August 02, 2020

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

MASS SCHEDULE

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
Santa 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

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

Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM & Friday 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM (only during the Summer)
(lunch break 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM)
1723 Race Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103 • 215-561-1313
www.cathedralphila.org • info@cathedralphila.org
Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel https://www.saintkatharinedrexelshrine.com/
Dear Parishioners,

This is the Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Gospel for this Sunday (see Matthew 14: 13-21) reveals the great provident love of the Lord for us, and especially so in the Holy Eucharist. The wonderful event of the multiplication of the loaves and fish by the Lord for the “vast crowd” speaks clearly of Almighty God’s great care for all in every place and in every time. The greatest act of the Father’s provident care for his sons and daughters is the sending of his divine Son to us as our Savior and Redeemer. Jesus continues to live in our midst with the saving and redeeming gift of the Holy Eucharist, the Mass, and the reception of Holy Communion. In these days of great stress, confusion and upset, let us be renewed with a confident faith in divine providence, especially as we encounter it in the Holy Eucharist.

This Sunday, August 2, 2020, we mark the second anniversary of the translation of the sacred remains of Saint Katharine Drexel to our Cathedral Basilica. The presence of the mortal remains of this Philadelphia Saint constantly reminds us of our nearness to God and to all the Saints. Please take a few moments when you are in the Basilica to visit and pray at the tomb of Saint Katharine Drexel. Saint Katharine Drexel, pray for us!

The Cathedral Parish is blessed with many fine dedicated liturgical ministers for the celebration of Mass on Sundays and all throughout the week. Some have served for decades and others have just begun their ministry. However, we are in need of additional liturgical ministers in three areas in particular—greeters, lectors and altar servers. I invite you—parishioners and visitors—to consider serving the Parish in one of these liturgical ministries. If you are interested in serving as a greeter, please contact Sister Eleanor after Sunday Mass or at the Parish Office (215-561-1313). Sister Eleanor will provide you with the necessary information to carry out this ministry. If you are interested in proclaiming God’s Word or serving Holy Mass, please contact Father Biedrzycki after Sunday Mass or at the Parish Office. Formation will be provided for new lectors and servers.

August will quickly pass into September and once again our school age parishioners will begin a new school year. A very important part of the education of these children is their formation in the Catholic Faith. The parish shares in this responsibility with our families with programs for the celebration of the Sacraments. Parents and guardians, please register now if your son or daughter is a candidate for the Confirmation and/or First Holy Communion. To register, you may call the Parish Office, 215-561-1313 or send an e-mail directly to Mr. Edward Specht, our Coordinator of Religious Education, cathedralreligiouseducation@gmail.com.

Next Sunday, the second collection will be directed to the religious education programs of the Cathedral Parish. Thank you for your support of our Cathedral Parish. You can mail your Sunday offerings to the Cathedral Parish Office or make use of the many ways to give electronically. Please see http://cathedralphila.org/donate/. Thank you so very much for your goodness and generosity to the Cathedral Parish.

God bless you,
Father Dennis Gill, Rector
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 07/12/20 was:

First Collection: $3,516.00
Second Collection: $531.00

Or go to: http://cathedralphila.org/donate/

Thank you very much for your generous financial support!

CATECHETICAL SESSION
FOR ADULTS
-Adult faith formation-

Cardinal Virtues

Thursday, August 6, 2020, 7:00 PM
Online Meeting

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

Baptism for Children

Cathedral Parish will return to celebrating Baptism on the First Sunday of each month, starting in September, on the 6th. It will follow then, that Baptisms will be celebrated on Oct. 4th and Nov. 1st. In December, we will have Baptisms on the 13th, given that the first Sunday will be the time when our parish will hold our annual 40 Hours Devotion.

Saint Katharine Drexel Shrine

Novena Brochure


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PRAYER LIST

Please remember these parishioners and friends of the Cathedral Parish in your prayers/ Ora por los enfermos:
Gloria Quici, Timmy Mulvenna, Fran Murray, Ted Johnston, Joan Devlin, Mary Elizabeth Gunson, Sharon Becker, Alan Havelin, Patricia Horton, April de Matto, Stan Pollock, Joshua White, Barrett Weiller, Brenden Thomas McCulligan, Joseph Pinto, Jr., 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 están enfermas.
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

EVENTOS DE INTERÉS

El Sacramento del Bautismo en Español
Octubre 25, 2020—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 Epífanio 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 al 215-561-1313.

Misa Televisada en Español
En UNIVISIÓN 65 - Todos los domingos a las 6:30 AM
La Santa Misa Grabada en línea

BOLETÍN INFORMATIVO
Oficina para Católicos Hispanos
CLICK HERE.
or go to:

INSTITUTO CATEQUÉTICO
*Las registraciones para los cursos de verano 2020 están abiertas:
Las clases comienzan el 1 de julio de 2020*

¡Presentamos clases en línea!
Cursos ofrecidos: Antropología Cristiana
Resúmenes del Antiguo Testamento
Fechas de clases 1 de julio – 31 de julio, 2020

¡Regístrese ahora!
enlace: https://www.scs.edu/school-theological-studies/catechetical-institute

REFLEXIÓN DEL PÁRROCO

Estimados feligreses,

Este es el decimoctavo domingo del tiempo ordinario. El Evangelio para este domingo (ver Mateo 14: 13-21) revela el gran amor providente del Señor por nosotros, y especialmente en la Sagrada Eucaristía. El maravilloso evento de la multiplicación de los panes y peces por parte del Señor para la “gran multitud” habla claramente del gran cuidado de Dios Todopoderoso por todos en cada lugar y en todo momento. El mayor acto de cuidado providente del Padre para sus hijos e hijas es enviar a su Hijo divino como nuestro Salvador y Redentor. Jesús continúa viviendo entre nosotros con el regalo salvífico y redentor de la Sagrada Eucaristía, la Misa y la recepción de la Sagrada Comunión. En estos días de gran estrés, confusión y malestar, dejémonos renovar con una fe segura en la providencia divina, especialmente cuando la encontramos en la Sagrada Eucaristía.

Este domingo 2 de agosto de 2020, celebramos el segundo aniversario del traslado de los restos sagrados de Santa Katharine Drexel a nuestra Basílica Catedral. La presencia de los restos mortales de esta santa de Filadelfia nos recuerda constantemente nuestra cercanía con Dios y con todos los Santos. Cuando se encuentre en la Basílica, tómese unos minutos para visitar y rezar en la tumba de Santa Katharine Drexel. Santa Katharine Drexel, ¡prega por nosotros!

La Parroquia de la Catedral ha sido bendecida con muchos ministros litúrgicos dedicados para la celebración de la misa los domingos y durante toda la semana. Algunos han servido durante décadas y otros acaban de comenzar su ministerio. Sin embargo, necesitamos ministros litúrgicos adicionales en tres áreas en particular: miembro del comité de Bienvenida, lectores y monaguillos. Invito a feligreses y visitantes a considerar servir a la parroquia en uno de estos ministerios litúrgicos. Si está interesado en servir como un miembro del comité de Bienvenida, comuníquese con la Hermana Eleanor después de la misa dominical o en la oficina parroquial (215-561-1313). La Hermana Eleanor le proporcionará la información necesaria para llevar a cabo este ministerio. Si está interesado (a) en proclamar la Palabra de Dios o en servir la Santa Misa, comuníquese con el Padre Biedrzycki después de la Misa dominical o en la Oficina Parroquial. Se proporcionará formación para nuevos lectores y servidores.

Agosto pasará rápidamente a septiembre y una vez más nuestros feligreses en edad escolar comenzarán un nuevo año escolar. Una parte muy importante de la educación de estos niños es su formación en la fe católica. La parroquia comparte esta responsabilidad con nuestras familias con programas para la celebración de los sacramentos. Padres y tutores, registre a su hijo o hija ahora si es candidato (a) para la Confirmación y/o la Primera Comunión. Para registrarse, puede llamar a la Oficina Parroquial al 215-561-1313 o enviar un correo electrónico directamente al Sr. Edward Specht, nuestro Coordinador de Educación Religiosa, cathedralreligiousseduction@gmail.com.

El próximo domingo, la segunda colección está dirigida a los programas de educación religiosa de la Parroquia de la Catedral. Gracias por su apoyo a nuestra parroquia de la catedral. Puede enviar sus ofrendas dominicales por correo a la Oficina de la Parroquia de la Catedral o hacer uso de las muchas formas de donar electrónicamente. Ver http://cathedralphiladelphia.org/donate/. Muchas gracias por su bondad y generosidad con la Parroquia de la Catedral.

Dios te bendiga,
Padre Dennis Gill, Rector
Let’s Talk 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

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

Can you help clean our church?

If you are interested, please call the Parish Office at: 215-561-1313

Social Distancing and Hospitality

You may be surprised when you enter and leave the Basilica and the Chapel that you may be greeted but not handed any worship materials. Whatever you will need for the celebration of the Mass will be placed in a near-by area for you to pick up. This is one more way to avoid contamination and to assure you that you are the only one touching this material, except the one who printed it. Likewise, we ask you to pick up the Parish Bulletin on the way out as you leave. We thank you for your attention to this personal responsibility; our Parish Greeters will point these out to you, for your convenience.

Cathedral Ambassadors

The Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul conducts an evangelization ministry with the Cathedral Ambassadors. This enthusiastic group of trained Ambassadors staffs the Basilica every day of the week and is comprised of volunteers from all over the Archdiocese. They answer questions and offer assistance to all who come to the Cathedral Basilica. Cathedral Ambassadors provide a personal presence in the Basilica and most importantly they put a face on the Church. Cathedral Ambassadors are assigned 4 hour shifts. The schedule is flexible with assignments of one day or more a month. Training and materials are provided to support this evangelization ministry. For more information and to become a Cathedral Ambassador, please contact Martha Ortiz, at cathedral.ambassadors@gmail.com.

HOST FOR HOSPITALS

The Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul, is reaching out to our community to help meet an urgent and growing need. For 20 years the Greater Philadelphia non-profit HOSTS for HOSPITALS has provided lodging and support at volunteer Host-homes for patients and their families who travel here for specialized medical care.

At this time of the Coronavirus, a large number of patients with critical medical situations still must travel to town for both in-patient and out-patient care: families with sick children; adult and pediatric oncology patients; pregnant moms with medical complications are among those who do not have a lodging option. Local hospitals are receiving a growing number of patients as travel restrictions are being eased.

Hosts for Hospitals is in need of safe, private lodging, unoccupied furnished homes or apartments, in-law suites, corporate apartments or AirBnbs. You can truly make an immediate difference in the lives of a family in need! If you know of such a resource please contact Executive Director, Mike Aichenbaum at 484-380-2999, or lodging@hostsforhospitals.org.

(HostsforHospitals.org) Thank you

DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

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Spiritual Direction/Consultation Available by Appointment for Individuals and Families in Crisis.

On-Going: Free phone or on-line platform calls available on a ‘by-appointment’ basis. During this time of challenge for the Church and for our communities, free spiritual services are available.

Offered By: The St. Raymond Nonnatus Foundation for Freedom, Family, and Faith.

The St. Raymond Nonnatus Foundation headquartered in the Philadelphia area does spiritual outreach for families in crisis. The initial mission of the foundation is to families affected by divorce and separation. Check-out podcasts on varied topics at “Philly Nonnatus” on YouTube and Subscribe.

Appointments Available with Fr. Kenneth Breen, O.deM, Spiritual Moderator and Anne DeSantis, Director.

To learn more: Visit the website: www.nonnatus.org or email director.srnf@gmail.com.
OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

EVANGELIZATION NEWSLETTER
Office for New Evangelization
CLICK HERE,
or go to: https://phillyevang.flocknote.com/

Biking for Vocations

Wednesday August 5-9, 2020
In August, 2019, a group of seminarians completed a biking pilgrimage throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia to bring awareness of vocations. In August 2020, two more groups of seminarians will take to the roads and traverse the Archdiocese as they spread awareness that God is still calling men to the priesthood! Details on the 2020 pilgrimage will be shared as they become available. In the interim, below are updates from last year's pilgrimage.

More info: Visit heedthecall.org/biking... for more info and the follow the journey!

Unbound Priests' Retreat

August 17-21, 2020
Learn a simple, gentle approach to pray with your parishioners to be free of their burdens. Receive personal ministry. Connect with other priests who use or want to use UNBOUND ministry in pastoral care.

Location: Malvern Retreat Center, Malvern, PA
More info: View the flyer

FOR YOUR INTEREST:
If you don’t have a the missalette with you, just place your cell phone’s camera to this QR Code to have today’s reading.

Readings at Mass

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN

Volunteers Needed
St. Francis Xavier parish could use catechists, classroom aides and substitutes. Children from the Cathedral Parish attend St. Francis PREP.

If you have time on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 7:40, love to work with children, looking for a way to share your time and talents with your parish community and looking for a opportunity to teach the faith this may be for you. All volunteers should be actively practicing and living out their Catholic Faith. Volunteers will need to complete the following:

Clearances
Pennsylvania State Police Clearance (There is no charge for this clearance for volunteers.)
Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Clearance (There is no charge for this clearance for volunteers.)

Read the Mandated Reporter Brochure sign and return the Mandated Reporter Acknowledgement Form

Training
Part I: Protecting God’s Children (instructor-led and can be taken through a live class beginning in August) is offered regularly at sites throughout the Archdiocese. The training provides basic facts about child sexual abuse and adults’ roles in prevention.

Part II: The Mandatory Reporting of Suspected Child Abuse (online) is available online at our Training Institute in English and Spanish. This training provides an overview of Archdiocesan reporting procedures for suspected child abuse and Pennsylvania Child Welfare Laws. The training should take you approximately one hour to complete.

Please email us at cathedralrelisiouseducation@gmail.com if interested.

PREP/CCD
All School Aged Parish Children, in grades 1-8, attend Religious Education classes at St. Francis Xavier School, Wednesday Evenings from 6:30PM-7:40PM. The address is 641 N. 24th St. Philadelphia, PA. Please check the Bulletin and online (http://cathedralphila.org/parish-info/rechildren/) for the most up to date information regarding registration dates and times and fees for the 2020-2021 PREP year. Our registration form can be accessed online at: http://cathedralphila.org/parish-info/rechildren/.

The Cathedral Parish Community
Congratulates the families of the following children who were recently baptized in our Basilica:

Adeline Harper Krebs & Walker John Krebs

We pray, that as members of Christ's body, you may always walk as children of the Light of Christ.

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

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