



***Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 7, 2014***

**“The conscience is a true teacher, and  
whoever listens to it will not stumble.”**

*St. Thalassios the Libyan*



***Sept. 6, Saturday, Weekday, BVM***

12:05 Umberto Giacomucci & family  
5:15 Elizabeth J. Masi

***Sept. 7, Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time***

8:00 For the People  
9:30 Norma McCann  
11:00 Antonia Gomez-Cruz  
12:30 Michele DiCandilo  
6:30 For the People

***Sept. 8, Monday, Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary***

7:15 The Sherry Family  
12:05 Fernando Marano

***Sept. 9, Tuesday, St. Peter Claver***

7:15 Mary Rush  
12:05 Filipina DiLullo

***Sept. 10, Wednesday, Weekday***

7:15 Kenneth Keller  
12:05 Diane Pogorzelski

***Sept. 11, Thursday, Weekday***

7:15 Eddie Livingston  
12:05 Nancy Calabree

***Sept. 12, Friday, Most Holy Name of Jesus***

7:15 The Sherry family  
12:05 Mary Harvey

***Sept. 13, Saturday, St. John Chrysostom***

12:05 Filomena DiCandillo  
5:15 Pfizenmayer & Linaugh Families

***Sept. 14, Exaltation of the Holy Cross***

8:00 For the People  
9:30 Mary Simonis Rush  
11:00 Jill  
12:30 Por las benditas animas del Pulgatorio  
6:30 For the People

Dear Parishioners,

Greetings in the Lord!

I am presently preparing a letter to be sent in a short time to all of our parishioners. This is the letter sent out each year by the Rector to update the census information and also to make an appeal for an annual offering for the parish. Both are important. However, I would like to speak to the first reason for the letter—updating the census information. The parish is growing and many of the people who are registering as members of the parish are under fifty years of age. This is a good sign. However, I want to do more than update the census information. We need to reach out to one another, to get to know one another and to assist one another in living our Faith.

I have invited some parishioners to be part of an Evangelization effort among our parishioners. This group, along with our parish priests, will propose and plan for meaningful ways to invite our parish community to be more intentional in their parish membership, to reach out to our parishioners that we don't frequently see, especially when we are together at Sunday Mass, to bring younger people together and older people together, to encourage the sacramental life. The list goes on of how we can build up our community of Faith. If you are interested in being a part of this newly formed group—the Parish Evangelization Team, please call the Parish Office.

One of our kind parishioners provides flowers occasionally for the Blessed Mother's altar in the Cathedral Chapel. This is an expression of her own love and devotion to Our Lady and this gesture encourages our devotion as well. I would like to invite anyone who might want to place flower arrangements on any of the side altars to feel free to do so. If you need assistance, simply ask the sacristan. This is one more way that we can see the Cathedral Basilica as our parish church, our place of prayer, our place of devotion.

God bless all of you,  
Father Dennis Gill

**YEAR LONG PREPARATION FOR  
THE 8<sup>TH</sup> WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES**

This Sunday inaugurates a year-long preparation of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia to host and be a part of the *World Meeting of Families* which will take place here in Philadelphia from September 22-27, 2015.

Prayer is an essential aspect of our preparation for the *World Meeting of Families*, prayer for our families and for the event itself. The official prayer for the World Meeting is:

*God and Father of us all,  
in Jesus, your Son and our Savior,  
you have made us  
your sons and daughters  
in the family of the Church.*

*May your grace and love  
help our families  
in every part of the world  
be united to one another  
in fidelity to the Gospel.*

*May the example of the Holy Family,  
with the aid of your Holy Spirit,  
guide all families, especially those most troubled,  
to be homes of communion and prayer  
and to always seek your truth and live in your love.*

*Through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

*Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us!*

The Archbishop has asked each parish recite this prayer prior to each Mass from Monday, September 8, 2014 until Sunday, September 27, 2015. The use of this prayer is encouraged for all parish meetings and by all our parishioners. Beginning tomorrow, the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we will begin—as a parish—to recite the prayer before each Mass. A framed copy of this prayer will be located at the Shrine of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the Basilica.

The Basilica will host the iconic painting of the Holy Family for the World Meeting of Families. More information on the World Meeting of Families, the official prayer (especially in other languages) and the painting of the Holy Family can be found at the event website:

[www.worldmeeting2015.org](http://www.worldmeeting2015.org)



***Please remember these parishioners and friends of the Cathedral Parish in your prayers:***

*Doris Davison, Nancy Tomaszewski, Therese & Bob Black, Robert & Marguerite Grant, Andrés Castillo, Antoinette Gonnella, Bryon Hoch, John Ruddick, Sr., Ryley June Nazario, Kim Whybrew, Josephina Bianco, Richard J. Mott, Charlotte McLaughlin, Patrick Gallagher, Sheila Kendall, Shahidah Kendall, Ralph Berarducci, Winifred McKeon, Teddy Beaver, Robert Honish, Molly Sujun, Edward Endrich, Nicole Carey, Ann Reilly, Mary Ellen Foyle, Bernard Thompson, Larry Ross, Samada family, John DeMelas, Nick Capozio, Linda Brigandi, Dottie Bianci, Alexia Mervine, Sarah Murnghan, Pauline Cope, Ted Rice, Rita Borsaris, Bernie Brill, Molly Sujun, Linda Brigandi, Elizabeth Grinder, Joe Capozio, Linda Watson, Michael Roman, Diane Motley, Jason Toomey, John Bradford, Brother Thomas Chadwick, Nick Pella, Maritza Gonzalez, Catalinaun bebe, Isaac Hernandez, and those in nursing homes or hospitals and all the sick. **Please call the Parish Office with the names of anyone who is sick to be included in our prayer list.***



*The Sanctuary Lamp Candle burns this week in the Cathedral Basilica*

*For Thomas Mullen, Sr.*

*Request Mullen Family*

**CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS  
THIS WEEK**

*Your Journey of Faith*

Thursday, September 11, 2014, 7:00-8:30 PM  
Neumann Room  
(entrance from the rear of the Basilica)

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 seeking more information on the reception of the Sacraments or assisting as a sponsor, please call the Parish Office at 215-561-1313.

**Augustine's Brothers**

**Augustine's Brothers** is a support/accountability group for men who struggle with pornography as well as other excessive sexual behaviors. Many men try to break themselves of this habit/addiction alone and fail time after time. This is something that cannot be done alone. The chains of bad habits and addiction are heavy but with God's grace and the support of other men who understand the struggle, you can break the chains! **YOU ARE NOT ALONE.** You can find the freedom and peace to become the man God created you to be.

**Augustine's Brothers** meets weekly in the Neumann Room on Tuesday nights from 7pm – 9pm. All inquiries are kept in strict confidentiality and one's wish to remain anonymous is highly respected. There is no need for registration, just come and join us.

For information visit: [AugustineBrothers.org](http://AugustineBrothers.org) or call 800-348-0758

**WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE BASILICA**

- Sept. 8** Evening of Recollection, Chapel and Chapel Hall, 7 pm
- Sept. 9** Augustine's Brothers Men's Group, Neumann Room, 6:30 pm
- Sept. 10** Charismatic Prayer Group, Neumann Room, 6 pm
- Sept. 11** First Catechetical Session, Neumann Room, 7 pm  
Topic: Your Journey of Faith - Room, 7 pm
- Sept. 13** Archdiocesan Boy & Girl Choir Rehearsal, Chapel Hall, 9:30 am
- Sept. 13/14** Black & Indian Missions Collection
- Sept. 15** Archdiocesan Choir Rehearsal, Chapel Hall, 7:30 pm
- Sept. 15** Augustine's Brothers Men's Group, Neumann Room, 6 pm



**FOOD/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. Also needed are men's socks, shirts, small individual toiletries.

Thank you for your continued generosity. God Bless.



The Sunday Collection for the weekend of 8/31/14 was \$5,655. Thank you for your generous support! We rely upon the sacrificial generosity of our parishioners and visitors.

7 de Septiembre del 2014

Domingo vigesimotercero durante el año

LECTURAS CICLO A

**Primera lectura:** *Ezequiel 33, 7-9.* El profeta subraya su responsabilidad (y la nuestra): si no corrige a la gente descarriada, se le pedirá cuenta. Así el cristiano debe recordar su responsabilidad hacia los demás y corregirlos.

**Segunda lectura:** *Romanos 13, 8-10.* Pablo exhorta a los cristianos a no tener otra deuda mutua, sino el amor, porque el amor es la plenitud de la ley.

**Evangelio:** *Mateo 18, 15-20.* Jesús enseña a sus discípulos la necesidad de la corrección fraterna y cómo hacerla para que surta efecto.

¿Buscan información sobre cómo puede recibir los sacramentos de iniciación tales como el bautismo, comunión y confirmación?

*Vayan y hagan discípulos de todas las naciones, bautizándoles en la nombre del Padre y del Hijo y del Espíritu Santo. (Mateo 28:19)*

Las Sacramentos de iniciación reciben a los que buscan a Dios y desean aprender más acerca de la fe Católica. Nos alegra ayudar a la gente en su preparación para integrarse totalmente a la Iglesia Católica por medio de los sacramentos de Bautismo, Confirmación y Eucaristía.

Nos reunimos para reflexionar sobre el significado del mensaje bíblico de Jesús en nuestras vidas personales, y poco a poco, venimos a ser parte de la Comunidad de Fe, aprendiendo más acerca de las creencias y tradiciones de la Iglesia y profundizando en nuestro compromiso con Dios y la forma de Vida Católica.

Algunas actividades específicas incluyen oración, participación en actividades parroquiales.

Para más información, por favor, comunicarse con el Señor Jim Browne (habla muy bien el español) o con el Padre Angelo J. Hernández. Dios los bendiga.

EVENING OF RECOLLECTION

Monday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014

7:00—9:00 PM Cathedral Chapel

The evening will consist of: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, a talk based on the theme “Prayer and Entering into the Sacred Heart of Jesus,” time for adoration, group, and private prayer, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, and refreshments. The purpose of the evening is to provide time for prayer and spiritual formation. Fostering a personal relationship with God is crucial in our lives if we are to remain close to Him. He is the friend who is always there for us and time contemplating Him is a marvelous opportunity for spiritual growth.

*This evening is the first in series to take place throughout the Archdiocese over the next several months and is sponsored by the Saint John Neumann Chapter of Catholics United for the Faith.*

ALL ARE WELCOME!



Readings of the Week

**Monday: September 8**

Micah 5:1-4a/Psalm 13:6ab, 6c  
Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23

**Tuesday: September 9**

1 Corinthians 6:1-11/Psalm 149:1b-6a, 9b  
Luke 6:12-19

**Wednesday: September 10**

1 Corinthians 7:25-31/Psalm 45:11, 12, 14-17  
Luke 6:20-26

**Thursday: September 11**

1 Corinthians 8:1b-7, 11-13/Psalm 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24/Luke 6:27-38

**Friday: September 12**

1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22b-27/Psalm 84:3-6, 12  
Luke 6:39-42

**Saturday: September 13**

1 Corinthians 10:14-22/Psalm 116:12-13, 17-18  
Luke 6:43-49

**Sunday: September 14**

Numbers 21:4b-9/Psalm 78:1bc-2, 34-38  
Philippians 2:6-11/John 3:13-17

## WORDS FROM POPE FRANCIS.....

Reflecting on the words of any Pope helps us to grow in our faith—after all, he is our shepherd, the one who calls us on as one body in Christ. We will offer short excerpts taken from Pope Francis' addresses and homilies since his election which will reflect the themes that we can expect to hear again and again during his pontificate.....

### **Evangelizing Gives Us Joy**

[On the day of Pentecost] Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit and “standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice” and “confidently” (Acts 2:14, 29) proclaimed the good news of Jesus, who gave his life for our salvation and whom God raised from the dead. This is another effect of the Holy Spirit's action: the courage to proclaim the newness of the gospel of Jesus to all, confidently (with *parrhesia*), in a loud voice, in every time and in every place.

Today too, this happens for the Church and for each one of us: the fire of Pentecost, from the action of the Holy Spirit, releases an ever new energy for mission, new ways in which to proclaim the message of salvation, new courage for evangelizing. Let us never close ourselves to this action! Let us live the gospel humbly and courageously!

Let us witness to the newness, hope, and joy that the Lord brings to life. Let us feel within us “the delightful and comforting joy of evangelizing” (*Evangelii Nuntiandi*, 80). Because evangelizing, proclaiming Jesus, gives us joy. Instead, egoism makes us bitter, sad, and depresses us. Evangelizing uplifts us.



### **Basilica Tours**

A guided tour of the Basilica is available **after the Sunday 11 am Mass**. Please meet in front of the side altar of the Sacred Heart, which is to the right of the Main Altar.



Las inscripciones para los niños comenzaron  
el **17 de agosto**  
y las clases empezarán  
el **21 de septiembre a las 9:30 am**.

Lugar de encuentro será en  
la **Capilla de la Catedral**.

Para mayor información llamar al **(215) 386-5016**  
y preguntar por la **Hermana Silvia Robalino** o si  
desea hablar con ella en persona, el domin-  
go **después de la Misa en Español de las**  
**12:30pm** en la Capilla de la Catedral.

¡Le Esperamos con gran entusiasmo,  
a nuestro Señor

Jesucristo ese gesto le agradecerá!

¡Qué Dios los bendiga!

### **Atria 2nd Annual Dinner-to-Go**

This fundraiser supports Atria Senior Living Center's Alzheimer's Walk Team. Atria chefs will prepare a dinner to go and the donations will go to the Alzheimer's Association. The menu is homemade Caesar Salad, Chicken Parmesan and Tiramisu for dessert. The cost is \$10. Order by Monday, Sept. 8 by calling 215-564-5455 or you can email: [lisa.phlaumer@AtriaSeniorLiving.com](mailto:lisa.phlaumer@AtriaSeniorLiving.com). Once you place your order, you will receive an email confirmation with instructions for easy pick up on Wednesday, Sept. 10 after 4 pm.

### **Tithing Online**

You can make weekly, monthly or quarterly contributions or other donations on-line, either from your personal checking account or a debit/credit card. Go to our new website: **[www.cathedralphila.org](http://www.cathedralphila.org)** and click on “Make A Donation” and follow the instructions.

One option is to manually make weekly or monthly donations or you can have your credit/debit card or checking account automatically debited each week/month.

We hope this service will provide convenience and ease to our parishioners and visitors. Thank you for your truly generous support during this difficult financial time and for your continued interest in our Parish!