

First Sunday of Lent

Sunday, March 10, 2019



*“If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread.”
Jesus answered him,
“It is written, One does not live on bread alone.” Lk 4:3-4*

Mass Intentions for the Week



Mar. 9, Saturday after Ash Wednesday, St. Frances of Rome

12:05 Author Quici
5:15 William J. Kaczmarczyk

Mar. 10, First Sunday of Lent

8:00 For the People of the Parish
9:30 Michael J. Dayle
11:00 Tony Versino
12:30 Luis Enrique Tellado
6:30 For the People of the Archdiocese

Mar. 11, Monday, Lenten Weekday

7:15 Richard Lynch
12:05 Donald J. McBride

Mar. 12, Tuesday, Lenten Weekday

7:15 Diana Giusti
12:05 Living & Deceased Members of the
League of the Sacred Heart

Mar. 13, Wednesday, Lenten Weekday

7:15 Edmond V. Lawlor
12:05 Mary Harvey

Mar. 14, Thursday, Lenten Weekday

7:15 Leonard Gueria
12:05 Marie Lehmann

Mar. 15, Friday, Lenten Weekday

7:15 Viola Pascarella
12:05 Angela Galipo

Mar. 16, Saturday, Lenten Weekday

12:05 Thomas J. Gibbons, Jr.
5:15 Isabel Rusko

Mar. 17, Second Sunday of Lent

8:00 For the People of the Parish
9:30 Thomas Woltjen
11:00 Consuelo Ruiz
12:30 Clemente y Catalina Carrera
6:30 For the People of the Archdiocese

Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday is the First Sunday of Lent! The Ash Wednesday charge that accompanied the imposition of the blessed ashes is still ringing in our ears, “Repent, and believe in the Gospel.” This is the project of our whole Christian lives. However, Lent gives us the opportunity, in communion with all the members of the Church, to be intentional about heeding this charge that comes to us from the Word of God. It is not easy. In fact, in the Gospel for this Sunday, we hear how Jesus himself, after forty days of prayer in the desert, was tempted by the Devil. The temptations directed at Jesus by the Devil were an attempt to make him forfeit his divinity and pass the test of the Evil One. Jesus does not give into the temptation but rather rebukes the Devil for putting him to the test. The discipline of Lent—especially with prayer, fasting and almsgiving—gives us the grace to be strong in the face of temptation, to rebuke the influence of the Devil and to truly reform our Christian lives. Let the witness of Jesus inspire and encourage us. May the presence of Christ in our lives keep us on course all throughout Lent.

The first Sunday of Lent is also the occasion when the Archbishop elects Catechumens from all throughout the Archdiocese for the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist to be received at the Easter Vigil. Our parish has eight catechumens that will participate in the Rite of Election on Sunday afternoon, March 10, 2019 at 3:00 PM. The godparents of these Catechumens will testify to their readiness for the Sacraments. The Archbishop will exhort them, with our prayers and example, to observe Lent as time purification and enlightenment, and to look forward to their Christian Initiation at Easter. Once the Catechumens are elected for the Easter Sacraments, they are no longer called Catechumens but the Elect. We also have a good number of baptized Christians in the Cathedral Parish preparing to come into the Church and/or to receive Confirmation and Holy Communion. They will also join the Catechumens and the Archbishop will exhort them to be steadfast in their continuing conversion to Christ during Lent. Please keep all our Catechumens and Candidates in your prayers. You are most welcome to attend the Rite of Election on Sunday afternoon.

*The new website for the Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel is up. Please take a moment to visit the website at saintkatharinedrexelshrine.com. There is much to learn about Saint Katharine Drexel on the website as well as to keep posted on liturgical celebrations, devotions and events at the Shrine here at the Cathedral Basilica. *Saint Katharine Drexel, pray for us!**

The second collection at Mass next Sunday will be directed to the Religious Education Programs in the Cathedral Parish. The winter weather often impedes people from attending Mass with good reason. However, we still have our parish bills to pay each week. If possible, please make use of the on-line possibility of making your weekly offering. Thank you so very much for all of your goodness and generosity to the Cathedral Parish and the Catholic Charities Appeal.

God bless you! Father Dennis Gill

Lent 2019

Abstinence from meat and fasting during Lent

The bishops of the United States prescribe, as minimal obligation, that all persons who are fourteen years of age and older are bound to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday, on all the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday. Further, all persons eighteen years of age and older, up to and including their fifty-ninth birthday, are bound to fast by limiting themselves to a single full meal on Ash Wednesday and on Good Friday, while the other two meals on those days are to be light. Keeping a voluntary fast throughout Lent is encouraged on the part of all.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

The description and schedule of the Lenten Rites for the Elect (catechumens) and Candidates for the Easter Sacraments will be announced in the Parish Bulletin all throughout Lent. These rites will take place at the 5:15 PM Anticipated Mass for Sunday.

The Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation will be available:

- On Sundays at 9:00 AM (Basilica), 10:30 AM (Basilica), 12:00 Noon in Spanish (Chapel) and 5:30 PM (Basilica),
- On Weekdays at 11:30 AM (Basilica) and on Saturdays at 4:15 PM (Basilica).

Gospel reflections on Tuesday Mornings During Lent Open to all

Each Tuesday from 11:00 AM until Noon in the Neumann Room there is an opportunity to reflect on the Gospel of the upcoming Sunday. Resources with the Scriptures are available.

The Way of the Cross will take place each Friday of Lent immediately following the 12:05 PM Mass in the Chapel. El Via Crucis, the Way of the Cross in Spanish, will also take place each Friday at 7:00 PM in the Chapel.

Operation Rice Bowl

By eating one simple meal weekly and placing your savings into the Rice Bowl, you will be joining yourself in solidarity with all who have so little to live on and helping to reach out to assist them throughout the world and here in the Archdiocese. Rice bowls are available in the vestibules. Your donations can be dropped off during Holy Week and the first weeks of Easter in the collection basket at Mass.

CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS

March 14, 2019, 7-8:30 PM, Neumann Room

The Seventh Commandment On-going Conversion

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/. For additional questions contact Patty Smith at patty.smith@CathedralRE.org or at 267.250.0074 (text messages acceptable).

Cathedral Parish Prayer Vigils 40 Days for Life Campaign



Will you give one hour of your day to protect the most innocent and vulnerable in our society?

Join Cathedral Parishioners on **March 12, 8AM-5PM** in front of Philadelphia Women's Center, 777 Apple (8th & Arch) & on **April 11, 8AM-5 PM** in front of Planned Parenthood on 12th and Locust.

To sign up for a 1 hour peaceful prayer vigil shift please contact Nora at the Parish Office: 215-561-1313 or info@cathedralphila.org

Learn about this peaceful movement: 40daysforlife.com.

Learn about fetal development, abortion & racism, methods of abortion, abortion pill reversal, side effects of abortion, education opportunities, Sisters of Life, Crisis Pregnancy Centers, and more: sidewalkservantsphilly.com & prolifeunion.org/outreach/sidewalk-servant

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. The offertory collection for 3/3/2019 was \$6,671(1st), \$1,781(2nd).

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:
Phoenix McFetridge, Laura Bernal, Sophie Monterosso, Ryley Nazario, Bernard Thompson, Terry Dynako, Dave Dynako, Greg Lund, Corbin M. Schindler, John McGrath, Mary Remshard, Paige Bednarsky, Ted Johnston, Dolores Bearden, Michael Piotrowski, Beverly Martin, Evan C. Farrington, Darcel Burney, 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, Mary W., James Pinto, Joan Decker, George Gunning, April DeMatto, Laura Kerr, Cris Burbage, Robin Abate, Bryan Anderson, Glen Jackanis, Susan Silverstein, Joshua White, Doreen Quinn, John Zelez, Charlotte McLaughlin, Philip Costantini, David Shea, Christopher & Stephanie Tama, Marilyn Mullen, Carolyn Jacobs, Stephen Garramone, Kim Cantwell, 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

- Mar 10** Legion of Mary Meeting, Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, 12:30 PM
- Mar 12** Adult Faith Sharing, Neumann Room, 2-3:30 PM
- Mar 13** Morning Scripture Reflection for lawyers, Neumann Room, 8 AM
Charismatic Prayer Group, Neumann Room, 6PM
- Mar 14** Catholic Schoolhouse Meeting, Neumann Room, 8:30 AM (must register to attend)
Catechetical Session for Adults, Neumann Room, 7 PM
- Mar 31** All Catholic Chorus concert, Basilica, 3 PM

EVENTOS DE INTERÉS

Mision Cuaresmal Hispana

Marzo 13, 2019—7PM Parroquia Visitacion, Filadelfia,
Predicador/Speaker: Padre Bruce Lewandowski, C.S.S.R
Marzo 18-March 18 - 7:00 PM Iglesia Reina del Universo -
Queen of the Universe Parish / Levittown Predicador: Semi-
narista Andrés Galeano Marzo 27-March 27 - 7:00 PM Iglesia
San Patricio - St. Patrick Parish / Norristown Predicador: Pa-
dre Antonio Gutiérrez, FM April 3-April 3 - 7:00 PM Iglesia
Santa Ines - St. Agnes / West Chester Predicador: Madre Ste-
lla Maris Abril 8-April 8 - 7:00 PM Iglesia Anunciación -
Annunciation Parish / Philadelphia Predicador: David Serrano
“El Obispo Deliman estará presente en todas las misiones”
Organizado por la Oficina para Católicos Hispanos
215-583-2820

Hora Santa por las Vocaciones Hispanas y Noche de Reflexion

Marzo 18, 2019, 7:00-9:00 PM

Parroquia Reina del Universo, 2443 Trenton Rd, Levittown,
PA. Celebrante: Obispo Edward M. Deliman
Reflexión presentada por el Seminarista Andres Galeano

Grupo de Oracion

Domingo, 24 de marzo de 2019, 1:50 a 2:50 PM

Lo invitamos a participar en el grupo de oración hoy!
Todos son bienvenidos. Lugar: Neumann Room

Celebración Anual en honor a las personas con disca- pacidades, el apostolado para sordos, y sus cuidadores Santa Misa

Sábado, 30 de marzo del 2019, 10:30 AM

Catedral Basílica de San Pedro y San Pablo
Celebrante y homilista: Arzobispo Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M.
Cap.

Organizado por la Oficina para Personas con Discapacida-
des y Apostolado para Sordos

LA CORRESPONSABILIDAD

ALGO EXTRA

- ¿Vas a renunciar a algo por Cuaresma? ¿Por qué no hacer algo extra durante este tiempo para honrar a Dios?
- Reconcíliate con una persona que te disgusta o que evades, o con alguien a quien has herido.
 - Practica acciones bondadosas para con los demás sin esperar recompensa.
 - Cómprale una comida a una persona indigente.
 - Abstente de escuchar o hacerte eco de chismes.
 - Pasea por media hora y disfruta de la belleza al aire libre.
 - Lee acerca de las causas de pobreza a fin de que puedas servir mejor a los pobres.
 - Ahorra el costo de una comida diaria; dona el equivalente en efectivo a una obra caritativa durante la Pascua.
 - Estudia, medita y ora diariamente con las Escrituras.
 - Piensa en Dios mientras haces tus quehaceres diarios.
 - ¿Enfermo? ¿Confinado al hogar? ¿En la calle? Reza por los demás.
 - Cuando estés en tu oficina, en el supermercado o en la escuela, piensa dónde pudiera estar Jesús y lo que podrías hacer por él.
 - Usa oraciones o devociones de tu herencia para crecer espiritualmente.
 - Limpia tus armarios o roperos y dona lo que esté en buenas condiciones a una obra caritativa.
 - Contribuye con víveres a alguna despensa pública.
 - Ve a Misa entre semana, a una misión parroquial o a una oración comunitaria de Cuaresma.
 - Ten un crucifijo cerca. Acuérdate de la muerte de Jesús.

La Corresponsabilidad Vivida Ahora

Algunas de estas actividades cuaresmales se hacen mejor individualmente, para otros, como involucrar en un proyecto a la familia, amigos, vecinos o feligreses de la parroquia y hacer un compromiso.

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Vigilia Parroquial ProVida 40 Dias por la Vida



Por favor ofrece una hora de tu tiempo para orar pacíficamente y salvar vidas en frente de un centro abortista. El 12 de marzo la vigilia será en frente de “Philadelphia Women’s Center” en [777 Appletree, Philadelphia, PA 19106](#) (8th & Arch) de 8am a 5pm. El 11 de abril la vigilia será al frente de “Planned Parenthood” 1144 [Locust St, Philadelphia, PA 19107](#) (12th & Locust) de 8:00 AM a 5:00 PM. Por favor llama a Nora a la oficina parroquial para registrarse a 215-361-1313, Catedral Basílica de San Pedro y San Pablo.

The Sacrament of Baptism



The celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism is the doorway to the Christian life and to all the other Sacraments. As such, preparation of the parents and for the Baptism itself deserve very special attention. The celebration of Baptism at the Cathedral Parish takes place on the first Sunday of each month at 12:30 PM after the 11:00 AM Solemn Mass. Everyone is welcome. The celebration will be carried out with liturgical music and with a great sense of hospitality. **Upcoming Baptisms:** Apr. 7, May 5, June 2

A *Baptism Preparation Session* takes place on the third Sunday of each month in anticipation of the celebration of the Sacrament. Parents in the Cathedral Parish are obligated to participate. The session is open to all of our neighbor parishes and to godparents as well. Parents are encouraged to participate during pregnancy, if at all possible. Please call the Parish Office at 215-561-1313 to register for the Baptism Preparation Session or email Nora at nmartin@archphila.org; provide your phone number, parish, and names of people attending. **Upcoming Sessions:** Mar. 17 (Basilica), Apr. 28 (Neumann Room), May 19 (Basilica), 12:30 to 1:30 PM.

Experience Great Music in the Cathedral All Catholic Chorus Concert



**Sunday, March 31, 2019
3:00 PM in the Basilica**



From the lively spiritual, “Ev’ry Time I Feel the Spirit” to a deep, thought-provoking anthem, the All Catholic Chorus will present a program that will truly entertain. Their repertoire will range from a sacred song of the Renaissance period to the inspiring and creative songs of modern day composers. Mr. Thomas Kuchler, music director at Conwell Egan Catholic High School, will direct the Chorus. Ms. Katherine Chmelko, choral director at Nazareth Academy High School, will accompany on the piano.

Tickets available at the door and online:
cathedralphilaconcerts.ticketleap.com

Complimentary Parking, use entrance on 17th St.

Lenten Gospel Reflection—Every Tuesday of Lent

Join Sister Eleanor McCann, RSM in reflecting on the coming Sunday’s Gospel.

11:00-11:50 AM in the Neumann Room,
located behind the Cathedral,
next to Our Lady of the Apostles Garden.



The Cathedral Parish is hosting a trip to Oberammergau

May 29 through June 6, 2020

Father Kenneth Brabazon and Father David Friel are the spiritual directors. **For more info visit**
cathedralphila.org/oberammergau



The Cathedral Parish is participating in a parish-wide survey! Please Read

The Cathedral Parish will be participating in a parish survey about discipleship conducted by the Catholic Leadership Institute! We need your help – please click here to learn more. Please help us by participating in a 10-15 minute survey online. The survey can be accessed at www.disciplemakerindex.com from February 16th to March 18th and will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide feedback on our parish’s efforts to help you grow. All responses will be confidential and the parish will only receive information about the community as whole.

Upcoming Vocation Office Events



Come and See Weekend

2018-19 series of Come and See Weekends is near its conclusion. The final weekend for high school men will be held Mar. 16-17, 2019, and the final weekend for post-high school men will be held Mar. 29-31,

2019. For more information and to register visit
heedthecall.org/comeandsee

Quo Vadis (High School): Jun. 24-27, 2019
Black Rock Retreat Center, Quarryville, PA
Registration Deadline: June 3, 2019

Catholic Scholars (High School): Jul. 8-18, 2019
St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Wynnwood, PA
Application Deadline: March 15, 2019

Going Deeper (High School): Jul. 28-Aug. 1, 2019
Spiritual Year House, Conshohocken, PA
Registration Deadline: July 8, 2019

For more information on upcoming events, visit
heedthecall.org/summer or contact the
Archdiocesan Vocation Office at 610-667-5778

Lenten Resources

- **FORMED.ORG**—Register for free using our Parish code: 07854f . formed.org/promo/lent
- Allow Mother Teresa to guide you this year! With 40 short and profound meditations on Christ's thirst for us, the book *I Thirst* is a perfect Lenten companion for any level of faith! easter.formed.org/collections/i-thirst

OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

Remain in My Love

Plenary Sessions for the Renewal of Marriage and Family Life

Individuals, couples and families of the Archdiocese are invited to hear national Catholic speakers break open the splendor of Christ's teachings on marriage and family as part of Archbishop Chaput's Remain in My Love initiative.

Speakers: Megan Murphy, Fr. Dennis Gill, Damon Owens

Location: Various parishes throughout the Archdiocese
Visit archphila.org/remain2019 for more info and RSVP

Innovations in Women's HealthCare

-A seminar on the Creighton Model FertilityCare System and NaProTECHNOLOGY-

Saturday March 23rd, 2019, 11AM -1PM

Speaker: Dr Monique Ruberu. **Location:** Saint Maron Maronite Church, 1013 Ellsworth Street, Philadelphia, PA 19147. **Info:** cedaroflebanonfcc.com/events.html

Concert to Benefit

The Little Sisters of the Poor

Come enjoy lively Irish music at the Little Sisters of the Poor's Spring Concert on Saturday, **March 30**, 7:30 PM at Villanova university's Jake Nevin Fieldhouse (800 Lancaster Ave. Villanova, PA) benefiting elderly poor of Holy Family Home. For more information, visit littlesistersofthepoorphiladelphia.org.

Pilgrimage to Lourdes and Fatima

June 30—July 12, 2019

Fr. George Schommer, OP, Pastor of St. Patrick's Church in Philadelphia, invites you to join him on the 65th US National Rosary Pilgrimage to Lourdes followed by a visit to Lisbon and Fatima. Departing from Newark. For more information contact Fr. George at schommer@op.org or Catholic Travel Office at 1-877-276-7279,

lourdespilgrimageoffice@comcast.net. Reservation deadline March 15th.

A Baby's Breath Run for Life 2019

Saturday, April 13th - Norristown Farm Park

9 am Fun Run; 9:30 am 5K Run; Awards 10:30 am. Come run, walk or wheel! A fun Spring morning for the entire family! Pre-register at

ababysbreath.org/events/NOR_RFL.html

Proceeds benefit moms and their babies at A Baby's Breath Jeffersonville Center. For more info, please call Dorothy Swedkowski, Race Director at 610-316-6281 or budswed@verizon.net



Save the Date

2019 Catholic Women's Conference

Saturday, October 26, 2019

**National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa
Doylestown, PA**

www.catholicwomensconference.org

Readings for Mass for this Week

Please see the website of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops: usccb.org/bible/readings

LIVING STEWARDSHIP NOW

SOMETHING EXTRA

Giving up something for Lent? How about doing something extra to honor God during this season?

- Be reconciled with a person you dislike or avoid, or someone you have hurt.
- Perform acts of kindness for people for no reward.
- Buy a meal for a homeless person.
- Refrain from listening to gossip or passing it on.
- Take a half-hour in the beautiful outdoors.
- Read about the causes of poverty, so you can better serve the poor.
- Save the cost of a daily meal; donate the cash to charity at Easter.
- Study, meditate, and pray daily with scripture.
- Think about God while doing daily tasks.
- Sick? Housebound? On the road? Pray for others.
- In your office, the supermarket, school, think where Jesus might be and what you might do for him.
- Use prayers or devotions from your heritage to grow spiritually.
- Clean out closets and give gently-used items to charity.
- Contribute groceries to a food pantry.
- Go to weekday Mass, a parish mission, or Lenten prayer service.
- Keep a crucifix near you. Remember Jesus' death.

Living Stewardship Now

Some of these Lenten activities are best done solo; for others, rope in family, friends, neighbors, or fellow parishioners and make a joint 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.