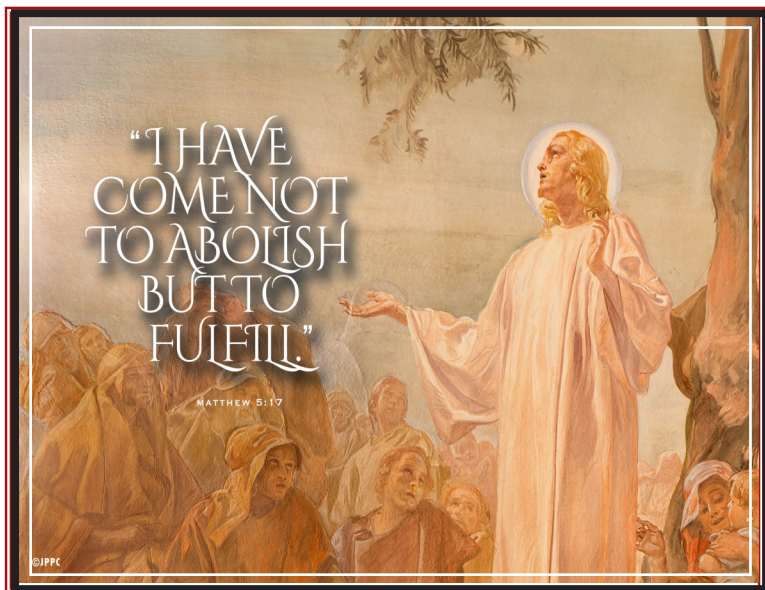


Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul And the Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel

18th Street and Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Most Reverend Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap., Archbishop of Philadelphia



February 16, 2020

Parish Mission Statement

As a vibrant Roman Catholic community in Center City, the Cathedral Parish Serves all those who come to the Mother Church of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. We profess our Catholic Faith, minister to others and welcome all, as founded on the Word of God and the celebration of the Sacraments of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Adopted by the Parish Council, April 5, 2016

Reverend Gerald Dennis Gill
Rector and Pastor

Reverend Monsignor Arthur E. Rodgers
Rector Emeritus

Reverend Matthew K. Biedrzycki
Parochial Vicar

Reverend Monsignor Louis A. D'Addezio
Reverend Isaac Haywiser, O.S.B.
Priests in Residence

Deacon Epifanio de Jesus

Sister Eleanor McCann, R.S.M.
Pastoral Associate

Sister Mary Luchia, P.V.M.I
Parish Evangelization

Charlene Angelini
Director of Cathedral Parish Music

Mark Loria
Principal Organist

Edward J. Specht IV
Coordinator of Religious Education

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday: 5:15 PM Anticipated Mass on Saturday
8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM in Basilica
12:30 PM Spanish in Cathedral Chapel
Sta. Misa en español, en la Capilla
6:30 PM in Basilica

Weekdays: 7:15 AM, 12:05 PM in Cathedral Chapel

Saturdays: 12:05 PM in Cathedral Chapel

Holy Days: See website

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE SCHEDULE

Sunday: 9:00 AM and 5:30 PM in Basilica
12:00 PM (español) en la Capilla

Weekdays: 11:30 AM in Basilica

Saturday: 4:15 PM in Basilica

Please contact the Parish Office to arrange for the:
**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM AND MARRIAGE,
SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK,
AND HOLY COMMUNION OF THE SICK
AND HOMEBOUND**

The Cathedral Shop is open
Wed. 10:30 AM - 2:00 PM / Sat. 11:00 AM - 5:15 PM
Sun. 10:30 AM - 6:30 PM / 215-665-9032

Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul 
@CathedralPhila 

Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM (lunch break 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM)
1723 Race Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103 • 215-561-1313 • www.cathedralphila.org • info@cathedralphila.org
Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel <https://www.saintkatharinedrexelshrine.com/>

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, February 16, 2020

*"Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.." MT. 11:25*



Mass Intentions for the week



Feb. 15 Saturday, Weekday

12:05 John Janda, Sr.
5:15 Leone, Cuccurullo & Kenny Family

Feb. 16 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 For the People of the Parish
9:30 Bernard Berney
11:00 Umberto Colavita
12:30 A la Virgen Milagrosa
6:30 For the People of the Archdiocese

Feb. 17 Monday, Weekday

7:15 Paul Haggerty
12:05 Robert Dilullo

Feb. 18 Tuesday, Weekday

7:15 Susan Frances Rosati
12:05 Gerrit Schulze

Feb. 19 Wednesday, Weekday

7:15 Janet White
12:05 Joseph Paris

Feb. 20 Thursday, Weekday

7:15 James J. Clearkin
12:05 Vincent Giannotti

Feb. 21 Friday, Weekday

7:15 Rev. Demetrios Katulls
12:05 Matteo Mancini

Feb. 22 Saturday, The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

12:05 The Schaeffer & Brady Family
5:15 William & Mary Ellen Urban

Feb. 23 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 For the People of the Parish
9:30 Intentions of Martina Wodarczyh
11:00 John Patrick Rowley
12:30 Manuel Delgado
6:30 For the People of the Archdiocese

Dear Parishioners,

This is the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Holy Gospel for this Sunday provides a wonderful preparation for Lent. The Lord gives a fuller explanation to observing the commandments along with some excellent examples. It is insufficient only to know the commandments as a follower of the Lord or even to observe them in an overarching way. Rather, as the Lord instructs, we are to obey them completely and teach others to do the same. In the days ahead as we anticipate Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent, let us spend some time, with the Ten Commandments in mind, looking for the ways we need to address our failure or omission to be true the ways of the Lord. Let us commit with the seriousness of Lent to seek more sincerely to turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel.

This Tuesday, February 18, 2020, the Most Reverend Nelson J. Pérez will be installed as the new Archbishop of Philadelphia. The Mass of Installation is at 2:00 PM in the Cathedral Basilica. Please pray for Archbishop Perez as he becomes our chief shepherd in Christ in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Also, see the website of the Archdiocese for information about watching the Installation from home, <http://archphila.org/>. All are welcome to attend the Mass of Installation.

Next Sunday, February 23, 2020, Bishop Senior will celebrate the 11:00 AM Solemn Mass and administer the Sacrament of Confirmation to eleven school age candidates. Please remember these candidates in your prayers as they prepare to be sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit next Sunday.

Also, next Sunday, February 23, 2020, there will be a Parish Coffee following the 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM and 12:30 PM Masses in Drexel Hall (the hall below our Cathedral Chapel). The coffee next Sunday is a way for all who come to Sunday Mass to enjoy some refreshment and fellowship before the beginning of Lent. Plan now to go to Drexel Hall. Parishioners are asked to guide our visitors to Drexel Hall by way of the entrance in the parking lot side vestibule.

Ash Wednesday, February 26, 2020, is just ten days away. Baskets will again be the entrances to the Basilica next Sunday for your old blessed palm. This palm from last year's Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord will be burned for this year's ashes for Ash Wednesday. If you do not bring your palm to church, please dispose of it carefully by burning it or burying it. *Please take note of the insert in today's Parish Bulletin which lists the many ways to observe Lent 2020 here at the Cathedral Parish.*

Next Sunday, the second collection will be directed to the winter maintenance expenses of the Cathedral Basilica. If possible, please make use of the on-line possibility of making your weekly offering. Thank you so very much for all your goodness and generosity to the Cathedral Parish and the Catholic Charities Appeal.

God bless you!
Father Dennis Gill

TODAY'S READINGS

Reading I: Sirach 15: 15-20

Those who keep the commandments and follow God's way will be happy. It is so foolish to think that God does not notice our every deed.

Reading II: I Corinthians 2: 6-10

Paul writes that Jesus reveals a new wisdom, one not meant for the self-styled "mature" Christians in Corinth who looked down on others as "children." Paul also provides a fascinating and encouraging view of heaven.

The Gospel: Matthew 5: 17-37, or 5: 20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

Jesus presents a new law to the people, and a new way of living. His way does not deny but rather fulfills their Jewish inheritance. He also cites six specific examples in His superior ethic.



CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS -Adult faith formation-

The Seventh Commandment Preparing for Lent

Thursday, February 20, 2020, 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 Parish Office, 215-561-1313 or email Edward Specht at cathedralreligiouseducation@gmail.com



**Caring
& Friends™**

Cooking for your family? Make a little extra for those in need, freeze it and bring it to the parish.

Meal trays are available in the side entrance to the Chapel. Frozen trays may be dropped off in the Sacristy before/after any weekend Mass.

Questions? Email Carmin de Jesus at epi.dejesusjr@gmail.com. aidforfriends.org

What's Happening at the Parish Outside the Liturgical Schedule

Feb. 16 Legion of Mary Meeting, APC, 12:45PM

Feb. 18 Installation of the New Archbishop **Nelson J. Pérez**, Cathedral, 2PM
Adult Faith Sharing, Neumann Room, 2PM

Feb. 19 Scripture Reflection for lawyers, NR, 8 AM
Charismatic Prayer Group, NR, 6 PM

Feb. 20 Catechetical Session, NR, 7 PM
Perpetual Novena to Saint Katharine Drexel,
following the 7:15 AM and 12:05 PM Masses.

Feb. 29 & March 1 Rite of Election and the Call to
Continuing conversion, Cathedral
11AM & 3PM



Communion for 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, Watermark, Spring Garden Towers, and anyone else who may be confined to their homes.** Therefore, if you are aware of anyone who would like a priest to visit and administer 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.

Readings for Mass for this Week

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

The offertory collection for Sunday **02/09/2020** was :

First Collection: \$6,123.00

Second Collection: \$1, 448.00

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:*
Janina Bieranowska, Michael McCann, Caroline Brennan, Samuel Pollino, Mark Perry, Terry Dynako, Dave Dynako, Anthony Ferraro, Charlotte McLaughlin, Rose McKenna, Mary Jo D'Ortone, Amanda Rozzono, Steve Cook, Corbin M. Schindler, Gloria Quici, James Pinto, 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 llame a la oficina parroquial para añadir a la lista los nombres de personas que estén enfermas.*

La Misión de la Catedral Basílica de Santos Pedro y Pablo

La Parroquia Catedral sirve a todos los que vienen a la Iglesia Madre de la Arquidiócesis de Filadelfia como una comunidad católica romana vibrante en el centro de la ciudad. Profesamos nuestra fe católica, servimos a los demás y damos la bienvenida a todos tal cual está escrito en la Palabra de Dios y la celebración de los Sacramentos de Nuestro Señor y Salvador Jesucristo.

*Adoptado por el Consejo Pastoral
Parroquial, Abril 5, 2016*

EVENTOS DE INTERES

El Sacramento del Bautismo en Español Abril 26, 2020— 1:30 PM

El Sacramento del Bautismo normalmente se celebra en español cada 3 meses, el último domingo del mes; **Por favor hable con el Diácono Epifanio para inscribirse en la clase de preparación y para programar el Bautismo de su hijo/a. Si su hijo/a es mayor de 7 años, el proceso es diferente,** por favor llame a la oficina parroquial para mayor información. El Sacramento del Bautismo normalmente se celebra en inglés el primer domingo de cada mes. Para más información por favor llame a la oficina parroquial al 215-561-1313.

Misa Televisada en Español

En UNIVISIÓN 65 - Todos los domingos a las **6:30 AM**

SPANISH MINISTRY WORKSHOP

Sábado, **Noviembre 14, 2020**
9:30 AM—12:00 PM

Lugar
Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul
18th and Benjamin Franklin Parkway
Philadelphia, PA 19103
Please register at: worship@archphila.org

Sacramento de la Reconciliación

Los domingos a las 12:00 PM en la Capilla

BOLETIN INFORMATIVO

Oficina para Católicos Hispanos
[CLICK HERE](#)

GRUPO DE ORACION

“Señor Jesús de la Divina Misericordia”, el 4to domingo de cada mes, después de la celebración de la Santa Misa en español.

REFLEXIÓN DEL PÁRROCO

Estimados feligreses,

Este es el sexto domingo del tiempo ordinario. El Santo Evangelio para este domingo proporciona una maravillosa preparación para la Cuaresma. El Señor da una explicación más completa para observar los mandamientos junto con algunos ejemplos excelentes. Es insuficiente solo conocer los mandamientos como seguidor del Señor o incluso observarlos de manera general. Más bien, como el Señor instruye, debemos obedecerlos por completo y enseñar a otros a hacer lo mismo. En los días venideros, mientras anticipamos el Miércoles de Ceniza y el comienzo de la Cuaresma, permítanos pasar un tiempo, con los Diez Mandamientos en mente, buscando las formas en que debemos abordar nuestro fracaso u omisión para ser verdaderos los caminos del Señor. Comprometámonos con la seriedad de la Cuaresma a buscar más sinceramente apartarnos del pecado y ser fieles al Evangelio.

Este martes 18 de febrero de 2020, el Reverendísimo Nelson J. Pérez será instalado como el nuevo Arzobispo de Filadelfia. La misa de instalación es a las 2:00 PM en la Basílica de la Catedral. Oremos por el Arzobispo Pérez mientras se convierte en nuestro pastor principal en Cristo en la Arquidiócesis de Filadelfia. Además, visite el sitio web de la Arquidiócesis para obtener información sobre cómo ver la Instalación desde su casa, <http://archphila.org/>. Todos son bienvenidos a asistir a la Misa de Instalación.

El próximo domingo 23 de febrero de 2020, Bishop Senior celebrará la Misa solemne de las 11:00 a.m. y administrará el Sacramento de la Confirmación a once candidatos en edad escolar. Por favor mantenga estos candidatos en sus oraciones mientras se preparan para ser sellados con el Don del Espíritu Santo el próximo domingo.

Además, el próximo domingo 23 de febrero de 2020, tendremos el café parroquial después de las misas de 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. y 12:30 p.m. en el salón Drexel (el salón debajo de la Capilla de la Catedral). El café del próximo domingo es una forma para que todos los que vienen a la misa dominical puedan disfrutar de un refrigerio y compañerismo antes del comienzo de la Cuaresma. Planee ahora ir al salón Drexel. Se les pide a los feligreses que guíen a nuestros visitantes al Salón Drexel a través de la entrada en el vestíbulo lateral del estacionamiento.

El miércoles de ceniza, 26 de febrero de 2020, está a solo diez días de distancia. Las canastas volverán a ser las entradas a la Basílica el próximo domingo para su vieja palma bendita. Esta palma del Domingo de Ramos de la Pasión del Señor del año pasado será quemada por las cenizas de este año para el Miércoles de Ceniza. Si no lleva su palma a la iglesia, deséchela con cuidado quemándola o enterrándola. *Tome nota del inserto en el boletín parroquial de hoy que enumera las muchas formas de observar la Cuaresma 2020 aquí en la parroquia de la Catedral.*

El próximo domingo, la segunda colecta se destinará a los gastos de mantenimiento de invierno de la Basílica de la Catedral. Si es posible, utilice la posibilidad en línea de hacer su oferta semanal. Muchas gracias por toda su bondad y generosidad con la Parroquia de la Catedral y la Campaña de Caridades Católicas.

¡Dios te bendiga!
Padre Dennis Gill

**The Archdiocese of Philadelphia
Welcomes
Archbishop Nelson J. Perez**

**Watch the Mass of Installation Live Here
Tuesday, February 18th
2:00 p.m.**



**2020 RITE OF ELECTION OF CATECHUMENS
AND OF THE CALL TO CONTINUING
CONVERSION OF CANDIDATES**

**Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania**

**February 29 @ 11AM
Delaware & Philadelphia North**

**February 29 @ 3PM
Bucks & Philadelphia South**

**March 1 @ 3PM
Chester & Montgomery**

Mass for Persons with Disabilities

**The Annual Archdiocesan Mass Honoring the Gifts of
Persons with Disabilities, The Deaf Community, Family,
Friends and Caregivers is Saturday, March 21, 2020 at
10:30 a.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and
Paul at 18th and Benjamin Franklin Parkway
Philadelphia.**

Villanova University Pastoral Musicians will provide the
liturgical music. There will be a reception immediately fol-
lowing the Mass. **All are Welcome.** To **RSVP** go to
www.opdarchphilly.org or call the Office for Persons with
Disabilities at 215-587-3530 with the number attending.

For more details [see the flyer](#)



YOUNG ADULT GROUP

**Sunday February 23, 2020
Mardi Gras Celebration, Drexel Hall
Following 6:30 Mass.**

Join us after the 6:30 Mass for a Mardi Gras celebration in
Drexel Hall (below the chapel). We'll have food, drinks, and
music to enjoy.

Gospel Reflection Group

**The next meeting date is:
February 25th**

**TEXT TO GIVE IS AVAILABLE FOR THE
CATHEDRAL PARISH!**

Text at any time, especially for your Sunday Mass
Offering.

Please text **Cathedral** to 215-709-9955
and follow the link to the on-screen prompts.

The Ninth Patricians Meeting

**At Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul and the
Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel**



The Spirituality of Katharine Drexel

**Sunday, March 1, 2020
12:45 PM — 2:45 PM**

**Spiritual Director: Sister Patricia Downs, S.B.S.
Presenter: Mr. Michael Clymer***

St. Katharine Drexel always found in the Eucharist the
source of her love for the poor and the oppressed and the
inspiration to combat the effects of racism. The Eucharist
was at the heart of her spirituality. Her love and devotion
to Jesus was expressed in the union of adoration of the
most Blessed Sacrament with active service for the good of
others, giving of herself and everything she
possessed. - Dan Lynch, *Saints of the States*

The saint wrote to her Sisters, “ Get up after receiving
Holy Communion and go find Him in the people.
Everything you do for the people, you do for Him.” Please
come to learn more deeply about the spirituality of St.
Katharine Drexel and share your thoughts in this regard!

Location:

**Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, Room 1307
222 North 17th Street • Philadelphia, PA 19103 (Right
behind the Cathedral)**

*Sandwiches, Coffee, and Donuts are provided during the
Tea Break.*

*Mr. Michael Clymer is a parishioner and a sacristan at the
Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul. Currently, he is a
Theology teacher at Little Flower Catholic High School for
Girls.

OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

CELEBRATING MARY'S YES!!!



On Wednesday, **March 25th**, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia will join together to pray a Rosary for vocations, learn how to support and promote vocations, and ask for the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary on her Feast Day! This includes YOU!

Doors open at 6:30 PM and the evening begins at 7:00 PM. To learn more about this initiative, contact the Vocation Office for the Diocesan Priesthood at 610-667-5778 or visit HeedTheCall.org/RosaryRally

[Parish and School List](#)
[View Flyer](#)

EVANGELIZATION NEWSLETTER

Office for New Evangelization

[CLICK HERE](#)

Saint Basil Academy welcomes 7th & 8th Graders to shadow on Thursday or Fridays.

Students can enroll for the Class of 2024 by contacting Rachel McGonigle in the admissions office at 215. 649. 9083 or email rmcgonigle@stbasilacademy.org



All are invited to **St. Mary Polish American Society's 4th Annual Polish Mardi Gras Polka Party** at the TK Club at 521 East Hector Street in Conshohocken on Sunday **February 23rd** from Noon to 5 pm.

This event will feature live Polka music, delicious Polish food, a 50/50 drawing and other games of chance, a basket raffle, and baked goods for sale. Families are welcome, as there will be games for children with plenty of prizes!

Admission is \$10 in advance and \$15 on the day of the event. Admission for children 6 to 12 years old is \$7 each and free for children under the age of 6. . For tickets, please email stmaryconshy@gmail.com or call Dorothy Swedkowski at 610-630-0861

Tours of the Cathedral Basilica

A guided tour of the Basilica is available **after the 11:00 AM Sunday Mass (except on 1st Sunday).**

Please gather in front of the Side Altar of the Sacred Heart, which is located to the right of the Main Sanctuary.



Parish Coffee Social! Join us!

After the 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM Masses on
February 23, 2020
In Drexel Hall

Awesome faith formation at your fingertips!

Subscribe to this exciting online platform, which can be streamed to your TV or mobile device, To register go to www.FORMED.org. Type in our parish code, 07854f.



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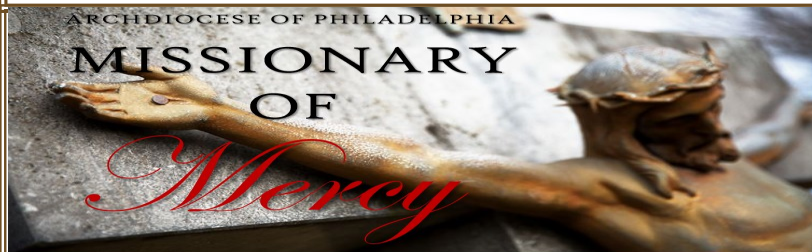
and follow the directions to be subscribed to our monthly e-newsletter.



The 12th Annual Men's Spirituality Conference-March 7, 2020

No Greater Love – Sacrifice Over Self

*The men of our parish are invited to join Catholic Men from throughout the Archdiocese for the 12th Annual Man Up Philly Men's Conference on March 7th at Neumann University. Speakers include Immaculee Ilibagiza, acclaimed speaker and author of **Left to Tell** surviving the Rwandan genocide, **Brent Celek**, former Eagles star tight end and Superbowl LII champion, **Steve Bollman**, Catholic speaker and founder of **This Man is You**, and back by popular demand, **Mark Forrest**, internationally recognized Irish tenor, who will lead our **Eucharistic Adoration**. The **Sacrament of Reconciliation** will be available, and the Conference will conclude with **Mass celebrated by the Most Reverend Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez.***



Missionaries of Mercy

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia rejoices to have one of her own priests appointed to this ministry:

Msgr. Majoros will hear confessions on the **first Sunday** of each month at **5:30pm** at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul

For more info, [Click Here](#)