

## ***Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time***

***Sunday, February 4, 2018***

***“Christ took away our infirmities and bore our diseases.”***

***Mt 8:17***



### ***Mass Intentions for the Week***

**Feb 3, Saturday, Weekday, St. Blaise,  
Bishop & Martyr; St. Ansgar,  
Bishop; BVM**

12:05 Essie Mae Rubin

5:15 Ida Kapovic

**Feb 4, Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

9:30 Author Quici

11:00 Thomas Gallagher

12:30 Casta Nieves

6:30 Pro Populo- For the People

**Feb 5, Monday, St. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr**

7:15 Quici, Galypo, Greco Family

12:05 Adolfas Paulauskas

**Feb 6, Tuesday, St. Paul Miki  
& Companions, Martyrs**

7:15 Intention of Ralph Berarducci

12:05 Jeff Vaughan

**Feb 7, Wednesday, Weekday**

7:15 Linda Watson

12:05 Mary Harvey

**Feb 8, Thursday, Weekday, St. Jerome  
Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita,  
Virgin**

7:15 Frank & Rose Greco

12:05 John O'Connor, Jr.

**Feb 9, Friday, Weekday**

7:15 Lauren Diorio

12:05 Michael Bygott

**Feb 10, Saturday, St. Scholastica,  
Virgin; BVM**

12:05 Adolfas Paulauskas

5:15 Deceased Member of the Leone,  
Cuccorello & Kenny Families

**Feb 11, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

9:30 Living & Deceased Members of the  
League of the Sacred Heart

11:00 Msgr. Andre J. Hanlon

12:30 Palmida Ramos

6:30 Pro Populo- For the People

Dear Parishioners,

*Lent begins ten days from today! Ash Wednesday is on February 14, 2018. The Parish Bulletin next Sunday will have an insert with the many ways we will observe Lent here at the Cathedral Parish. It is not too early to reflect on our own personal plan to make a good Lent, to recommit our lives to conversion from sin, and to be faithful to the Gospel of the Lord.*

*You are invited to bring any old blessed palm from your homes to the Cathedral Basilica next Sunday, February 11, 2018. There will be a basket to collect this old palm in the front of the Basilica near the entrance to the sacristy. Last year's blessed palm becomes this year's ashes for Ash Wednesday. If you choose to discard your old palm at home, it should not be tossed into the trash. Rather, as a sign of respect for the blessing upon it and as the sign of Christ's victory over death, it should either be placed in the ground or burned and the ashes placed in the ground.*

*On Monday, February 19, 2018, the Mass Book opens for the scheduling of announced Masses for this year. Additionally, beginning on this same day, Weddings can be scheduled for 2018. The celebration of the Mass is powerful! As baptized Christians, when we participate in Holy Mass we join our own lives—and everything that is a part of our lives—to Christ as he offers himself to our Father in Heaven. In an amazing manner, the Holy Spirit unites our offering with that of Jesus on the cross to worship our Father. The perpetual Sacrifice of Jesus on the cross that takes place in every Mass is for all who belong to Jesus, both living and dead. With every Mass, the work of our redemption continues. At the same time, with every Mass the offering of Jesus with all of its benefits of redemption and salvation, can be applied to a particular intention, especially to benefit someone who has died, someone who needs our prayers as they are received into the glory of God.*

*I encourage you to give the gift of a Mass for your family and your friends, living and dead. The priest celebrant, when he makes his intention to offer Mass, includes the particular intention of the Mass. We print every week in the Parish Bulletin the Mass Intentions for the upcoming week so that these same intentions will be also remembered in the prayers of all who read them and especially by those who attend the scheduled Mass. It is also possible to have an unannounced Mass offered for a particular intention. These Masses are offered by the parish priests at unscheduled times. To have a Mass offered for a particular intention, please contact the Parish Office. It is also possible to arrange for an unannounced Mass on Sundays in the Sacristy.*

*The second collection at Mass next Sunday will be directed to the poor and needy in the neighborhood of the Cathedral Parish. Thank you so very much for all of your goodness and generosity to the Cathedral Parish in so many ways and to the Annual Catholic Charities Appeal.*

God bless you, Father Dennis Gill



## 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 who are already baptized Christians and would like to become Catholic, or who are already baptized Catholics 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 info.



## 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.

Thank you for your continued generosity,  
God bless you.

**GIVE TO GROW**

*Together*

## EVERY MAN HAS THIS MISSION



It is the mission of every man to guide his sons and other boys into mature manhood. Are you equipped to accomplish this? Come learn about **Fraternus**, a parish-based ministry in which adult Catholic men are formed to be "True Mentors" for boys of the parish to help guide them into authentic, virtue-based manhood rooted in Jesus Christ. Catholic Men who are interested in launching a Fraternus chapter are invited to attend a Fraternus Information Session on **Monday, February 12, 2018 at 7pm** at St. Charles Seminary in Wynnewood. No charge to attend. Please **RSVP** at [phillyevang.org/events](http://phillyevang.org/events). To learn more about Fraternus, visit [fraternus.net](http://fraternus.net).

## CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS NEXT WEEK

*Jesus Welcomes Strangers  
Into His Community: Baptism*

**Thursday, February 8, 7:00 PM**  
**Meeting 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, especially our parishioners, seeking more information on the reception of the Sacraments or assisting as a sponsor, please call the Religious Education Ministry line, 267-570-0074. <http://www.cathedralre.org/>

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION MINISTRY

All program schedules, registration and e-tuition payment options have been posted on our new website. You may register, or contact us with questions, via the website, phone, text, or email. All Cathedral Catechetical Programs are in English, (with Spanish speaking supports as needed). Volunteers needed, (necessary training, certifications and support will be provided). **Phone: 267.570.0074 (text messages acceptable).** **Website** <http://www.cathedralre.org/> **Coordinator Email:** [patty.smith@CathedralRE.org](mailto:patty.smith@CathedralRE.org) To speak with a representative in Spanish, contact Nora Martin in the Parish Office, (215)561-1313.

## Readings for Mass for this Week

Please see the website of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops: [usccb.org/bible/readings](http://usccb.org/bible/readings)

## 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. If you only put \$1 in the collection would you consider \$5, if you put \$10, would you consider \$20? The Offertory Collection for 01/28/2018 was \$5,816.00.

*Thank you very much for your generous financial support.*

## *Please remember these parishioners and friends of the Cathedral Parish in your prayers/ Ora por los enfermos:*

*Robert Sierko, Santiago Guzman, Mary W., Joan Decker, James Pinto, Mary Frances McElhare, Joan Decker, George Gunning, April DeMatto, Laura Kerr, Cris Burbage, Robin Abate, Bryan Anderson, Glen Jackanis, Susan Silverstein, Joshua White, Susan Kirk, Robert Dove, Doreen Quinn, John Zelez, Charlotte McLaughlin, Philip Costantini, David O'Shea, Mary McManus, Christopher & Stephanie Tama, Marilyn Mullen, Carolyn Jacobs, Stephen Garramone, Kim Cantwell, Janet Campellone, Nancy Rice, Frank Byrne, Gerald Leo, Eileen Swartz, Dan Moyer, Rose Johnston, William Zawacki, Carla McCollum, David Hernandez, Edward Panek, Irene McCarthy, Paige Bednarsky, Patrick DiGiovanni, Patricia Capone, Rosemary Lovett, Grace Teti, Nick Capozio, Darcel Burney, Fred Hankinson, Renee Kenny, Thomas J. Kenny, Stacey Smit, Anadelia Cacique, Alis de Pachecho, JoAnn Stein, Francis Pham, William Spiro, Scott Towers, 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.*  
*Por favor llamar a la oficina parroquial para añadir a la lista los nombres de personas que estén enfermas.*

## What's Happening at the Parish Outside the Liturgical Schedule

- Jan 6** Legion of Mary, Neumann Room, 7:00 PM  
**Jan 7** Morning Scripture Reflection for Lawyers,  
Neumann Room, 8:00 AM  
Charismatic Prayer Group, Neumann Room, 6PM  
**Feb 8** Catechetical Session, Neumann Room, 7:00 PM

## EVENTOS DE INTERÉS

### CUARESMA, Tiempo de Conversión

La Cuaresma comienza el Miércoles de Ceniza,  
14 de febrero de 2018



Le recomendamos las siguientes herramientas para aprovechar el adviento:

**1. Serie de videos llamad Perdonado (El poder transformador de la Confesión)**, disponible en español e inglés en [formed.org](http://formed.org), asegúrese de usar la clave de nuestra parroquia. Si no se ha inscrito, le recomendamos lo haga:

Suscríbase a esta excelente plataforma en línea, la cual puede ser vista desde su TV, computador, o teléfono inteligente. Contiene unos de los mejores recursos Católicos de series, películas, libros y programas de estudio—todo para ayudarle a crecer en su fe, encontrar mas paz con Dios, y compartir lo que usted cree con los demás. Para registrarse visite [www.FORMED.org](http://www.FORMED.org), digite el código de nuestra parroquia, 07854f y cree un nombre de usuario y clave. Encontrará recursos el español e inglés.

**2. Suscríbase para recibir reflexiones cuaresmales en:**  
<https://formed.org/promo/lent-2018-spanish>

### Celebración de la Santísima Virgen

**Domingo, 18 de febrero a la 1:30 PM**

Durante la Misa de español de las 12:30 PM estaremos celebrando a la Santísima Virgen en dos de sus advocaciones: Nuestra Señora de la Altagracia, patrona de la Rep. Dominicana. Y Nuestra Señora de Suyapa, patrona de Honduras. Al terminar la Misa, todos los feligreses están invitados para un compartir en el salón de la Capilla. Aquellas personas que quisieran compartir un plato típico, será bien recibido.

### ♦ Vigilia por la Vida ♦

**Viernes 23 de febrero de 8:00AM a 5:00PM**

Frente al centro abortista *Philadelphia Women's Center*, 777 Apple (8th & Arch) y **viernes 23 de marzo de 8:00AM a 5:00 PM** frente a Planned Parenthood en la 12th y Locust St. Para registrarse para orar por una hora por favor llame a Nora a la oficina parroquial al 215-561-1313 o envíele un correo electrónico a [info@cathedralphila.org](mailto:info@cathedralphila.org). Dios le bendiga!

## LA CORRESPONSABILIDAD

### PALABRAS DE VIDA

Un grupo de ranas iban por todo el bosque en busca de un charco más grande cuando súbitamente dos de ellas caen dentro de un hoyo bien profundo. Las otras ranas rodearon el hoyo y cuando vieron lo profundo que era hicieron un gesto de frustración con su cabeza y le gritaron a las ranas que estaban en el fondo que era imposible sacarlas. Las dos ranas, ignorando toda la gritería de sus compañeras, seguían intentando saltar fuera del hoyo con todas sus fuerzas. Las otras ranas se burlaban de ellas diciéndoles que se dieran por vencidas, pues todos sus esfuerzos serían inútiles. Por fin una de las ranas dejó de saltar y jadeando fuertemente cayó de lado; unos segundos más tarde murió. La otra rana continuó saltando tan alto como podía. Las demás ranas le gritaban que dejara de sufrir, se diera por vencida y se resignara a morir; pero la rana en el hoyo trataba aún más hasta que por fin su salto la sacó afuera. Las ranas quedaron asombradas y le preguntaron: “¿Es que no nos oías?” La rana estaba un tanto confundida y les pidió que repitieran lo que acababan de decir pues estaba un poco sorda. ¡Ella pensó que las ranas que estaban arriba le gritaban para darle ánimo! La lengua tiene mucho poder. Una palabra de aliento a alguien que pasa por una situación difícil puede levantarle su espíritu para poder seguir un día más. Las palabras destructivas, por otro lado, bien pueden descorazonar y quitarle toda esperanza a una persona. El poder de las palabras es mucho mayor de lo que podemos imaginar. Ten cuidado con lo que dices. Ofrece palabras vivificantes a aquellos con los que te cruces en el camino. La persona que hace un esfuerzo para animar a otra es verdaderamente especial.

### La Corresponsabilidad Vivida Ahora

Haz un esfuerzo por abandonar los comentarios negativos y las palabras ofensivas. Rehúsa ser parte de conversaciones que desdeñen o menosprecien a otras personas.

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### Retiro de Sanación Post-Aborto

♦ **Marzo 9, 10, 11, 2018, Malvern-Frazer, PA**

**En inglés**

Es diseñado para ayudarle a experimentar la Misericordia y la compasión de Dios. Le ayudara a sanar heridas que tal vez

estén escondidas, en un ambiente seguro, donde no la van a juzgar y la trataran con amor. Le ayudara a tener esperanza en su futuro y le ayudara a liberarse del dolor en su corazón y en su alma. Para información, llame a **Lauren al 215-720-5828** of **Priscilla** at **215-906-6337**.  
[www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org)



LENT BEGINS ON FEBRUARY 14



**A Lent to Remember: Forgiven/Perdonado**  
Rediscover the freedom of heart that Christ is offering you through Confession! Forgiven: The Transforming Power of Confession, produced by the Augustine Institute, explores the grace and healing offered in Confession and shows how this sacrament of mercy reveals the depth and bounty of God's love. By looking at God's revelation of his mercy in Scripture and making a step-by-step examination of the Rite itself, Forgiven communicates God's invitation to each one of us to come experience his indescribable love in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. View the video trailer: <https://formed.org/promo/len-2018>. Use our parish log in (see box below).

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Subscribe to this exciting online platform, which can be streamed to your TV or mobile device. To register go to [www.FORMED.org](http://www.FORMED.org). Type in our parish code, 07854f. Set up a username and a password. More info at (267)485-1463

**Sign up to receive daily Lenten reflections**  
<https://formed.org/promo/len-2018>



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VOCATION DISCERNMENT**

***"Servants of Relief for Incurable Cancer"***  
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**Hawthorne, New York:**  
**March 9—11, 2018**  
**July 27—29, 2018**

**Philadelphia, PA**  
**June 23, 2018**  
**September 22, 2018**

We invite women (ages 19-45) who are discerning a religious vocation to join us for a weekend of sharing in our life of prayer & apostolate. Reservations are required.

For information or reservations please contact:

**Sister Alma Marie 845-745-1319,**  
[vocationdirector@hawthorne-dominicans.org](mailto:vocationdirector@hawthorne-dominicans.org)  
[Hawthorne-Dominicans.org](http://Hawthorne-Dominicans.org)



**YOUNG ADULT GROUP**  
Upcoming Events

**Join us for YA Bible Study!** Our first meeting will be on Friday, February 9, 2018, 6:30 to 8:00 PM. Location: The Neumann Room (located behind the Basilica next to Our Lady of the Apostles Garden).

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 us at [youngadults.cathedral@gmail.com](mailto:youngadults.cathedral@gmail.com) or search for our Facebook page (search: Young Adults at the Cathedral).

**CATHEDRAL PARISH PRAYER VIGILS**  
**40 Days for Life**



**February 23 & March 23**

**Will you give one hour of your day this Lent to be the hands and feet of Jesus on the sidewalk in front of one of these abortion centers?**

We can assist women and men peacefully and prayerfully by interceding and offering them the hope and help they need in a critical time.

The Cathedral Parish will lead prayer vigils in front of Philadelphia Women's Center, 777 Apple (8th & Arch) on **Fri. February 23, from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM** and on **Fri. March 23, from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM** at Planned Parenthood on 12th and Locust.

To sign up for a 1 hour prayer vigil shift please contact Nora at the Parish Office:

[info@cathedralphila.org](mailto:info@cathedralphila.org) or 215-561-1313. To learn more about this peaceful movement visit [https://40daysforlife.com/](http://https://40daysforlife.com/).

**UNBOUND: Freedom in Christ Conference**

**Saturday, February 24, 2018 - 9:00 AM—4:45 PM**

**What is Unbound?** Unbound is a ministry of healing and deliverance that helps you find freedom in areas of your life where you feel bound. This conference will help you discover the freedom that Jesus Christ has in store for you and teach you how to help others find that freedom. Unbound can help with relationship problems, inability to forgive, anger, fear, sadness, and other spiritual obstacles.

**Location:** SS Simon and Jude Parish Meehan Center, West Chester, PA. **Fee:** \$50 per person; \$20 for priests/religious/college students. Sponsored by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia Office for the New Evangelization. **To learn more and register, visit:** [phillyevang.org/unbound](http://phillyevang.org/unbound)

**You can change the future, Become a Foster Parent!**  
For information please call Catholic Social Services at (267)331-2502!

## OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

### **Malvern Women's Tea**

**Sunday, February 4, 2018, 2:00 PM**

Speaker: Meghan Cokeley,

Office for the New Evangelization.

**Topic:** What's All the Talk about the Feminine Genius?

Location: Malvern Retreat House, Malvern, PA.

More info: \$25 per woman. Visit: [malvernretreat.com](http://malvernretreat.com)

### **"To Be Deep in History:"**

#### **Newman on the Gift of Tradition**

**Thursday, February 8, 2018, 7:00 PM—8:30 PM**

Collegium Institute and the Penn Newman Center welcome Prof. Thomas Pfau (Duke Divinity) for this lecture exploring J. H. Newman's understanding of tradition and its relevance for humanistic and theological inquiry today. Join us for this 2nd Annual John Henry Newman Lecture marking the University of Pennsylvania as the site of the first Newman Club in the United States. Speaker: Professor Thomas Pfau, Duke Divinity School and Duke University

Hosted by: Collegium Institute and Penn Newman Center

More Info & Registration: <https://goo.gl/C3q5SW>

### **Liturgy Series**

**This three part series includes the history of Liturgy and the Introductory Rite of Mass, the Liturgy of the Word, and the Liturgy of the Eucharist**

**Mondays, Feb. 5, 12, and 19, 2018, 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM**

No cost to attend, but a free will offering is appreciated.

Registration is recommended. Guest Presenter: Father Louis

Bellopede, Pastor, Saint Mary Parish, Schwenksville

Location: Saint Maria Goretti Parish, Hatfield

[www.stmariagoretti.net](http://www.stmariagoretti.net). For more information or to register contact Angela McClellan at:

[angela.mcclellan@stmariagoretti.net](mailto:angela.mcclellan@stmariagoretti.net)

or 215-721-0199 (ext. 202).

### **Retrouvaille, Rediscover the Love in your marriage!**

**Feb. 16-18 Malvern, PA**

Visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org) for more information

### **The Tech-Wise Family: Building Family Culture and Virtue while Putting Technology in its Proper Place**

**March 1, 2018 - 7-8:30pm**

Lecture and discussion:

- \* Who do we want to be as a Christian Family?
- \* How does our use of a particular technology move us closer to, or further from, that goal?
- \* How can we develop true wisdom and courage in a culture of "easy everywhere"?

Location: Regina Angelorum Academy, 105 Argyle Road, Ardmore, PA. Speaker: Mr. Andy Crouch, author of The Tech-Wise Family. To learn more and register: <https://raa-tech-wise.eventbrite.com>;

Free and open to the public

## Cathedral Choir

Please visit our Cathedral website for information on our Choir Masses visit <http://cathedralphila.org/music/choirs-at-the-cathedral-basilica/>.

## *LIVING STEWARDSHIP NOW*

### *SPEAK LIFE*

A group of frogs was traveling through the woods looking for a bigger pond when two of them fell into a very deep hole. The other frogs crowded around, and when they saw just how deep the hole was they shook their heads and started calling to the two frogs at the bottom that they were as good as dead. The two frogs ignored the shouting and with all their might kept trying to jump up out of the hole. The other frogs jeered at them and told them to give up as their efforts were useless. Finally, one of the frogs stopped jumping and, panting heavily, fell on his side. He lay still and soon died. The other frog continued to jump as hard as he could. The crowd of frogs yelled at him to stop the pain and just give up and die. He jumped even harder, and finally made it out of the top of the hole. When he got out, the other frogs were astonished and asked him, "Didn't you hear us?" The frog look puzzled and asked them to repeat what they had just said because he was a bit deaf. He thought they had been shouting encouragement to him! There is power in the tongue. An encouraging word to someone in difficult circumstances can lift them up and help them to make it through another day. Destructive words, on the other hand, can be all it takes to deprive them of hope and life. The power of words is much greater than we may think. Be careful what you say. Speak life to those who cross your path. The person who makes the effort to encourage another is special indeed.

### *Living Stewardship Now*

Make a conscious effort to stop negative comments and verbal "put-downs." Refuse to join in conversations that scorn or belittle other people.

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### Tours of the Cathedral Basilica



A guided tour of the Basilica is available **after the 11:00 AM Sunday Mass**. Please gather in front of the Side Altar of the Sacred Heart, which is located to the right of the Main Sanctuary.