Parish Mission Statement

As a vibrant Roman Catholic community in Center City, the Cathedral Parish serves all those who come to the Cathedral Basilica, 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, October 13, 2020

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:15 PM Anticipated Mass
Sunday: 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

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

Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00 AM to 4:00 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,

*Today is the Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time!* The miracles of Jesus always delight Christians. They manifest the wonder and providence of God who alone brings about the most extraordinary of things. Today, in the Gospel (John 6:1-15) we arrive with Jesus at what first appears to be an impossible situation. There are thousands of hungry people before him with a boy in sight with only “five barley loaves and two fish.” The multiplication of these loaves and fish by the Lord to feed the thousands gathered is only one part of the miracle. This miracle includes the revelation of who Jesus is. Like those who witnessed the miracle, we too must be in constant amazement at Jesus and proclaim him as Lord. We need to see in the miracle how it points to the greatest of Miracles, the Holy Eucharist, when Jesus feeds us with bread and wine that is truly his holy Body and Blood. This greatest of Miracles happens every Sunday, every day, for us. Much like the multiplication of the loaves and fish that provided much more than those gathered could eat, so with the Holy Eucharist it is more than we can grasp even with our lives of faith. The Eucharist, the action of Christ at the altar and the divine food that comes from it, calls for our praise and thanksgiving, our reverence and devotion, our desire to grow in understanding and faith.

Today is the first World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. Grandparents play a very important role in our lives. In recognition of this, Pope Francis has established the fourth Sunday of July, the Sunday closest to the July 26 Memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of the Lord Jesus, as an observance of the *World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly*. When the Holy Father announced this observance, he said, “Not only are grandchildren and young people called upon to be present in the lives of older people, but older people and grandparents also have a mission of evangelization, proclamation and prayer, and of encouraging young people in their faith.”

Let pray for grandparents, living and deceased, with the Collect for the Mass for Saints Joachim and Anne:

*O Lord, God of our Fathers,*
*who bestowed on Saints Joachim and Anne this grace,*
*that of them should be born the Mother of your incarnate Son,*
*grant, through the prayers of both,*
*that we may attain the salvation you have promised to your people.*
*Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,*
*who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,*
*God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

Once again, please see elsewhere in this edition of the Parish Bulletin information on the preparation for the Sacraments—Confirmation, Penance and Reconciliation, and First Holy Communion—for school age children. Please do not delay in making contact with the Parish Office for enrollment in this preparation program.

Next Sunday, the second collection will be directed to the summer utility expenses of the 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/](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
PRAYER | PARTICIPATION | GENEROSITY

One of the best things about summer is the Joy of time away from work and worries with your family. Remember to remain grateful through prayer for all the joy-filled opportunities.

Your Cathedral parish priests shore do have a plan to pray that all of our parishioners have a happy summertime of fun, family and blessings! There are some very cool ways to help us with our ministries this summer! As always, thank you for your generosity and for sharing your joy with us. Please remember our Cathedral parish with your gift.

St. Joseph, pray for us! And let us remember to always pray for each other!

Have the Best Summer Yet!

The offertory collection for Sunday 7/18/2021 will be posted on a future edition of the parish bulletin.

We hope that your generosity will exceed $10,000 next week. Thank you!

Please consider a gift to support the good work of our Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul.

- Become a parishioner! – call Sr. Marta at 215-561-1313 and she’ll send you Envelopes
- Planned Gifts – call Rose at 215-561-1313 and she’ll discuss with you long-term ways that may be best for you such as annuities, life insurance, stock, estate planning and memorial gifts
- Text to give anytime, especially for your Sunday Mass offering – text “Cathedral” to 215-709-9955
- Donate on-line at http://cathedralphila.org/donate/ or scan the QR code below

TODAY’S READINGS

Reading I: 2 Kings 4: 42-44
This text is the inspiration for the multiplication miracle. The gift of the man from Baal-shalishah indicates the esteem Elisha enjoyed among the people.

Reading II: Ephesians 4: 1-6
Paul points out that the new humanity created in Christ is exemplified by the Church’s unity. This unity is fostered by humility, gentleness and patience.

The Gospel: John 6: 1-15
As in other of John’s miracle stories, Jesus takes the initiative. He tests Philip, but the apostle misses the point that Jesus was appealing to his faith. Then Jesus distributes the bread and fishes, later avoiding any move on the people’s part to make Him king.

Gospel Reflection Group
Location: Neumann Room at the Cathedral Basilica
Tuesdays at 6:30 PM
Please reach out to Paul at pmaleski93@gmail.com if you are interested in joining or looking for more information.

Click Here to view the Previous Bulletin

YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH
Visit http://arcphila.org/joseph/ often for new events and resources for the celebration of this holy year!

LIVE STREAMED SUNDAY MASS AT 11:00 AM
Click Here, or go to: https://vimeo.com/event/17522
Worship Aid

NOVENA
SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL
English Spanish

Please remember these parishioners and friends of the Cathedral Parish in your prayers! Ora por los enfermos:
Anthony Pelle, Jr., Baby Ava Hope, David Blue, Jeannette Argir, Judy Day, Wally Dalton, Baby Benjamin Summers, Eileen Maher, Carmine Meadows, April De Matteo, Jim Mace Thompson, Levi Oattes, Rose McKenna, Sue Del Biondo, Paul Fischer, Valente family, Marlene Cinclair, Gloria Quici, Frank Munafo, Matthew Munafo, Rosemary Hennelly, and those in nursing homes or hospitals and all the sick.

To add or remove parishioners, friends or family members to the prayer list, please send an email to: sr.mrparadis@archphila.org, or call Sister Mary Raphael, Parish Outreach Coordinator, at the Cathedral Parish Office, 215-561-1313 Monday through Thursday. Por favor envíe un email o llame a la oficina parroquial para añadir o remover los nombres de la lista de personas que están enfermas.
Estimados feligreses,

¡Hoy es el décimo-séptimo domingo del tiempo ordinario! Los milagros de Jesús siempre deleitan a los cristianos. Manifiestan la maravilla y la providencia de Dios, quien es el único que produce las cosas más extraordinarias. Hoy, en el Evangelio (Juan 6: 1-15) llegamos con Jesús a lo que al principio parece ser una situación imposible. Hay miles de personas hambrientas ante él con un niño a la vista con solo "cinco panes de cebada y dos peces". La multiplicación de estos panes y peces por parte del Señor para alimentar a los miles reunidos es solo una parte del milagro. Este milagro incluye la revelación de quién es Jesús. Como aquellos que presenciaron el milagro, nosotros también debemos estar en constante asombro por Jesús y proclamarlo como Señor. Necesitamos ver en el milagro cómo apunta al más grande de los milagros, la Sagrada Eucaristía, cuando Jesús nos alimenta con pan y vino que es verdaderamente su Santo Cuerpo y Sangre. Este milagro más grande sucede todos los domingos, todos los días, para nosotros. Al igual que la multiplicación de los panes y los peces que proporcionó mucho más de lo que los reunidos podían comer, con la Sagrada Eucaristía es más de lo que podemos captar incluso con nuestras vidas de fe. La Eucaristía, la acción de Cristo en el altar y el alimento divino que de él proviene, exige nuestra alabanza y acción de gracias, nuestra reverencia y devoción, nuestro deseo de crecer en comprensión y fe.

Hoy es el primer Día Mundial de los Abuelos y las Personas Mayores. Los abuelos juegan un papel muy importante en nuestras vidas. En reconocimiento a esto, el Papa Francisco ha establecido el cuarto domingo de julio, el domingo más cercano al Memorial del 26 de julio a los santos Joaquín y Ana, abuelos del Señor Jesús, como una observancia de la Jornada Mundial de los Abuelos y Ancianos. Cuando el Santo Padre anunció esta observancia, dijo: "No solo los nietos y los jóvenes están llamados a estar presentes en la vida de las personas mayores, sino que las personas mayores y los abuelos también tienen una misión de evangelización, anuncio y oración, y de animar jóvenes en su fe".

Oremos por los abuelos, vivos y fallecidos, con la Colecta para la Misa de los Santos Joaquín y Ana:

Señor, Dios de nuestros padres,
Que concediste a los santos Joaquín y Ana la singular gracia,
De que naciera de ellos la Madre de tu Hijo encarnado,
concédenos, por las súplicas de ambos,
que alcancemos la salvación prometida a tu pueblo.
Por nuestro Señor Jesucristo, tu Hijo,
que vive y reina contigo en el Espíritu Santo,
y es Dios por los siglos de los siglos. Amén.

Una vez más, consulte en otra parte de esta edición del Boletín Parroquial la información sobre la preparación para los sacramentos —Confirmación, Penitencia y Reconciliación, y Primera Comunión — para niños en edad escolar. No se demore en ponerse en contacto con la Oficina Parroquial para inscribirse en este programa de preparación.

El próximo domingo, la segunda recaudación irá dirigida a los gastos de servicios públicos de verano de la Parroquia Catedral. Puede enviar sus ofrendas domingales 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 le bendiga, Padre Dennis Gill, Rector
We are happy to say that we will offer Sacramental Preparation classes for children needing First Penance/First Holy Communion (grades 1-3) and Confirmation grades 7-8! These classes will be taught by our own volunteer catechists, given here at the Cathedral, and offered in BOTH English and Spanish! There will be no tuition for the classes; the only costs be for books/materials.

We are currently in the planning phase for classes but a schedule will be available by the beginning of August.

If your child/children are eligible for First Holy Communion or Confirmation and either are not in religious education, are in religious education at another parish, attending a Catholic school in the Archdiocese or a home-based program, they may attend our program.

If you are interested, please send an email to: sr.mrparadis@archphila.org; or leave a message for Sister Mary Raphael, Parish Outreach Coordinator, at 215-561-1313, press 2 then 7. Feel free to leave a message or send an email; be sure to leave your telephone number.

For classes in Spanish, please email Arturo Aceves at aceves28@gmail.com, or talk with him after the Spanish Sunday Mass at 12:30 PM in the Chapel.

ST. JOHN’S HOSPICE

Saint John’s Hospice is a Catholic Social Services shelter for men located in Center City Philadelphia. Established in 1963 by Monsignor Anthony J. O’Neill, Pastor of Saint John the Evangelist Church, and The Little Brothers of The Good Shepherd, Saint Johns was created as an outreach ministry to serve and assist the poor and homeless in the community. Saint John’s continues to provide crucial, life-sustaining services with dignity, respect and compassion to homeless men in Philadelphia. Saint John’s Hospice is an independent 501c3 agency associated with the charitable work of Catholic Social Services.

Programs: Residence for over 250 homeless men each year in St. John’s Hospice & Good Shepperd programs; Case management, medical and counseling for all residents and day service guests; Mail Room for over 900 homeless men; 160 showers with clean clothing, underwear & shoes every week; Over 3,000 meals each week to homeless & needy men; Emergency shelter for 27 homeless men where they can receive a meal & bed every night.

Donate: Monetary donations: saintjohnshospice.org/ Contact information 1221 Race St. Philadelphia, PA 19107 adicesare@chs-adphila.org (215) 563-7763

INSTITUTE FOR CHRISTIAN INITIATION 2021
OFFICE FOR DIVINE WORSHIP
ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA

Saturday, October 30, 2021 9:00 AM to 3:00PM (lunch included)
Reverend Gerald Dennis Gill, Presenter | Director, Office for Divine Worship
Register by e-mail at worship@archphila.org

Also, please mail a check (with the name of the participant) for fifty dollars for the Institute to the Office for Divine Worship, 222 North 17th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103. Registration deadline is October 15, 2021.

Please bring your own copy of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults with you.

HOLY HOURS WITH THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Need some encouragement? Join us for a holy hour with fellow priests, religious and lay faithful as we seek strength and hope from Jesus, our Good Shepherd, the saints and one another during these difficult times in the world and the Church. The Holy Hour includes Rosary, Litany and Benediction. Afterwards join us for a short talk on a saint, exploring how he or she remained faithful to Christ and His Church during the trials of his or her time. Meets quarterly on Sundays, 2-4 PM at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church, Drexel Hill, PA. Details and RSVP at http://www.phillyevang.org/events/. Upcoming dates and talk topics:

- Sept 19 - Talk: St. Gregory the Great’s Reforms of the Church in Crisis -Fr. Dennis Gill
- Dec 5 - Talk: How Carmelite Nuns Brought an End to the French Revolution - Fr. Sean Loomis


The Divine Mercy Chaplet

We will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet each Friday at 3:00 P.M. Join us wherever you are.

Join Via Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87567068541?pwd=Wmo1V01XWEIQLzRuZ0JnOWU2T3Rsdz09
Meeting ID: 875 6706 8541 Passcode: Mercy
OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

EVANGELIZATION NEWSLETTER
Office for New Evangelization

CLICK HERE.
https://phillyevang.flocknote.com/note/12362880

ANNOUNCEMENT - AUGUST 7-8
Cathedral Basilica Saints Peter & Paul

Fr. Phelim Jordan will be with us on the weekend of August 7-8 to speak about the many ministries of his religious community the Divine Word Missionaries. They are an international religious community of missionary priests and Brothers serving in 84 countries helping to build chapels, celebrate the sacraments, and spread the Word of God in remote mission communities.

To meet some of the people they help, please read the stories at missionimpact.svdmissions.org/mission-update. Over 6,000 active missionaries travel to the far corners of the world building hospitals to care for the sick, educating the poor, teaching the hungry to farm, and providing life’s necessities like drinkable water, food, and shelter. These priests and Brothers help people neglected and forgotten by society to build a better future and foster vibrant Catholic communities of service and faith around the world. This Mission Appeal is part of the Mission Coop Program of our Diocese. Please be generous in the second collection to help support the missionary work of the Divine Word Missionaries. Their missionaries serve in some of the most difficult areas of the world.

https://missionimpact.svdmissions.org/mission-update

A Biblical Walk Through the Mass
(NEWLY FILMED AT OUR OWN CATHEDRAL!)

At each celebration of the Most Holy Mass, God becomes fully present to us, Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity. He comes to be completely united with us. Everyone is called to experience God's healing and peace through the Eucharist. One of the best ways to prepare for Mass is to study the profound significance of what we say and do during each celebration of the Sacred Liturgy. That is why Ascension Press is releasing the 10th anniversary revised edition of A Biblical Walk Through the Mass with Dr. Edward Sri, to remind Catholics that the Mass is the epiphany of the spiritual life. The series was filmed at our very own Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul in Philadelphia!

⇒ Click HERE to watch the 2-minute trailer video.
⇒ Click HERE to learn more and order the new series.

FROM THE PONTIFICAL MISSIONS SOCIETIES

JULY 25TH WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS

This year on Sunday, July 25, we will celebrate the First World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, a church-wide celebration, initiated by Pope Francis, close to the liturgical memorial of Saints Joseph and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. Celebrate your grandparents, by having a Mass for their intentions.

⇒ Watch the “What if they don’t come back?” video by Dan Cellucci, CEO of the Catholic Leadership Institute
⇒ Watch the Revive Parishes course “The Foundations of Great Parish Communication” by Dan Rogers: Click here to sign up for Revive Parishes Training Courses (free)

Pastoral Letter from Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez

English / Español

2021 Catholic Women’s Conference
Saturday, October 23, 2021
National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown, PA
www.catholicwomensconference.org

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Sunday, August 15, 2021

Holy Mass Schedule:
5:15 PM Anticipated Mass, in the Cathedral Basilica (on Saturday, August 14)
8:00 AM Mass, in the Cathedral Basilica
9:30 AM Mass, in the Cathedral Basilica
11:00 AM Mass, in the Cathedral Basilica (Livestreamed here)
12:30 PM Spanish Mass, in the Cathedral Chapel
3:30 PM Mass, in the Cathedral Basilica in the Extraordinary Form
6:30 PM Mass, in the Cathedral Basilica

UPCOMING MASS IN THE EXTRAORDINARY FORM

Friday, July 30, 2021 7:00 pm
Location:
St. Katharine Drexel Side Altar in the Cathedral Basilica
Latin Mass Resources: http://catholiclatinmass.org/
For more information, please go to: http://cathedralphila.org/upcoming-mass-in-theextraordinary-form/