

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Sunday, May 13, 2018

*"I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord.
I will come back to you, and your hearts will rejoice." Jn 14:23*



Mass Intentions for the Week



May 12, Saturday, Easter Weekday

12:05 Jill
5:15 Michael Bygott

May 13, Seventh Sunday of Easter

8:00 Pro Populo-For the People of the Parish
9:30 Lena Quici
11:00 Bobby O. Cochran and Family
12:30 Por todas las madres difuntas
6:30 Pro Populo-For the People

May 14, Monday, St. Matthias, Apostle

7:15 Raffaele Giacomucci & Family
12:05 Maddelena Leone

May 15, Tuesday, Easter Weekday

7:15 Intention of Ralph Berarducci
12:05 James Colleran, Jr.

May 16, Wednesday, Easter Weekday

7:15 Michele DiCandilo
12:05 Timothy Navin

May 17, Thursday, Easter Weekday

7:15 Jenna Burleigh
12:05 Pietro Conosciani

May 18, Friday, Easter Weekday, St. John I, Pope & Martyr

7:15 Filomena DiCandilo
12:05 Msgr. Andrew J. Hanlon

May 19, Saturday, Easter Weekday

12:05 Intention of the Sheridan Family
5:15 Philomena Stendardo

May 20, Pentecost Sunday

8:00 Pro Populo-For the People of the Parish
9:30 Rose Marangiello
11:00 Anna Fulton
12:30 Asuncion Carrasco
6:30 Pro Populo-For the People

Dear Parishioners,

Today is the Seventh Sunday of Easter! This period between the Holy Day of the Ascension celebrated last Thursday and next Sunday's celebration of Pentecost, the descent of the Holy Spirit, is the original novena, nine days of prayer. Inspired by the word of God, we unite ourselves to the prayer of the Church during these days to receive the great gift of the Risen Lord, the Holy Spirit. God the Holy Spirit will come anew with Pentecost and fill us with the gifts and fruits that we need to deepen our grasp of the Resurrection, to be more faithful to Jesus as his disciples, and to be more generous in our service to one another. A traditional devotional prayer to ask for the help of the Holy Spirit during this Novena and all the time is the following:

Come Holy Spirit,
fill the hearts of your faithful
and kindle in them the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created.
And You shall renew the face of the earth.

O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit,
did instruct the hearts of the faithful,
grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise
and ever enjoy His consolations,
through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

Next Sunday is the eighth Sunday of Easter, the Solemnity of Pentecost, and the close of Easter Time. In addition to the regular Sunday schedule of Masses for next Sunday, we will have the extended form of the Vigil for Pentecost at 7:30 PM. In some ways, this Vigil imitates the Easter Vigil with several readings and responses from Sacred Scripture to recall God's faithful promise to send the Holy Spirit upon the Church. This extended Vigil is a celebration supported by the Archdiocesan Charismatic Renewal Office and is open to all. Pentecost Sunday evening, Archbishop Chaput will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation upon Catholic adults from throughout the Archdiocese at the 6:30 PM Mass.

Please purchase your tickets for the Cathedral Parish Keys and Sword Event 2018 on June 29, 2018. You can purchase your tickets on line and also learn more about this year's event at <http://cathedralphila.org/keys/>.

The second collection at Mass next Sunday *will be directed to the Religious Education Programs 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.

Happy Easter,
Father Dennis Gill



BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSION

The celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism is the doorway to the Christian life and to all the other

Sacraments. As such, preparation of the parents and for the Baptism itself deserve very special attention. The celebration of Baptism at the Cathedral Parish takes place on the first Sunday of each month at 12:30 PM after the 11:00 AM Solemn Mass. Everyone is welcome. The celebration will be carried out with liturgical music and with a great sense of hospitality. **We won't have baptisms in June this year.**

A *Baptism Preparation Session* takes place on the third Sunday of each month in anticipation of the celebration of the Sacrament. Parents in the Cathedral Parish are obligated to participate. The session is open to all of our neighbor parishes and to godparents as well. Parents are encouraged to participate during pregnancy, if at all possible. Please call the Parish Office - 215-561-1313 - to register for the Baptism Preparation Session. **Upcoming dates: May 20, June 10**

The Pilgrim Virgin of Fatima



The Legion of Mary of the Cathedral parish invites you to consider welcoming to your home the Pilgrim Virgin of Fatima. This blessed statue of Our Lady will be brought to you by two members of the Legion who will assist you in leading the welcome ceremony. You are encouraged to invite friends and neighbors to join you for prayer with Our Lady at convenient times throughout the week. Your family is encouraged to join together for a brief prayer each day. At the end of the visit (about a week later) two members of the Legion of Mary will come to your home and lead the farewell prayers. Families are amazed at the blessings they receive during and after such a visit. If interested please contact

Ms. Charlotte Thomson at 267-761-4951 or 267-441-0350 or email at: cmt67280@gmail.com.

Readings for Mass for this Week

Please see the website of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops: usccb.org/bible/readings

CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS THIS WEEK

Jesus Will Come Again!

Thursday, May 17, 2018—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/>



Gospel Reflection Group

The LAST Tuesday of each month, outside of Advent and Lent, are our meeting days. The coming dates are: **May 29th, June 26th, July 31st, August 28th, Sept 25th, Oct. 30th and Nov 27th.**

All are welcome; please come to the Neumann Room prepared to reflect and share on the coming Sunday Gospel. We begin at 11:00 AM and conclude at noon. Consider bringing a friend for this enriching time of faith formation.

On May 29th we will reflect on the Gospel of St. Mark 14:12-16, 22-26, which is Mark's account of the Last Supper.

New Parishioners

Welcome to the Cathedral Parish! The easiest way to register can be accomplished by speaking with one of the parish priests after any regularly scheduled Mass. If preferred, you can also contact the Parish Office to schedule an appointment to meet with a priest for parish registration.

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 Sunday, 5/6/2018 \$7,016.50. **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:

*Russell Heim, Karen Spadaccini, Patrick DiGiovanni, Pearl Hammond, Sam O'Connor, Robert Sierko, Mary W., 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, 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 McCollaum, 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, 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

May 15 Legion of Mary, Neumann Room, 7 PM

May 16 Morning Scripture Reflection for Lawyers,
Neumann Room, 8 AM
Charismatic Prayer Group, Neumann Room, 6 PM

May 17 Catholic Schoolhouse Homeschool Meeting,
Neumann Room, 8:30 AM
Catechetical Session, Neumann Room, 7 PM

May 19 Extended Vigil Mass for Pentecost -(charismatic)
Basilica, 7:30 PM

May 23 Philadelphia Boys Choir & Chorale Concert,
Basilica, 7:30 PM

EVENTOS DE INTERÉS



¡Feliz Día de las Madres!

Gracias queridas madres por su amor y entrega incondicional. Nos unimos a San Juan Pablo II en sus lindas palabras para ustedes:

"Te doy gracias, mujer-madre, que te conviertes en seno del ser humano con la alegría y los dolores de parto de una experiencia única, la cual te hace sonrisa de Dios para el niño que viene a la luz y te hace guía de sus primeros pasos, apoyo de su crecimiento, punto de referencia en el posterior camino de la vida."

Oramos para que Dios bendiga sus hogares y nuestra Madre celestial las guíe para ser ejemplo de virtud en camino hacia la santidad.

Celebración de la Santísima Virgen

Domingo, 20 de mayo, 2018 a las 1:30 PM

Durante la Misa de español de las 12:30pm estaremos celebrando a la Santísima Virgen en su advocación de Nuestra Señora en de Lujan, la patrona de Argentina.

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.

Quo Vadis Days 2018 - Junio 25-28



Hombres de Escuela Secundaria (High school) están invitados a reunirse con los Seminaristas de Filadelfia para este campamento de 4 días y 3 noches. El campamento incluye charlas dinámicas, discusiones en pequeños grupos, experiencias significativas de oración, y un ambiente divertido que incluye un curso de cuerdas, piscina, lago, baloncesto, fútbol soccer, frisbee, y más. Una escala graduable de tarifas de \$25 a \$300 para el registro incluye estadía, comidas, camiseta, y actividades. Para registrar a su hijo o más información, visite: <http://heedthecall.org/event/quovadis/>. Preguntas? Llame a la Oficina de Vocaciones para el Sacerdocio Diocesano al (610) 667-5778.

LA CORRESPONSABILIDAD

CICATRICES

Un día de verano en la Florida un niño decidió ir a nadar en una laguna detrás de su casa. Se lanzó a las aguas refrescantes sin darse cuenta que un cocodrilo se había deslizado despaciosamente hasta el estanque y se movía hacia él. Su padre trabajaba en el patio y veía cómo disfrutaba su hijo, pero entonces vio también los ojos y el hocico del inmenso reptil. Aterrorizado corrió hacia donde estaba su hijo mientras le gritaba a toda voz que nadara hacia la orilla. Era una gran lucha, pero el muchacho seguía tratando, nadando con sus brazos y pateando el agua con sus piernas con todas sus fuerzas. Justo al llegar a donde su padre podía alcanzarlo por las muñecas, el cocodrilo lo agarró por las pantorrillas. A esto siguió un movimiento fiero del agua. El cocodrilo era mucho más fuerte que el padre, pero el padre clavó sus talones en la tierra y no desistió. El padre le gritaba al animal que trataba de voltear al chico, una táctica que usan los cocodrilos para ahogar a su presa. Un agricultor que pasaba por allí en su camión oyó la terrible conmoción y se apresuró al agua con una escopeta, apuntó y disparó al cocodrilo. El niño sobrevivió, pero tuvo que permanecer bajo tratamiento en el hospital por varias semanas. Sus piernas estaban llenas de cicatrices por el despiadado ataque del cocodrilo, pero poco a poco se fueron sanando y el muchacho aprendió de nuevo a caminar. Sus brazos también tenían arañazos y profundas cicatrices debido a la presión que tuvo que hacer el padre con sus uñas en la piel del niño para poder salvar al hijo que tanto amaba. Un reportero entrevistó al muchacho años después del trauma y le pidió ver las cicatrices de sus piernas. El muchacho se levantó las piernas del pantalón y con un orgullo muy obvio dijo: "Pero miré también mis brazos. Tengo muchas cicatrices en los brazos, porque mi papá ni se dio por vencido ni me abandonó".

La Corresponsabilidad Viva Ahora

Lo que hace que nos admiremos de personas como la Madre Teresa, Martín Luther King o Mahatma Gandhi no es lo que hicieron, sino cómo lo hicieron. Contra viento y marea ellos perseveraron. Hagas lo que hagas para honrar a Dios, comprométete y mantén tu compromiso.

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Happy Mothers Day!

“Motherhood involves a special communion with the mystery of life, as it develops in the mother’s womb. The mother is filled with wonder at this mystery of life, and ‘understands’ with unique intuition what is happening inside her. In the light of the ‘beginning’, the mother accepts and loves as a person the child she is carrying in her womb. This unique contact with the new human being developing within her gives rise to an attitude towards human beings – not only towards her own child, but every human being – which profoundly marks the woman’s personality...”

“Motherhood implies from the beginning a special openness to the new person: and this is precisely the woman’s ‘part’. In this openness, in conceiving and giving birth to a child, the woman ‘discovers herself through a sincere gift of self.”

*St. John Paul II on the Dignity of Women
(Mulieris Dignitatem).*

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 To speak with a representative in Spanish, contact Nora Martin in the Parish Office, (215)561-1313.

Parish Greeters Needed

We are delighted to have a Parish Greeter Program where “Welcoming our Visitors and Regular Worshippers” takes place at each Mass. Would you consider joining us for one of our week-end Masses each week? If so, please contact Sister Eleanor McCann, RSM at the parish office.

DISABILITIES & AUTISM HELP-LINE

Do you need help accessing services and support for someone with an intellectual disability or autism? The CSS Developmental Programs **Help-Line** is available to answer your questions **484-472-5041** IDDhelp@chs-adphila.org • developmentalprogramsphilly.org opdarchphilly.org • aopcatholicsschools.org

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)331-2502!

Young Adult Events



Bible Study: May 25, 6-7:30 PM.

Location: The Pastoral Center, 222 N. 17th St. Philadelphia. 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 or search for our [Facebook page \(@youngadultscathedral\)](#).



Concerts at the Cathedral Basilica

*Come and Experience
Great Music in the Cathedral*

Philadelphia Boys Choir & Chorale

Wednesday, May 23, 2018, 7:30 PM

For more information and to purchase Tickets visit:
www.CathedralPhilaConcerts.org



Catholic Charities Appeal

Next weekend is the **In-Pew Weekend for the 2018 Catholic Charities Appeal**, which provides essential services to hundreds of our brothers and sisters in need in the Philadelphia area. With an archdiocese-wide goal of \$12.5 million, we as the home cathedral of the archdiocese can contribute to providing essential education, food, shelter and medical assistance to the individuals served by Catholic Charities.

Many thanks to those who have already made contributing to the Catholic Charities Appeal a priority in their budgeting process. For those who have not yet had the opportunity, I ask that you prayerfully consider showing your support in next weekend's In-Pew campaign. You will find envelopes available in the pews for contribution during Mass, or for mailing in. May God bless you, your families, and the lives of those we serve through our contributions.

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This “Catholic version of Netflix” can be streamed to your TV or mobile device and contains some of the best Catholic content there is – video series, movies, books and study programs – all to help you grow in your faith, find deeper peace with God, and share what you believe with others. To register go to formed.org. You should see the registration box for parishioners. Type in our parish code, 07854f. Set up a username and a password. If you have any questions please contact **Phil at (267)485-1463**

OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

Free Webinar - Parents, Kids and Porn: The Conversation

Tuesday, May 15 at 12 PM or Tuesday, May 22 at 8 PM

The goal of this free program is to equip parents to initiate age-appropriate discussion with children about the pitfalls of technology, social media and pornography.

Speakers: Jasper Hall, Jr., President of PureHope and Dan Martin, Campus Pastor at Chase Oaks Church in Fairview, TX. **Location:** Online, Sponsored by the Religious Alliance Against Pornography and the Archdiocese of Kansas City

More info: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/t/946918494774233091?source=RAAP>

Novena to the Sacred Heart

The Visitation Nuns at 5820 City Ave. (Between 59th St & Cardinal Ave), Philadelphia, PA 19131, cordially invite you to their annual Sacred Heart Novena of Masses at 7:30 PM from Thursday, May 31, 2018 through Friday, June 8, the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart. Rev. Stephen DeLacy will conduct the Novena. Since it was a Visitation Nun, St. Margaret Mary Alacoque of the Monastery of Paray-le-Monial, France, who received the Great Revelation of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Visitation Nuns throughout the world honor the Heart of Christ in a special manner, particularly by an annual public novena. www.visitationnuns.org/index.html

BE A MAN:

A 24-hour Men's Retreat with Fr. Larry Richards

June 8, 2018 at 6:00 PM to June 9 at 6:00 PM

Father Larry Richards has been a priest since 1989 for the Diocese of Erie, PA. He is the author of "Be a Man! Becoming the Man God Created You to Be", a #1 best seller for Ignatius Press, having sold over 100,000 copies. Be sure to register early as we expect an early full-house.

Location: Malvern Retreat House, Main Retreat House. **Cost:** \$160.00 per person – single occupancy.

To register: Visit malvernretreat.com/events/fr-larry-richards/ or call 610-644-0400.

The Catholic Alternative to Mindfulness

A 24 Hour Retreat

June 9-10, 2018, 6:30 PM to Sunday, June 10 at 2:30 PM

Mindfulness has come a long way from its days as an obscure Buddhist meditation technique known only to monks and a few New Age enthusiasts to what it is now—one of the hottest new spiritual practices of our day. Do We Need Mindfulness to be Mindful? Sue Brinkmann answers! As a Third Order Carmelite and researcher of that which is New Age, Brinkmann presents a compelling, authentic teaching from a Christian perspective. **Location:** Our Lady's Hall, Malvern Retreat House. **Cost:** \$150.00 per person includes accommodations and all meals. **For more info visit:** malvernretreat.com or call 610-644-0400.

The Gianna Center of Philadelphia is here!

Affiliated with the National Gianna Center for Women's Health. **More info:** www.fertilitycarefriends.org

Cathedral Choir Mass Schedule

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

LIVING STEWARDSHIP NOW

SCARS

One summer day in Florida, a boy decided to go for a dip in the old swimming hole behind his house. He flung himself into the cool, refreshing water, not realizing that an alligator had slipped quietly into the pond and was moving toward him. His father, working in the yard, saw his son's delight, and then the eyes and snout of the huge reptile. In terror, he ran toward his son, yelling loudly to swim ashore. It was a hard struggle, but the youngster kept trying, flailing his arms and kicking as hard as he could. Just as the boy got close to where his father could grab his wrists, the alligator clamped its jaws into his calves. A fierce tug-of-war ensued. The alligator was much stronger than the father, but the father dug in his heels and refused to let go. The father yelled at the animal, which was trying to turn the boy over—a tactic alligators use to drown their prey. A farmer passing in his truck heard the awful commotion, raced to the water with a gun, took aim and shot the alligator. The child survived, but needed weeks of hospital treatment. His legs were terribly scarred by the vicious attack of the alligator, but they very slowly healed and the boy learned to walk again. His arms were also scarred by deep scratches, where his father's fingernails dug into his flesh as he hung on to the son he loved so much. A reporter interviewed the boy years after the trauma and asked to see his scars. The boy lifted his pant legs. And then, with obvious pride, he said, "But look at my arms. I have great scars on my arms, too, because my Dad wouldn't give up and didn't let go."

Living Stewardship Now

What makes us admire people like Mother Teresa, Martin Luther King, or Mahatma Gandhi is not only *what* they did, but *how* they did it. Against all odds, they persevered. Whatever you do to honor God, make the commitment and keep the commitment.

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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.