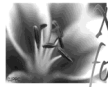


Second Sunday in Ordinary Time ***January 17, 2016***

"Lord, make me an instrument of your peace"
St. Francis



Mass Intentions for the Week

January 16, Saturday, Weekday, BVM

12:05 George Favuzzi

5:15 Thomas Shore

January 17, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

9:30 Alexandra Bilotti

11:00 Ralph Berarducci (L)

12:30 Difunta Silda de Rodriguez

6:30 Pro Populo - For the People

January 18, Monday, Weekday

7:15 Mr. Galanti

12:05 Carmella Dema

January 19, Tuesday, Weekday

7:15 George Phillips

12:05 Charles Blatz

January 20, Wednesday, St. Fabian

7:15 Antoinette Catelli

12:05 Joan Fitzhenry

January 21, Thursday, St. Agnes

7:15 Harry E. Cox

12:05 Special Intention

January 22, Friday, Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

7:15 Joseph Devine

12:05 Edna Williams

January 23, Saturday, St. Vincent

12:05 Kathleen Keenan

5:15 Richard W. & Veronica M. Ennis

January 24, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

9:30 Agnes Klein

11:00 Francis Regina Glover

12:30 Difunto Sebastian Rodriguez

6:30 Pro Populo - For the People

Dear Parishioners,

Tomorrow, January 18, 2016 begins the *Week of Prayer for Christian Unity*. This traditional week of prayer concludes on January 25, the Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul. Many of us know many people, often members of our own families, who are baptized Christians but not Catholics. The Sacrament of Baptism—with water and the use of the Trinitarian formula given in Sacred Scripture—unites all Christians in the promises of Christ for salvation and redemption, with the grace to hear his word and be faithful to his way of life, and to have the hope for heaven. However, the unity Christ desires for all the baptized goes deeper and is more profound. It is a unity in truth as he also teaches us in Sacred Scripture. This is a unity that displaces confusion on moral issues among Christians and reaches its climax with an authentic and unambiguous understanding of the Holy Eucharist embraced by all Christians. This is the unity for which we pray during this week of prayer. Please make this one of your daily prayer intentions from January 18 through to January 25. Also, if possible, come to the *Center City Ecumenical Service* this Wednesday in the Cathedral Chapel. Additional information on this Service can be found elsewhere in the Parish Bulletin.

This Friday, *January 22, 2016 is the Annual March for Life in Washington, DC*. Thousands of marchers will attend from the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, joining many more thousands from all around the country. The scourge of legalized abortion in the United States continues to call for all types of action on the part of Christians and citizens to bring it to an end and provide for the legal protection of human life from conception until natural death. Not everyone can go to Washington this Friday. But everyone can do something in favor of the sanctity of human life. Our United States Bishops ask Catholics throughout our country to observe January 22 as a day of prayer for the restoration of the protection of human life and penance for the violations against human life. Perhaps you might be able to attend Mass on Friday and/or pray the Holy Rosary for the restored protection of human life. Perhaps, you might fast from food in between meals or fast from the use of the internet as a penance for the violations against human life. We can all do something and, especially, we can be united in our prayer and penance, confident that the Lord in his mercy hears our prayers and will bless our good works.

Once again, we will have our *Sacrament Enrichment Program* over the next few weeks for our school age students who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation and First Holy Communion here at the Cathedral Parish this Easter Time. Please contact the Parish Office, 215-561-1313, if your son or daughter is of the age for these Sacraments and is not already enrolled in an area Catholic School or Religious Education Program. Please make this contact as soon as possible.

The second collection at Mass next Sunday will be the US Bishops' National Collection for *Catholic Relief Services*. 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



Flame of Love Celebration and Mass Tuesday, February 2

6:00 PM

Music, Rosary, Testimonies
Special Presenter: Father Carl Pieber, CM
Executor of the Miraculous Medal Shrine

7:30 PM

Holy Mass
Music by: "Spreading the Flame"

St. Charles Borromeo Seminary
100 Wynnewood Rd., Philadelphia
610-322-1940

50 Aniversario de la clausura del Concilio Vaticano II

Puede encontrar información más completa en el sitio web del Consejo Pontificio para la Promoción de la Nueva Evangelización:

<http://www.im.va/content/gdm/en.html>.

FECHAS PRINCIPALES DE LA OBSERVANCIA DEL JUBILEO:

Observancia arquidiocesana de *24 horas para el Señor*,
Viernes 4 de marzo - Sábado 5 de marzo del 2016

Observancia del Segundo Domingo de Pascua o Domingo de la Divina Misericordia, Domingo 3 de abril del 2016

Peregrinación arquidiocesana al Santuario Nacional de la Inmaculada Concepción de la Santísima Virgen María, Sábado 23 de abril del 2016

Clausura del Año del Jubileo de la Misericordia Clausura de la Puerta santa y Misa solemne en la Catedral Basílica de San Pedro y San Pablo, Domingo 20 de noviembre del 2016 a las 6:30 PM

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE PARISH

Jan. 17 Religious Education Awards and Mass, Archbishop Chaput, celebrant, 2:00 PM

Jan. 17 Men's Discernment Group, Neumann Room, 7:30 PM

Jan. 18 Martin Luther King Day. The Parish Office and the Basilica will be closed. The Chapel will close at 1 PM.

Jan. 19 Augustine's Brothers - Prayer and Support Group for Men, Neumann Room, 7:00 PM

Jan. 20 Charismatic Prayer Group, Neumann Room, 6:00 PM

Jan. 20 Center City Ecumenical Service, Cathedral Chapel, 7 PM

Jan. 21 Choir rehearsal, Chapel Hall, 7:30 PM

Jan. 21 Catechetical Session, Neumann Room, 7:00 PM

Jan. 22 Cathedral Young Adults Social Gathering with reflection on Sacred Scripture, Neumann Room, 7:00 PM

Jan. 23 Choir rehearsal, Chapel Hall, 4 PM

Jan. 25 Young Adults, Board Game, Neumann Room, 6:30 PM



CENTER CITY ECUMENICAL SERVICE ALL ARE WELCOME



Chapel at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul
18th Street and the Benjamin Franklin Parkway

Wednesday, January 20, 2016 at 7:00 PM

Called to Proclaim the Mighty Acts of the Lord (cf. 1 Peter 2:9)

Come and pray with others for the unity of Christians!
Bring your neighbors! *Parking is available.*



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.



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

William Hill, Jr.

Request of the Gucken Family

♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦

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.



The Year of Mercy begins.. Download our free app

Celebrate the Jubilee Year of Mercy with a great new free app from Our Sunday Visitor!

The theme for the year is *'Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful,'* reflected in the elements of the app, which include:

- Daily reflections on mercy
- Daily Scripture reflections
- Book excerpts
- Year of Mercy resources
- Pope Francis' tweets throughout the year
- Year of Mercy news stories
- Divine Mercy Chaplet and Novena

And more!

Choose your favorite store below.



FIRST FRIDAY EXPOSITION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

Friday, February 5, 2015

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!

The Sacrament of Penance will be available on the First Friday of each month, beginning at 11:00 AM.



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

Ed Murray, Joseph Capozio, Kristin & Audrey Miller, Cynthia Brach, Barbara DiPipi, Cindy Kiefer, Dave McNichol, Maryann Kehl, Pearl Basser, Helen Ferris, Oscar Rodriguez, Enrique Rodriguez, Linda Watson, 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 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.

**Concert - Tony Melendez
St. Charles Borromeo Seminary
St. Martin's Chapel**

Saturday, January 30 at 2 pm - \$20

Born without arms, Tony is an accomplished guitarist who has traveled across the United States and forty foreign countries, making countless television appearances, including The Today Show, Good Morning America, Geraldo, CBS This Morning, The Late Show with Arsenio Hall, 700 Club, Robert Schuller, and prime-time network specials for Variety Clubs and Very Special Arts. Call 610-667-5778 for tickets.

La Fiesta de la Presentación del Señor

Una fiesta de alegría por la esperanza que este niño trae a la gente. Aquí está el futuro, aquí está la salvación: Dios ha guardado su promesa de vida y de perdón.

**MISA:
A LAS 12:30 pm, 7 de febrero 2016
en la Capilla.**

Sus hijos serán bendecidos, así como, las estatuas del niño Jesús que pueden traer ese día.

**CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS
THIS WEEK**

The Sacrament of the Eucharist

Thursday, January 21, 7:00-8:30 PM

Neumann Room
(entrance from 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, please call the Parish Office.



Readings of the Week

Monday: January 18

1 Samuel 15:16-23/Psalm 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23
Mark 2:18-22

Tuesday: January 19

1 Samuel 16:1-13/1 Samuel 16:1-13
Mark 2:23-28

Wednesday: January 20

1 Samuel 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Psalm 144:1b, 2, 9-10
Mark 3:1-6

Thursday: January 21

1 Samuel 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Psalm 56:2-3, 9-13
Mark 3:7-12

Friday: January 22

1 Samuel 24:3-21/Psalm 57:2-4, 6, 11
Mark 3:13-19

Saturday: January 23

1 Samuel 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Psalm 80:2-3, 5-7
Mark 3:20-21

Sunday: January 24

Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Psalm 19:8-10, 15
1 Corinthians 12:12-30/Luke 1:1-4; 14-21

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 1/10/15 Sunday was \$6,496. Again, many thanks for your goodness and generosity!

Young Adult Group

Upcoming Events for the Young Adults at the Cathedral Parish:

Friday Evening Bible Study: Please join us for Bible Study **every Friday** from **7:00-8:30pm** in the Neumann Room (room entrance is from the outside on the backside of the church). Our group gathers to reflect on the readings and the Psalm for the upcoming Sunday. Bible Study resumed on January 8, we look forward to seeing you each Friday moving forward.

Service Activity: The Young Adults at the Cathedral are planning to serve meals at a local homeless shelter on **Saturday January 23 from 10am until noon**. If you are interested in volunteering, please email Doug Steinberger at DougSteinberger@gmail.com for further details. We would love to have you join us and give back to the community.

Social Activity: We will be hosting a Board Game Night on **Monday, January 25** from **6:30-8:30pm** in the Neumann Room. This will be an evening of friends, board games of all varieties, snacks and fun! We will have Board Games available but if you would like to bring one feel free to do so. We hope to see everyone there!!

Food & Fellowship: Our group meets for dinner on the **second Sunday of each month directly following the 6:30pm Mass** at Con Murphy's (1700 Benjamin Franklin Parkway). Our next Food & Fellowship is happening: **Feb 14**

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. Please search for our Facebook page (search: Young Adults at the Cathedral).



Cathedral Custom Rosary

These beautiful custom made rosaries from Italy are still available. Chose from a Bohemian Glass brown or pearly/green shade. The Crucifix is the same one that appears on our Main Altar, There is also an exact replica of our Main Altar and images of SS. Peter and Paul and our Cathedral crest. The Cathedral Rosary can be purchased in The Cathedral Shop.

Living Stewardship Now

SHARING A FEAST

One of the most fundamental ways that human beings offer love, respect, and compassion to one another is through the sharing of food and drink. Certainly, Jesus did that during the wedding feast at Cana. As Catholics, we believe that Jesus' love for us is most fully expressed when he feeds us with his own body and blood in the Eucharist. Jeannie, who lived in an affluent city suburb, offered her services as a nurse on a Catholic medical mission. The team travelled to a remote location in the hill country of eastern Haiti, setting up a temporary clinic next to the local church. For two weeks the volunteers worked long hours with limited supplies in a makeshift clinic serving hundreds of people with medical problems. As the day came for the clinic to close, the local people invited the medical team to a feast. Knowing the great poverty of the Haitian people, Jeannie wondered what would be served. As the food was placed before her, she was amazed at the variety and quantity—sweet potatoes, fried goat with hot sauce, fried plantains, bread, cornmeal porridge, beans and rice, and a special pineapple drink. "How," Jeannie asked the local pastor, "could the people manage to give us this good meal?" "Jeannie," he said, "they believe that God sent you all to us to bring healing, and this feast is their way of thanking God with the best they could find. They each gave a little so that we could all share a lot." Everyone, including the servers and the cooks, ate until it was all gone. Jeannie thought that no food had ever tasted so good to her. She went home with a profound respect for the generosity of people who "have nothing" but shared so much.

Living Stewardship Now

A good meal depends not on what is on the table but who is on the chairs. Try to eat at least one meal a day with family, friends, or fellow workers. Banish cell phones and TV.

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.