



Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 23, 2014

“.....thy Kingdom come.....”



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

Nov. 24, Monday, St. Andrew Dung-Lac

7:15 The Sherry family
12:05 Ann Zuccarini

Nov. 25, Tuesday, St. Catherine of Alexandria

7:15 Henry J. Hagan
12:05 Florence Frankowski

Nov. 26, Wednesday, Weekday

7:15 The Sherry family
12:05 Warren H. Young

Nov. 27, Thursday, Thanksgiving Day

9:00 Elizabeth J. Masi

Nov. 28, Friday, Weekday

12:05 Albert J. Rusko

Nov. 29, Saturday, Weekday

12:05 Arturo Giacomucci
5:15 Doris Whitman

Nov. 30, First Sunday of Advent

8:00 Pro Populo - For the People
9:30 Wiley-Gilligan families
11:00 Antonio DeMarsico
12:30 Esther Torres
6:30 Pro Populo - For the People

Dear Parishioners,

Today is our Anniversary Day! Today, we celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the Consecration of our beautiful Cathedral Church. May the Lord continue to bless the Cathedral Parish and all those who come to our Cathedral Church with the graces and favors needed most to live according to the plan of God.

Next Sunday, November 30, the First Sunday of Advent, begins our Annual Eucharistic Devotion, the Forty Hours. *Please take note of the insert in today's parish bulletin with the complete schedule for this devotion.* Please make every effort to participate in this wonderful expression of our Catholic Faith in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. Today and throughout this week a sign-up poster will be in the vestibule for parishioners to commit to a period of adoration before the Most Blessed Sacrament. *Holy Communion as Heaven's Food for the Family* is our theme for the Forty Hours.

With the First Sunday of Advent next week, all of us are reminded during this week to consider how we will observe this liturgical season to prepare for the Nativity of the Lord, for Christmas. Everything around us suggests that it is already Christmas. As Christians, we need the four weeks of Advent to prepare, especially interiorly, for the share in the divinity of Jesus given to us with his Birth. Perhaps you might consider coming to daily Mass also during the weeks of Advent. Also, opportunities for the Sacrament of Confession will be significantly increased during Advent here at the Cathedral Parish and this information will be in next Sunday's parish bulletin. The Advent Wreath will be blessed at the Anticipated Mass for the First Sunday of Advent. Information on our Advent Giving Tree will also be in next week's bulletin. Advent passes so quickly, and more so if we don't give it some serious thought beforehand.

Happy Thanksgiving to all our parishioners and visitors! Come to the Cathedral Chapel for the 9:00 AM Mass on Thanksgiving Day, if possible.

God bless all of you,
Father Dennis Gill



The Sanctuary Lamp Candle burns this week in the Cathedral Basilica

For Pauline Saldutti

Request of Diane & Reg McKinstry

In the Cathedral Basilica Chapel

For David Joseph DiPinto

Request of Margaret DiPinto



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.

Holy Hour for the Family and Mass for the First Sunday of Advent with the Blessing and Distribution of Replicas of the Holy Family Iconic Painting

Sunday, November 30

Holy Hour at 5:30 PM

Mass at 6:30 PM

During this Mass for the First Sunday of Advent, Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap. will bless and distribute small replicas of the World Meeting of Families Holy Family iconic painting to every household in attendance. The Mass will be preceded by a Holy Hour for the Family set in the context of the Cathedral Parish's Forty Hours Devotion. Confessions will be heard beginning at 5:30 pm. These are powerful moments of grace that will help you and your family prepare for the World Meeting of Families. All families and households are invited!

Thanksgiving Mass Schedule

Thursday, Nov. 27 - 9:00 AM Mass only

Friday, Nov. 28 - 12:05 PM Mass only

The priests and staff of the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul wish everyone a wonderful and blessed Thanksgiving. The Parish Office will be closed on Friday, November 28.

Getting Through the Christmas Holidays After the Death of a Loved One

Monday, December 1 - 7:00 PM

Reverend Joseph Leggiere, teaching Chaplain at Jefferson Hospital, will speak at St. Paul's Church, 923 Christian Street, Philadelphia. There is parking across the street in the school lot. For more information call 215-923-0355

CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS NEXT WEEK

The Sacraments

Thursday, December 4, 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, Bryan Anderson 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.

AN INVITATION TO ALL HIGH
SCHOOL AND ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL FAMILIES

Dear Parents and Students,

The purpose of my letter is twofold: to make you aware that you are always welcome at the Cathedral Parish and that we would really like to get to know you personally. So to begin this process, we cordially invite you to attend the 11 AM Mass on Sunday, December 7th. Following the Mass there will be a social held in the Neumann Room (entrance at the rear of the Basilica).

This will be an informal opportunity to greet, meet and to socialize. We hope you find warmth and hospitality here. As you become more acquainted with us, you may find an area in which to share your time and talent with us. We invite you to meet other families from schools across our area and share some new experiences as families during the great season of Advent. The success of our parish depends on the work and cooperation of all of us.

Light refreshments will be provided. Please call Carol Ruddick or Father Angelo to RSVP. The phone number of the parish is 215-561-1313 or email: info@cathedralphila.org

We are really looking forward to seeing you! Please know that our door is always open to you.

God bless you,

Fr. Angelo J. Hernandez

Parochial Vicar

**FIRST FRIDAY EXPOSITION
OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Friday, December 5, 2014

11:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Cathedral Chapel

The Most Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for adoration before the 12:05 PM Mass.

Please come to adore the Lord!

Confessions will be available on the First Friday beginning at 11:00 AM.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE BASILICA

Nov. 24 Choir rehearsal, Chapel Hall, 7:30 pm

Nov. 25 Augustine's Brothers, Neumann Room, 6:30 pm

Nov. 26 Charismatic Prayer Group, Neumann Room, 6 pm

Nov. 27 Thanksgiving Day - one Mass at 9:00 am

Nov. 27 No Catechetical Sessions tonight

Nov. 28 Day after Thanksgiving - one Mass at 12:05 pm

Nov. 30 Holy Hour at 5:30 pm with blessing of the World Meeting of Family icons

Dec. 1 Forty Hours - 7 pm Evening Prayer

Dec. 2 Forty Hours - 7 pm Evening Prayer

Dec. 2 Augustine's Brothers, Neumann Room, 6:30 pm

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 _____

23 de Noviembre del 2014

**Solemnidad de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo,
Rey del Universo**

LECTURAS CICLO A

Primera lectura: *Ezequiel 34, 11-12, 15-17.* Con una parábola, el profeta presenta a Dios como pastor de su pueblo que reporcha a los reyes y jefes del pueblo haber descuidado a la grey.

Segunda lectura: *1 Corintios 15, 20-26, 28.* Este texto de Pablo nos reconforta en nuestra actividad misionera por el Reino. Cristo al final vencerá a la muerte y entregará al Padre el universo redimido y reconciliado para que “Dios sea todo en todas las cosas”.

Evangelio: *Mateo 25, 31-46.* La mejor síntesis del Evangelio de hoy nos la sugiere san Juan de la Cruz: “En la tarde de nuestra vida seremos juzgados sobre el amor”; el amor de obras concretas para con los hermanos.

**FrostFest
December 6, 13 and 20 (Saturdays)
10 AM to 2 PM
Sister Cities Park
(across from the Basilica)**

There will be a Santa, costumed carolers, ice carving demonstrations, sweet treats, hot chocolate bar, free carriage rides, crafts and a traveling science show sponsored by the Franklin Institute. There will also be music, kids Christmas Karaoke and much more.

Living Stewardship Now

A King Like No Other

We have not elected God as president. There are no referendums on God’s will, and no chance of recall votes. God as King seems strange in our democratic, individualistic society. Jesus experienced oppressive rulers—think of Herod and Pontius Pilate—but he connected his kingly status to humble service, and instructed his followers to be servants. He humbled himself, became human, suffered, and died for us. The Lord of glory hung on a cross of shame to free us from the bondage of sin and death. He is Lord, King, and Judge, but his justice is intended to lead to our repentance and ultimate salvation. We believe “he will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.” The scriptures say that God delays Christ’s return so we all have time to repent. Christ our King offers us true freedom as the beloved children of God.

Living Stewardship Now

A prayer to Christ the King from the liturgy:
Almighty and Merciful God, you break the power of evil and make all things new in you Son Jesus Christ, the King of the universe. May all in heaven and earth acclaim your glory and never cease to praise you. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.
(The Roman Missal, *Opening Prayer for Our Lord Jesus Christ the King.*



Readings of the Week

Monday: November 24

Revelation 14:1-3, 4b-5/Psalm 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6
Luke 21:1-4

Tuesday: November 25

Revelation 14:14-19/Psalm 96:10-13
Luke 21:5-11

Wednesday: November 26

Revelation 15:1-4/Psalm 98:1-3ab, 7-9
Luke 21:12-19

Thursday: November 27

Revelation 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Psalm 100:1b-5
Luke 21:20-28

Friday: November 28

Revelation 20:1-4, 11—21:2/Psalm 84:3-6a, 8a
Luke 21:29-33

Saturday: November 29

Revelation 22:1-7/Psalm 95:1-7ab
Luke 21:34-36

Sunday: November 30

Isaiah 63:16b-17,19b;64:2-7/Psalm80:2-3,15-16,18-19
1 Corinthians 1:3-9/Mark 13:33-37

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.....

The Lord Entrusts Us to His Mother

Jesus from the cross says to Mary, indicating John, "Woman, behold your son!" and to John, "Here is your mother!" (cf. John 19:26, 27). In that disciple we are all represented: The Lord entrusts us to the loving and tender hands of the Mother, that we might feel her support in facing and overcoming the difficulties of our human and Christian journey; to never be afraid of the struggle, to face it with the help of the Mother

A Prayer to Mary

Mary, woman of listening, open our ears; grant us to know how to listen to the word of your Son Jesus among the thousands of words of this world; grant that we may listen to the reality in which we live, to every person we encounter, especially those who are poor, in need, in hardship.

Mary, woman of decision, illuminate our mind and our heart so that we may obey, unhesitating, the word of your Son Jesus; give us the courage to decide, not to let ourselves be dragged along, letting others direct our life.

Mary, woman of action, may our hands and feet move "with haste" toward others, to bring them the charity and love of your Son Jesus, to bring the light of the gospel to the world, as you did. Amen.



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.

An Encounter with St. Thérèse of Lisieux and her parents, Blessed Louis and Zélie Martin

The **Carmelite Monastery** in Oak Lane invites you to pray and adore the Eucharist in their chapel on **Sunday, December 7, 2014**, from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

At 1:00 PM Maureen O'Riordan will speak on "**The Philadelphia Carmel as the Birthplace of Devotion to St. Therese in the United States, Part II: the Philadelphia Carmel's Relationship with the Lisieux Carmel.**"

From 10:00 AM to 3:30 PM the **Carmelite Bookstore** will be open. Choose spiritual gifts that reflect the true meaning of Christmas!

At 3:30 PM **Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament** will close the day. For details, please see <http://thereseoflisieux.org/december>.

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 TO our Parish!



The Sunday Collection for the weekend of 11/09/14 was \$6,705; 11/16/14 was \$10,355 Thank you for your generous support! We rely upon the sacrificial generosity of our parishioners and visitors.