



Second Sunday of Lent

February 21, 2016

“This is my chosen Son; listen to him.”

Luke 9:28b-36



February 20, Saturday, Lenten Weekday

12:05 Anne R. “Nancy” Jordan
5:15 Domenico Pomponio

February 21, Second Sunday of Lent

8:00 Pro Populo - For the People of the Parish
9:30 Tom Fiordimondo
11:00 Gerard Haubrich
12:30 DiFunto Manuel Delgado
6:30 Pro Populo - For the People

February 22, Monday, The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

7:15 Paul Gemperli
12:05 Lucy Gallagher

February 23, Tuesday, St. Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr

7:15 Maurice Bennett
12:05 Narda Altmayer

February 24, Wednesday, Lenten Weekday

7:15 Teresa Arejola
12:05 Ellen Mae Lambert

February 25, Thursday, Lenten Weekday

7:15 James S. Quinn
12:05 Special Intention Novena

February 26, Friday, Lenten Weekday

7:15 Kathleen Kass Reilly
12:05 Leonard Calabree

February 27, Saturday, Lenten Weekday

12:05 Jill
5:15 Joseph Sheridan

February 28, Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 Pro Populo - For the People of the Parish
9:30 Deceased Members of the League of the Sacred Heart
11:00 Raffaele Berarducci
12:30 Difunto Teodoro Sanchez
6:30 Pro Populo - For the People

Dear Parishioners,

Our prayers this weekend are especially directed to the adult men and women in our Cathedral Parish community who will come into full communion of the Catholic Church and receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and the Eucharist this upcoming Easter Time. Over the past several months, these men and women—baptized Christians but not Roman Catholics and baptized Catholics—have been joining us at Sunday Mass and participating in our Thursday evening Catechetical Sessions to learn more about the Sacraments and following Christ’s way of life as fully initiated (having received Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist) Roman Catholics. The Baptism of each of these candidates unites them with us in Lord and membership in his Body. However, the journey continues for the baptized Christians, who are not Roman Catholics, until they make a profession of faith in the Catholic Church and are confirmed and receive Holy Communion for the first time. The journey continues for the baptized Roman Catholics until they are confirmed and/or receive Holy Communion. The celebration of the Sacrament of Penance is an important part of the preparation for both groups. Last Sunday, Archbishop Chaput called these candidates to continuing conversion to Christ during the weeks of Lent. This Sunday, the Second Sunday of Lent, these candidates participate in a *Penitential Rite* at the Anticipated Mass, to signal their intention to faithfully observe the Lenten season for the benefit of their personal purification from sin and more complete commitment to Christ and his Church. Let us pray for these men and women! May all of us persevere in the Lenten duty to turn away from sin and believe more fully in the Gospel!

Sister Eleanor McCann, a Religious Sister of Mercy from Merion, Pennsylvania, is joining our pastoral staff. Sister Eleanor, recently retired as the assistant director in the Office for Worship for the Diocese of Trenton, comes to the Cathedral Parish on a part-time basis to assist with preparations for liturgical celebrations and the formation of liturgical ministers. Sister brings with her a wealth of experience and information with regard to the Sacred Liturgy. *Welcome, Sister Eleanor!* We look forward to your service among us.

The Archdiocesan Collection this Sunday for the Care of Aging and Infirm Priests reminds us of the long years of priestly service provided by so many of our elderly priests still assisting in parishes or living in retirement. We are blessed here at the Cathedral Parish to have the generous assistance of *Monsignor Louis D’Addezio*, 82 years young! Monsignor is readily available to do his priestly part to celebrate Mass, hear confessions and join in wherever he can as the Priest Resident in our Parish. *God bless you, Monsignor D’Addezio!*

The second collection at Mass next Sunday will be *to supplement costs associated with parish maintenance*. Thank you so very much for all of your goodness and generosity to the Cathedral Parish in so many ways and to the *Appeal for Catholic Charities*.

God bless you,
Father Dennis Gill

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

**Friday, March 4, 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.**

**Readings for Mass for this Week
in English and Spanish**

Please see the website of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

www.migrate.usccb.org/bible/readings/021716.cfm

Holy Doors of Mercy

For information on the Holy Doors please see the website cathedralphila.org/mercy/

Rice Bowl - Second Week of Lent

This week, CRS Rice Bowl takes us to Laos, where Hongkham is using her love of cooking to provide for her family— and feed an entire school. How do we use our passions and gifts for the betterment of those we meet? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.



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

James Mure

Request of Nick & Louise Pascale



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.

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 2/14/16 Sunday was \$6,667. Again, many thanks for your goodness and generosity!

Next weekend, February 20-21, there is a special collection for the care of aging priests. Please use the envelopes provided.



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

*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, 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, 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.***

HONOR ROLL MERION MERCY ACADEMY

We would like to congratulate parishioner Madeline L. Resnic who is a 12th grade student at Merion Academy for being named to the Distinguished Honor Roll list for the first semester.

Students with Distinguished Honors achieved a GPA of 4.0 or higher. Students with Honors achieved a GPA of at least 3.5.

CON JESUS EN LA MONTAÑA

Alguna vez hemos visto el rostro de una persona iluminarse por la Buena Noticia de la salvación o a causa de un momento de felicidad real. Un día el rostro de Jesús también se iluminó, se volvió radiante y se transformó totalmente porque el comprendía íntimamente que su trabajo y sufrimiento no serían en vano. --- Ojalá que también nosotros experimentemos momentos en los que nuestros rostros se iluminen con profunda felicidad y en los que proyectemos esa luz a los rostros y corazones de nuestros hermanos. --- En esta Eucaristía le pedimos al Señor que se digne transformarnos y nos de la capacidad de ser luz para los demás.

LA CUARESMA

EL VIA CRUCIS

La Catedral ofrece el Vía Crucis en español todos los viernes, a las 7PM, durante la cuaresma. Por favor NO dejes de asistir e invita a toda tu familia y amistades.

AYUNO Y ABSTINENCIA

Durante la Cuaresma la Iglesia nos pide poner en practicar estos dos sacrificios especiales. El ayuno consiste en ingerir una sola comida fuerte al día esto se practica especialmente el viernes Santo. La abstinencia consiste en no comer carne los viernes durante la cuaresma; en algunas ocasiones este sacrificio puede ser sustituido por otro.

Con estos sacrificios, buscamos que todo nuestro ser (espíritu, alma y cuerpo) ofrezca obras con las que repararemos el daño ocasionado con nuestros pecados y para el bien de la Iglesia.

El ayuno es obligatorio para todas las personas de 18 a 59 años de edad y la abstinencia es obligatoria a partir de los 14 años de edad.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE PARISH

- Feb. 21** Baptism Preparation Session, Basilica, after the 11 AM Mass
- Feb. 21** Knights of Columbus Meeting, Neumann Room, 12:30 PM
- Feb. 21** Spanish Celebration, Chapel Hall, 1:30 PM
- Feb. 21** Communion Liberation Assembly, Neumann Room & Chapel Hall, 3 PM
- Feb. 21** Men's Discernment Meeting, Neumann Room, 7:30 PM
- Feb. 22** Choir rehearsal, Chapel Hall 6 PM
- Feb. 23** Regional DRE Meeting, Neumann Room, 9:30 AM
- Feb. 23** Augustine's Brothers - Prayer and Support Group for Men, Neumann Room, 7:00 PM
- Feb. 24** Charismatic Prayer Group, Neumann Room, 6:00 PM
- Feb. 25** Choir rehearsal, Chapel Hall 7:30 PM
- Feb. 25** Catechetical Session, Neumann Room, 7:00 PM
- Feb. 26** Stations of the Cross after the 12:05 PM Mass and 7:00 in Spanish, Chapel
- Feb. 26** Cathedral Young Adults Social Gathering with reflection on Sacred Scripture, Neumann Room, 7:00 PM
- Feb. 20** Dismissal of Catechumens 5:15 PM
- Feb. 22** Choir rehearsal, Chapel Hall, 10 AM

EVENTOS

Misa de la Herencia Cultural, Sábado 19 de Marzo.
Procesión - 1:30 p.m. / Misa - 2:00 p.m.
Catedral Basílica de San Pedro y San Pablo
Celebrante principal: Arzobispo Charles J. Chaput.
Auspiciado por La Oficina para el Cuidado Pastoral de Migrantes y Refugiados 215-587-3540

**CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS
THIS WEEK**

*The Consistent Life Ethic
and The Dignity of Life*

February 25, 7:00 PM
In the Neumann Room

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.

Archbishop's Lecture Series

Living as a Christian in a Culture of Unbelief

Join Archbishop Chaput as he welcomes distinguished scholars who will present on the theme "Living as a Christian in a Culture of Unbelief." The next date is:

Monday, March 7, 2016:

Themes from Life Under Compulsion:

Ten Ways to Destroy the Humanity of Your Child

Speaker: Professor Anthony Esolen

All lectures begin at 7:00 PM and are held at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary in the Vianney Hall Auditorium, 100 E. Wynnewood Road, Philadelphia. For more information visit: PhillyEvang.org/lectures. Lectures are free and open to the public.

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 7:00-8:30 PM 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. We look forward to having you join us.

Food and Fellowship Dinner: Each 2nd Sunday of the month after the 6:30 PM Mass we walk over to Con Murphy's (1700 Benjamin Franklin Parkway) to enjoy dinner over laughs and conversation. Join us for our next dinner - **Sunday, March 13.**

As we prayerfully enter into the Lenten Season, we are excited to announce we will be hosting another **NightFever event on Holy Thursday, March 24th at 7:30 PM (following Mass).** This is an event of prayer, music and reflective silence. All are welcome to attend and we are recruiting individuals who would like to help volunteer and coordinate aspects of the event. If you are interested in volunteering (specifically in street evangelization) please e-mail us at the address below.

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).

PARISH LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES

DAILY MASS at 7:15 AM and 12:05 PM in the Chapel

THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE AND RECONCILIATION IN THE BASILICA

On Sundays at 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM and 5:30 PM

On Weekdays at 11:30 AM and additionally on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM

On Saturdays at 4:15 PM

THE WAY OF THE CROSS

On Fridays immediately following the 12:05 PM Mass and at 7:00 PM in Spanish in the Chapel

Everyone is encouraged during Lent to fast voluntarily throughout the forty days, to participate in Operation Rice Bowl, to read the Sacred Scriptures, and to pray before the Blessed Sacrament.



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.



An Introduction to the *Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy*

December 8, 2015 to November 20, 2016

Join us for an evening of discussion about what's so "extraordinary" about the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy and how we can respond to the graces God is offering us.

Topics covered in the presentation:

- ❖ Explanation of the key features of the Extraordinary Jubilee:
 - Theme: *Merciful Like the Father*
 - The Holy Door & Indulgences
 - Confession
 - Missionaries of Mercy
 - Spiritual & Corporal Works of Mercy
 - 24 Hours for the Lord
- ❖ Short teaching on:
 - What is mercy?
 - What are the works of mercy?
 - What is an indulgence?

Thursday, February 25, 2016, 7 PM
Sacred Heart Parish, Mother Katharine Drexel Room
105 Wilson Ave, Havertown, PA

March 1, 2016, 7-8:30 PM
St. Colman Parish, Rectory Meeting Room
11 Simpson Rd, Ardmore, PA

For information on upcoming talks please visit
archphila.org/mercy/calendar/

SPEAKER



Meghan Cokeley is Director of the Office for the New Evangelization for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. She is a Ph.D. candidate in theology and is responsible for planning and coordinating our Archdiocesan observance of the Jubilee Year of Mercy.

archphila.org/mercy

Living Stewardship Now

GOD SUPPORTS THE CALLED

Many years ago, a mother wanted to encourage her young son in learning the piano. She took him to a concert featuring the renowned Paderewski. Once seated, the mother spotted a friend and went to greet her. The little boy wandered away from his seat, and pushed open a door labeled "No Admittance." The house lights dimmed as the mother discovered her son was missing. Suddenly the stage curtains parted and there he was, sitting at the Steinway grand, picking out "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star." Paderewski made his entrance, moved to the piano and whispered, "Don't stop. Keep playing!" The great pianist began a bass part with his left hand and a running obbligato with his right. Together, the old master and the novice transformed the situation into a wonderful, mesmerizing experience. That is the way it is with God. We try our best, but we accomplish little on our own. Yet, with the hand of the Master, our life's work truly can be beautiful. When you commit to the life of a disciple, listen carefully to the voice of the Master whispering "Don't stop. Keep playing." Feel God's loving arms around you as God's strong hands play the concerto of your life.

Living Stewardship Now

Make a list of what you feel are your God-given skills and talents, small or large. Ask someone you know and trust to check out your list and make any changes they feel are necessary. What did you learn about yourself?

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.