday

9:00 Morning Prayer, 12:00 Office of Readings 8:00 Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

## April 1, Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM, 2:00 PM in Spanish.

There will be no 6:30 PM Mass

#### Apr 2, Monday within the Octave of Easter

7:15 Quici, Galypo, and Greco Family

12:05 Frank H. Russell

#### Apr 3, Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

7:15 Michelle Ranalli

12:05 Essie Mae Rubin

## Apr 4, Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

7:15 Intention of Ralph Berarducci

12:05 Mary Harvey

#### Apr 5, Thursday within the Octave of Easter

7:15 Intention of Mr. & Mrs. Luis Pinto de Sá

12:05 Nancy A. McLaverty

#### Apr 6, Friday within the Octave of Easter

7:15 Lester Barry

12:05 Intention of Lina Rios

#### Apr 7, Saturday within the Octave of Easter

12:05 Anna Mary Mesaros

5:15 Michael Bygott

## April 8, Second Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy)

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

9:30 Aphrodite Vecchione

11:00 Carmela Berarducci

12:30 Eugenio Flores

6:30 Pro Populo-For the People

Dear Parishioners,

Happy Easter to all our parishioners and visitors! Today we celebrate the Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead!

The Collect for the Easter Mass during the Day teaches us that, as Jesus conquers death with His Resurrection, He has "unlocked the path to eternity." Today, all of creation and all of God's creatures, especially his sons and daughters, receive a new outpouring of his divine life as we all share in the promises of the Resurrection. We have worked hard this past Lent to turn away from sin and to be more faithful to the Gospel. We have fasted, we have been more conscious of those in need, we have been more focused in our prayer. Now with Easter, the Lord delights us with a new gift of Himself, the gift of His risen life. We receive this risen life especially with our Easter Holy Communion. This Holy Communion in particular helps us to remain committed to the new and refreshed living of the Christian life that follows from a well observed Lent. The newly baptized adults at the Easter Vigil inspire us as we support them to be credible witnesses of Christ risen from the dead. I encourage you, as you kept a disciplined and faithful Lent, to consider keeping a similar Easter Time. During Easter Time, continue to come to Mass more frequently, to read the Sacred Scriptures, to spend time in the presence of the Lord in the Most Blessed Sacrament, and to be generous in acts of charity. Let us pray for one another this Easter Sunday and support one another in living more obvious and intentional Christian lives. Happy Easter!

The celebration of the Sacraments, especially Baptism, Confirmation and the Holy Eucharist, reveals the grace and power of the Resurrection. It is for this reason that the Church prefers that these Sacraments, especially for adults, take place during Easter Time. Five of our Elect were fully initiated—with Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist--into the Church at the great Easter Vigil. All throughout Easter Time, adults who have already been baptized as non-Catholics will be received into full communion with the Catholic Church with the Sacraments of Confirmation and the Eucharist. Likewise, all throughout Easter Time, adults who have been baptized as Catholics will be confirmed and receive their first Holy Communion. Our school age candidates will be confirmed next Sunday, April 8, 2017 at the 11:00 AM Solemn Mass. Our school age candidates will receive their first Holy Communion on Sunday, May 6, 2018 at the 11:00 AM Solemn Mass. Let us keep all those receiving the Easter Sacraments in our prayers.

Now is the time to purchase your tickets for the Cathedral Parish Keys and Sword Event 2018 on June 29, 2018. You can purchase your tickets on line and also learn more about this year's event at <a href="http://cathedralphila.org/keys/">http://cathedralphila.org/keys/</a>.

The second collection at Mass next Sunday will be directed to the various outreach ministries of the Cathedral Parish. Thank you so very much for your generosity to the Cathedral Parish with your Easter offerings, donations for the Easter Flowers and the Appeal for Catholic Charities.

Happy Easter, Father Dennis Gill

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

Adoración Eucarística el primer viernes del mes

Friday, April 6, 2018 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 ingles a las 11am. Por favor ven a adorar al Señor

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

## 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 who are already baptized Christians and would like to become Catholic, or who are already baptized Catholics 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 info.



### 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.

#### CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS THIS WEEK

# "With All Your Heart" Morality and Conscience

### Thursday, April 5, 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 RE 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 <a href="http://www.cathedralre.org/">http://www.cathedralre.org/</a> Coordinator Email: <a href="mailto:patty.smith@CathedralRE.org">patty.smith@CathedralRE.org</a> 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

#### 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 03/25/2018 will be posted on a future edition of the bulletin. 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:

Pearl Hammond, Sam O'Connor, Robert Sierko, 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, 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

**Apr 3** Legion of Mary, Neumann Room, 7 PM

**Apr 4** Morning Scripture Reflection for Lawyers, Neumann Room, 8 AM

Charismatic Prayer Group, Neumann Room, 6 PM

**Apr 5** Catechetical Session, Neumann Room, 7:00 PM

#### Cathedral Choir Mass Schedule

Please visit our Cathedral website for information on our Choir Masses. <a href="http://cathedralphila.org/music/choirs-at-the-cathedral-basilica/">http://cathedralphila.org/music/choirs-at-the-cathedral-basilica/</a>. Upcoming: Cathedral Choir: April 1, 2018, 9:30AM & 11:00AM; April 8, 11:00AM; April 15, 9:30AM. Archdiocesan Boy & Girl Choir: April 14, 5:15 PM.

#### Lunes, 2 de abril La oficina parroquial estará cerrada

Próximo Concierto en la Basílica Abril 17, 2018, 8:00 PM - Ancient Voices

(Donación voluntaria, no se venderán boletos).

#### La Oficina Para Vocaciones Sacerdotales te invita a:

Un día para la familia en el seminario San Carlos Borromeo Domingo, 22 de abril del 2018, 11:30 AM a 5:30 PM ¿Para quien? Hombres jóvenes hispanos en la escuela secundaria o la universidad, junto con sus familias. Los participantes podrán recorrer los terrenos, jugar un partido de futbol con los seminaristas, y asistir a las Vísperas en la tarde con la comunidad del seminario. Habra música y mas. Dirección: 100 E. Wynnewood Rd. Wynnewood, PA

#### El Sacramento del Bautismo en Español Abril 29, 2018— 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. También puede hablar con el Diacono Epifanio al ter-minar la Misa de 12:30 PM en español.

Le damos la bienvenida a nuevos feligreses. Por favor suscríbase oficialmente en la parroquia con el Diacono Epifanio después de la Santa Misa de las 12:30 PM los Domingos

#### NSE Radio, excelente estación de Radio Católica

Programas de información y formación para adultos y niños, Santa Misa, Santo Rosario, Horas Litúrgicas, y devociones. Programas en vivo y podcasts.

nseradio.com https://www.youtube.com/user/nsetvradio

#### LA CORRESPONSABILIDAD

#### EN LA VÍSPERA DE PASCUA

En una bolsa plástica y cerrada, echa una taza de nueces y deja que los niños las partan en pedacitos pequeños golpeando la bolsita con una cuchara de madera. Explícales que Jesús fue arrestado y golpeado por los soldados romanos. Deja que cada niño huela el vinagre y pon una cucharadita en un recipiente hondo. Explícales que Jesús tenía sed en la cruz y le dieron vinagre para tomar. Añade al vinagre 3 claras de huevo, representando la vida. Explícales que Jesús dio su vida para darnos la vida. Espolvorea un poco de sal en la mano de cada niño. Déjalos que la prueben y que después pongan una pizca en el recipiente. Explícales que esto representa la sal en las lágrimas que los discípulos de Jesús derramaron y lo amargo de sus pecados. Añadan 1 taza de azúcar. Explícales que la parte más dulce de la historia es que Jesús murió porque nos ama. Él desea que nosotros sepamos eso y también que le pertenecemos. Bate la mezcla con una batidora a la máxima velocidad hasta que se formen picos con el merengue. Explícales que el color blanco representa nuestra pureza cuando Dios nos perdona nuestros pecados. Incorpora las nueces. Pon la mezcla por cucharaditas en una bandeja de hornear cubierta previamente con papel encerado. Explícales que cada montoncito representa la tumba rocosa en donde sepultaron el cuerpo de Jesús. Pon la bandeja en el horno a 300°F, cierra la puerta del horno y ¡apágalo! Dale a cada niño un pedazo de cinta adhesiva para que sellen la puerta del horno. Explícales que la tumba de Jesús quedó sellada. ¡Vávanse a dormir! Explícales que probablemente ellos se sientan tristes de dejar las galletitas en el horno toda la noche, así como los discípulos se sintieron miserables cuando sellaron la tumba. El día de Pascua abre el horno y dale a cada uno una galletita. Fíjense en la superficie agrietada y pruébenla. ¡La galletita está vacía! ¡El primer día de Pascua los discípulos de Jesús se quedaron asombrados de encontrar la tumba abierta y vacía! ¡Jesús está vivo!

#### La Corresponsabilidad Vivida Ahora

Hoy, Domingo de Resurrección, lean en familia toda la narración de la Pascua antes de la cena y después disfruten de las galletitas como postre.

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### YOU ARE INVITED TO "EXPERIENCE" DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Join us on April 8<sup>th</sup> in the church as together we experience the extraordinary love and mercy we so desperately need in our lives, our families, and our world.

5:30 PM Confessions
5:30 PM Holy Hour & recitation
of the Divine Mercy Chaplet
6:30 PM Holy Mass

A Divine Mercy image will be available for public veneration. This particular Sunday is a day of great graces. Jesus told St. Faustina that on this day: "the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon souls who approach the Fount of My Mercy [the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist]. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment." (Note: Your confession during Lent satisfies this requirement).

Mercy: God's greatest attribute.

To learn how to pray the Chaplet or the Novena (which begins on Holy Saturday) visit thedivinemercy.org



## MATRIMONY: REDISCOVERING ITS TRUTH

April 21, 2018, 10:00 AM - 6:15 PM

**Keynote Speaker:** 

HIS EMINENCE RAYMOND LEO CARDINAL BURKE, D.D., J.C.D. Member and Prefect Emeritus, Supreme Tribunal of the Apostolic Signatura

Also featuring:

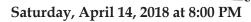
Reverend Gerald E. Murray, J.C.D., EWTN Commentator Reverend Gerald Dennis Gill, S.S.L., M.Div., Director, Office for Divine Worship, Archdiocese of Philadelphia

Location: Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul, Philadelphia

More information and registration: saintjohnneumannchapter.org

Upcoming Community Concert at the Basilica

- Ancient Voices -



Free will offering

### Jesus' Disciples for Today

The delayed onset of spring this year for many of us in our country is quite perplexing: we look questionably for the little crocuses and hyacinths and listen long and hard for the singing of the robins. Yet again, instead of soil tillers and lawn mowers we are seeing snow plows and trees hung low with inches of heavy, wet snow instead of little buds. All of these many externals can play tricks with our faith life, if we let them. If however, we remain grounded in Christ, we do see beyond these yearly changes in nature, to the holy and graced reality of the glorious Feast of Easter, the Resurrection.

Many of us have humbly confessed our sins recently and were reminded of the great freedom that is given us, when our repentant hearts are absolved in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The Lenten Season has reawakened us to the gift of God's grace, present in this and all of the Sacraments. Now that we have ended these days of repentance, we understand more deeply the meaning of Christ's Passion, Death and Resurrection. His human body was mangled and torn, spilling out blood and water and then he suffocated on the cross, all to gain our trust in Him and know deeply. His infinite love for us: a love which we can never earn which is so freely given. He has indeed conquered death so that each of us may know true Christian HOPE and know that evil does not prevail. HE has brought to each of us, Eternal life that will never die. This life, which comes through FAITH, is present in the sacred waters of Baptism, the consecrated Chrism of Confirmation and in His Eucharistic Body and Blood, as seen in bread and wine. How can we repay our Loving Lord back with a truly devoted gift of our own lives?

There are opportunities galore around us and plentiful examples found in the Sacred Scriptures, especially in the Acts of the Apostles and the other readings we hear at Mass during these fifty days of Easter. It is however, the presence of God's Holy Spirit within each of our hearts, which often prompts us in ways of living out our discipleship in Christ. We are not called to do extraordinary things but simple and loving things which are done for the sake of another. It is a mark of discipleship when our lives begin to show a transformation, one made possible by Christ's redemption of our sins: he paid the ultimate price for each of us. In His Resurrection, his closest of friends did not recognize Him immediately for His Divine Nature was more visible now. Let us pray that our lives may also take on a new look of grace, of loving kindness and true joy, for He lives within each of us and we claim Him as our Loving Savior.

May you have a very Happy and Blessed Easter! Sister Eleanor McCann, RSM



Come and Experience Great Music in the Cathedral

#### Philadelphia Boys Choir & Chorale

Wednesday, May 23, 2018, 7:30 PM

We welcome the Philadelphia Boys Choir & Chorale to their first appearance in the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul. Under the direction of Jeffrey R. Smith, the Emmy-winning and Grammy-nominated ensemble is praised for its musicianship, intelligence, and interpretive abilities, and noted for highly-acclaimed domestic and international performances. For more information and to purchase tickets visit: <a href="CathedralPhilaConcerts.org">CathedralPhilaConcerts.org</a>



### The Keys & Sword Event

Friday, June 29, 2018 6:30 – 10:30 PM

The Keys & Sword Event is the annual fundraising effort of the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul, the Mother Church of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. This year our goal is

three hundred thousand dollars with ten percent of our net income going to the Sacred Heart Free Cancer Home run by the Hawthorne Dominican Sisters in Philadelphia. The remainder of the proceeds will help support the parish and ministries of the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul.

Join us! More info: cathedralphila.org/kevs

#### OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

## Rediscover the Love in Your Marriage! April 13-15, 2018.

**Do you feel lost in your marriage?** Have you thought about separation or divorce? Retrouvaille may be the LIFELINE that you need! <u>Location:</u> Center in Malvern, PA. For more. <u>Information, or to register</u> visit <u>www.HelpOurMarriage.com</u> or call 1-800-470-2230. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.

### Cassock Classic Ultimate Tournament

Saturday, April 21, 2018, 9AM-6PM

The Seminarians of St. Charles Borromeo Seminary invite young adult groups and college/university ministries to participate in a one-day Ultimate Frisbee Tournament.

Location: St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Wynnewood, PA

More info: heedthecall.org/event/cassockclassic

#### DOMINICAN SISTERS OF HAWTHORNE

Discernment Weekend: June 23, 2018, Philadelphia, PA
Join us for a weekend of sharing in our life of prayer & apostolate. For women (ages 19-45) who are discerning a religious
life. Reservations are required. For information or reservations
please contact: Sister Alma Marie 845-745-1319,
vocationdirector@hawthorne-dominicans.org

#### **UNBOUND MINISTRY**

"Unbound Ministry is a vital part of the new evangelization because, through a simple method of prayer based on the Gospel, it helps us help others in moving beyond their spiritual obstacles into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ. This model of deliverance reflects the power of our baptism, which moves us from darkness into the kingdom of God. It promises to be a very fruitful tool in the hands of priests and those involved in parish ministry."

—Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap. Learn about Unbound at phillyevang.org/unboundministry/

#### LIVING STEWARDSHIP NOW

#### ON EASTER EVE

Place 1 cup of pecans in a zippered plastic bag and let children break them into pieces with a wooden spoon. Explain that Jesus was arrested and was beaten by Roman soldiers. Let each child smell the vinegar and pour 1 teaspoon into a mixing bowl. Explain that Jesus was thirsty on the cross and was given vinegar to drink. Add 3 egg whites, representing life, to the vinegar. Explain that Jesus gave his life to give us life. Sprinkle salt into each child's hand. Let them taste it and put a pinch into the bowl. Explain that this represents the salty tears shed by Jesus' disciples, and the bitterness of our own sins. Add 1 cup of sugar. Explain that the sweetest part of the story is that Jesus died because he loves us. He wants us to know this and how to belong to him. Beat with a mixer on high speed until stiff peaks are formed. Explain that the color white represents our purity when God forgives our sins. Fold in the nuts. Drop by teaspoons onto a cookie sheet covered in waxed paper. Explain that each mound represents the rocky tomb where Jesus' body was laid. Put the cookie sheet in a 300° F oven, close the door and turn the oven off! Give each child a piece of tape and seal the oven door. Explain that Jesus' tomb was sealed. Go to bed! Explain that they may feel sad leaving the cookies in the oven overnight, just as Jesus' disciples were miserable when the tomb was sealed. On Easter day, open the oven and give everyone a cookie. Notice the cracked surface and take a bite. The cookies are hollow! On the first Easter Jesus' followers were amazed to find the tomb open and empty! Jesus is alive!

#### Living Stewardship Now

Read the Easter story together on Easter Sunday before dinner, and enjoy the cookies for dessert.

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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. No tours on Palm Sunday or Easter Sunday.