



## Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 4, 2015

**“Living together is an art. It's a patient art, it's a beautiful art, it's fascinating.”**

*Pope Francis*



### **October 3, Saturday, Weekday**

12:05 Giuseppina Giacomucci  
5:15 Pro Populo-For the People

### **October 4, Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 Pro Populo - For the People of the Parish  
9:30 Arthur Quici  
11:00 David Pinto  
12:30 Para todas los Santos  
6:30 Pro Populo - For the People of the Parish

### **October 5, Monday, Weekday**

7:15 Rohrbaugh & Mathers families  
12:05 Sister Grace O'Connor

### **October 6, Tuesday, St. Bruno**

7:15 Barbara Swindell family  
12:05 Robert Federa

### **October 7, Wednesday, Our Lady of the Rosary**

7:15 Hutchings, Gaspar & Kevic families  
12:05 Philip J. Saurman

### **October 8, Thursday, Weekday**

7:15 Richard Schaeffer family  
12:05 Therese Taggart-Zaruba

### **October 9, Friday, St. Denis, St. John Leonardi**

7:15 Robert Schaeffer family  
12:05 Nancy Padlo

### **October 10, Saturday, Weekday, BVM**

12:05 Susan Montezinos  
5:15 Carol O'Malley

### **October 11, Twenty-eight Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 Pro Populo - For the People of the Parish  
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11:00 Dott Desiderio  
12:30 Domingo Perdomo  
6:30 Pro Populo - For the People of the Parish

Dear Parishioners,

THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH!!!

*The Cathedral Parish hosted the World Meeting of Families and our Holy Father in a most extraordinary way!* All throughout the week of September 20 and spilling into last Monday and Tuesday, the Basilica was full of people from all over the world coming for the celebration of Mass, for the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation, for adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament, for quiet time, to tour our beautiful church, to visit and venerate the relics of Pope Saint John Paul II, Saint Gianna, Saint Therese and her soon to be canonized parents, to hear wonderful lectures, to spend some time at the Grotto of Our Lady Undoer of Knots, and to visit our Cathedral Shop.

The presence of our parishioners and volunteers in the Cathedral Basilica all throughout the week was most impressive. The generous and hospitable spirit in the Cathedral was palpable. I am so grateful to our parish priests, to our parish World Meeting of Families Committee, to our parish staff both in the Cathedral Basilica and in the Rectory, and to our ambassadors and volunteers, for such an incredible amount of work and service rendered to so many during the World Meeting of Families and the visit of our Holy Father. The Cathedral Parish brilliantly shone before the world because of all of you. I am so very grateful to you!

Now, let us keep in our prayers the intention of the World Meeting of Families and the Papal Visit: the renewal of the Christian Family. Today, the Synod of Bishops begins in Rome and our own Archbishop Chaput will be among the Synod Fathers. The Synod, with theme, *The Vocation and Mission of the Family in the Church and Contemporary World*, also begs our prayers. During the month of October, the month of the Holy Rosary, we can bring these intentions, among others, to our Blessed Mother as we pray the Rosary. Please see the insert in this Parish Bulletin to obtain a beautiful Rosary made just for the Cathedral Parish.

Today, we observe *Respect Life Sunday*. One of the greatest threats to the family is the devaluation of human life in every stage. *Respect Life Sunday* reminds us that *Every Life is Worth Living*. This is a matter of prayer, understanding and action.

The second collection at Mass next Sunday will be directed to the support of the poor and the homeless in 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:*

*Mary Chris Glasheen*

*Request of Gloria & Michael Glasheen*



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

*Eileen Heiler*

*Request of Charlotte McLaughlin*



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.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE PARISH

**Oct. 4** Respect Life Mass, 6:30 PM, Archbishop Chaput, celebrant

**Oct. 5** Charismatic Prayer Group, Neumann Room, 6 PM

**Oct. 6** Augustine's Brothers - Prayer and Support Group for Men, Neumann Room, 7:00PM

**Oct. 7** Inauguration of President of LaSalle University, Basilica, 6:30 PM

**Oct. 8** Catechetical Session, Neumann Room, 7 PM

**Oct. 8** Choir rehearsal, Basilica, 7:30 PM

**Oct. 10** Children's Choir rehearsal, Chapel Hall, 10 AM

**Oct. 13** Filming of Spanish Mass 6 PM, Basilica

**Oct. 13** Augustine's Brothers - Prayer and Support Group for Men, Neumann Room, 7:00PM



### DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH

The Cathedral Parish offers year round opportunities for people seeking more information about the Catholic Faith, the Sacraments and living the Christian Life. These opportunities are for adults who would like to inquire about following Jesus and becoming a member of the Catholic Church, or, if you are already a baptized Christian and would like to become a Catholic, or, if you are already a baptized Catholic and would like to receive Confirmation and Holy Communion. There are many people like yourself inquiring, and we are ready to answer your questions.

Please contact the Parish Office for more information - 215-561-1313

### ¿Eres un corredor apasionado de maratones?

¿Habías querido siempre correr en un maratón pero necesitabas un incentivo? ¡ESTE AÑO CONSIDERA CORRER PARA EL FUTURO DE TU IGLESIA! Los seminaristas del Seminario San Carlos Borromeo invitan a los fieles de la arquidiócesis a unirse a su equipo en la carrera de concientización de la vocación el do-mingo 22 de noviembre.

¡Las inscripciones ya están abiertas! Se les pide a los participantes registrarse en [www.philadelphiamarathon.com](http://www.philadelphiamarathon.com).

Una vez registrados, se les pide a los corredores informar a los seminaristas de su interés para unirse al equipo de *Race for Seminarians* por un email a [advancement@scs.edu](mailto:advancement@scs.edu).

Se proveerán camisetas por equipo a todos los jugadores y se darán más detalles al registrarse. El maratón de Filadelfia tiene un número limitado de participantes.

¡Regístrate antes que las inscripciones se cierren!

## The Cathedral Shop

The Cathedral Shop was a great success with both our parishioners and visitors during these last weeks.

However, The Cathedral Shop will be closed until further notice as we re-group and re-evaluate.

Thank you to all of our hard-working and dedicated volunteers who gave countless hours in the Shop.

## Young Adult Group

**Friday Evening Bible Study:** Please join us for Bible Study on the first and third (and fifth!) Fridays of the month from **7:00-8:30pm** in the Neumann Room. Our group gathers to reflect on the readings and the Psalm for the upcoming Sunday. The Neumann room is located on the backside of the Cathedral. Upcoming Bible Study Dates: **Oct 16 and Oct 30**

**Food & Fellowship:** The Young Adults host a monthly dinner on the **second Sunday of each month directly following the 6:30pm Mass** at Con Murphy's (1700 Benjamin Franklin Parkway). Our first dinner was a terrific success and our next Food & Fellowship will take place: **Oct 11**

If you are interested in the Young Adults of the Cathedral Parish as well as receiving the most up-to-date information on our group's events please e-mail [youngadults.cathedral@gmail.com](mailto:youngadults.cathedral@gmail.com). We also have a section on the Cathedral website and Facebook page (search: Young Adults at the Cathedral).

## 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 at 7PM. 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: [AugustinesBrothers.org](http://AugustinesBrothers.org) or call 800-348-0758

¡LES INVITAMOS A PARTICIPAR EN Un día para la familia en el Seminario San Carlos Borromeo!  
Patrocinado por la Oficina de Vocaciones de la Arquidiócesis de Filadelfia PARA: LOS HOMBRES JÓVENES HISPANOS EN HIGH SCHOOL O LA UNIVERSIDAD Y SUS FAMILIAS DÓNDE:

SEMINARIO SAN CARLOS BORROMEIO  
100 E. WYNNEWOOD RD., WYNNEWOOD PA  
DOMINGO, 8 DE NOVIEMBRE,  
MISA A LAS 12:00 PM

COSTO: ¡¡¡GRATIS!!! PERO SE ACEPTAN DONACIONES FAVOR DE AVISARNOS SI SU FAMILIA VA A PARTICIPAR LLAMANDO AL PADRE THOMAS VIVIANO 215-743-2600 ANTES DEL 25 DE OCTUBRE.

¡HABRÁ JUEGOS PARA LOS NIÑOS, UN PARTIDO DE FÚTBOL CON LOS SEMINARISTAS, COMIDA, ORACIÓN, Y MÁS!



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

Randy Burbage, Rosa Maria Santos, Amy Fife, Theodore Barry, M.D., Marissa Kostrzewa, David Kaplan, 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 Suján, 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, Robert John Wahl, 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.**

## GIVE TO GROW

*Together*

## 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 and small individual toiletries.

Thank you for your continued generosity, God bless you.

### **Weekend Retreat with Thomas Merton** **October 23-25** **Mother Boniface Spirituality Center** **3501 Solly Avenue, Philadelphia**

If Thomas Merton were alive, he would have been 100 years old this year. As we read his books, journals and letters and listen to his conferences, we come to understand why this great spiritual master becomes more and more relevant as time goes on. This retreat will be an opportunity to pray with Thomas Merton and explore his teachings on personal growth, contemplation, social justice and interfaith dialogue.

Please call 267-350-1830 for more information and to register.

## ***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 9/20/15 was \$9,402. Additional weekly income comes to approximately the same amount. Again, many thanks for your goodness and generosity!



## *Readings of the Week*

### ***Monday: October 5***

Jonah 1:1—2:2, 11/Jonah 2:3-5, 8  
Luke 10:25-37

### ***Tuesday: October 6***

Jonah 3:1-10/Psalm 130:1b-4ab, 7-8  
Luke 10:38-42

### ***Wednesday: October 7***

Jonah 4:1-11/Psalm 86:3-6, 9-10  
Luke 11:1-4

### ***Thursday: October 8***

Malachi 3:13-20b/Psalm 1:1-4, 6  
Luke 11:5-13

### ***Friday: October 9***

Joel 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Psalm 9:2-3, 6, 16, 8-9  
Luke 11:15-26

### ***Saturday: October 10***

Joel 4:12-21/Psalm 97:1, 2, 6, 6, 11, 12  
Luke 11:27-28

### ***Sunday: October 11***

Wisdom 7:7-11/Psalm 90:12-17  
Hebrews 4:12-13/Mark 10:17-30

## **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 commitment to our Parish!



**Fall Family Fund Days  
Sister Cities Park  
(across from the Cathedral Basilica)**

**October 10:**

- Free hay rides around the park
- The Barnes Foundation's ArtSee in the Park combines art and nature
- The Academy of Natural Sciences brings animal specimens
- A chance to meet live animals from the Philadelphia Zoo's Zoon on Wheels
- Crafts & Activities
- Music from 1-3 PM

**October 17:**

- Free hay rides around the park
- Adoptable animals from PAWS, PSPCA and Morris Animal Refuge
- Dog training and tricks demonstrations
- Animal Song Sing-a-long from Grammy award winner Steve Pullara and his Cool Beans Band

Throughout the month there will be a Scarecrow Festival on exhibit.

**36th Annual Mass for the Canonization  
of Blessed John of Vercelli  
(founder of the Holy Name Society)**

Sunday, October 11, 2015 - 3 PM  
Our Lady Help of Christians Church  
1500 Marian Road, Abington, PA

Principal celebrant will be Bishop Joseph Martino. Confessions will be at 2 PM and Rosary outside at 2:30 PM. Dinner will follow. Spouses and children are welcome. The church has a 200 car parking lot and is handicap accessible. Free will offerings only are acceptable. Please RSVP to Sean Clarke at 215-830-9649 or [seanclarke@comcast.net](mailto:seanclarke@comcast.net).

**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.

***Living Stewardship Now***

**EQUAL BEFORE GOD**

In today's Gospel Jesus tries to lead his questioners beyond the letter of the Law, with its many human interpretations, to the spirit in which it was given. The basic law from the beginning, he says, is that all human beings were created equal in the image of God. Thus, a man and woman in marriage have equality and a fullness that is expressed in their relationship with each other. (In speaking against divorce, Jesus is actually protective of women, who at that time could be divorced by their husbands, but could not obtain a divorce themselves.) The disciples attempt to keep some children and their parents from disturbing Jesus, probably thinking that women and children were not important enough to disturb the Master!

Jesus is indignant at their lack of understanding. For him, the children and their parents have as much right to be with him as anyone else. In fact, he looks at the children gathered around him and says that they are the example that self-important people should imitate. He embraces and blesses them. Young children, in general, accept the rules of life without questioning every little detail. They are open to the love of their parents and trust that rules are imposed for their well-being, even if they do not fully understand them. We are offered the gift of faith by a loving Father. Jesus is asking us to be child-like, not childish, in accepting this gift in simplicity and trust. Learning and discussing issues of faith are fine, but we cannot stop there. Since we do not earn faith—it is feely given to us—we are called to express this faith in how we live our lives. We are equal in God's sight and equally responsible to live up to our calling.

***Living Stewardship Now***

We have an equal responsibility to serve, yet in the average parish 20 percent of the parishioners do 80 percent of the work and the giving. What can you do, beginning today, to change that percentage?

**The Art of Discernment - a Retreat Weekend  
Friday, October 16 - Sunday, Oct. 18**

Explore the presence and action of God in your life through Prayer and Art. A retreat weekend for women ages 18-35 interested in discovering more about discernment and religious life.

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