Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, July 29, 2018

"A great prophet has risen in our midst.
God has visited his people."
Lk 7:16

Mass Intentions for the Week

Jul 28, Saturday, Weekday, BVM
12:05 Patrick J. Toomey
5:15 Mariantonia Izzi

Jul 29, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 For the People of the Parish
9:30 Leonard Diana, Jr.
11:00 Joseph J. Wilko
12:30 Intencion de Rene Cirino
6:30 Pro Populo-For the People

Jul 30, Monday, Weekday, St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
7:15 Quici, Galypo, Greco Families
12:05 Anna Gambarao

Jul 31, Tuesday, St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest
7:15 Dott Desiderio
12:05 Eugene Hamill

Aug 1, Wednesday, St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
7:15 Intention of Ralph Berarducci
12:05 Mary Harvey

Aug 2, Thursday, Weekday, St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest
7:15 Carolina Pomponio
12:05 Anthony James Penna

Aug 3, First Friday, Weekday
7:15 Essie Mae Rubin
12:05 Geraldine Allen Mayo

Aug 4, First Saturday, St. John Vianney
12:05 Marguerite Fratoni
5:15 Michael Bygott

Aug 5, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 For the People of the Parish
9:30 Tommaso Berardicci
11:00 Christine Morgan & Sylvester Hopewell
12:30 Claudino Colon
6:30 Pro Populo-For the People

Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday we hear from chapter six of the Gospel of John and will do so for several Sundays. This chapter includes the Bread of Life discourse of the Lord to his disciples when he teaches them about the wonderful gift of the Holy Eucharist. Jesus declares, "I am the Bread of Life!" Today, as we reflect on the first part of this chapter and its description of the miracle of the loaves and fish, let us be renewed in faith in the Holy Eucharist, the everyday miracle of the bread and wine becoming the Body and Blood of Christ in the Mass. May this renewal of faith lead us to greater reverence for this Sacrament and help us to recognize its grace that keeps us faithful to the ways of the Lord and generous in the service of others. I suggest that you read and reflect on the whole of chapter six of the Gospel of John at home as a way of entering more profoundly into the Gospel proclaimed at Sunday Mass as it is then realized at the altar with the great Eucharistic Prayer.

This past week in the Cathedral Basilica construction of the new tomb of Saint Katharine Drexel has begun. The tomb will be located at the rear of the Chapel side aisle adjacent to the Drexel Family altar. The construction includes a back wall and platform for the current tomb and woodcut that will come to us from the Motherhouse of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament in Bensalem, Pennsylvania. The actual translation of the sacred remains of this Philadelphia Saint will take place privately over the next two weeks. Once the construction and the installation of the tomb is complete, the area of the new tomb will be open for visits and prayer. A Mass of Thanksgiving for the relocation of the tomb of Saint Katharine Drexel will take place on Sunday, November 18, 2018 at 11:00 AM in the Cathedral Basilica. Everything about Saint Katharine Drexel's life as a religious, a foundress, and servant of those in need derived from her faith and love for the Most Blessed Sacrament. From the Holy Eucharist, this saintly woman who is an example for us, received the grace and strength to further the Kingdom of the Lord. May the presence of Saint Katharine in our Basilica prompt many to live the Gospel more fully and faithfully from the graces of Holy Communion. *Saint Katharine Drexel, pray for us!*

I am sure that many of you are aware of the devastating fire that almost completely destroyed Our Lady of Angels Regional School in Morton, Delaware County, this past July 18, 2018. The Schools Office of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia acted swiftly so that the very next day it was established that Our Lady of Angels would open this September at Cardinal O'Hara High School. In the meantime, there are a great many needs and expenses incurred to make this happen. *Next Sunday, the second collection at Sunday Mass will be directed to the reopening of Our Lady of Angels School for the new school year.*

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, August 3, 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

"When you have received Him, stir up your heart to do Him homage; speak to Him about your spiritual life, gazing upon Him in your soul where He is present for your happiness; welcome Him as warmly as possible, and behave outwardly in such a way that your actions may give proof to all of His Presence."

- St. Francis de Sales

Solemnity of the Assumption

Wednesday, August 15, 2018

*This Solemnity is a **Holy Day of Obligation**; the Cathedral Mass schedule in such solemnities is the following:*

- 5:15pm Vigil Mass, with music, in the Chapel (Tues.)
- 7:15 am in the Chapel
- 12:05 pm, with music, in the Basilica
- 12:35 pm, in the Chapel
- 5:15 pm, in the Chapel
- *7:00 pm in the Extraordinary Form, in the Basilica.*

Mater Ecclesiae Church from Berlin, NJ will celebrate their 18th Annual Mass of Thanksgiving**. This Solemn High Choral Mass in the Extraordinary Form will** once again feature the Ars Laudis Festival Chorus & Orchestra.

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 http://www.cathedralre.org/ Coordinator Email: patty.smith@CathedralRE.org**
To speak with a representative in Spanish, contact Nora Martin in the Parish Office, (215)561-1313.

Gospel Reflection Group

Tuesday, July 31, 2018
John 6:24—25

Please come for some quality time of spiritual refreshment and social interaction. ***All are welcome!***
The sharing is around the Gospel for the coming Sunday, which is August 5th. **We begin at 11:00 AM in the Neumann Room and end before noon**.

Hearing Devices for Mass, may be borrowed from the Sacristy and returned after Mass. Please ask one of the Greeters to assist you.

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 First Offertory Collection for Sunday, 7/22/2018 was $5,313.5 and the Second Offertory Collection (for the Missions) was $5,232.
Thank you very much for your generous financial support to the Cathedral Parish and to the Missionary Appeal benefiting the Missionary Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Please remember these parishioners and friends of the Cathedral Parish in your prayers/ Ora por los enfermos:
John Cantwell, Jr., Jeffrey Press, Daniel Kilpatrick, Carol Snipes, Eileen & Herbert Luscomb, Teresa Mirabelli, Megan Marie Douthwright, Janice Holshin, Rose Rippe, Russell Heim, Karen Spadaccini, Pearl Hammond, Sam O'Connor, Robert Sierko, Mary W., 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, Doreen Quinn, John Zelez, Charlotte McLaughlin, Philip Costantini, David Shea, 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, Patricia Capone, Rosemary Lovett, Grace Teti, Nick Capozio, Darcel Burney, Fred Hankinson, 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

Jul 30 Legion of Mary Meeting, Neumann Room, 7 PM
Jul 31 Gospel Reflection Group, Neumann Room, 11 AM
Aug 1 Morning Scripture Reflection for lawyers, Neumann Room, 8 AM
Charismatic Prayer Group, Neumann Room, 6 PM
Aug 6 Same Stream Community Concert, Basilica, 7:30 PM
Aug 7 The Basilica will only open for confessions from 11:30 AM to noon.
Aug 8 & 9 The Cathedral (Basilica & Chapel) will close at 2:00 PM

EVENTOS DE INTERÉS

¡Santa Catalina Drexel será trasladada a nuestra Catedral!

La semana pasada inicio la construcción de la nueva tumba de Sta. Catalina Drexel. La tumba estará ubicada al fondo de la Basílica, en el corredor lateral cercano a la Capilla al lado del altar de la familia Drexel. La construcción incluye una pared trasera y una plataforma para tumba actual la cual será trasladada desde la Casa Madre de las Hermanas del Santísimo Sacramento en Bensalem, Pensilvania. La traslación de los santos restos de la santa a filadelfia se hará en privado dentro de las próximas dos semanas. Una vez concluya la construcción y la instalación de la tumba, el área de la nueva tumba se abrirá al público para oración. El domingo, 18 de noviembre a las 11:00 AM se celebrará en la Basílica una Santa Misa en acción de gracias por la reubicación de la tumba de Santa Catalina Drexel. Todo en la vida de esta santa religiosa, fundadora, y sirviente de aquellos en necesidad, se derivó fe su fe y amor por el Santísimo Sacramento. Esta santa mujer quien es un gran ejemplo para nosotros, recibió de la Santa Eucaristía la gracia y la fortaleza para promover el Reino del Señor. Que la presencia de Santa Catalina en nuestra Basílica impulse a muchos a vivir el Evangelio de lleno y más fielmente con las gracias de la Santa Comunión. Santa Catalina Drexel, ¡Ruega por nosotros!

¡NO TENGAS MIEDO!
Como mantener la paz en tiempos de incertidumbre

Acompáñenos a una tarde de reflexión sobre cómo vivir con corazones tranquilos, incluso cuando todo lo que nos rodea parece que se está desmoronando.

Domingo, 28 de octubre del 2018
12:30 PM-3:00 PM
(Santa Misa, charla y almuerzo gratis)

Presentador: Padre Andrés Gutiérrez, Párroco, Parroquia San Martín de Porres, Cusco, Perú

Ubicación: En la Capilla de Catedral
Registración obligatoria: form.jotform.com/81953737335162
O llamando a l 215-667-2820

LA CORRESPONSABILIDAD

PAN DEL CIELO

En el Evangelio de hoy Jesús le da de comer a una gran multitud de personas y esa acción está anticipada en la historia del profeta Eliseo que escuchamos en la primera lectura. El pueblo sufría hambre. Eliseo cree que Dios proveerá y cuando a Eliseo le dan veinte panes de cebada y grano tierno en espiga rehúsa quedarse con nada y lo ofrece todo a un pequeño grupo de personas. Todos comen y hay sobras. Se nos dice que Jesús le da de comer a millares de personas hambrientas con sólo cinco panes y dos peces. La muchedumbre está hambrienta no sólo del alimento ordinario, sino también de la salvación de Dios. El evangelista nos dice que todos comieron a saciarse y cuando los discípulos recogieron lo sobrante llenaron doce cestas. Éste es el único milagro de Jesús que está en los cuatro evangelios. Las acciones de Jesús de partir el pan, dar gracias, bendecir el pan y distribuirlo nos recuerdan lo que compartimos en cada celebración de la Misa. Las acciones de Jesús, reflejadas en las acciones del sacerdote, nos alimentan con el pan de vida para continuar en el camino de la vida. Eliseo confió en que Dios proveería y Dios así lo hizo. Cuando Jesús multiplicó los panes y los peces Dios proveyó no sólo lo suficiente, sino con una abundancia desbordante. Y en la Eucaristía Cristo se entrega como alimento de una manera total y completa. Si Dios nos alimenta más allá de lo que podemos esperar, nosotros debemos también alimentar a los demás. "Alimentar" a las personas, o sea acogerlas cuando llegan a nuestra parroquia, crea una atmósfera de bienvenida. Dar de comer a los pobres los ayuda a no tener que preocuparse por su próxima comida. Ofrecer alimentos a las víctimas de desastres naturales los ayuda a sobrevivir. Alimentar a las personas es obra de Dios y también nuestra.

La Corresponsabilidad Vivida Ahora

¿Sabes cocinar? Usa tus habilidades. Ayuda con el café y la pastelería en los grupos parroquiales, cocina algo para una cena o retiro parroquial, prepara comidas para algún refugio público, organiza una venta de pastelería a beneficio de algún ministerio parroquial, ofrécete como voluntario en un comedor público. ¿No sabes cocinar? Envía donaciones a organizaciones tales como Food for the Poor, Catholic Relief Services o Caridades Católicas.

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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**

POST-ABORTION HEALING RETREAT

Rachel's Vineyard is an extraordinary opportunity for any person who struggles with emotional and spiritual pain of past abortion(s). The weekend is a unique and effective process designed specifically to help you experience the mercy and compassion of God and will help your soul find a voice, and transform the pain of the past into hope. Rachel's Vineyard is a "therapy for the soul" which combines a unique and creative process for psychological and spiritual healing.

August 24-26, 2018, Trenton, NJ
For more information on this retreat call
Judy Warenkiewicz 732-536-6871
judywarren543@msn.com

October 12–14, 2018, Doylestown, PA
at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa
For more information please call Evelyn at (215) 317-5752.

To donate to help in running this retreat, especially to offer scholarships to those in need, please email evelynwalsh59@gmail.com for more information.
May God bless you for your generosity

National website: www.rachelsvineyard.org
***** All inquiries are strictly confidential *****

A Woman's Testimony: *I received great inner healing during my retreat. I recommend it to anyone suffering from abortion. I was able to forgive myself and found Christ's unconditional love.*

A Man's Testimony: *For 18 years, I had been haunted by guilt that no one could take away. Through the retreat, I was able to forgive myself. God has given me a peaceful mind, cleansed my heart and washed away my guilt.*

Philadelphia Catholic Mamas

PCM invites all city mothers into fellowship, prayer, and community. The group offers weekly prayer hours, monthly city based fun city activities, Pro-Life ministry, and a lively network of friendship. Information about events can be found on our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/philacatholicmamas

Young Adult Events

Sign up to receive most up-to-date information on our events please e-mail youngadults.cathedral@gmail.com or search for our Facebook page (@youngadultscathedral).

Local Life Saving Resources

♦ **Pro Life Union of Greater Philadelphia. 24/7 hotline: call or text 610-626-4006 www.prolifeunion.org.** The Pro-life Union offers emotional, material and spiritual support to women and families in need as they make the choice for life.

♦ **Community Women's Center** (Pregnancy Resource Center). **267-239-0753.** Services: help with food, baby clothing and other items, housing (before birth and up to three years after), free ultrasound, free pregnancy tests… Aid is customized to each individual. Located at 12th & Locust, 1202 Locust St. 3rd Floor, Philadelphia, PA, 19107.

♦ **Abortion pill reversal.** contact Dr. Monique Ruberu, OBgyn in Philadelphia at 469-231-9084 or visit abortionpillreversal.com/

Upcoming Community Concert at the Basilica

August 6, 2018 at 7:30 PM

The Same Stream Choir

James Jordan and The Same Stream are beyond thrilled to be returning to the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul in Philadelphia for their annual concert. These dynamos of the American choral music scene present a program entitled
"The Great Beyond"
featuring music by Jackson Hill, Thomas LaVoy, Cortlandt Matthews and Peter Relph which examine the human experience from both the sacred and secular perspectives.

General Admission - $10
Students and Seniors - $5
Youth (16 & under) - free admission

Tickets for this program will be available both online and at the door.
To learn more or to purchase tickets, please visit https://www.thesamestreamchoir.com/concerts

Complimentary parking is available in the lot adjacent to the Cathedral; use entrance on 17th St.

cathedralphila.org/communityconcert

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**

OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

Retrouvaille for Stressed or Troubled Marriages

Friday-Sunday, Aug 17-19, 2018

A healing program that offers a welcoming and loving space to married couples who have been living with the misery of a failing marriage. Location: Malvern Retreat House, McShain-Horstmann Family Life Center,
315 S. Warren Avenue Malvern, PA 19355. More info:
https://www.malvernretreat.com/events/retrouvaille/

Stewardship: A Mission of Faith
First Annual Conference

September 19th & 20th, 2018, 9:00 AM-9:00PM

In addition to the formal sessions, other venues will be open including an outdoor Stations of the Cross, Marian Grotto and Vineyard. Additionally, Ironstone Ranch activities including horseback rides and wagon rides will be offered.
Speakers: Jason and Crystalina Evert, Fr. Michael Gaitley, Damon Owens and more!
Location: The Star Barn Village at Stone Gables Estate; Elizabethtown, PA. More info visit: stewardshipmission.org/2018-stewardship-annual-christian-retreat/

6 Steps to IGNITE:
90min to IGNITE your God-given potential!

Aug 9, 2018, 6:00-8:00PM or August 16, 2018, 6:00-8:00PM. (This is a pre-evangelization event - a great opportunity to invite non-practicing Catholics or those just beginning to consider God's place in their life!). Do you wonder if you have anything to offer this world? Do you feel stuck in life? Open to all 21+ this powerful Personal/Professional Development opportunity takes you through 6 Steps to help you re-engage with your heart & ignite your God-given potential! Join Chief Catalyst & Personal Development Expert, Vanessa M Hamm, for this dynamic & interactive experience in the heart of the city. Limited Seating at a special August price: $15 (reg $59). Locations: August 9 - DHive, 1905 Spruce St, Philadelphia, PA 19103; More Info: Register today at: Accendi.
Events Questions?
Contact Accendi at info@accendi-solutions.com

DOMINICAN SISTERS OF HAWTHORNE
VOCATION DISCERNMENT

September 22, 2018, Philadelphia, PA

Hawthorne-Dominicans.org, for information or reservations please contact Sister Alma Marie 845-745-1319, **vocationdirector@hawthorne-dominicans.org**

LIVING STEWARDSHIP NOW

BREAD OF HEAVEN

Jesus' feeding of a huge crowd in today's Gospel is prefigured in the story of the prophet Elisha in the first reading. The land has been stricken with famine. Elisha believes that God will provide, and when Elisha is given twenty barley loaves and some grain he refuses to take any for himself and offers it to a small crowd. Everyone eats and some is left over. Jesus, we are told, feeds thousands of hungry people with just five small loaves and two fish. The crowd is famished, not just for ordinary food, but also for God's salvation. The Evangelist tells us that everyone ate their fill, and when the disciples gathered up the leftovers they filled twelve baskets. This is the only one of Jesus' miracles described by all four Gospel writers. The actions of Jesus in taking the bread, giving thanks, blessing the bread, and distributing it remind us of what we share at every celebration of Mass. Jesus' actions are reflected in the actions of the priest as we are fed the bread of life to strengthen us on our daily journey. Elisha trusted that God would provide, and God did. When Jesus multiplied the loaves and fishes, God provided not just enough, but overflowing abundance. And in the Eucharist, Christ gives himself as food, totally and completely. If God feeds us beyond all our expectations, then we in turn must feed other people. Feeding people as they come to our parish creates an atmosphere of welcome. Feeding poor people helps them stop worrying where their next meal will come from. Feeding those in the crisis of natural disaster keeps them alive. Feeding people is God's work, and it is our work, too.

Living Stewardship Now

Are you good at feeding people? Use your skills. Help with coffee-and-doughnuts gatherings, cook for a parish supper or retreat, prepare meals for an overnight shelter, organize a bake sale to benefit a parish ministry, volunteer at a local soup kitchen. Not a cook? Send donations to Food for the Poor, Catholic Relief Services, or Catholic Charities.

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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.