

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 11, 2015

“A peaceful man does more good than a learned one.”
St. John XXIII



October 10, Saturday, Weekday, BVM

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

October 11, Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 Pro Populo - For the People of the Parish
9:30 Xavier Edward Perusse (L)
11:00 Dott Desiderio
12:30 Domingo Perdomo
6:30 Pro Populo - For the People of the Parish

October 12, Monday, Weekday

7:15 Bodner, Lemon, Kine families
12:05 Nancy Calabree

October 13, Tuesday, Weekday

7:15 Alfred Allevato
12:05 Mary Harvey

October 14, Wednesday, St. Callistus I

7:15 Therese Taggart-Zaruba
12:05 Eugene Giello

October 15, Thursday, St. Teresa of Jesus

7:15 Michael Floyd O'Sullivan
12:05 Mary K. Nolan

October 16, Friday, St. Denis, St. Hedwig

7:15 Patricia O'Rourke
12:05 Shane M. Montgomery

October 17, Saturday, St. Ignatius of Antioch

12:05 Carolina Pomponio
5:15 William J. Turzolini

October 18, Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 Pro Populo - For the People of the Parish
9:30 Mary Wood
11:00 Robert Donner
12:30 Juan Ortiz
6:30 Pro Populo - For the People of the Parish

Dear Parishioners,

*The Synod of Bishops in Rome receives a great deal of attention in the media. This type of meeting of representative Bishops from around the world with the Holy Father has taken place many times since the 1965 close of the Second Vatican Council. The recent popes, now including Pope Francis, have made use of these meetings to reflect on topics and themes central to the life of the Church. A Synod is often followed by an exhortation by the Holy Father to the whole Church to consider anew the proposals, reflections and conclusions from the meeting. The current Synod which runs for the month of October examines a contemporary topic and with ramifications for the pastoral outreach of the Church: *The Vocation and Mission of the Family in the Church and Contemporary World.**

On the one hand, the Gospel and the traditional teaching of the Church on Christian marriage and the family are consistent and clear. On the other hand, the culture and, in fact, the circumstances of life for many Catholics are at odds with the Gospel and Church teaching on these topics. So, how do we bridge the gap? How do we maintain the received doctrine of the Christ and his Church and also bring together people who are at odds with this doctrine in thought and life style? This is part of the subject matter of the Synod. The Church has a duty to promote and protect the sanctity of marriage and family life. The Church also has a duty to include all those who belong to her and lead them to the truth of Christ. This is her outreach. As the Synod Fathers meet in Rome, including our own Archbishop Chaput, let us keep the Holy Father and the Bishops in our prayers. Let us also pray for the openness and courage to be more committed to the Gospel values of marriage and family and in the service of those who find themselves at a distance from these values.

This past Sunday our Cathedral Parish Choir sang two Sunday Masses, the 5:15 PM Anticipated Mass and the 11:00 AM Solemn Mass. It is a joy to have the choir once again assisting us at Sunday Mass after the break of the summer. Mr. Brandon Motz is the interim Cathedral Parish Music Director. I am very grateful to Brandon and those assisting him as we make preparations to search for a replacement for Dr. John Romeri.

October is the Month of the Holy Rosary.
Consider praying the Rosary each day of this month.

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:

Roz Cirino

Request of Rosemary & Jim Hennelly



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

Gertrude Sibilla

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.

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.

CanaVox

CanaVox is a marriage movement founded and led by mothers. We form reading groups to study and discuss the importance of marriage. While other movements offer reasons based on religion, we provide readings from natural law, practical wisdom and science so that you can speak effectively and lovingly about why marriage should be between one man and one woman. For more information: www.canavox.com

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE PARISH

Oct. 13 Filming of Spanish Mass 6 PM, Basilica

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

Oct. 14 Charismatic Prayer Group, Neumann Room, 6:00 PM

Oct. 15 Faith in the Future Mass, Basilica, 4 PM

Oct. 15 Catechetical Session, Neumann Room 7 PM

Oct. 15 Choir rehearsal, Chapel Hall, 7:30 PM

Oct. 16 Cathedral Young Adults Social Gathering with reflection on Sacred Scripture, Neumann Room, 7 PM

Oct. 18 Baptism Preparation Session, Basilica, 12:30 PM

Oct. 18 Men's Discernment Group, Neumann Room, 7:30 PM

Oct. 20 Red Mass, Basilica, 5 PM

CASA DEL CARMEN

**4400 N. Reese St. , Philadelphia, PA 19140
267-331-2500**

Familias o individuos pueden necesitar ayuda en algún momento. Muchos no saben que pueden obtener ayuda gratuita. Casa del Carmen le ayudará a inscribirse a través del pro-grama BenePhilly, con el cual puede obtener beneficios como asistencia con los servicios públicos, solicitar cupones de alimentos, planes de Medicaid y otros más. No padezca solo. Llame a Casa del Carmen y haga una cita hoy. Este programa está financiado en parte por el DCED, a través de la Oficina de Empoderamiento Comunitario y Oportunidades de la Alcaldía.



CATHEDRAL PRAYER REQUESTS

Our parish Charismatic Prayer Group meets faithfully each week to join together for prayer and to intercede with the Lord for many intentions, including the intentions of the parish. The Charismatic Prayer Group has now arranged for a way for us to send to them our requests for prayer. Simply e-mail your intention and prayer request to:

Cathedral.prayer.requests@gmail.com

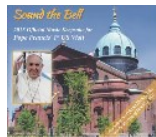
The Charismatic Prayer Group meets every Wednesday at 6 PM in the Neumann Room.

Young Adult Group

Friday Evening Bible Study: Please join us for Bible Study on Fridays 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, 23, 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. We also have a section on the Cathedral website and Facebook page (search: Young Adults at the Cathedral).



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El Señor Les Invita

Qué felices somos cuando, de vez en cuando, el Señor nos invita a encontrarle a un nivel más profundo, más allá de nuestra vida disipada y trivial: sea en momentos de oración personal, o escuchando la palabra que él nos dirige, o en nuestra acción de gracias después de la comunión, o al admirar la belleza de su creación... Cuando le encontramos de verdad, él siempre nos cambia, porque -lo queramos o no- siempre nos invita a seguirle más radicalmente. --- Pero desgraciadamente podemos rechazar la invitación, como ocurrió con el joven rico del evangelio de hoy. Esto le entristece a Jesús, ya que nos quiere de verdad. Pidámosle al Señor aquí en esta eucaristía que sepamos seguir siempre y con alegría su llamado e invitación.

MISA TELEVISADA EN ESPAÑOL

vía UNIVISIÓN 65 todos los domingos a las 6:30 a.m.



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 Sujan, 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.**

You Can Change the Future Become a Foster Parent

Foster families provide temporary homes to children of all ages and cultures whose families are in crisis. The love and commitment that foster parents provide can have a lasting and positive effect

For more information please call Catholic Social Services at 267-331-2451.

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 9/27/15 was \$6,207; the weekend of 10/4/15 was \$15,425. Additional weekly income comes to approximately the same amount. Again, many thanks for your goodness and generosity!



Readings of the Week

Monday: October 12

Romans 1:1-7/Psalm 98:1bcde-4
Luke 11:29-32

Tuesday: October 13

Romans 1:16-25/Psalm 19:2-5
Luke 11:37-41

Wednesday: October 14

Romans 2:1-11/Psalm 62:2-3, 6-7, 9
Luke 11:42-46

Thursday: October 15

Romans 3:21-30/Psalm 130:1b-6ab
Luke 11:47-54

Friday: October 16

Romans 4:1-8/Psalm 32:1b-2, 5, 11
Luke 12:1-7

Saturday: October 17

Romans 4:13; 16-18/Psalm 105: 6-9, 42-43
Luke 12:8-12

Sunday: October 18

Isaiah 53:10-11/Psalm 33:4-5, 18-20, 22
Hebrews 4:14-16/Mark 10:35-45

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!

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

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.

Free Brain Scans

The Brain Tumor Foundation will be offering free MRI Brain Scans for the early detection of brain tumors from Monday, October 12 through Tuesday, October 20 at 1701 John F. Kennedy Blvd., Philadelphia. To schedule an appointment, please call 844-283-7226.

Check out our Resource Display Stand

New CDs, books and booklets have just arrived to help you learn, love, and live your Catholic Faith, and to share your faith with others. These resources have been brought to us by **Lighthouse Catholic Media** and **Stewardship: A Mission of Faith**—two not-for-profit Catholic lay apostolates whose mission is to feed hungry hearts. They do this by bringing these resources right into the parish where they will be easily accessible. They offer everything for free to anyone who needs them, but they do rely on generous donations to bring their mission to more parishes. For more information visit LighthouseCatholicMedia.org or StewardshipMission.org.

Living Stewardship Now

CAMELS AND NEEDLES

Not long ago a group of professors at Boston College studied people in America who are “super-rich,” who have \$25 million or more. There are approximately 115,000 of them. Some were born into wealth, others made their wealth, while a few fell into sudden riches. You might think that having no money worries would simply make life a breeze, but you would be mistaken. Surprisingly, those who participated in the study revealed that wealth affects every aspect of their lives, and not always for the good. Marriage and friendship can be difficult (“Do they love me or love my money?”). Rich parents worry that their children will do nothing worthwhile with their lives. In ancient times the Jews believed that wealth was a sign of divine favor. To the early descendants of Abraham, wealth meant owning large flocks of sheep, goats, and cattle. By the time Jesus encountered the rich young man in today’s Gospel, people acquired wealth by farming the land and through trade. Jesus challenged the man to give away his possessions—to free himself of the burden of wealth that was keeping him from the fullest possible life with God. Wealth in itself is not evil, but evil can result if we come to feel owned by our possessions. Modern Jewish teaching is not far from our own Christian understanding of wealth. The things of this world are important, but temporary. Wealth, whether in the form of skills, time, or money, is not an end but a means: a means to create a home; raise children; provide hospitality; to give time, attention, love, charity, and money; and to share with church and community for the well-being of all. Jesus promises that the one who gives up any possessions for his sake will be saved.

Living Stewardship Now

What portion of your spare time, your abilities, and your money are you giving to Christ through his church? Only you can give what you have—no one else can give it for you.

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.