

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 19, 2015

"The Holy Rosary is the storehouse of countless blessings"

Blessed Alan de la Roche



July 18, Saturday, St. Camillus de Lellis

12:05 Filomena DiCandilo5:15 Giuseppe Iacovella

July 19, Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 Pro Populo - For the People of the Parish

9:30 Quici, Galipo & Greco family

11:00 Dolores Letier

12:30 Claudio Colon

6:30 Pro Populo - For the People

July 20, Monday, St. Apollinaris

7:15 Pamela Bemer

12:05 Richard Stohler

July 21, Tuesday, St. Lawrence of Brindisi

7:15 Mary Persia & Doris Schatzman

12:05 Kenneth E. Geiselhart

July 22, Wednesday, St. Mary Magdalene

7:15 Pamela Winning

12:05 Vincent Milione

July 23, Thursday, St. Bridget

7:15 Sharon & John Best (L)

12:05 Edward L Witenberger

July 24, Friday, St. Sharbel Makhlūf

7:15 Anthony Busillo

12:05 Marjorie Katz

July 25, Saturday, St. James, Apostle

12:05 Jil

5:15 Marguerite Sweeney

July 26, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 Pro Populo - For the People of the Parish

9:30 Vincent J. Benedetti

11:00 Deceased friends in San Giacomo

12:30 Nazario Jimenez

6:30 Pro Populo - For the People

Dear Parishioners,

There are a number of people who work together to make the buildings of the Cathedral Parish look so clean and beautiful, especially for the celebration of the Sacred Liturgy and for our many visitors. There are also a number of sacristans who assist the priests in the preparations for the Sacred Liturgy every day of the week. In both of these groups of hard working and generous people, some are employed and some are volunteers. These people are often unnoticed and yet we could not do all that we do here at the Cathedral Parish without them.

The maintenance staff has only one fulltime employee of the parish. The other members of the staff include three part time employees. These four men, together, follow a routine supervised by Mr. Nicholas Martino, our maintenance and facilities supervisor, to see that every part of the Cathedral campus is properly cleaned and maintained each week. This same crew prepares for special events and Cathedral needs as they arise and regularly meet the challenges of a 150 year old church with the unexpected demands of the great variety of people who make use of the Mother Church of the Archdiocese. Our maintenance staff is also assisted by women volunteers who do occasional chores in the Cathedral to supplement the regular routine maintenance. I know that you join me in thanking them for their great service. As you can imagine, these summer months have them extra busy with preparations for the September World Meeting of Families and the visit of our Holy Father to our Cathedral Basilica.

The corps of sacristans is growing. We have three part time employees as sacristans and five volunteer sacristans. You may know their faces but often they are in the sacristy behind the scenes making all the arrangements for the celebration of Mass and the other Sacraments. The sacristans have the task of insuring that all the elements needed for the celebration of the Sacred Liturgy are prepared and in place ahead of time for the reverent celebration of the Sacred Mysteries. The list of duties is long and detailed for a sacristan and often they work in groups of two or more, especially for the more solemn liturgical occasions. Most of us come to Mass and everything is in place and we rightfully expect this. This is the case because of the fine work of our sacristans. I know that you join me in thanking them for their great service. Our sacristans, like our maintenance staff, have additional duties and responsibilities this summer as we prepare for the events of this September.

The second collection at Mass next Sunday will be to supplement the utility costs for the Cathedral Parish. Thank you so very much for all of your goodness and generosity to the Cathedral Parish in so many ways.

God bless you, Father Dennis Gill



The Sanctuary Lamp Candle burns this week in the Cathedral Basilica for:

Lawrence Antonucci

Request of Pascale Family

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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.



Congratulations To Our High School Students

Michael McLeon - Roman High School, Second Honors

Luke Barrett - St. Joseph's Prep, First Honors

Madeline Resnic - Merion Mercy Academy, Honors

Project HOME and Pope Francis

Project HOME in support of the World Meeting of Families invites you to join us in honoring the vision of Pope Francis to help those who are struggling with hunger, homelessness and poverty. There many ways to get involved www.mercyandjustice.org. You can respond to the concrete and immediate needs of those who are hungry and homeless through the Francis Fund. You can advocate for bipartisan legislation to end and prevent hunger and homelessness and you can pray the devotion to Mary, Undoer of Knots, including sending in your knots. Thank you for your consideration. We need your support!

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE PARISH

<u>July 19</u> Baptism Preparation Session, Basilica, 12:30 PM

<u>July 21</u> Augustine's Brothers - Prayer and Support Group for Men, Neumann Room, 7:00PM

<u>July 22</u> "Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible", Neumann Room, 6:00 AM

<u>July 22</u> Charismatic Prayer Group, Neumann Room, 6:00 PM

July 23 Drop-In Tour of the Cathedral, 10 AM

July 23 Drop-In Tour of the Cathedral, 2 PM

<u>July 24</u> Drop-In Tour of the Cathedral, 10 AM

July 24 Drop-In Tour of the Cathedral, 2 PM

<u>July 26</u> Archdiocesan Spanish Choir rehearsal, Chapel Hall, 4 PM

July 27 Drop-In Tour of the Cathedral, 10 AM

PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

The Financial Support of the Cathedral Parish is the duty of our parishioners. Here at the Cathedral Parish we are greatly supported as well by our many visitors.

This sacrificial offering—which benefits all—is greatly appreciated. Please consider an increase to your weekly offering. The operation and maintenance of the Cathedral Basilica and Parish is approximately 20,000 dollars a week.

The Offertory Collection for the weekend of 7/12/15 was 6,294 dollars. Additional weekly income comes to approximately the same amount. Again, many thanks for your goodness and generosity!

Information Night - "Come and See!"

The Cathedral Parish offers year round opportunities for those seeking more information about the Catholic Faith, the Sacraments and/or living the Christian Life. For those who are interested in exploring the Catholic faith or would like to be initiated into the Roman Catholic Community or have already been initiated into the Catholic Church but have not yet received the sacraments of Holy Communion and/or Confirmation, please consider attending an Information Night: August 13 at 7 PM in the Neumann Room. To register or for more information please call the Parish Office at 215-561-1313.

Information Session on the Role of Sponsors for those Preparing for the **Celebration of the Sacraments**

The role of the sponsor is vital in the conversion process of an adult preparing for the celebration of the Sacraments. A sponsor is called to be: 1) A friend and a companion for this adult throughout the process of initiation and beyond. 2) A source of information about Catholic practices and the "nitty -gritty" of daily Christian living. 3) A guide to parish organization and to meeting other members of the Christian community. 4) A participant in the liturgical ceremonies of the adults, including the sacraments of initiation. 5) A consultant to the priest and catechists on the process of the adults and a participant in discerning the readiness of the individuals for the different stages of initiation. For those interested in learning more about sponsoring individuals preparing for the celebration of the sacraments, please consider attending an information session on August 20 at 7 PM in the Neumann Room. For more information please call the Parish Office at 215-561-1313.

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.

Single Catholic Women's Retreat

Consider a retreat in daily life with the Sisters of the Holy Redeemer. An extended retreat experience of prayer and community for single Catholic women seeking God in the midst of our busy world is offered on:

Wednesday, August, 5-9 (begins 6 pm Wednesday) Provincialate of the Sisters of the Holy Redeemer 1600 Huntingdon Pike Meadowbrook, PA

For more information: 215-914-4110 Email: vocations@holyredeemer.com



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

Marilyn Mullen, Kathleen Aponik, April DeMatto, Paula Cohen, Janice Holshin, Lauri Mitchell, Maryann Healy, Darren Gardner, Barbara Elaine, Nicholas Tiziano, Christopher Browne, Darren Gardner, Laura Emerson, Regina Carberry, Patrisha Bollinger, Anna Marie Burgio, Jeanine Tingeter, Bobby Mitchell, Shirley King, Thomas Sabol, 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, 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, Bernie Brill, Molly Sujan, Linda Brigandi, Elizabeth Grinder, Joe Capozio, Linda Watson 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. -3- 062 cathd

PARISHIONER INFORMATION UPDATE

New Parishioners

Welcome to the Cathedral Parish!

Please contact the Parish Office for parish registration. One of our parish priests will follow up to register you in the parish. You may also see one of the priests after Mass on Sunday to register.

Parishioners

If you have new contact information, please call the Parish Office so that our records can be updated. **If** you have not been receiving your weekly offering envelopes, again please call the Parish Office to insure your address is registered correctly.

Parish Office phone number is 215-561-1313.

Events at the Cathedral

Join a Cathedral Ambassador for DROP-IN TOURS this summer, no reservations required. Meet in the Cathedral Vestibule at the dates and times listed below. DROP-IN TOURS will feature the majestic façade, vaulted dome, main altar, and impressive side chapels. No admission charge, however a free will offering is greatly appreciated.

Thursday, July 23 - 10 AM & 2 PM Friday, July 24 - 10 AM & 2 PM Monday, July 27 - 10 AM Tuesday, July 28 - 2 PM Wednesday, July 29 - 10 AM & 2 PM Thursday, July 30 - 2 PM Friday, July 31 - 10 AM

Various relics will also be exhibited at the Cathedral Basilica July through September. We will continually change the exhibits:

July 6-19: Saint Katharine Drexel Baptismal font and Baptismal record

Visit the Cathedral website under Events for more information about Saint Katharine Drexel.

19 de Julio del 2015

Domingo decimosexto durante el año

LECTURAS CICLO B

Primera lectura: *Jeremias 23, 1-6.* Dios, por boca del profeta, reprocha a los jefes de Israel, a la vez que promete dar pastores dignos a su pueblo.

Segunda lectura: *Efesios 2, 13-18.* Cristo con su muerte redentora ha derribado el muro del odio que dividía a Israel de los demás pueblos. Él es nuestra paz. Él, de los pueblos, ha hecho uno solo.

Evangelio: *Marcos 6, 30-34.* Jesús invita a sus discípulos a un lugar apartado, para descansar un poco. Pero la necesidad de la gente lo conmueve y lo impulsa a seguir su obra evangelizadora.



Readings of the Week

Monday: July 20

Exodus 14:5-18/Exodus 15:1bc-6

Matthew 12:38-42

Tuesday: July 21

Exodus 14:21—15:1/Exodus 15:8-10, 12, 17

Matthew 12:46-50

Wednesday: July 22

Exodus 16:1-5, 9-15/Psalm 78:18, 19, 23-28

John 20:1-2, 11-18

Thursday: July 23

Exodus 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b/Daniel 3:52-56

Matthew 13:10-17

Friday: July 24

Exodus 20:1-17/Psalm 19:8-11

Matthew 13:18-23

Saturday: July 25

2 Corinthians 4:7-15/Psalm 126:1bc-6

Matthew 20:20-28

Sunday: July 26

2 Kings 4:42-44/Psalm 145:10-11, 15-18

Ephesians 4:1-6/John 6:1-15

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Living Stewardship Now

PROPER BALANCE

Jesus knew that he and his disciples needed occasional time alone, so they went "to a deserted place" to rest. Are you over-working, over-volunteering, extending yourself? Saint Benedict (485–547A.D.), the founder of many monasteries in Italy wrote a set of instructions, called the Rule, to ensure the monks could pray, work, and live in harmony. The Rule is a blend of moderate and reasonable instructions, requiring everyone to participate in an orderly balance of daily activity. This is hard for us to accomplish ourselves, with the demands of the workplace and family. One busy mom uses her bathroom moments to pray; a man who takes many business trips prays as he drives. Parents caring for a disabled son rely on the help of friends for a necessary timeout. An overworked single mother takes a nap every day while her children do their homework. It is essential to refocus and refuel for your God-given calling in life.

Living Stewardship Now

Look at your life and try to add up how you spend your week. How much time is devoted to God, family, work, and service? Do you rest and relax or just change activities? What are your time-wasters?

FELICIDADES Maiza Santiago Gómez

FELICIDADES POR TU CONFIRMACION MAI-ZA QUE DIOS TE BENDIGA de parte de todos tus amigos y hermanos de la Catedral Basílica de Santos Pedro y Pablo. Que esta nueva etapa en tu formación Cristiana sea de provecho y por sobre todas las cosas para seguir siempre con el Señor! El que tiene el Espíritu Santo en su alma imita a Jesús que ama a su Padre celestial sobre todas las cosas. Dios te Bendiga por siempre.

Felicitamos

El 7 de junio de 2015, cinco niños han recibido la Santa Comunión por primera vez y queremos felicitarlos. Felicitamos a Anneliese A. Rivera, Bryant Daniel Nava Duran, Abigail Del Cid, Jayson Romero Rodríguez, y Clarissa Álvarez Rodríguez



WORDS FROM POPE FRANCIS

Short excerpts taken from Pope Francis' addresses and homilies.......

Do I Create Unity or Division?

We must all ask ourselves: how do I let myself be guided by the Holy Spirit in such a way that my life and witness of faith is both unity and communion? Do I convey the word of reconciliation and of love, which is the gospel, to the milieus in which I live? At times it seems that we are repeating today what happened at Babel: division, the incapacity to understand one another, rivalry, envy, egoism. What do I do with my life? Do I create unity around me? Or do I cause division, by gossip, criticism, or envy? What do I do? Let us think about this.

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!



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.