CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL
AND THE SHRINE OF SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL
18TH STREET AND THE BENJAMIN FRANKLIN PARKWAY
PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

ANNUAL EUCHARISTIC DEVOTION

FORTY HOURS DEVOTION



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2026
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

As we begin the holy season of Advent, the Church invites us to prepare our hearts for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Join us for Forty Hours of Eucharistic Adoration beginning on the First Sunday of Advent, as we gather in prayer before the Real Presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. This sacred time offers an opportunity to deepen our relationship with the Lord, seek His peace, and renew our hope as we await His coming. Let us set aside the distractions of daily life and spend time with Jesus, who remains with us in the Eucharist. All are invited to come and adore the Lord.

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament
is around the clock during the Forty Hours.
To sign up for a period of adoration, please scan the QR Code.

FORTY HOURS AT THE CATHEDRAL BASILICA
SUNDAY, MONDAY AND TUESDAY
NOVEMBER 29 AND 30, DECEMBER 1, 2026

The Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul is privileged to have this Annual Eucharistic Devotion beginning the First Sunday of Advent, the first Forty Hours in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, with the beginning of the new Liturgical Year. These three days of prayer encourage us to take time to reflect on the great gift of the Eucharist to the Church, to each of us.

The complete schedule of the Forty Hours can be found on the Cathedral website, https://cathedralphila.org/.

All clergy, religious, and lay faithful of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia are invited to participate in the Forty Hours Devotion at the Cathedral Basilica.
Clergy are welcome to be in choir for Evening Prayer on both evenings.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2026, FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

11:00 AM SOLEMN MASS in the Cathedral Basilica
FOLLOWED BY EXPOSITION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT
Confessions beginning at 5:30 PM in the Cathedral Basilica

6:30 PM MASS in the Cathedral Basilica
FOLLOWED BY EXPOSITION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT
THROUGH THE NIGHT IN THE CATHEDRAL CHAPEL

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2026, ADVENT WEEKDAY

7:15 AM MASS in the Cathedral Chapel
FOLLOWED BY EXPOSITION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT
Confessions beginning at 11:30 AM in the Cathedral Basilica

12:05 PM MASS in the Cathedral Basilica
FOLLOWED BY EXPOSITION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

5:15 PM EVENING PRAYER in the Cathedral Basilica
WITH BENEDICTION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT
FOLLOWED BY EXPOSITION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT
THROUGH THE NIGHT IN THE CATHEDRAL CHAPEL

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2026, ADVENT WEEKDAY

7:15 AM MASS in the Cathedral Chapel
FOLLOWED BY EXPOSITION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT
Confessions beginning at 11:30 AM in the Cathedral Basilica

12:05 PM MASS in the Cathedral Basilica
FOLLOWED BY EXPOSITION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

5:15 PM EVENING PRAYER in the Cathedral Basilica
WITH PROCESSION AND BENEDICTION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

RECEPTION FOR ALL IN DREXEL HALL FOLLOWING THE DEVOTIONS