

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

18th Street and Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Most Reverend Nelson Pérez, Archbishop of Philadelphia



August 16, 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

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'Addezio
Priest in Residence

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

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**

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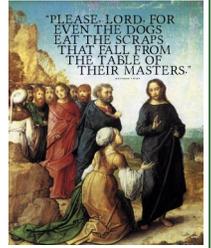
Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM & Friday 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM (only during the Summer)
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Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel <https://www.saintkatharinedrexelshrine.com/>

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, August 16, 2020

*“Jesus proclaimed the Gospel of the kingdom
and cured every disease among the people”. MT 4:23*

R. Alleluia, alleluia



MASS Intentions

Aug 15, Saturday

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

12:05 Mass for Holy Day
5:15 Essie Mae Rubin

Aug 16 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 For the People of the Parish
9:30 Eleanor Ann Parker
11:00 Intentions of Rev. Remy
12:30 Josefina Gonzalez
6:30 Arnold Quici

Aug 17, Monday, Weekday

7:15 Lorrian Fay
12:05 Beverly Mc Poyce

Aug 18, Tuesday, Weekday

7:15 Susan Milicia
12:05 Anthony J. Land, Sr.

Aug 19, Wednesday, Weekday

7:15 Intentions of Aisha Brahman & Family
12:05 Teresa Galligan

Aug 20, Thursday

St. Bernard

7:15 Ernesto Go
12:05 Michele & Nicolanna Trunzo

Aug 21, Friday

St. Pius X, Pope

7:15 Estella Londono
12:05 Elisa Ionata

Aug 22, Saturday

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

12:05 Mark Adamo
5:15 James Black

Aug 23 Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 For the People of the Parish
9:30 Leone, Cuccorollo & Kenny Family
11:00 Dora Miglionico
12:30 Antonio Alvarez
6:30 Charles Galipo

Dear Parishioners,

This is the Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Gospel this Sunday provides another invitation to believe, to have faith (see Matthew 15: 21-28). Faith has many different meanings. It can mean belief in God. It can mean belief in all that God reveals to us through his Son and his Church. It can also mean something quite personal and unique such as our belief in God with whom we have a relationship, a confident relationship. This type of faith flows from all that has been revealed and allows us to see all that has been revealed as necessary for our salvation. I encourage you to take an inventory of your personal relationship God. Is it at the root of all you do and think? Is it a source of joy and encouragement? Hearing and reading the Gospel for this Sunday should prompt all of us to desire a deeper and more intimate faith in God, trusting in his provident love for us.

In just a few weeks, we will resume our weekly Thursday evening catechetical sessions which are intended primarily for the adults in our community seeking Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist. The first session will be on Thursday, September 17, 2020, from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM in the Neumann Room, directly behind the Cathedral Basilica. If you are already a fully initiated member of the Church and the catechetical topic interests you, please come. Everyone is welcome! If you are an adult with a desire to receive the Sacraments of Christian Initiation—Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist, please contact Ken Bradley, ken.bradley@cathedralre.org. We already have a number of adults ready to join us for our first session. Also, we are always in need of parish sponsors—or mentors—for these adults seeking the Sacraments. If this important and good work interests you, please contact me at fr.dgill@archphila.org.

Our Parish Keys and Sword Event has been cancelled for August 28, 2020. You most likely already received information about this through an email. I regret that we had to make this decision. When we postponed it from June to August, it looked promising that we might be able to come together for another successful and enjoyable evening for the Cathedral Parish. Precautions surrounding the pandemic required its cancellation. However, we will have a virtual celebration. Please see the Cathedral website for more information, <http://cathedralphila.org/>. I am so grateful to so many who have already shown their generous support for this year's event. Even without the wonderful dinner this year, we hope to raise significant funds for the support of the Cathedral Parish. Please consider being a part of our virtual event!

Next Sunday, the second collection will be directed to the summer utilities 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

[Click here to view the previous bulletin](#)

TODAY'S READINGS

Reading I: Isaiah 56: 1, 6-7

Foreigners, or Gentiles, living within Palestine were given limited rights by the Jews. This arose because a certain universalist tendency now held sway among the Jews of this prophet's time.

Reading II: Romans 11: 13-15, 29-32

God's gifts and calling are given both to Jews and Gentiles. Paul definitely believes this. For him, who was always conscious of his Jewish origins, it became a clear belief that Jews and all others will be saved through God's mercy.

The Gospel: Matthew 15: 21-28

The Canaanite woman is doubly marginal: she is a woman in a man's world and a Gentile. She uses Our Lord's "dog" imagery to make a frank but humble reply. He recognizes the universality of His Father's call; admires the woman's faith, and immediately heals her daughter.

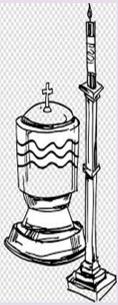


The Cathedral Parish Community congratulates the families of the following children who were recently baptized in our Basilica:

Maeve Ophelia Bane, Nicholas Wolf Breiding, Milan Alarcon Rivera & Michael Theodore Alexander Roman

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

Baptism for Children



Come September, all Baptisms will be celebrated on the **FIRST** Sunday of each month at 12:30 PM, except in December, when this will happen December 13th.

All Children to be baptized are to be registered with Sister Eleanor McCann by calling the rectory office on Tuesday or Thursday at 215-561-1313.



BAPTISM PREP

Come September, Baptism PREP sessions will once again be held on the **3rd Sunday** each month in the Basilica at 12:30 in the pew area near the Baptismal Font. All persons planning to attend the PREP session must register with Sister Mary Marta at the rectory by calling: 215-561-1313.

TEXT TO GIVE IS AVAILABLE FOR THE CATHEDRAL PARISH!

Text at any time, especially for your **Sunday Mass Offering**

Please text **Cathedral** to 215-709-9955 and follow the link to the on-screen prompts.

Readings for Mass for this Week

Please see the website of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops: [usccb.org/bible/readings](https://www.usccb.org/bible/readings)



Saint Katharine Drexel Shrine

[Novena Brochure](#)

<http://cathedralphila.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/printable-novena-2.pdf>



LIVE STREAMED SUNDAY MASS at 11:00 AM

Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul

[Click Here](#),

or go to: <https://vimeo.com/event/17522>

[Worship Aid](#)

Awesome faith formation at your fingertips!

Subscribe to this exciting online platform, which can be streamed to your TV or mobile device, To register go to www.FORMED.org. Type in our parish code, 07854f.

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 08/9/20 was :

First Collection: \$3,245.00

Second Collection: \$646.00

[Click Here to Donate](#)

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

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:

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 estén 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 INTERES

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 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 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](#)

BOLETIN INFORMATIVO

Oficina para Católicos Hispanos

[CLICK HERE](#),

or go to:

http://oficinahispanacatolica.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/August-Agosto_2020.pdf

PROGRAMA DE FORMACIÓN EN VIVO VIA ZOOM

Clases - «Liderazgo»

Miércoles, agosto 12, 19, 26; septiembre 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 de 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Formación enfocada en jóvenes y adultos jóvenes de 18 a 40 años de edad

- Introducción
- El líder
- El modelo de liderazgo de Jesús
- Planificación
- Comunicación
- Trabajo en equipo
- Manejo de conflictos
- Reuniones efectivas

Instructor: Reinaldo Pacheco

Habrà una cuota de \$40.00 pagable al registrarse.

Solo los que se han registrado tendrán acceso a las clases

Para información acerca de la registraci3n envíen un mensaje a

Blanca Nellys Herrera - bherrer@archphila.org

REFLEXIÓN DEL PÁRROCO

Estimados feligreses,

Este es el Vigésimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario. El Evangelio de este domingo ofrece otra invitación a creer, a tener fe (ver Mateo 15: 21-28). La fe tiene muchos significados diferentes. Puede significar creer en Dios. Puede significar creer en todo lo que Dios nos revela a través de su Hijo y su Iglesia. También puede significar algo bastante personal y único, como nuestra fe en Dios con quien tenemos una relación, una relación de confianza. Este tipo de fe fluye de todo lo que ha sido revelado y nos permite ver todo lo que ha sido revelado como necesario para nuestra salvación. Te animo a hacer un inventario de tu relación personal con Dios. ¿Es la raíz de todo lo que haces y piensas? ¿Es una fuente de alegría y aliento? Escuchar y leer el Evangelio de este domingo debería impulsarnos a todos a desear una fe más profunda e íntima en Dios, confiando en su amor providente por nosotros.

En solo unas pocas semanas, reanudaremos nuestras sesiones catequéticas semanales los jueves por la noche, que están destinadas principalmente a los adultos de nuestra comunidad que buscan el Bautismo, la Confirmación y la Eucaristía. La primera sesión será el jueves 17 de septiembre de 2020, de 7:00 pm a 8:30 pm en el Salón Neumann, directamente detrás de la Basílica Catedral. Si ya es miembro de la Iglesia plenamente iniciado y le interesa el tema catequético, por favor venga. ¡Todos son bienvenidos! Si es un adulto que desea recibir los sacramentos de la iniciación cristiana: bautismo, confirmación y eucaristía, comuníquese con Ken Bradley, ken.bradley@cathedralre.org. Ya tenemos varios adultos listos para unirse a nosotros para nuestra primera sesión. Además, siempre necesitamos patrocinadores o mentores parroquiales para estos adultos que buscan los sacramentos. Si este importante y buen trabajo le interesa, por favor contácteme en fr.dgill@archphila.org.

Nuestro evento parroquial de Llaves y Espadas del 28 de agosto del 2020 ha sido cancelado. Lo más probable es que ya haya recibido información sobre esto por correo electrónico. Lamento que tuviéramos que tomar esta decisión. Cuando lo pospusimos de junio a agosto, parecía prometedor que podríamos reunirnos para otra velada agradable y exitosa para la parroquia de la catedral. Las precauciones que rodearon la pandemia requirieron su cancelación. Sin embargo, tendremos una celebración virtual. Para obtener más información, consulte el sitio web de la Catedral, <http://cathedralphila.org/>. Estoy muy agradecido con tantos que ya han mostrado su generoso apoyo al evento de este año. Incluso sin la maravillosa cena de este año, esperamos recaudar fondos significativos para el apoyo de la parroquia de la Catedral. ¡Considere ser parte de nuestro evento virtual!

El próximo domingo, la segunda colecta será dirigida a los servicios de verano de la Parroquia Catedral. Gracias por su apoyo a nuestra Parroquia Catedral. Puede enviar sus ofrendas dominicales a la Oficina Parroquial de la Catedral o hacer uso de las muchas formas de donar electrónicamente. Consulte <http://cathedralphila.org/donate/>. Muchas gracias por su bondad y generosidad con la Parroquia Catedral.

Dios te bendiga,
Padre Dennis Gill,
Rector



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.



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.

Can you help clean our church?



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

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES

Dear parishioners, we kindly ask that you use the contribution envelopes that are mailed to your home. If for some reason you must make use of a different envelope, please be sure to include on it your parish data base identification number (which can be found on your regular contribution-envelopes). Only those offerings which are properly labeled can be reflected in your annual statement declaring tax deductible contributions to the parish. If you have moved, or are not receiving contribution envelopes, or if you have any questions please contact the Parish Office at 215-561-1313. Thank you.

FOR YOUR INTEREST:

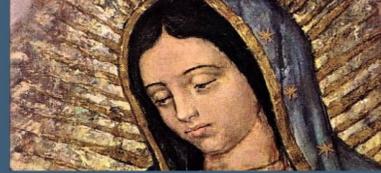
Readings at Mass

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.



Rosary Campaign

for the end of the coronavirus



English:

Monday through Thursday at 8 PM Eastern
<https://zoom.us/j/494480541>
Or Dial in by Telephone: (646) 558 8656
Enter the Webinar ID: 494 480 541

Español:

De lunes a jueves a las 8 PM (Hora del este)
<https://zoom.us/j/87087350229>
O por teléfono marque: (646) 558 8656
Entre el ID del Webinar: 870 8735 0229
(**Nuevo número**)

More details and log in information:
phillyevang.org/rosary

An Introduction to Theology faith formation series

(in person or online)

Mondays, August 24 and 31st at 7:00 PM

Presented by: Fr. Alex Gibbs

The series will be held in church to ensure proper social distancing and will be broadcast live via Facebook Live for those unable to attend in person.

- August 24th @ 7 PM: The Church of God and the Sacraments
- August 31st @ 7 PM: Grace and the Last Things

Location: St. Albert the Great Parish, Huntingdon Valley, PA

More information: Normal reopening precautions will be in place for those attending in person, which includes proper social distancing and wearing of masks.

The series is free, however, **if you plan to attend in person, please call the rectory at 215-947-3500 to RSVP.**

Gospel Reflection Gatherings

Our gatherings are suspended during August and will resume on the last Tuesday of September, the 29th.

All in the parish are invited to read the Gospel of Saint Matthew this summer.



YOUNG ADULT GROUP

If you are interested in the Young Adults of the Cathedral Parish as well as receiving the most up-to-date information on our group's events please e-mail us youngadults.cathedral@gmail.com. Please search for our Facebook page: [Young Adults at the Cathedral](#)).

OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

EVANGELIZATION NEWSLETTER

Office for New Evangelization

[CLICK HERE](#),

or go to: <https://phillyevang.flocknote.com/>

Annual Archdiocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

Saturday, October 17, 2020 at 5:15 pm

Where: Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul

Archbishop Nelson Pérez will be the principal celebrant and homilist. This Mass will be celebrating, in particular, those couples marking their 5 year, 25 year and 50 year wedding anniversary milestones.

Friends and Family are welcome and encouraged to attend. To RSVP go to www.phillycatholiclife.org or call the Office for Life and Family at 215-587-0500.

For more details [see the flyer](#) or to rsvp [click here](#).

VIRTUAL RETREAT DAY FOR YOUTH MINISTERS

August 22, 2020

We want to invite you to a **Retreat Day For Youth Ministers** on the ZOOM Webinar platform, on **August 22, 2020**. We ask that you forward this to other Youth Leaders, that you know, so we can ensure that everyone who is meant to be at this day is there.

One of the key documents for the re-envisioning is *Christus Vivit* (Christ is Alive) written by Pope Francis as a fruit of the Synod on Ministry to the Young that occurred in 2018. We will spend the day unpacking this document, and you will receive great insights for effective ministry to the young. You will also form strategic relationships with others who are doing this very important work in the life of the Church.

To register [CLICK HERE](#)

or go to: <https://www.jotform.com/build/202104642010130>

For more info, please contact the Office for Youth and Young Adult at phillyocf@archphila.org

Save the Dates: New Youth Minister's Training

Tuesday Nights, September 15, 22, 29

Fr. DeLacy and Ann Menna will be conducting a series of nights that will include practical skills for youth ministry.

Various experts and experienced Youth Ministers will give presentations. The last session will be all Q and A. You do not need to be a "new" youth minister to attend. You will learn helpful things like, how to do youth ministry in a pandemic. This training will be done via ZOOM. Details will be sent in the near future.

Institute for Christian Formation

St. Charles Borromeo Seminary will begin the **Institute for Christian Formation** for *all those interested in going deeper in their faith*. The program is designed for practicing Catholics and offers the brightest and best Catholic professors around to examine the essential areas of proper Christian life, including Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist to provide a fuller understanding of our dignity as Christians, a more conscious participation in the Sacred Liturgy, and appreciation for the call to live and witness to a moral life in interior communion with Christ.

This is a non-credited program that meets once a week on Thursdays for 16 weeks spread over 2 years. **Courses are expected to begin in January 2021**. For more information about the topics, cost, schedule and contact information, please visit scs.edu/icf.

LECTOR WORKSHOP

Wednesday, October 28, 2020

Saint Joseph, Downingtown, PA
7:00 to 9:00 PM in the Main Church

WORKSHOP IN SPANISH for LECTORS and EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

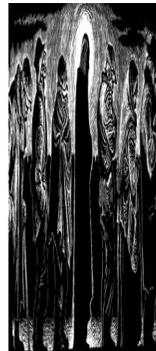
Saturday, November 14, 2020

9:30 AM to Noon/12:05 PM Mass to follow
CATHEDRAL CHAPEL

CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL
18th and Benjamin Franklin Parkway
Philadelphia, PA 19103
Parking available

To register, please EMAIL the workshop date, your name, and name of your parish using this link: worship@archphila.org

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

PREP/CCD registrations for 2020-2021 will be held at SFX School

You may register by mail.

Please provide a baptismal certificate for children new to our PREP/CCD.
For more info visit: <http://cathedralphila.org/parish-info/rechildren/>



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.

