

Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul And the Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel

18th Street and Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Most Reverend Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap., Archbishop of Philadelphia



October 6, 2019

Parish Mission Statement

As a vibrant Roman Catholic community in Center City, the Cathedral Parish Serves all those who come to the Mother Church of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. We profess our Catholic Faith, minister to others and welcome all, as founded on the Word of God and the celebration of the Sacraments of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Adopted by the Parish Council, April 5, 2016

**Reverend Gerald Dennis Gill
Rector and Pastor**

**Reverend Monsignor Arthur E. Rodgers
Rector Emeritus**

**Reverend Matthew K. Biedrzycki
Parochial Vicar**

**Reverend Monsignor Louis A. D'Addazio
Reverend Isaac Haywiser, O.S.B.
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Deacon Epifanio de Jesus

**Sister Eleanor McCann, R.S.M.
Pastoral Associate**

**Sister Mary Luchia, P.V.M.I.
Parish Evangelization**

**Charlene Angelini
Director of Cathedral Parish Music**

**Mark Loria
Principal Organist**

**Edward J. Specht IV
Coordinator of Religious Education**

The Cathedral Shop is open

**Wed. 10:30 AM - 2:00 PM / Sat. 11:00 AM - 5:15 PM
Sun. 10:30 AM - 6:30 PM / 215-665-9032**

MASS SCHEDULE

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| Sunday: | 5:15 PM Anticipated Mass on Saturday 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM in Basilica 12:30 PM Spanish in Cathedral Chapel Sta. Misa en español, en la Capilla 6:30 PM in Basilica |
| Weekdays: | 7:15 AM, 12:05 PM in Cathedral Chapel |
| Saturdays: | 12:05 PM in Cathedral Chapel |
| Holy Days: | See website |

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE SCHEDULE

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| Sunday: | 9:00 AM and 5:30 PM in Basilica 12:00 PM (español) en la Capilla |
| Weekdays: | 11:30 AM in Basilica |
| Saturday: | 4:15 PM in Basilica |

Please contact the Parish Office to arrange for the:

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM AND MARRIAGE,
SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK,
AND HOLY COMMUNION OF THE SICK
AND HOMEBOUND**

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**Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM (lunch break 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM)
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Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, October 6, 2019

*"The word of the Lord remains forever.
This is the word that has been proclaimed to you." 1 PT 1:25*



MASS Intentions for the week

Oct 5, Saturday, Weekday

- 12:05 Antonio & Maddelena Leone
5:15 Isabel Rusko

Oct 6, Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 For the People of the Parish
9:30 James Hamilton
11:00 Robert McCool
12:30 Christian Silva
6:30 For the People of the Archdiocese

Oct 7, Monday, Our Lady of the Rosary

- 7:15 Intention of Joseph & Mary Harvey
12:05 Intention of Carmella Busillo

Oct 8, Tuesday, Weekday

- 7:15 Living & Deceased Members of the Legion of the Sacred Heart
12:05 Alicia Arizin Sterling

Oct 9, Wednesday, Weekday

SS Denis & John Leonardi

- 7:15 Joseph B. Callaghan
12:05 For the Intentions of Fr. Dennis Gill

Oct 10, Thursday, Weekday

- 7:15 Elizabeth McCaughan
12:05 Mary Harvey

Oct 11, Friday, Weekday

St. John XXIII, Pope

- 7:15 Richard Lynch
12:05 Mary Alba

Oct 12, Saturday, Weekday

BVM

- 12:05 Intentions of the Francesca Family
5:15 Charles Collins

Oct 13, Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 For the People of the Parish
9:30 Intention of Antonia Pugliese
11:00 Michael J. Marron
12:30 For the Intentions of Fr. Dennis Gill
6:30 For the People of the Archdiocese

Dear Parishioners,

"Increase our faith (Luke 17: 5)." The Apostles in the Gospel this Sunday beseech the Lord Jesus to increase their faith. The Twelve knew the Lord deeply and followed him closely. They heard his saving instructions and witnessed his marvelous deeds. Yet, together they pleaded with Jesus to increase their faith. What could have been lacking in their belief at this point in the Gospel story? Perhaps, nothing was lacking in their belief in Jesus, in his words and deeds. However, they knew their own weaknesses, their sinfulness, and their fears. They were aware of their struggles to follow him with the faithfulness he expected of them. Isn't this our story as well as Christians? We love the Lord Jesus. We believe all that he and his holy Church teaches us. We are in wonder and awe of his great signs in the Gospel and the Sacraments we celebrate today, especially the Holy Eucharist. Yet, we too know our weaknesses, our sinfulness, our fears—our struggles to follow him faithfully. And so, like the Apostles we beg the Lord to increase our faith. We ask for the gift and grace to have confidence in the Lord's presence to us to do all that he asks of us. We ask for his generous assistance to carry our crosses. We pray for the help to witness to him with a holy way of life—to turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel. The Lord will not fail to hear our pray for an increase in faith. It is for us to petition him for an increase in faith, to nourish it and to protect it.

Next Saturday evening, October 12, 2019, at the 5:15 PM Anticipated Mass, the Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens will take place. Over the past several weeks, several unbaptized adults in our community have gathered for initial formation in the Catholic Faith. They have expressed their desire to know the Lord more fully, to convert from former sinful ways, and to be baptized. With their acceptance as catechumens, they publicly declare their intention to be more fully formed as Christians and prepared to celebrate the Sacraments of Christian Initiation—Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist—at Easter. As has been our practice here at the Cathedral Parish for several years, these new catechumens will be dismissed following the homily at the 5:15 PM Anticipated Mass for further reflection on the Word of God. With their acceptance as catechumens, they are reminded and remind all of us that they cannot participate in the Eucharistic Prayer as the baptized assembly. So, they spend the rest of the Mass with a catechist leading them to a more profound grasp of the Sacred Scriptures. Please keep our new catechumens in your prayers. Also, when you see them at Mass, please give them personal assurance of your support for them.

Our recent Parish Coffees following the Sunday Masses have been very good experiences of fellowship and friendship. I want to encourage these opportunities throughout the year. However, I need the help of people who would be interested in organizing these Parish Coffees so the work does not fall to one or two people each time. If you would like to be a part of this project—and I am hoping for ten volunteers—please contact me, fr.dgill@archphila.org. Thank you!

Next Sunday, the second collection will be directed to the fall landscape needs 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 your goodness and generosity to the Cathedral Parish and to the Appeal for Catholic Charities.

God bless you,
Father Dennis Gill

CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS
-Adult faith formation-

Revelation and Tradition
The Holy Bible:
The Old Testament

Thursday, October 10, 2019, 7:00 PM

Meeting in the Neumann Room

The weekly catechetical session is primarily for the adults among us who are preparing to receive the Easter Sacraments. However, **anyone** interested in the topic for better understanding and faith formation is most welcome to attend. Anyone, especially our parishioners, seeking more information on the reception of the Sacraments or assisting as a sponsor, please call the Parish Office., 215-561-1313 or email Edward Specht at cathedralreligiouseducation@gmail.com



**DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT
THE CATHOLIC FAITH?**

The Cathedral Parish offers year round opportunities for people seeking more information about the Catholic Faith, the Sacraments and living the Christian Life. These opportunities are for adults who would like to inquire about following Jesus and becoming a member of the Catholic Church, or who are already baptized Christians and would like to become Catholic, or who are already baptized Catholics and would like to receive Confirmation and Holy Communion. There are many people like yourself inquiring, and we are ready to answer your questions.

Please contact Edward Specht, Coordinator of Religious Education at cathedralreligiouseducation@gmail.com

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 email him at mpbroadhurst@verizon.net

HOSPICE SUNDAY
NEXT WEEKEND



Please remember to bring your food donations **for St. John's Hospice**. Please bring all items to Mass and leave them in the Sacristy.

Your recent donations were very much appreciated.

Thank you for your continued generosity,
God bless you.

GIVE TO GROW

Readings for Mass for this Week

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

LEGION OF MARY

Do you want to enrich your prayer life, learn more about your Catholic faith, develop close Catholic friendships and grow closer to Jesus and His Mother? Then come to a Legion of Mary meeting, **Sundays, 12:45 PM in 13th floor of the Pastoral Center, behind the Cathedral (222 N. 17th St.)**. The main purpose of the Legion of Mary is to **give glory to God through the sanctification of its members**. Members become instruments of the Holy Spirit through a **balanced program of prayer and service**. Works include new parishioner visitation, visitation of the sick or aged, religious education, visiting the newly baptized, Pilgrim Virgin Statue rotations, and meeting other **spiritual needs of the parish community**. Legionaries are under the guidance of a spiritual director named by the pastor. The Legion is, in essence, an extension of the heart and hands of the pastor. info@cathedralphila.com

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 9/29/19 was **\$7, 111.50 (1st), \$1,580.00 (2nd)**.

Thank you very much for your generous financial support !

Please remember these parishioners and friends of the Cathedral Parish in your prayers/ Ora por los enfermos:
Anthony Ferraro, Michelle Leighton, Charlotte McLaughlin, William Zawacki, Judy Miller, Rose McKenna, McKinley Angelucci, Mary Jo D'Ortome, Amanda Razzano, Jaelin Liver, Steve Cook, Daniel Moyer Sr., Gloria Quici, Michele Smith, 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 llame a la oficina parroquial para añadir a la lista los nombres de personas que estén enfermas.

EVENTOS DE INTERES

El Sacramento del Bautismo en Español

Octubre 27, 2019— 1:30 PM

El Sacramento del Bautismo normalmente se celebra en español cada 3 meses, el último domingo del mes; **Por favor hable con el Diácono Epifanio para inscribirse en la clase de preparación y para programar el Bautismo de su hijo/a. Si su hijo/a es mayor de 7 años, el proceso es diferente**, por favor llame a la oficina parroquial para mayor información. El Sacramento del Bautismo normalmente se celebra en inglés el primer domingo de cada mes. Para más información por favor llame a la oficina parroquial, 215-561-1313.

Clases de preparación para el Sacramento del Matrimonio

Noviembre: Sábado 9 & domingo 10

Centro Pastoral Arquidiocesano

222 N. 17 St. Philadelphia, PA 19103

Entrada por la Calle 17

El Taller Pre-Caná consiste de dos días.

Por favor, reserven las fechas.

Para información y registración:

Blanca Herrera - 215-667-2820/2824

Email: bherrera@archphila.org

Grupo de Oración

Domingo, 13 de octubre, 2019

Lo invitamos a participar en el grupo de oración hoy!

Todos son bienvenidos. Lugar: Neumann Room

Sacramento de la Reconciliación

Los domingos a las 12:00 PM en la Capilla

Misa Televisada en Español

En UNIVISIÓN 65 - Todos los domingos a las

6:30 AM

La Misión de la Catedral Basílica de Santos Pedro y Pablo

La Parroquia Catedral sirve a todos los que vienen a la Iglesia Madre de la Arquidiócesis de Filadelfia como una comunidad católica romana vibrante en el centro de la ciudad. Profesamos nuestra fe católica, servimos a los demás y damos la bienvenida a todos tal cual está escrito en la Palabra de Dios y la celebración de los Sacramentos de Nuestro Señor y Salvador Jesucristo.

Adoptado por el Consejo Pastoral Parroquial, Abril 5, 2016

REFLEXIÓN DEL PÁRROCO

Estimados feligreses,

“Auméntanos la fe (Lucas 17: 5)”. Los Apóstoles en el evangelio de este domingo suplican al Señor Jesús que aumente su fe. Los doce conocieron profundamente al Señor y lo siguieron de cerca. Escucharon sus instrucciones de salvación y fueron testigos de sus maravillosas obras. Sin embargo, juntos le suplicaron a Jesús que aumentara su fe. ¿Qué podría haber faltado en su creencia en este punto de la historia del evangelio? Quizás, no faltaba nada en su creencia en Jesús, en sus palabras y hechos. Sin embargo, sabían sus propias debilidades, su pecaminosidad y sus miedos. Eran conscientes de sus dificultades para seguirlo con la fidelidad que esperaba de ellos. ¿No es ésta nuestra historia tanto como la de los cristianos? Amamos al Señor Jesús. Creemos todo lo que él y su santa Iglesia nos enseñan. Estamos maravillados y asombrados por sus grandes signos en el evangelio y los sacramentos que celebramos hoy, especialmente la Sagrada Eucaristía. Sin embargo, nosotros también conocemos nuestras debilidades, nuestros pecados, nuestros temores, nuestras luchas para seguirlo fielmente. Y así, como los apóstoles, le rogamos al Señor que aumente nuestra fe. Pedimos el don y la gracia de tener confianza en la presencia del Señor para que hagamos todo lo que nos pide. Le pedimos su generosa ayuda para llevar nuestras cruces. Oramos por la ayuda para testificarle con un estilo de vida sagrado: apartarse del pecado y ser fiel al evangelio. El Señor no dejará de escuchar nuestra oración por un aumento en la fe. Nos corresponde pedirle un aumento en nuestra fe, nutrirlo y protegerlo.

El próximo sábado por la noche, 12 de octubre de 2019, en la misa anticipada a las 5:15 p.m., se llevará a cabo el Rito de aceptación en la Orden de los Catecúmenos. En las últimas semanas, varios adultos no bautizados en nuestra comunidad se han reunido para la formación inicial en la fe católica. Han expresado su deseo de conocer al Señor más plenamente, de convertirse de formas pecaminosas anteriores y de ser bautizados. Con su aceptación como catecúmenos, declaran públicamente su intención de estar más plenamente formados como cristianos y se preparan para celebrar los sacramentos de la iniciación cristiana: el bautismo, la confirmación y la Eucaristía, en la Pascua. Como ha sido nuestra práctica aquí en la Parroquia de la Catedral durante varios años, estos nuevos catecúmenos serán despedidos después de la homilía en la Misa Anticipada de las 5:15 PM para una mayor reflexión sobre la Palabra de Dios. Con su aceptación como catecúmenos, se les recuerda y nos recuerda a todos que no pueden participar en la Oración Eucarística como la asamblea bautizada. Entonces, pasan el resto de la misa con un catequista que los lleva a una comprensión más profunda de las Sagradas Escrituras. Por favor mantenga nuestros nuevos (as) catecúmenos en sus oraciones. Además, cuando los veas en misa, por favor dales una garantía personal de tu apoyo para ellos.

Nuestros recientes cafés parroquiales después de las misas dominicales han sido muy buenas experiencias de compañerismo y amistad. Quiero fomentar estas oportunidades durante todo el año. Sin embargo, necesito la ayuda de personas interesadas en organizar estos cafés parroquiales para que el trabajo no recaiga en una o dos personas cada vez. Si desea formar parte de este proyecto, y espero diez voluntarios, comuníquese conmigo, fr.dgill@archphila.org. ¡Gracias!

El próximo domingo, la segunda colección estará dirigida a las necesidades del paisaje de otoño de la Parroquia de la Catedral. Si es posible, utilice la posibilidad en línea de hacer su oferta semanal. Muchas gracias por toda su bondad y generosidad a la Parroquia de la Catedral y al Llamado a las Caridades Católicas.

Dios te bendiga,
Padre Dennis Gill

BABY BOTTLE DRIVE



You can save a life! The Baby Bottles for Life Fundraiser through the Legacy of Life Foundation begins this weekend to support the local Crisis Pregnancy Center in both Bristol and Philadelphia.

These centers help thousands of women and their babies through counseling, material and financial support. Since we opened our doors 10 years ago, over 2,300 women and babies were saved from abortion at our centers. We are asking that you take a bottle home and fill it with coins, cash, or checks, then bring it back when you come to church by **October 6th**.

Volunteers will be available to answer any questions. Checks should be made payable to Legacy of Life Foundation.

THANK YOU for your continued support!

What's Happening at the Parish Outside the Liturgical Schedule

- Oct 5-6** Baby Bottle pick up, at the conclusion of all the Masses
- Oct 6** Marian Celebration in Spanish, Drexel Hall, 1:30 PM
Legion of Mary Meeting, APC, 12:45PM
Holy Hour for Life, Basilica, 5:15 PM
- Oct 8** Adult Faith Sharing, Neumann Room, 2PM
Saints on a Mission talk, Neumann Room, 7 PM
- Oct 9** Scripture Reflection for lawyers, NR, 8 AM
Charismatic Prayer Group, NR, 6 PM
- Oct 10** Catechetical Session for Adults, NR, 7 PM
- Oct 12** Elizabeth Von Trapp in Concert, Basilica 7:30 PM
- Oct 13** Archdiocesan Rosary, Basilica, 5:30 PM

Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

Saturday, October 19, 2019

Join Archbishop Chaput and fellow Catholics from the Archdiocese of Philadelphia on this opportunity to explore the storied shrine, engage in private prayer, and celebrate Mass.

Bus transportation is sponsored by the Pastoral Center of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Bus Fare \$25 per person

Bring your own lunch. Dinner stop on the way home.

Departure: Front of the APC, 222 North 17th St. Philadelphia, PA 19103 AT 7AM. Free parking available.

Return: 8:30 PM, same location.

Questions, contact Teresa Zubert at tzubert@archphila.org or 215-561-1313. This trip is sponsored by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. For more information, please visit <http://cathedralphila.org/sicpilgrimage>

Celebration of the Canonization of Blessed John Henry Newman

Tuesday, October 15, 2019 – 7:00 PM

Celebrant: Very Rev. Timothy Perkins, Vicar General, Ordinariate of the Chair of St. Peter.

Location: The Cathedral Basilica. Parking available in the parking lot adjacent to the Cathedral, use entrance on 17th St.

Join us in welcoming the clergy, parishioners, staff, and all other visitors of St John the Baptist Catholic Church, [The Personal Ordinariate of the Choir of Saint Peter](#) in Bridgeport, PA. All are welcome!

St. Martin de Porres Mass Sponsored by the Office for Black Catholics



Thursday, November 7, 2019 at 7 PM

Presider and Homilist
Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap.

Location: Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul, Philadelphia

More info: Please call the [Office for Black Catholics](#) at 215-587-3541

OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

Live + Jesus Visitation Nuns

The Visitation Nuns cordially invite you to celebrate with them:

⇒ **The Feast of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque** on Wednesday, October 16, 2019 at 7PM Mass celebrated by Rev. Joseph Chorpenning, OSFS
(Please note time change)

⇒ **The Triduum for Our Lady of Guadalupe** on Tuesday, Dec. 10, 2019; Wednesday, Dec. 11, 2019; and Thursday, Dec. 12, 2019. Mass celebrated by Rev. Joseph Okonski.
(Please note time change)

Location: 5820 City Ave Philadelphia , PA 19131

A Time of Grace: A Retreat

The National Shrine of Saint Rita of Cascia is excited to welcome Fr. Michael P. Sullivan, OSA back to the Shrine.

Mark your calendar to participate in four consecutive evenings of exuberant preaching and thoughtful consideration of our role as Catholics in the Church and the world today.

Each evening begins at 7pm in the Upper Shrine at 1166 S Broad St, Philadelphia, PA 19146. Open to all! There will be a free-will offering on the final evening.

Sunday, October 6: To Be Born Again
Monday, October 7: The Healing Love of Jesus

Tuesday, October 8: The Call to Be Church
Wednesday, October 9: Our Response to the Call

[https://www.saintritashrine.org/
calendar/2019/10/6/a-time-of-grace](https://www.saintritashrine.org/calendar/2019/10/6/a-time-of-grace)

Tours of the Cathedral Basilica

A guided tour of the Basilica is available after the 11:00 AM Sunday Mass (except on 1st Sunday starting October).

Please gather in front of the Side Altar of the Sacred Heart, which is located to the right of the Main Sanctuary.



The Eighth Patricians Meeting At Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul and the Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel



Not Just an Eternal Life, But an Eternal Life of Sublime Joy

Sunday, November 3, 2019

12:45 PM – 2:45 PM

Spiritual Director: Sister Mary Luchia, P.V.M.I.

Presenter: Mr. Dominic Winter*

Love involves two sides. At one side, “God loves the world: He gave his only son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.” (John 3:16) At the other side, “To fall in love with God is the greatest of all romances! To seek Him is the greatest of all adventures! To find Him is the greatest human achievement!”-Fr. M. Raphael Simon, O.C.S.O., M.D. It is the vision of God in eternal life in which we are fully “partakers of the divine nature” (2 Peter 1:4), of the glory of Christ and of the joy of the Trinitarian life. This happiness surpasses human capabilities. Heaven is the complete union with God! Every minute to be with such an amazing Lover is sublime joy! No human love or any form of addiction can bring about this same effect! In Heaven, this escalating joy lasts forever. What do you think about life in Heaven? Please come to share your thoughts in this regard.

Location:

Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, Room 1307

Sandwiches, Coffee, and Donuts are provided during the Tea Break.

* Mr. Dominic Winter is a seminarian in Theology 2 studying at St. Charles Seminary and a member of Legion of Mary there. He is on track to be ordained a priest for the diocese of Lincoln, Nebraska, his home, in three years.

The purpose of the Patricians Meeting is to build up the religious knowledge of the people, to teach them how to explain themselves and to encourage them to apostleship.” Quoted from the *Official Handbook of the Legion of Mary*, chapter 38: the Patricians

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Hearing Devices

If you or someone you know is in need of a hearing device at Mass, please ask one of the Greeters to assist you. They may be borrowed from the sacristy and returned after Mass.