

**Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Sunday, September 16, 2018**

***“May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord  
through which the world has been crucified to me  
and I to the world.” Gal 6:14***



***Mass Intentions for the Week***



**Sep 15, Saturday, Our Lady of Sorrows**

12:05 Elisa Ionata  
5:15 Michel Bygott

**Sep 16, Twenty-Fourth Sunday in O.T.**

8:00 For the People of the Parish  
9:30 John & Adeline Maffei  
11:00 George McElwee  
12:30 Familia Colon  
6:30 Pro Populo-For the People

**Sep 17, Monday, Weekday,  
St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop &  
Doctor of the Church**

7:15 Arnold Quici  
12:05 Alessandro Iavarone

**Sep 18, Tuesday, Weekday**

7:15 Angela Pachioli  
12:05 Mario Carmen Romano

**Sep 19, Wednesday, Weekday, St. Januarius,  
Bishop & Martyr**

7:15 Lillie Rogers  
12:05 Timothy Navin

**Sep 20, Thursday, St. Andrew Kim Tae-gon,  
Priest, & Paul Chong Ha-sang,  
and Companions, Martyrs**

7:15 Tamburino Family  
12:05 Intention of Greg Englesdy

**Sep 21, Friday, St. Matthew, Apostle**

7:15 Rudolph Engel  
12:05 Intention of Matthew Snyder

**Sep 22, Saturday, Weekday, BVM**

12:05 Philomena Stendardo  
5:15 Living & Deceased Members of the  
League of the Sacred Heart

**Sep 23, Twenty-Fifth Sunday in O.T.**

8:00 For the People of the Parish  
9:30 Charles Galypo  
11:00 John & Leona Sutton  
12:30 Intención de Maribel Yañes  
6:30 Pro Populo-For the People

Dear Parishioners,

*In today's Gospel of Mark, the Lord gives us a vivid description of what it means to be his disciple, his follower, a member of his Church.*

He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them,  
"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself  
take up his cross, and follow me.  
For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it  
but whoever loses his life for my sake  
and that of the gospel will save it."

*In these days when all of us are being asked to follow Lord in difficult circumstances, it is very helpful to have these Gospel words echo in our minds and hearts. So much of what Jesus taught, and continues to teach through the Church, comforts and consoles us. We all delight in the miracles of Jesus retold by the evangelists. The centerpiece of the all that Jesus said and did is his death on the cross and his resurrection. In this event, he redeems us and saves the world. With this event, he glorifies the Father and shares the holiness of God with us. He shows himself in perfect obedience to his Father's will and thus is the perfect example of how we can follow him and do the same. This is how we hear this Sunday's Gospel. We want to be followers of the Lord. We too must take up our cross—like Jesus—and follow after him. To do so is to have the promise of his life within us now and in heaven. It is not easy to be a disciple of the Lord alone. We need the company of one another. Often times our own example invites another to follow the Lord with us. I encourage you, especially with the aid of the grace of the Holy Eucharist, to commit daily to a Christian life that is marked by taking up your cross and following the Lord—in your home, where you work and among your friends.*

*The Cathedral Parish is blessed once again to have a good number of adults among us seeking Baptism, Confirmation, the Holy Eucharist and Full Communion with the Catholic Church. We thank the Lord for prompting these men and women to respond to the gift of Faith and the desire for the Sacraments. Preparation of these adults for the Sacraments involves not only a more complete understanding of the Signs of Christ but also formation in the Christian way of life. Sponsors, members of our parish community, are needed to be a guide to these new candidates for the Christian life. In truth, we are in great need for additional sponsors at this time. If you would like to be a sponsor or have questions about this role, please speak to one of the parish priests or contact Patty Smith at .... Please pray for these new adult candidates for the Sacraments.*

*The second collection at Mass next Sunday will be directed to funds for maintenance and utilities of the Cathedral Basilica. 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



**Personal Ordinariate Mass  
for Our Lady of Walsingham  
September 24, 2018 at 7:00 PM**

Join us at the Cathedral for Mass celebrated in the Ordinariate Use of the Roman Rite, a beautiful form of the Catholic liturgy used by the [Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter](#). We are blessed to have an Ordinariate parish nearby at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Bridgeport, PA. Join the members of this parish at the Cathedral as they celebrate the feast of Our Lady of Walsingham. All are welcome. Location: Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul. Parking is available in the parking lot adjacent to the Cathedral, use entrance on 17th Street.

**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](mailto: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, September 25<sup>th</sup>  
11:00 AM**

**Neumann Room**

**Gospel of Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48  
Many are called to follow Him  
All are welcome: please join us.**

**CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS**

**September 27, 2018, 7-8:30 PM**

**What is Christian Initiation? What is Faith?**

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, visit our Religious Education website, [www.cathedralre.org/](http://www.cathedralre.org/). For additional questions contact Patty Smith at [patty.smith@CathedralRE.org](mailto:patty.smith@CathedralRE.org) or at 267-570-0074 (text messages acceptable).



**The Blue Mass  
September 30, 2018 at 11:00 AM**

**We will celebrate the Blue Mass in the Basilica to pray for local law enforcement officials, firefighters and first responders. We are grateful for their unwavering commitment and selfless dedication to the common good. All are welcome!**

**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)

**Respect Life Month Opening Celebration  
September 30, 2018**

- 3-4 PM Talk on the Saints (Chapel)
- 4-6:15 PM Veneration of Relics (Basilica)  
St. Pio of Pietrelchina, St. Teresa of Calcutta,  
St. Gianna Molla, and St. Maria Goretti
- 6:30 PM Respect Life Sunday Mass (Basilica)  
Celebrated by Archbishop Charles Chaput  
[Archdiocese of Philadelphia Office for Life & Family](#)

**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 Sunday, 9/9/2018 will be posted on a future edition of the Parish Bulletin.

*Thank you very much for your generous financial support to the Cathedral Parish.*

**Please remember these parishioners and friends of the Cathedral Parish in your prayers/ Ora por los enfermos:** *Sergia Hernandez, Marcia Clark, Fruma Ludwig, 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, 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

- Sep 16** Hispanic Marian Celebration (in Spanish), Chapel Hall, 1:30 PM
- Sep 18** Adult Faith Sharing, Neumann Room, 2-3:30 PM  
Legion of Mary Meeting, Neumann Room, 7 PM
- Sep 19** Morning Scripture Reflection for lawyers, Neumann Room, 8 AM  
Charismatic Prayer Group, Neumann Room, 6 PM
- Sep 20** [Catholic Schoolhouse](#), Neumann Room, 8:30 AM (Only those who are registered can attend)
- Sep 24** [Personal Ordinariate Mass](#) for Our Lady of Walsingham, Basilica, Basilica, 7 PM
- Sep 30** [Blue Mass](#) for local law enforcement officials, firefighters and first responders, Basilica, 11 AM

## EVENTOS DE INTERÉS

### ¡HOY! Celebración de las Vírgenes Domingo, 16 de septiembre—1:30 PM en el Salón de la Capilla (Chapel Hall)

Durante la Misa de español de las 12:30pm estaremos celebrando a la Santísima Virgen patrona de Cuba, Venezuela, Panamá, Perú. Al terminar la Misa, todos los feligreses están invitados para un compartir en el salón de la Capilla.

### El Sacramento del Bautismo en Español Octubre 28, 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 después de la Misa para suscribirse en la clase de preparación y para programar el Bautismo de su hijo/a.** El Sacramento del Bautismo normalmente se celebra en inglés el primer domingo de cada mes.



La programación de NSEradio y NSEtv tiene como objetivo no sólo informar, sino formar. No sólo divertir, sino convertir. Establecer no sólo comunicación, sino comunión. Por esto huye de la banalidad, y apuesta por la educación en la sabiduría y la virtud. Entrega valores constructivos, aporta criterios de reflexión para vivir desde la fe y con esperanza la realidad actual.

**Sintonízanos iii**

Buscanos en las redes sociales    [www.nsetv.com](http://www.nsetv.com)  
[www.nseradio.com](http://www.nseradio.com)

## LA CORRESPONSABILIDAD

### DE LA FE A LA ACCIÓN

En la segunda lectura de hoy Santiago compara dos tipos de fe, una fe muerta y la fe viva y activa. Él deja bien claro que si nos encontramos con personas que tienen hambre y frío no es suficiente desearles que les vaya bien y seguir nuestro camino. Mark e Isabel decidieron enseñar a sus hijos que la única manera de responder a las necesidades de otras personas es haciendo cosas pequeñas pero consistentemente. Los niños tenían 7, 10 y 13 años así es que tenían edad suficiente como para entender las cosas que se platicaban en las reuniones de familia. En una de esas oportunidades Isabel dijo: “Nosotros vamos a Misa los domingos, rezamos juntos en casa y hacemos cosas en nuestra parroquia pero, ¿qué más podemos hacer para demostrarle a Jesús cuánto lo amamos?” El hijo menor sugirió esto: “¡Hacer nuestras tareas del hogar a tiempo!” “Eso está muy bien pero, ¿qué podemos hacer por otras personas?”, dijo Mark. “¿Quieres decir por los enfermos y los que pasan hambre?”, preguntó la hija. “Sí, o por los que no tienen trabajo u hogar”, contestó Isabel. Después de mucha deliberación los dos niños y la niña decidieron ahorrar la mitad del dinero que les asignaban sus padres semanalmente y éstos a su vez igualarían la cantidad ahorrada. Al final del mes decidirían qué hacer con el dinero. Después de buscar ideas por Internet decidieron ayudar a un albergue para familias que están tratando de recuperarse económicamente. Toda la familia fue a entregar el dinero a la directora. Ella les dio las gracias y les preguntó: “¿Quieren conocer a algunos de nuestros residentes?” Éstos habían apenas terminado de cenar así es que los niños estaban haciendo sus tareas mientras los padres conversaban acerca de su búsqueda de empleo. De camino a casa el menor de los hijos dijo: “Son gente muy amable, ¿podemos seguir ayudándoles?” Isabel respondió: “Claro que sí; apenas acabamos de empezar”.

### La Corresponsabilidad Viva Ahora

Esta familia se convirtió en asiduos voluntarios del albergue. Continuaron donando dinero todos los meses así como otros artículos personales y domésticos para las familias residentes; además emplearon su tiempo para ayudar con quehaceres y hacer amistades allí. Sé discípulo y vive tu corresponsabilidad cristiana. Enseña a tus hijos esta manera de vivir.

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### ¡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. **Registro obligatorio:** [form.jotform.com/81953737335162](http://form.jotform.com/81953737335162)  
o llamando al 215-667-2820

## OUR LADY'S SEVEN SORROWS, SEVEN PROMISES, AND FATIMA'S CONNECTION

(Continued)

### Saints on Her Sorrows

In his [great work](#), St. Alphonsus also presents the insights of a number of major saints as they see the connection between Our Lady of Sorrows and her Crucified Son. A look at a tiny handful helps us visualize her sorrows and our need to take them to heart, and console and honor her.

Looking at Our Lady's "sea of grief" at the Passion, St. Bernardine [professed](#) "that if all the sorrows of the world were united, they would not equal that of the glorious Virgin Mary."

St. Bonaventure asks this Mother, "O Lady, where art thou? Near the cross? Nay, rather, thou art on the cross, crucified, sacrificing thyself with thy Son."

Our Lady herself told St. Bridget, that even after Jesus' death and Ascension into heaven, whether she was working or eating, the memory of his Passion was deeply imprinted and always in her tender heart.

An angel [addressed these words](#) to St. Bridget: "As the rose grows up amongst thorns, so the Mother of God advanced in years in the midst of sufferings; and as the thorns increase with the growth of the rose, so also did the thorns of her sorrows increase in Mary, the chosen rose of the Lord, as she advanced in age; and so much the more deeply did they pierce her heart."

The angel also told her that this Mother was so merciful and kind she was, recounts St. Alphonsus, "willing to suffer any pain, rather than to see souls unredeemed or left in their former perdition. It may be said that this was the only consolation of Mary in the midst of her great sorrow at the passion of her Son, to see the lost world redeemed by his death, and men, who were his enemies, reconciled with God."

"But of this she complained to St. Bridget, that very few pitied her, and most lived forgetful of her Sorrows. 'I look around upon all who are in the world, if perchance there may be any to pity me, and meditate upon my sorrows, and truly I find very few. Therefore, my daughter, though I am forgotten by many, at least do not thou forget me; behold my anguish, and imitate, as far as thou canst, my grief.'"

### Fatima Connection

In her book *'Calls' From the Message of Fatima*, Sister Lucia brings out this same connection that "Mary, made one with Christ, is the co-redemptrix of the human race."

Lucia explains how at Calvary "she suffered and agonized with him, receiving into her Immaculate Heart the last sufferings of Christ, his last words, his last agony and the last drops of his Blood, in order to offer them to the Father."

Lucia adds as her own interpretation of this vision of Our Lady of Sorrows, God wishes "to show us the value of suffering, sacrifice and immolation for the sake of love. In the world of today hardly anyone wants to hear these truths, such is the extent to which people are living in search of pleasure, of empty worldly happiness, and exaggerated comfort. But the more one flees from suffering, the more we find ourselves immersed in a sea of afflictions, disappointments and suffering."

(Cont. on 9/23/18)



## YOUNG ADULT GROUP

### Upcoming Events

**Bible Study Thur. 9/20 at 7:00 PM**, in the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center (tall building behind the Cathedral, 222 N. 17th St).

Join us and Fr. Gill on an **afternoon of recollection** for Young Adults at 4 PM on **9/23**. We'll start with a talk in the Neumann Room (behind the Basilica) followed by a Holy Hour and a light meal before the 6:30 PM Mass. Sign up to receive most up-to-date information on our events please e-mail

[youngadults.cathedral@gmail.com](mailto:youngadults.cathedral@gmail.com) or search for our Facebook page [@youngadultscathedral](https://www.facebook.com/youngadultscathedral)



### 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, Watermark, Spring Garden Towers, 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.

### St. Anthony's Relics Visit the Cathedral



**Sat. Oct. 6, 2018**

Veneration begins at 4 PM followed by the Anticipated Mass at 5:15 PM

**Sun. Oct. 7, 2018**

Veneration after each Holy Mass

### CATHOLIC SCHOOLHOUSE CHAPTER

#### Meets on Thursday mornings

Homeschool Group using The Catholic Schoolhouse program meets Thursday mornings at the Cathedral Basilica. Please contact directors Gina 215-920-2640 or Eileen [EileenDAngelo@verizon.net](mailto:EileenDAngelo@verizon.net) for more info.

## OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

### AbbeyFest 2018

**September 22, 2018, 1-9:30 PM**

Join us for the 5th AbbeyFest -- the premier celebration of family, friends, and contemporary Catholic/Christian music in the greater Philadelphia area. In addition to the music, there are hundreds of Christian vendors, food court, family and kid-friendly activities, Confession, prayer & healing teams, Mass, Adoration, and all ages experiencing the fullness of our faith while encountering Jesus.

Location: Daylesford Abbey, 220 South Valley Road, Paoli, PA 19301. Artists: Matt Maher, Building 429, 7eventh Time Down, Rhett Walker Band, OBB, Firehill Worship; Keynote Speaker: Oscar Rivera. To learn more: & purchase tickets visit <http://www.theabbeyfest.com/>

### Do You Pray Like a Catholic?

**Wednesdays, Sep. 19, 26, Oct. 3, 10, 17, 2018 from 7-9 PM**

Are you interested in deepening your connection with God in prayer? Is your prayer time plagued by distractions and dryness? How do we discern God's voice in prayer? If you're asking yourself any of these questions, you may be interested in a 5-week course entitled "Pray Like a Catholic". The talks will be based on the four stages of prayer as taught by St. Teresa of Avila. Speaker: Susan Brinkmann, OCDS. Location: St. Agnes Church, Sellersville, PA. More Information: Cost is \$35 per person, payable on the first night. Call/text Susan at 215-983-9701 to register.

### The Grail Movement:

#### Women at the Heart of Catholic Action

**September 23, 2018, 1:30 PM House Opens, 2 PM Talk**

In this talk, Dr. Marian Ronan, PhD will discuss the history of the Grail, an international movement that promotes women's spiritual development and activism. She will discuss the growth of the Grail in the United States and its place within U.S. Catholicism in the post-WWII era. Location: The Society's House 263 South Fourth St., Philadelphia, PA 19106

#### Strangers in a Strange Land: An Evening Conversation

**Wednesday, September 26th, 2018, 6:30-8:30 PM**

Join us for a discussion of Archbishop Chaput's recent book & the future of American Catholicism. Light dinner, refreshments and a copy of the book included in registration along with a cash bar. Panelists include: Fran Maier, Prof. Michael P. Moreland, Prof. Jessica Murdoch.

Location: Catholic Philopatrian Literary Institute | 1923 Walnut Street | Philadelphia, PA 19103. More info: Register at: <https://bit.ly/2MthCWe> Any questions contact our Program Fellow, Mr. Philippe Becker, [pbeck@sas.upenn.edu](mailto:pbeck@sas.upenn.edu).

### The Little Way of Spiritual Childhood

**September 28-29, 2018**

Susan Brinkmann, OCDS, will lead a Bed & Breakfast Retreat on the Little Way of Spiritual Childhood at Fatima House in Bedminster. Hosted by the Catholic Life Institute, the cost is \$85 per person and includes two conferences on the Little Way, overnight lodging, and breakfast. Commuter rate of \$40 covers two conferences and breakfast. Call/Text Terry at 610-223-4191 to register. Hurry!

## LIVING STEWARDSHIP NOW

### FAITH TO DEEDS

In today's second reading James compares two kinds of faith, a dead faith and a faith that is alive and active. As he makes perfectly clear, if we come across people who are starving and cold it is simply not enough to wish them well and go on our way. Mark and Isabel decided to teach their children that the only way to respond to need is to do small things consistently. The children were 7, 10, and 13, so they were old enough to understand when the family sat down to talk things through. Isabel said, "We go to Mass every Sunday, we pray together at home, and we do things in our parish, but what else can we do to show Jesus how much we love him?" The younger son suggested, "Do our chores on time!" "That's good," said Mark, "but what can we do for other people?" "You mean people who are sick or hungry?" asked their daughter. "Yes," said Isabel, "or people who have no job or no home." After a lot of talking, the children decided they would save half of their pocket money and the parents would equal that amount. At the end of the month they would decide what to do with it. After searching on the computer for ideas, they decided to help a shelter for homeless families trying to regain independence. The whole family went to give their gift to the director. She thanked them and asked, "Would you like to meet some of our residents?" It was just after dinner so children were doing homework while parents chatted about their job searches. On the way home the younger son said, "They were really nice people. Can we go on helping them?" "Yes," said Isabel. "We've only just begun."

### Living Stewardship Now

The family became regular volunteers at the shelter. They continued to donate money every month along with household and personal items for the families, and gave their time to do chores and make friends. Be a disciple and steward, and teach your children this way of life.

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### Prayer Campaign for the Supreme Court

Each Friday, from August 3 – September 28, 2018, all people of good will are urged to join each other in prayer that the upcoming change in the U.S. Supreme Court will move our nation closer to the day when every human being is protected in law and welcomed in life. The USCCB Call to Prayer network will share prayers and educational resources and an invitation to fast on Fridays for this intention. Prayer materials are accessible [here](#) (online). If you would like to join this effort, sign up at [www.usccb.org/pray](http://www.usccb.org/pray).

### 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.

