

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 J. Pérez, Archbishop of Philadelphia

The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field.

Matthew 13:44



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July 26, 2026

Parish Mission Statement

With Jesus Christ as our Head and Foundation, the Cathedral Parish of Saints Peter and Paul forms a vibrant Roman Catholic community in Center City and serves all those who come to the Cathedral Basilica, the Mother Church of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Our parish community professes our Catholic Faith, ministers to others and welcomes all, as rooted in the Word of God and the celebration of the Sacraments of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

*Adopted by the Parish Council
August 10, 2021*

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday: 5:15 PM - Anticipated Mass on Saturday in the Cathedral Basilica

8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM - Mass in the Cathedral Basilica

**12:30 PM - Spanish Mass in the Cathedral Chapel
(Misa en español, en la Capilla)**

6:30 PM - Mass in the Cathedral Basilica

Weekdays: 7:15 AM, 12:05 PM - Mass in the Cathedral Chapel

Saturdays: 12:05 PM - Mass in the Cathedral Chapel

Holy Days: See website

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE SCHEDULE

**Sunday: 9:00 AM and 5:30 PM in the Basilica
12:00 PM (español) en la Capilla**

Weekdays: 11:30 AM in the Basilica

Saturday: 4:15 PM in the 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
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Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

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Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel <https://cathedralphila.org/drexel/>

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, July 26, 2026

“Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.” (cf. Matthew 11:25) R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Mass Intentions

July 25	Saturday
	St. James
12:05	Dr. Moon Ja Marianna Suh-Noh & Jae Yun Thomas Noh
5:15	Soon Young Susana Suh-Kim
July 26	Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00	For the People of the Parish
9:30	Ingrid “Kiki” Ross
11:00	Jason Grigoras
12:30	Marian Lozano
6:30	Patricia Sweeney
July 27	Monday, Weekday
7:15	Pietro & Filomena Berardi
12:05	For peace in the world and the city
July 28	Tuesday, Weekday
7:15	For the increase of vocations to the Holy Priesthood
12:05	For the increase vocations to The Consecrated Life
July 29	Wednesday
	Sts. Martha, Mary, & Lazarus
7:15	For the intentions of the Torres Santos Family
12:05	Dolores Slifer
July 30	Thursday, Weekday
	St. Peter Chrysologus
7:15	For peace in the world and the city
12:05	For the increase of vocations to the Holy Priesthood
July 31	Friday, Weekday
	St. Ignatius of Loyola
7:15	For the increase vocations to The Consecrated Life
12:05	Luciana Colavita
August 1	Saturday
	St. Alphonsus Liguori
12:05	Susan Marrone
5:15	For the youth attending Camp Damascus in Ohio, that they may encounter Christ.
August 2	Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00	For the People of the Parish
9:30	For the living & deceased members of the League of the Sacred Heart
11:00	Annette Picciano
12:30	Claudio Colon
6:30	In honor of God the Father of all mankind

Dear Parishioners,

This is the Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. This Sunday again the Lord instructs us in the Holy Gospel about the kingdom of heaven (see Matthew 13: 44-52). For the Lord, there is nothing of greater value for us than to be a part of his kingdom now and for all eternity. As I mentioned previously, the kingdom of heaven is the reign of Christ within us, among us and as it will be heaven. Is it possible to share now in the glory of Christ in this life as we will in all eternity? Yes, it is! Christ already lives in us with the reception of the Sacraments, especially with the Holy Eucharist. Ours is to acknowledge his divine life so generously shared with us, live from it and be a witness to it. This state of grace must be encouraged and protected by us as we pass through these times that are often at odds with it. I invite you to reread the Gospel from last Sunday as well as from this Sunday to ponder a bit more on the treasure of the kingdom of heaven. *Thy kingdom come!*

Today is the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. Grandparents play a very important role in our lives. In recognition of this, Pope Francis 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*. What a joyful coincidence that today is the actual liturgical Memorial. 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 us pray for our grandparents today, living and deceased.

In just a few weeks, our weekly sessions for Christian Initiation of Adults and Religious Education for Children will resume. If you are an adult and seeking Baptism, Confirmation and/or the Eucharist, please call the Parish Office (215-561-1313) for more information. Parents and guardians, if your children are of school age and not attending a Catholic School, please contact the Parish Office to ensure they are enrolled in a religious education program.

The Sister Servants of the Holy Spirit of Perpetual Adoration (or more popularly known as the Pink Sisters because of their rose-colored habits), are a treasure in our neighborhood. Their Chapel of Divine Love, at 2212 Green Street, provides an opportunity every day of the week for quiet prayer before our Lord exposed in the Most Blessed Sacrament. Please consider a visit to their chapel during these days of summer.

Thank you to all our parishioners and visitors for your goodness and generosity to the Cathedral Parish. The second collection next Sunday will be directed to the poor and needy in the neighborhood of the Cathedral Parish. You can mail your Sunday offerings to the Cathedral Parish Office or give electronically. Please see <http://cathedralphila.org/donate/>. Thank you very much.

God bless you!
Father Dennis Gill, Rector





PRAYER PARTICIPATION GENEROSITY

Make a gift that continues the God-given gifts you receive and give during your lifetime. A gift to the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul Parish Fund through your will or other planned gift creates a perpetual legacy of support. Consider supporting the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul in this very special way. Your support makes a difference in the life of our Church.

Jesus, have mercy on us.

Mary and Joseph, pray for us.

St. Katharine Drexel, pray for us.

And let us remember to pray for each other always!

For more information, visit: www.cathedralphila.org.

Your generosity on 7/12 was:

Regular \$6,396
Special 1,633 (to Campaign for Human Development
Electronic* 2,729 of the Cathedral Parish)
Total \$10,758

Your generosity on 7/19 was:

Regular \$5,197
Special 591 (to religious education programs
Electronic* 2,729 of the Cathedral Parish)
Total \$8,517

*Electronic giving is your average weekly giving for June

Thank you for your generosity to the Cathedral Parish

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

- You are invited to become a member of our parish family and take part in our ministries, programs, events, and worship. Please speak with Deacon Burgos, email us at info@cathedralphila.org or call the office at 215561-1313 to make an appointment with Father Gill and he can help you register.
- Consider the Cathedral in your Financial Plan – call Rose at the Cathedral office 215-561-1313. She can help with your Estate planning – such as adding the Cathedral as a beneficiary of your life insurance, IRA, annuity or a memorial gift. She can also help you with Tax Planning – such as a gift of appreciated stock or a distribution from your IRA.
- Donate on-line** at <http://cathedralphila.org/donate/> or scan this QR code:



CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

Join us at the **Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul** for the launch of the **Catholic Charities Appeal**. Your generosity brings hope, healing, and support to thousands of individuals and families throughout our Archdiocese.

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A Special Year of
Saint Francis
Jubilee
1226 — 2026

Pope Leo has declared 2026 as a Jubilee Year to mark the 800th anniversary of the death of Saint Francis. Those who make a pilgrimage to a Franciscan Church this year receive a plenary indulgence under the usual conditions of prayer, confession and Holy Communion.

Saint John the Evangelist Church, 21 S 13th Street, Philadelphia, is staffed by Capuchin Franciscan Friars and is a pilgrimage church. The Capuchin Friars welcome pilgrims to Saint John's during the Jubilee year. You are invited to arrange a pilgrimage for your parish or group.

To schedule a pilgrimage for your parish or group, call 215-563-4145 or email at pastor@stjohnsphilly.com

THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Sponsored by the Legion of Mary at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul

Each Friday at 3:00 PM Via Zoom Meeting:
Meeting ID: 846 4429 0612 Passcode: Mercy

OFFER THE GIFT OF PRAYER

Remember those you love through the celebration of the Holy Mass. Whether for a deceased loved one, someone who is ill, a birthday, anniversary, or in thanksgiving, a Mass intention is a lasting spiritual gift.

The **2027 Mass Intention Book** is now open. We invite you to reserve your Mass intentions early. The **2027 Wedding Book** is also open.

The **2028 Wedding Calendar** will open on **Monday, February 1, 2027**. For weddings, please submit the form on the Cathedral website wedding page. See the link below.
<https://cathedralphila.org/holy-matrimony/>
Please call the Parish Office at 215-561-1313 or email info@cathedralphila.org

ANNUAL OBSERVANCE OF THE FEAST OF BLESSED MICHAEL MCGIVNEY FOUNDER OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8, 2026
5:15 PM Anticipated Mass for Sunday
Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul
18th Street and the Benjamin Franklin Parkway
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

4:15 PM Confessions in the Basilica
All Knights are to prepare to process for Holy Mass by 5:00 PM in the Cathedral Chapel
Blessed Michael McGivney, pray for us!

Please remember these parishioners and friends of the Cathedral Parish in your prayers/ Oren por los enfermos y fallecidos: Jackeline, Sister Thomas Marie Rakus, RSM, Blaise Agnew, Emma, Joan Robertson, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, John Robinson, Eduardo Mateo Cavaglia, Jorge Messi, Stevenson family, Joseph, Martha Cortes, Geraldine Hartnett, Daniel E. Drain, Steve, Brooke, Erick Santos, For All Souls in Purgatory, For the Deliverance Ministry and all in need of deliverance, For the intentions submitted to PrayersUniteTheWorld.org, 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: prayingforyou@cathedralphila.org. Por favor envíe un email o llame a la oficina parroquial para añadir o remover los nombres de la lista de personas que estén enfermas.**

Declaración de la Misión de la Parroquia Catedral de los Santos Pedro y Pablo

Con Jesucristo como nuestra Cabeza y Fundamento, la Parroquia Catedral de los Santos Pedro y Pablo forma una vibrante comunidad Católica Romana en el centro de la ciudad y sirve a todos aquellos que vienen a la Catedral Basílica, la Iglesia Madre de la Arquidiócesis de Filadelfia. Nuestra comunidad parroquial profesa nuestra fe católica, ministra a los demás y da la bienvenida a todos, enraizada en la Palabra de Dios y la celebración de los sacramentos de Jesucristo, nuestro Señor y Salvador.

Adoptado por el Consejo Pastoral Parroquial, 10 de agosto del 2021

SACRAMENTO DE LA RECONCILIACIÓN

Los domingos a las 12:00 PM en la Capilla



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Sábado, 24 de octubre de 2026

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GILL



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9:00 AM - 4:00 PM



Desayuno ligero - Almuerzo - Bolsa de bienvenida

- \$25,00 por persona para la entrada general a la conferencia en español.
- Para registrarte haz clic aquí.

¿Tienes alguna pregunta? Llamar a Miriam Rodríguez (215) 320-8065

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REFLEXIÓN DEL PÁRROCO

Estimados feligreses,

Hoy es el décimo séptimo domingo del Tiempo Ordinario. Este domingo, una vez más, el Señor nos instruye en el santo evangelio sobre el reino de los cielos (véase Mateo 13, 44-52). Para el Señor, no hay nada de mayor valor para nosotros que formar parte de su reino, ahora y por toda la eternidad. Como he mencionado anteriormente, el reino de los cielos es el reinado de Cristo en nuestro interior, entre nosotros y tal como será en el cielo. ¿Es posible participar ahora de la gloria de Cristo en esta vida, tal como lo haremos en la eternidad? ¡Sí, lo es! Cristo ya vive en nosotros mediante la recepción de los sacramentos, especialmente la Sagrada Eucaristía. Nos corresponde reconocer su vida divina, compartida tan generosamente con nosotros, vivir de ella y dar testimonio de la misma. Debemos fomentar y proteger este estado de gracia mientras atravesamos estos tiempos que, a menudo, se oponen a él. Los invito a releer el evangelio del domingo pasado y el de este domingo para reflexionar un poco más sobre el tesoro del reino de los cielos. ¡Venga tu reino!

Hoy se celebra la Jornada Mundial de los Abuelos y de las Personas Mayores. Los abuelos desempeñan un papel muy importante en nuestras vidas. En reconocimiento a ello, el Papa Francisco estableció que el cuarto domingo de julio —el domingo más cercano a la memoria de los Santos Joaquín y Ana, abuelos del Señor Jesús, que se celebra el 26 de julio— fuera la *Jornada Mundial de los Abuelos y de las Personas Mayores*. ¡Qué feliz coincidencia que hoy sea precisamente dicha memoria litúrgica! Cuando el Santo Padre anunció esta celebración, dijo: “No sólo 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 tienen también una misión de evangelización, de anuncio, de oración y de guía de los jóvenes a la fe.” Oremos hoy por nuestros abuelos, tanto vivos como difuntos.

Dentro de pocas semanas se reanudarán nuestras sesiones semanales de Iniciación Cristiana para adultos y de Educación Religiosa para niños. Si usted es un adulto y desea recibir el Bautismo, la Confirmación y/o la Eucaristía, por favor llame a la oficina parroquial (215-561-1313) para obtener más información. Padres y tutores: si sus hijos están en edad escolar y no asisten a una escuela católica, por favor comuníquense con la oficina parroquial para asegurarse de que estén inscritos en un programa de educación religiosa.

Las Hermanas Siervas del Espíritu Santo de la Adoración Perpetua (conocidas popularmente como las “Hermanas Rosas” «Pink Sisters por su nombre en inglés» debido a sus hábitos de color rosa) son un tesoro en nuestro vecindario. Su Capilla del Divino Amor, ubicada en el 2212 de Green Street, ofrece la oportunidad —todos los días de la semana— de realizar una oración en silencio ante Nuestro Señor expuesto en el Santísimo Sacramento. Les invito a visitar su capilla durante estos días de verano.

Gracias a todos nuestros feligreses y visitantes por su bondad y generosidad hacia la parroquia de la Catedral. La segunda colecta del próximo domingo se destinará a los pobres y necesitados del vecindario de la parroquia de la Catedral. Pueden enviar sus ofrendas dominicales por correo a la oficina parroquial o realizar su donativo electrónicamente; por favor, consulten <http://cathedralphila.org/donate/>. Muchas gracias.

¡Dios los bendiga!
Padre Dennis Gill, Rector

SOLEMNIDAD DE ASUNCIÓN DE LA SANTÍSIMA VIRGEN MARÍA

SÁBADO, 15 DE AGOSTO DE 2026

Dado que este día festivo cae en sábado, la obligación queda suspendida.

Horario de Misas

Viernes, 14 de agosto de 2026

7:00 pm – Misa en español (Rosario y confesión a las 6:30 pm en la capilla)



LUMINISCENCE AT THE CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

This show has captivated millions of guests around the world and now is an opportunity to welcome visitors into the Mother Church of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia in a whole new way — and celebrate the 250th anniversary of the United States.

For additional details, please
[visit https://luminiscence.com/philadelphia](https://luminiscence.com/philadelphia)

LEGION OF MARY

Serving God in prayer and spiritual works of mercy under the guidance of the Holy Spirit and Mary. The largest lay organization in the Catholic Church with over 10 million active and auxiliary members worldwide. Started in 1921. Come and be a guest at one of our **Sunday meetings in the Neumann Room.**

July 26 from 11:30-1pm.

August 2, 9 and 30 from 1-2:30, August 16 and 23
from 11:30-1pm.

Any questions, contact Barbara at 610-585-0821.

ARE YOU GOING ON VACATION? Find a Catholic church online

If you go on vacation this summer it doesn't mean you have to stop attending Mass. Find Catholic churches and mass times by city, state, zip code, or country at
www.masstimes.org.

GET AHEAD OF MAKE-A-WILL MONTH

The same faith that guides our work serving Philadelphia's faithful calls us to help you protect what matters most.

Make-A-Will Month arrives in August.

You do not have to wait.

Through our partnership with MyCatholicWill.com, you have access to a free Catholic-friendly Will done in under 20 minutes from home.

Start today: mycatholicwill.com/cathedralphila

TAKE THE NEXT STEP IN YOUR FAITH JOURNEY

Is God calling you to take the next step in your faith journey?

If you are interested in becoming Catholic or completing your Sacraments of Initiation, we invite you to join our **Adult Faith Formation** sessions. Together we explore the beauty of the Catholic faith while preparing adults to receive **Baptism, Confirmation, and the Holy Eucharist**. All who wish to grow in their faith are warmly welcome.

For more information or to inquire about preparing for the Sacraments, please contact the Parish Office at 215-561-1313 or email us at info@cathedralphila.org.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS *La Rábida Council 1191*

The Knights of Columbus (KofC) is a global Catholic fraternal organization founded in 1882, and dedicated to the principles of CHARITY, UNITY, FRATERNITY, and PATRIOTISM. Through their Faith and these principles, brother Knights strive to diligently serve their parishes, communities, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

The **KofC La Rábida Council 1191** was founded here in Philadelphia in 1907; named after the Franciscan Friary in southern Spain where Christopher Columbus spent two years awaiting his famous voyage in 1492 to The New World. Today, our Council 1191 continues its tradition of service and sacrifice, and invites like-minded Catholic men to join us. Send us an email, or feel free to contact Tim Murphy at 215.236.9266.

DISABILITIES & AUTISM HELP-LINE

Do you need help accessing services and support for someone with an intellectual disability or autism? The CSS Developmental Programs **Help-Line** is available to answer your questions **484-472-5041**

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CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES

Dear parishioners, we kindly ask that you use the contribution envelopes that are mailed to your home. **If you prefer to switch to online giving, please let us know.** 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.

Join us in **PRAYER FOR PEACE IN OUR CITY**
Every Sunday from 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM
Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul
Parking available - All are Welcome!

ARE YOU BEING CALLED?

"There is no salvation through anyone else." Does a life of joy in knowing you are following the Lord as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life inspire you? **It is hard to discern without the right information.**

Contact the Vocation Office at 610-667-5778 or go to <https://heedthecall.org/>



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Congratulations to Capt. Lou Campione

At last month's Keys & Sword Gala, the Cathedral Basilica presented the 2026 Keys & Sword Award to **Captain Lou Campione**, recognizing his outstanding service, leadership, and commitment to the Philadelphia community.

Catholic Women's Conference 2026

Saturday, October 24, 2026, 9am-4:00pm,

National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa Doylestown

Join Catholic women from the greater Philadelphia area for a day of fun, friendship, faith formation and prayer at the Catholic Women's Conference. **The 2026 theme is "Real Beauty in an Artificial Age."** This year's women's conference is a day to detox from the false messages that surround us and ground ourselves in the truth: beauty is an expression of reality, reality that is *fallen yet redeemed, imperfect yet beloved*, because created by a good and loving God.

Speakers include: Sister Anna Laura Karp, OP, Colleen Carroll Campbell, Samantha Kelley, Katie Weiss, Catherine Rose, and Naomi Levis.

Tracks available in English and Spanish.

Register today at: <https://catholicwomensconference.org/>

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday, August 15, 2026

Since this Holy Day falls on a Saturday, the obligation is suspended.

Mass Schedule

Friday, August 14, 2026

5:15pm – English Mass in the Chapel

7:00pm – Spanish Mass

(Rosary and confession at 6:30pm in the Chapel)

Saturday, August 15, 2026

7:15 am in the Chapel, and 12:05 pm in the Basilica

10:00 am in the Basilica

(Solemn Mass in Latin according to the Missal of 1962)



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REGISTER TODAY

Join the Archdiocese of Philadelphia on a
Pilgrimage to South Korea

World Youth Day Seoul 2027

Hosted by the Office for Ministry with Young Adults

August 1 - 10, 2027

\$4190 per person + airfare (TBD)

Join young adults from the Archdiocese of Philadelphia on an unforgettable pilgrimage to World Youth Day 2027 in Seoul, South Korea. This 10-day journey combines participation in World Youth Day events with Pope Leo XIV, exploration of Korea's rich Catholic heritage, and immersion in Korean culture and history.

South Korea is home to one of the most inspiring stories of faith in the modern Church. Thousands of Korean Catholics gave their lives for Christ during brutal persecutions in the 18th and 19th centuries—and the faith not only survived but flourished. Today, pilgrims will walk in the footsteps of these martyrs while joining hundreds of thousands of young Catholics from around the world for the largest gathering of young people on earth.

Highlights include the Welcome Ceremony, Stations of the Cross, Prayer Vigil and Closing Mass with Pope Leo XIV, the USCCB Gathering for American pilgrims, visits to historic martyrdom sites including Jeoldusan Martyr's Shrine and the burial place of St. Andrew Kim Dae-geon, and exploration of traditional Korean culture at Jeonju Hanok Village and Gyeongbokgung Palace.

For more information or to register please visit www.prorometours.com/wydseoul or contact ProRome directly at (434) 953 1112 or by email at office@prorome.com

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