

***The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 16, 2014***

**“That which would have easily been remedied at first,
becomes incurable by time and habit.”**

St. Ignatius of Loyola



Nov. 15, Saturday, St. Albert the Great

12:05 Susan Montezinos
5:15 Albert Randazzo

Nov. 16, Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 Pro Populo - For the People
9:30 Quici, Galipo & Greco families
11:00 John, Sis, Mike Sorge
12:30 Dott Desiderio
6:30 Pro Populo - For the People

Nov. 17, Monday, St. Elizabeth of Hungary

7:15 The Sherry family
12:05 Elisa Ionata

Nov. 18, Tuesday, St. Rose Philippine Duchesne

7:15 Christopher Peterson
12:05 Mary Harvey

Nov. 19, Wednesday, Weekday

7:15 Paul J. Rigby
12:05 Juan Chico

Nov. 20, Thursday, Weekday

7:15 Joseph Anderson
12:05 Robert Joseph “Bob” Griess

Nov. 21, Friday, Presentation of the BVM

7:15 The Sherry Family
12:05 Jeanne L. Byrnes

Nov. 22, Saturday, St. Cecilia

12:05 Carolina Pomponio
5:15 Mary Ann Sinibaldi

Nov. 23, Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:00 Pro Populo - For the People
9:30 Charles Galipo
11:00 Robert Donner
12:30 Pauline Saldutti
6:30 Pro Populo - For the People

Dear Parishioners,

The Cathedral Parish community will observe two very significant events over the next two week-ends. Please plan on being a part of these celebrations and spread the word to friends and neighbors.

Next Sunday, the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, we celebrate the **150th Anniversary of the Consecration of the Cathedral** at all the Masses. The 11:00 AM Solemn Mass will be the principal celebration of the anniversary. A Commemorative Book of the Cathedral Anniversary will be available for sale before and after each Sunday Mass. Tours of the Basilica will be available after each Mass and throughout the afternoon. An exhibit of photos and memorabilia of the Cathedral’s history will be displayed for the weekend. Let us pray the Lord will especially bless our parish on this anniversary.

On Sunday, November 30, the First Sunday of Advent, through Tuesday, December 2, 2014, the Cathedral Parish will observe the **Annual Eucharistic Devotion, the Forty Hours**. It is a long standing tradition that the Cathedral Parish, as the Mother Church, begins the Forty Hours in the Archdiocese with the beginning of the new Liturgical Year. Next Sunday’s bulletin will contain an insert with the complete schedule of the Forty Hours. Parishioners are encouraged next weekend to commit to an hour of adoration on the sign-up poster in the vestibule. The Forty Hours provides our parish community the opportunity to come together before our Eucharistic Lord with great faith and devotion for so wonderful a gift, especially Holy Communion as Heaven’s food for the family.

I am so grateful to all our parishioners who have sent in to the Parish Office their updated census information and financial gift. If you haven’t done so as of yet, please consider doing so this coming week. Thank you again!

God bless all of you,
Father Dennis Gill



The Sanctuary Lamp Candle burns this week in the Cathedral Basilica

For Carmela Centrella-Kracke

Request of Steve & Carmel Couch

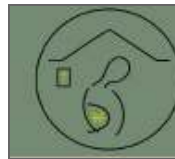


Donations are accepted for intentions for the Sanctuary Lamp in the Basilica and the Cathedral Chapel. This candle burns perpetually as a reminder that Jesus is truly and really present in the tabernacle. If you wish to make the suggested donation of fifteen dollars for an intention for a Sanctuary Lamp, you may contact the Parish Office directly or place your intention and offering in the collection basket.

Baptisms and Baptism Preparation Session

The celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism is the doorway to the Christian life and to all the other Sacraments. As such, preparation of the parents and for the Baptism itself deserve very special attention. As of this January 2015, the celebration of Baptism at the Cathedral Parish will take place on the first Sunday of each month at 12:30 PM after the 11:00 AM Solemn Mass. Everyone is welcome. The celebration will be carried out with liturgical music and with a great sense of hospitality.

Also, beginning this January 2015, a *Baptism Preparation Session* will take place on the third Sunday of each month in anticipation of the celebration of the Sacrament. Parents in the Cathedral Parish are obligated to participate. The session is open to all of our neighbor parishes and to godparents as well. Parents are encouraged to participate during pregnancy, if at all possible. Please call the Parish Office to register for the Baptism Preparation Session. It will take place in the Neumann Room behind the Cathedral.



Blessed Margaret of Castello
Home for Crisis Pregnancies

Philadelphia and South Eastern Pennsylvania
215-345-1029

We have designated the 4th Sunday of each month for collecting donations to the Blessed Margaret of Castello Home for Crisis Pregnancies. Items most in need are: Similac Advance Formula, Diapers (size 4 and 5), Baby bottles and “Onesies” in all sizes. You can bring in your donations NEXT Sunday and leave them in the sacristy.

Thank you for your continued generosity.
God bless.

CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS THIS WEEK

Catholics and the Church

Thursday, November 20, 2014, 7:00-8:30 PM
Neumann Room
(entrance at 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, is invited to call the Parish Office at 215-561-1313.



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

*Anna Marie Burgio, Jeanine Tingeter, Bobby Mitchell, Shirley King, Thomas Sabol, Tom Fiordimondo, Doris Davison, Nancy Tomaszewski, Therese & Bob Black, Robert & Marguerite Grant, Andrés Castillo, Antoinette Gonnella, Bryon Hoch, 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 Sujan, 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 Sujan, Linda Brigandi, Elizabeth Grinder, Joe Capozio, Linda Watson, Michael Roman, Diane Motley, Jason Toomey, Brother Thomas Chadwick, Nick Pella, Maritza Gonzalez, 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.***

Communion of 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, and Watermark.**

Therefore, if you are aware of anyone who would like a priest to visit and celebrate 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.*

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE BASILICA

Nov. 15/16 St. Charles Borromeo Collection -
Seminarian speaker at all Masses

Nov. 15 Archdiocesan Girls/Boys Choir
Rehearsal, Chapel Hall, 9:30 am

Nov. 15 Roman H.S. Alumni Mass, 9:30 am

Nov. 16 Men's Discernment Group, Neumann
Room, 7:30 pm

Nov. 18 Augustine's Brothers, Neumann Room,
6:30 pm

Nov. 19 Charismatic Prayer Group, Neumann
Room, 6 pm

Nov. 20 Catechetical Session, Neumann Room
7pm

*In order to help us prepare for the **World Meeting of Families** and the anticipated visit from Pope Francis, a catechism on family life entitled, **Love is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive**, has been prepared. Each month for the next ten months, our parish will reflect on one chapter from this catechism. You can order a copy of this beautifully illustrated catechism and learn about the World Meeting of Families at WorldMeeting2015.org.*

November 2014: Chapter 1: Created For Joy

"Love is Our Mission" because love is our origin and destiny. Created in the image of God, a human being is created for communion, which means that loving God and neighbor is the reason for our existence. Catholics believe these things because of Jesus, our bedrock and cornerstone. Jesus suffered and yet persevered in love; he was crucified and yet rose again. In Jesus, we believe that the Creator of the universe became one of us, revealing not only who God is, but also who we are created to be and become. In a world of anxiety and doubt, Jesus is trustworthy. When we follow Jesus, body and soul, even when it hurts and requires sacrifice, we are living lives of integrity, for only in living this way will our lives coincide with the reason for our existence. This brings us great joy. We sin and stumble, but the God we meet in Christ is faithful even when we are not. God's forgiveness is a gift that gives us back to ourselves, enabling us to embrace our mission and destiny anew. Catholic Sacraments and moral teachings serve this destiny. The Sacraments are a genuine encounter with Christ, while the moral teachings show what Christ-like love looks like in particular situations. Catholic life summons us to heroism and adventure even in ordinary daily life. The world is charged with the beauty and grace of God, and neighbors who need our love and kindness are all around us.

Please keep reading the *Love Is Our Mission* catechism for more! ~ Dr. Christopher C. Roberts, editor, *Love is Our Mission* Preparatory Catechism.

Did you know? The World Meeting of Families event was established by Pope St. John Paul II in 1994. It is held every three years in cities across the world. 2015 is the first time it will be in the United States. Its goals are (1) to strengthen family bonds and (2) to give witness to the fundamental role of the family in society. Learn more at WorldMeeting2015.org.

Living Stewardship Now

USE IT OR LOSE IT

Talents in Jesus' time were large silver ingots. We define talents as our God-given abilities. Either way talents are there for a purpose—to be used. As Jesus' story shows, money has no value if it is buried. Our abilities are just as worthless if we never use them. Do you know what yours are? They are those special aptitudes unique to you. Unfortunately, the stories of the saints have not always helped us. Some of us believe we have to have extraordinary gifts like them to do anything worthwhile. Not long ago a scientist set up an experiment. She matched people recently diagnosed with multiple sclerosis with people who had had the same illness longer. She expected the newly-diagnosed would show an improved outlook with a new "buddy," and this proved true. Surprisingly, the outlook of the helpers improved even more. Just the listening and befriending made all the difference. Think carefully about what your true abilities are and use them for welcoming, spreading joy, making peace, healing, or comforting.

Living Stewardship Now

"Hide not your talents. They for use were made. What's a sundial in the shade?" —*Benjamin Franklin (1706–1790), American Founding Father, scientist, inventor, statesman, printer, and philosopher*

ALL SOULS MEMORIAL CANDLE

These six day candles are available all throughout the month of November as we join with the Church and pray for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. You are invited to remember especially your beloved deceased with an *All Souls Memorial Candle*. These candles burn at the All Souls Altar on the Race Street side of the Basilica and remind us of our prayers for those who have died.

A fifteen dollar donation is requested for each candle and your request for prayers for your loved one will be placed on the candle. You can obtain a candle in the Cathedral Sacristy before or after Mass or complete the information below and place it along with your donation in the collection basket.

NAME _____

16 de Noviembre del 2014

**Domingo trigesimotercero
durante el año**

LECTURAS CICLO A

Primera lectura: *Proverbios 31, 10-13, 19-20, 30-31.* Un hermoso poema sobre las cualidades de la mujer perfecta: es trabajadora, solidariza con los pobres, es sabia, entregada a su familia y generosa con Dios.

Segunda lectura: *1 Tesalonicenses 5, 1-6.* Exhortación de Pablo a los cristianos a vivir despiertos, a la espera del Señor que vendrá de repente, "como un ladrón en la noche".

Evangelio: *Mateo 25, 14-30.* La parábola de los talentos, un mensaje exigente: los talentos que Dios nos da con abundancia son para ponerlos al servicio del prójimo, no para guardarlos egoístamente.



Readings of the Week

Monday: November 17

Revelation 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Psalm 1:1-4, 6
Luke 18:35-43

Tuesday: November 18

Revelation 3:1-6, 14-22/Psalm 15:2-4ab, 5
Luke 19:1-10

Wednesday: November 19

Revelation 4:1-11/Psalm 150:1b-6
Luke 19:11-28

Thursday: November 20

Revelation 5:1-10/Psalm 149:1b-6a, 9b
Luke 19:41-44

Friday: November 21

Revelation 10:8-11/Psalm 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131
Luke 19:45-48

Saturday: November 22

Revelation 11:4-12/Psalm 144: 1, 2, 9-10
Luke 20:27-40

Sunday: November 16

Ezekiel 34: 11-12, 15-17/Psalm 23:1-3, 5-6
1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28/Matthew 25:31-46

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 which will reflect the themes that we can expect to hear again and again during his pontificate.....

Mary Teaches Us to Make Good Decisions

A good mother not only accompanies her children in their growth, without avoiding the problems and challenges of life; a good mother also helps them *to make definitive decisions with freedom*. This is not easy, but a mother knows how to do it. But what does freedom mean? It is certainly not doing whatever you want, allowing yourself to be dominated by the passions, to pass from one experience to another without discernment, to follow the fashions of the day; freedom does not mean, so to speak, throwing everything that you don’t like out the window. No, that is not freedom! Freedom is given to us so that we know how to make good decisions in life! Mary as a good mother teaches us to be, like her, capable of making definitive decisions; definitive choices, at this moment in a time controlled by, so to speak, a philosophy of the provisional. It is very difficult to make a lifetime commitment. And she helps us to make those definitive decisions in the full freedom with which she said “yes” to the plan God had for her life (cf. Luke 1:38).



The Sunday Collection for the weekend of 11/09/14 was \$6,743. Thank you for your generous support! We rely upon the sacrificial generosity of our parishioners and visitors.

Dear Deacon Micucci and Parishioners of the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul:
In a few short weeks we will be celebrating the Feast of Thanksgiving. Here at the Blessed Margaret Home, we reflect on how much we have to be thankful for. Due to the generosity of many of you, our residents have a warm, safe environment in which to prepare to bring new life into the world. Our Outreach Program for pregnant women in the community also continues to grow and flourish.
On behalf of these women and their children, I extend my sincere thanks to you for delivering the recent donations. It was well needed and most appreciated by all.
God bless,
Melissa Rizzo-Bilynsky
Director
Blessed Margaret of Castello
Home for Crisis Pregnancies

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 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 commitment in our Parish!

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.