

# Sixth Sunday of Easter

Sunday, May 26, 2019

*“Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord,  
and my Father will love him and we will come to him.”*

*Jn 14*



## Mass Intentions for the Week



### May 25, Saturday, Easter Weekday

12:05 Lyn R. Lawloy  
5:15 Margaret McAllister

### May 26, Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:00 For the People of the Parish  
9:30 John Gerace  
11:00 Genevieve (Sue) Pluck  
12:30 Asuncion Carasco  
6:30 For the People of the Archdiocese

### May 27, Monday, Easter Weekday

9:00 Maria Sciarretta

### May 28, Tuesday, Easter Weekday,

7:15 Brian Waldbillig  
12:05 David F. Quinlan

### May 29, Wednesday, Easter Weekday/ Optional Memorial St. Paul VI, Pope

7:15 Anna D. Sywulak  
12:05 Filomena Grecco  
5:15 Vigil Mass for the Ascension  
Pro Populo (C)

### May 30, Thursday, Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

7:15 Pro Populo (C)  
12:05 Intention of the Priest Celebrant (B)  
12:35 Intention of the Priest Celebrant (C)  
5:15 Intention of the Priest Celebrant (B)

### May 31, Friday, Easter Weekday

7:15 For the intentions of the Quici,  
Galipo, Grecco Families  
12:05 Colleen Moore

### June 1, Saturday, Easter Weekday,

12:05 Margaret Coyle  
5:15 Isabel Rusko

### June 2, Seventh Sunday of Easter

8:00 For the People of the Parish  
9:30 Lena Quici  
11:00 Stanley B. Dubiel  
12:30 Jesus y Querubina Herrera  
6:30 For the People of the Archdiocese

\*Basilica (B), Chapel (C)

Dear Parishioners,

*Today is the Sixth Sunday of Easter!* The prayers and readings of the Sacred Liturgy are preparing us to receive anew the great gift of the Risen Lord and his heavenly Father, the Holy Spirit of Pentecost. In the holy Gospel for this Sunday we read, “The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you (John 14: 26).” On our part, we need to turn to God, the Holy Spirit, in our thoughts and prayers, asking his aid to know more profoundly the word of Jesus and the will of his Father. It is the Holy Spirit who unites us to the Risen Lord and to one another in the Church. It is the Holy Spirit who keeps us faithful to the Gospel and impels us to live it out in our Christian lives. It is the Holy Spirit who protects us from sin and prompts us to constant service of one another. As we prepare for Pentecost and a new outpouring of God, the Holy Spirit, upon all of us, let us not neglect to pray over these next weeks, Come Holy Spirit!

*This Thursday, May 30, 2019 is the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, a Holy Day of Obligation.* The Holy Day of the Ascension, like all the Holy Days of Obligation, requires Catholics to participate in the celebration of Mass and—as much as possible—to observe the day in a Sunday like manner. This is often difficult for many. However, carelessly to pass over this obligation is a grave sin. Please see the schedule for Masses for the Holy Day elsewhere in this edition of the Parish Bulletin. The Ascension reminds us, that with the Resurrection of the Lord, we too have the promise of one day joining our Lord in glory at the right hand of our heavenly Father and that we can live now as if we are already dwelling with Christ in heaven. The 5:15 Mass will also be a Jubilee Mass for a priest of the Archdiocese.

*In the recent clerical changes, our Father Kenneth C. Brabazon, Parochial Vicar, has been appointed the Parochial Administrator of Saint Isidore Parish in Quakertown, Pennsylvania, and Father Matthew K. Biedrzycki, has been appointed to our Cathedral Parish as our new Parochial Vicar.* Father Biedrzycki comes to us from Saint Robert Bellarmine Parish in Warrington, Pennsylvania. These changes are effective on June 17, 2019. Father Brabazon has served our parish in a most excellent way for these past five years. Let us pray for both of these priests as they prepare for their new assignments. Details about our parish farewell for Father Brabazon will be in next week’s Parish Bulletin.

*This Memorial Day, Monday, May 27, 2019, Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 AM in the Cathedral Chapel.* The Basilica and the Parish Office will be closed on Memorial Day. Following the 9:00 AM Mass on Memorial Day, everyone is invited to join in praying the Holy Rosary at the Queen of Apostles Garden behind the Basilica.

*Our Keys and Sword Event on June 28, 2019 is one month away!* Have you purchased your ticket or taken out an ad? Check the website for more information, <http://cathedralphila.org/keys/>.

*The second collection at Mass next Sunday will be directed to the liturgical music program of the Cathedral Parish.* 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 to the Appeal for Catholic Charities.

Happy Easter! Father Dennis Gill

## Ascension Thursday— May 30



**May 30, 2019**  
*This Solemnity  
is a Holy Day of Obligation*

- Mass schedule:**
- ◆ 5:15 PM Vigil Mass in the Chapel (May 29).
  - ◆ 7:15 AM in the Chapel
  - ◆ 12:05 PM in the Basilica
  - ◆ 12:35 PM, in the Chapel
  - ◆ 5:15 PM in the **Basilica**
- Confessions: 11:30 AM**

## CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS

June 6, 7-8:30 PM, Neumann Room  
*Catholic Practices and Devotions*

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 267.250.0074 (text messages acceptable).



## AID FOR FRIENDS AT THE CATHEDRAL PARISH

*Aid For Friends* is a non-profit organization that seeks volunteers to prepare meals in their homes and/or to deliver food for those unable to prepare their own meals. These prepared meals are a tremendous service to the elderly and disabled who cannot afford their meals or have difficulty getting to the food store.

Please consider helping Aid for Friends by picking up the meal trays in Drexel Hall on Sunday mornings during the Mass times, from 8:00 AM to 1:30 PM. These trays are located next to the *Aid For Friends* freezer with further instructions in Drexel Hall. Please return prepared meals any weekday between 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM or Sunday mornings during the Mass times.

If you are interested in taking meals to the homebound, especially in the Cathedral Parish area, please contact Mrs. Lynn Trumbetta, by phone (215-464-2224) or email [afflynnt@yahoo.com](mailto:afflynnt@yahoo.com). You must first register with *Aid For Friends* to deliver meals. *Aid for Friends* encourages a visit with the persons receiving the meal as well.

## MERION MERCY ACADEMY Full-Time Teaching Position Open

Merion Mercy Academy, an independent, all girls Catholic High School sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy, has an opening for a full-time joint teaching position in the Social Studies and Spanish departments for the 2019-2020 school year. The candidate must have proficiency in upper level Spanish and background in teaching Social Studies. Degrees in Social Studies and Spanish are required. Secondary certification and experience teaching in both fields is preferred. Qualified applicants are asked to submit a cover letter and resume by Tuesday, May 28<sup>th</sup>. Send to Mary Ann Danovich, Assistant Head of School for Academic Affairs, at [madanovich@merion-mercy.com](mailto:madanovich@merion-mercy.com).

## 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)



## Concerts at the Cathedral Basilica

**Upcoming Concert - University of Virginia  
University Singers – May 29, 2019 – 6:30 pm**

[CathedralPhilaConcerts.org](http://CathedralPhilaConcerts.org)

Email us at: [concertsatthecathedral@gmail.com](mailto:concertsatthecathedral@gmail.com)

Call or text: 610-223-4191

## 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 Sunday 5/19/19 was \$5,311.50 (1st), \$1,281 (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:***

*Steve Cook, Daniel Moyer Sr., Gloria Quici, Michele Smith, Louise Quattrone, Phoenix McFetridge, Laura Bernal, Sophie Monterosso, Ryley Nazario, Terry Dynako, Dave Dynako, Greg Lund, Corbin M. Schindler, John McGrath, 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, Janice Holshin, Rose Rippe, Russell Heim, Karen Spadaccini, Pearl Hammond, 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, 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

- May 26** Legion of Mary Meeting, APC, 12:30PM  
**May 27** Memorial Day - Basilica and Parish offices closed, Chapel to close after 9AM Mass  
**May 28** Adult Bible Study—The Gospel of Luke Neumann Room, 2PM  
**May 29** Morning Scripture Reflection for lawyers, Neumann Room, 8 AM  
Charismatic Prayer Group, NR, 6PM  
**May 30** Catechetical Session, Neumann Room, 7PM

## EVENTOS DE INTERÉS

### Movimiento Juan XXIII Retiro Para Mujeres

31 de Mayo, 2019—Junio 2, 2019

Arquidiócesis de Filadelfia te invita a un fin de semana con Cristo para vivir un retiro de Conversión y Evangelización.

Lugar Del Retiro: Iglesia Santa Juana de Arco, 3550 Frankford Ave, Filadelfia, PA 19134  
Donación: \$70.00

Para Mas información y para inscribirse:  
Lucita R. 215-605-1592; Minerva P. 215-285-4548

### Grupo Oración



**Domingo 26 de mayo, 2019, 1:50 a 2:50 PM**

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

### Talleres Pre Cana 2019

**Sabado 01 de Junio y Domingo 02 de Junio**

El Taller Pre-Cana consiste de dos días.

Lugar: Centro Pastoral Arquidiocesano, 222 N. 17 st. Filadelfia, PA 19103  
Para información y registración  
215-667-2820/ 2824

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## LA CORRESPONSABILIDAD

### ÚNICAMENTE TÚ

Tal vez pensemos que la vocación está reservada para ciertas personas especiales que están llamadas al sacerdocio o a la vida religiosa. La realidad es que todos los bautizados tienen la vocación de discípulos de Jesús. El Señor nos conoce individual e íntimamente, incluso nuestra historia personal, nuestros puntos fuertes y nuestras debilidades, así como también conoce nuestro destino. Él tiene un propósito para cada uno de nosotros. Dios tiene un propósito para cada uno de nosotros. El papa Juan Pablo II sostiene que el plan eterno de Dios solamente se nos revela en los acontecimientos de nuestra vida. Cada vida es única, lo cual también significa que cada vocación es única. Afortunadamente, nuestras vocaciones se viven mejor dentro de la comunidad de fe donde podemos ayudarnos mutuamente a escuchar la voz del Señor y responderle. El bautismo es el comienzo de toda vocación cristiana—en otras palabras, el *por qué de ser cristiano*—mientras que la *corresponsabilidad representa el cómo*. La *corresponsabilidad cristiana es una manera de discernir, aceptar y vivir gozosa y generosamente los compromisos, las responsabilidades y funciones que Dios nos pide*. Es aquí, en nuestra comunidad parroquial refractada a través del prisma de todas y cada una de las vocaciones individuales, donde se encarna y expresa la misión única de Cristo: *hacer la voluntad de Dios, proclamar la Buena Nueva de la salvación, consolar al afligido, cuidar los unos de los otros, vivir la vida a plenitud tal como lo hizo Jesús*. Afortunadamente, *no tenemos que hacer esto con nuestros propios esfuerzos*. Tal como nos asegura Jesús en el Evangelio de hoy, *tenemos ayuda*. El poder del Espíritu Santo llena los corazones de todos los que aman al Señor y siguen su camino. El llamado a vivir de esta manera es urgente. Jesús no nos dice que lo sigamos en un futuro o cuando nos parezca. El momento es ahora.

### La Corresponsabilidad Vivida Ahora

¿Has hecho el compromiso de compartir tus habilidades con tu comunidad de fe? Busca en el boletín parroquial de hoy todas las oportunidades que hay de servir y mira a ver cuál te llama la atención, porque sabes que lo puedes hacer. Alístate hoy.

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[www.facebook.com/CatolicosHispanosPhilly](http://www.facebook.com/CatolicosHispanosPhilly)

## Jesus' Disciples for Today

We may have indeed been blindsided by the reality that this is actually the season of spring, given the fact that our country and our world has been severely disturbed by unusual storms and strange weather patterns. We likewise wonder if we are becoming less civilized as a human race. We shutter with the on-going and growing violence in some families and the brutality between nations and among races. If ever there was a need to have a sense of wholeness and civility, it is in this very day and age. How we long for peace and justice; for unity, love, forgiveness, compassion and kindness. Perhaps these desires have been heightened by the powerful stories of the Resurrection of Jesus who overcame corruption, destruction and death. These mysteries are so far removed from our present-day experiences, if we are living without faith. But as ones who have heard His Word and believe it, we stand in holy grace, in hope that He is with us in the midst of it all. As Disciples of Jesus, though not on the road to Emmaus or in the Upper Room or on the beach by a charcoal fire, He is with us. We know this, not by sight, but by our faith.

Such a gift like that of faith is very intangible; however it is through the experiences of our heart, head and soul we come to a lived knowledge of a faith-reality that can be quite penetrating, with rich life-changing results. Now, deep within the Season of Easter we are graced to know that Jesus overcame death. Before that however, we lived with Christ through his agonizing arrest, trial and execution. We heard at the Last Supper, that Judas left the room and then, these horrific events painfully took place. If we were there with Jesus in Jerusalem at that time, what would we have done or what actions would we have taken? Where would we have been or gone? It is hard to say given that over 2000 years have gone by, but in the here and now, we do have a chance to make serious attempts at our own conversion, taking on the likeness of Jesus, shadowing Him in all that we do.

Speaking of conversion, we are women and men living in a time where discipleship is needed just as much as in the beginnings of the Church. Daily reports confront us with the grave issues of disrespect for human life at all levels, from womb to tomb. Perhaps we need to take a serious look at what we might do to not only know the Word of God, but **KEEP** it. This challenge may require us to step up and to live fully the life of a devoted Disciple of Jesus. Maybe it is time to confront public officials on ethical and / or moral issues blatantly abused in society. Perhaps now is the time to join a faith group whose mission is to further the cause for good in humanity related to poverty or homelessness or to stand up peacefully for the rights of the unborn. When one takes such steps seriously, there is a power within which steadies the heart and gives strength to these graced movements: this power is that of the Holy Spirit. As we draw closer to the great feast of Pentecost, let us boldly and regularly pray for renewed inner power:

***Come Holy Spirit, Come!***

S. Eleanor McCann, RSM

## We Need Your Help!



The Cathedral Parish is incredibly excited to kick start our "Cathedral Quarterly Coffee," on June 9, 2019 following the 11:00 AM Mass! All are invited to partake in this community gathering including coffee and refreshments, but we need as many hands on deck as possible. We are looking for volunteers to aid in the setup/cleanup for this wonderful opportunity for our Parish. Please contact [tzubert@archphila.org](mailto:tzubert@archphila.org) or call/text 610-223-4191 to sign up!

## Gospel Reflection Session

Tuesday, May 28, 2019

11:00 AM Neumann Room

**All are welcome!**



**John 17: 20 – 26**

Jesus prays for His friends and disciples, that in faith we share deep love, unity and eventually His glory.

## FIRST FRIDAY EXPOSITION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

*Adoración Eucarística el primer viernes del mes*

**Friday, June 7, 2019**

**12:35 PM to 1:30 PM**

**Cathedral Chapel**

**The Most Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for adoration **after** 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 11:30AM**

**Please note that going forward we have changed the format and timing of the first Friday Holy Hours so that more people can participate.**

*El Santísimo Sacramento será expuesto para adoración después de la Misa de las 12:05 pm el 1er viernes de cada mes a partir de las 11:30 am en la Capilla de la Catedral. Confesiones en inglés a las 11am. Por favor ven a adorar al Señor*



## YOUNG ADULT GROUP

**Bible Study– Tues. May 28, 2019,**

**7PM in the Archdiocesan Pastoral**

**Center (tall building behind the Basilica).**

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)

## Living Out the Corporal Works of Mercy

The Church calls us to almsgiving throughout the year. We continue to highlight several opportunities:

### Mothers' Home



Mothers' Home is a residential shelter which provides a safe haven for vulnerable, pregnant women in a crisis who choose life as a sacred gift. Mothers' Home is located in Darby, Pennsylvania and was founded in 1991 as a program to provide hope and support for young adult women who choose life for their unborn child despite rejection, abandonment, and ongoing obstacles. Mothers' Home provides shelter for up to 28 women during their pregnancy and the first 6 months after their babies are born. Mothers' Home encourages the residents to celebrate the joy of new life while also preparing to become independent young women and caring mothers. They focus on the physical, emotional, intellectual, social, sexual, and spiritual dimensions of each resident's life. To do this, Mothers' Home promotes empowerment and self-sufficiency by providing residents:

- Counseling services
- Pre and postnatal health education
- Childbirth and development classes
- Parenting classes
- Job readiness training
- Housing search assistance
- Educational classes on budgeting, legal, and nutrition
- Initial personal and baby supplies
- Supportive relationships

In the basement, a Community Outreach is provided via the Sharing Space which is comprised of a baby clothing and equipment boutique. Low-income families can come to shop for gently used baby clothing, equipment, and household items that have been donated.

#### DONATIONS:

Mothers' Home is in need of new or lightly used items for babies and moms, including:

- Baby formula (Similac Advance and Sensitive)
- Baby clothing (Newborn to 6 mo)
- Infant strollers, car seats, and carriers
- Maternity clothes
- Gift cards for Target, Walmart, CVS, etc.
- Toiletry items

Checks may be written to "Mothers' Home"  
Mailed to

51 N. MacDade Blvd., Darby, PA 19023

Find volunteer opportunities or give online at:  
[mothershome.org](http://mothershome.org)

*"We are to love God for Himself, because of a twofold reason; nothing is more reasonable, nothing more profitable."  
-St. Bernard of Clairvaux*

### OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

**Event: What Can We Do? The Role of the Laity in a Time of Crisis**

**Wednesday, May 29, 2019, 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM**

As the Church undergoes this period of profound crisis, many of us feel helpless as we watch a drama unfold that we can do nothing about. But the truth is that we are not powerless. The history of the Church tells us that lay people have a role to play in the Church's times of turmoil. Join us for an evening of reflection on the mission of the laity in times of ecclesial crisis and learn what you can do to cooperate with Christ's action to purify and heal His Church.

**Speaker:** Megan Cokeley, Director, Office for the New Evangelization, Archdiocese of Philadelphia

**Location:** St. Hilary of Poitiers Parish, 820 Susquehanna Rd., Rydal, PA. **More info:** Please RSVP at [phillyevang.org/events](http://phillyevang.org/events) or call 215-334-1035. There is no cost to attend this presentation.

**Event: Five Keys to Freedom: Unlocking the Power of the Gospel in Your Life**

**Friday, May 31, 9:30-11:30am**

All of us struggle with something. It might be that nagging resentment towards a family member, a painful or broken relationship, a fear that keeps you from doing what you want, or that same sin you keep committing even though you know it's wrong. Whatever your struggle, the good news is that Jesus Christ wants to set you free from the things that bind you. Come learn about the Five Keys of Unbound, a simple process of prayer that will help you unleash the liberating power of the Gospel into your life and find greater freedom.

**Location:** Mom's Group of St. Pius X Catholic Church, 220 Lawrence Road, Broomall, PA **Speaker:** Megan Cokeley, Director, Office for the New Evangelization, Archdiocese of Philadelphia **More info:** RSVP to Sarah via text at 716-982-8758 or [sarah.albanese@gmail.com](mailto:sarah.albanese@gmail.com).

### Archdiocesan Events

The Office for the New Evangelization publishes a monthly newsletter with many excellent events:

[www.phillyevang.org/newsletter/](http://www.phillyevang.org/newsletter/)



### 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.