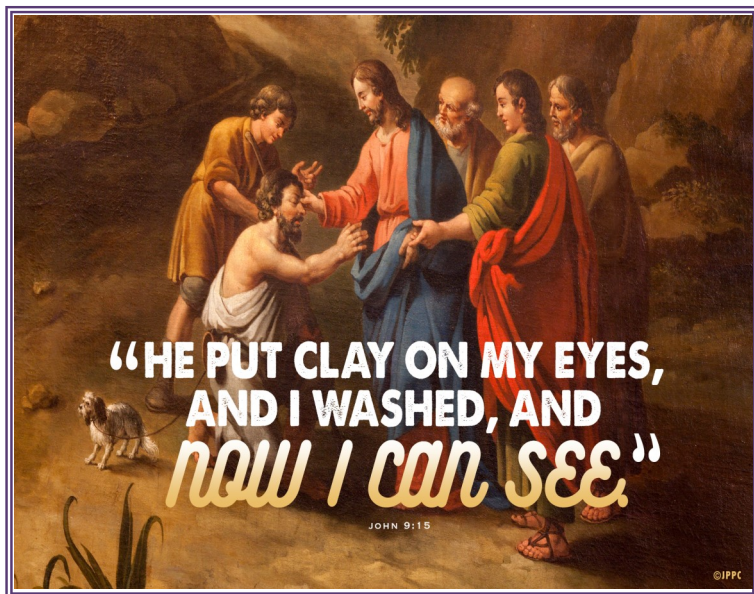


# Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul And the Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel

18th Street and Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

*Most Reverend Nelson Pérez, Archbishop of Philadelphia*



**March 22, 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**  
**Priest 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  
Santa 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  
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Sun. 10:30 AM - 6:30 PM / 215-665-9032

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Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM (lunch break 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM)

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# Fourth Sunday of Lent

## Sunday, March 22, 2020

*"I am the light of the world, says the Lord;  
whoever follows me will have the light of life." JN 8;12*



### Mass Intentions for the week

#### Mar. 21, Saturday, Lenten Weekday

- 12:05 The Robbraugh & Mathers  
Families  
5:15 Howard Sweeney

#### Mar. 22 Fourth Sunday of Lent

- 8:00 For the People of the Parish  
9:30 The Sabalauskas Family  
11:00 Vincent Scalera  
12:30 Maria Miranda  
6:30 For the People of the  
Archdiocese

#### Mar. 23, Monday, Lenten Weekday

- 7:15 Carl Sr. & Trevor Svindell  
12:05 Elisa Ionata

#### Mar. 24, Tuesday, Lenten Weekday

- 7:15 The Richard Schaeffer  
Family  
12:05 The Robert Schaeffer  
Family

#### Mar 25, Wednesday, The Annunciation of The Lord

- 7:15 The Giampino & Ludwick  
Families  
12:05 Marsha Steinhart

#### Mar. 26, Thursday, Lenten Weekday

- 7:15 Peter Samson  
12:05 Bill Doring

#### Mar. 27, Friday, Lenten Weekday

- 7:15 Joseph Michael Sardella  
12:05 Laurie Bartley

#### Mar. 28, Saturday, Lenten Weekday

- 12:05 Eduarda Silva  
5:15 Bill Conn

#### Mar. 29 Fifth Sunday of Lent

- 8:00 For the People of the Parish  
9:30 Joseph F. Cinquino  
11:00 Shadi Isam Haddad  
12:30 Clemente y Catalina Carrera  
6:30 For the People of the  
Archdiocese

Dear Parishioners,

*We are in a most incredible moment in our history—especially for us Roman Catholics.* The efforts on the part of all—church, government and health officials—to impede the spread of the Coronavirus have led to the suspension of all public Masses until further notice. The impact and consequences of this measure are profound for us who have the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at the center of our lives. Even though public Masses have been suspended—and for good reason—our nearness to the Holy Eucharist and living our Catholic Faith endures, and especially so, during this unique period. I encourage you to make your home your church. Pray, read the holy Word of God, unite yourself to the offering of Holy Mass and Communion in your hearts, especially on Sunday. Please see this Archdiocesan site with many helpful resources: <http://archphila.org/resources/>. We also need to be concerned about those who are alone and vulnerable in our families and neighborhoods. Let us reach out more than usual. The Cathedral Basilica remains open every day during this period for prayer, especially before the Most Blessed Sacrament. Be assured your priests are offering Mass each day for all our intentions.

*This is the Fourth Sunday of Lent, Laetare Sunday!* Yes, Lent continues. This Sunday marks the nearness of Easter and fills our hearts with rejoicing as soon we will celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord. The Gospel this Sunday (see John 9: 1-41) tells the familiar story of the encounter of the man born blind with the Lord Jesus. The blind man disparately wanted to see again and believed Jesus could restore his sight. The Lord not only opens the eyes of the blind man to see again but also opens his heart to faith, to believe in who Jesus is. Our greatest cause of spiritual blindness is our sin. Our sin keeps us from seeing clearly who Jesus is. As Lent continues this week—and with Easter so near—let us pray that we too can see again more fully our need for conversion and repentance. Jesus, with his mercy and love, especially with the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation, restores our spiritual sight. Even though public Masses are suspended at the moment, Confessions continue to be heard at the Cathedral Basilica at the usual scheduled times. Please do not fail to make a good Confession this Lent, a most fitting way to prepare for Easter which is around the corner.

*Please also keep in mind that it is our duty to celebrate the Sacraments for those in danger of death, especially with the reception of the last Holy Communion, Holy Viaticum.* Please call on the priests to minister to anyone who is seriously ill at this time, especially nearing the end of life. Also, during this period Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals continue to take place. Although the numbers that assemble are to be small and social distancing enforced, these most significant sacramental occasions for Christians cannot and should not be easily set aside.

*Since there are no public Masses, there are no collections.* However, it is important that we continue to support the Cathedral Parish. I recognize that so many of you will be affected in a financially negative way with the shutdowns associated with Coronavirus. Yet, please do not forget the Cathedral Parish with whatever financial support is possible. You can mail your Sunday offering to the Cathedral Parish Office or make use of the many ways to give electronically. Please see <http://cathedralphila.org/donate/>. I am so very grateful for your goodness and generosity.

God bless you!  
Father Dennis Gill

## **CARING FOR FRIENDS AT THE CATHEDRAL PARISH**

*Caring For Friends* is a non-profit organization that seeks volunteers to prepare meals in their homes and/or to deliver food for those unable to prepare their own meals. These prepared meals are a tremendous service to the elderly and disabled who cannot afford their meals or have difficulty getting to the food store. Please consider helping Caring for Friends by picking up the meal trays in Chapel Hall on Sunday mornings during the Mass times, from 8:00 AM to 1:30 PM. These trays are located next to the *Caring For Friends* freezer with further instructions in Chapel Hall. Please return prepared meals any weekday between 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM or Sunday mornings during the Mass times. If you are interested in taking meals to the home-bound, especially in the Cathedral Parish area, please contact Mr. Steve Schiavone, by phone (215-464-2224) or email [steve@caringforfriends.org](mailto:steve@caringforfriends.org). You must first register with *Caring For Friends* to deliver meals. *Caring for Friends* encourages a visit with the persons receiving the meal as well.

## **TODAY'S READINGS**

### **Reading I: I Samuel 16: 1b, 6-7, 10-13a**

God chooses David, Jesse's youngest son, to be His anointed one, and Samuel complies. This story also contains an element of fear of Saul.

### **Reading II: Ephesians 5: 8-14**

There is a clear contrast made between Christian and pagan life, in terms of light and darkness.

### **The Gospel: John 9: 1-41**

The essence of the "sixth sign" is not simply that a man's sight is restored, but that light is given to one who has never had it. The Pharisees ironically illustrate true blindness, not of the eyes but of the heart.

## **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)

## **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.

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

**Mar. 22** Legion of Mary Meeting, CANCELLED

**Mar. 24** Gospel Reflection, CANCELLED  
Adult Faith Sharing, CANCELLED

**Mar. 25** Scripture Reflection for lawyers, NR, 8AM  
Charismatic Prayer Group, CANCELLED

**Mar. 26** Catechetical Session, NR, 7PM  
Perpetual Novena to Saint Katharine Drexel,  
following the 7:15 AM and 12:05PM Masses.

**Mar. 27** The Way of the Cross, Chapel,  
following the 12:05PM Mass.  
Via Crucis, Capilla, 7PM (in Spanish)



## **CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS -Adult faith formation-**

### *The Call to Holiness The Beatitudes*

**Thursday, March 26, 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](mailto:cathedralreligiouseducation@gmail.com)

## ***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](http://www.FORMED.org). Type in our parish code, 07854f.

## **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 **3/15/2020** was:

**First Collection: \$3, 275.00**

**Second Collection: \$538.00** - Latin America  
**\$181.00** - Latin America in envelopes

*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:***

*Joshua White, Barrett Weiller, Brenden Thomas McCulligan, William Zawacki, Tim Stamoutsos, Joseph Pinto, Jr., Frank and Joan Vara, Janina Bieranowska, Michael McCann, Caroline Brennan, Mark Perry, Terry and Dave Dynako, Anthony Ferraro, Rose McKenna, Mary Jo D'Ortone, Amanda Rozzono, 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.

### **ESTACIONES DE LA CRUZ (Via Crucis)**

Se llevará a cabo en inglés **cada viernes** de Cuaresma inmediatamente después de la misa de las 12:05 PM en la Capilla.  
El Vía Crucis, en español, tendrá lugar **todos los viernes** a las 7:00 PM en la Capilla.

### **Sacramento de la Reconciliación Los domingos a las 12:00 PM en la Capilla**

### **Misa Televisada en Español**

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

## BOLETIN INFORMATIVO

Oficina para Católicos Hispanos

**CLICK HERE**, or go to: [oficinahispanacatolica.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/Marzo-](http://oficinahispanacatolica.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/Marzo-)

Para programar una **visita al hospital**, para recibir la Comunión, y para la Unción de los enfermos, por favor llamar a la oficina parroquial al 215-561-1313.

## REFLEXIÓN DEL PÁRROCO

Estimados feligreses,

*Estamos en el momento más increíble de nuestra historia, especialmente para nosotros los católicos romanos.* Los esfuerzos de la iglesia, de todos los funcionarios del gobierno, y la salud para impedir la propagación del coronavirus han llevado a la suspensión de todas las misas públicas hasta nuevo aviso. El impacto y las consecuencias de esta medida son profundos para nosotros que tenemos el Santo Sacrificio de la Misa en el centro de nuestras vidas. A pesar de que las Misas públicas han sido suspendidas, y por una buena razón, nuestra cercanía a la Sagrada Eucaristía y a vivir nuestra fe católica perdura, y especialmente, durante este período único. Te animo a hacer de tu hogar tu iglesia. Oren, lean la santa Palabra de Dios, únase a la ofrenda de la Santa Misa y la Comunión en sus corazones, especialmente los domingos. Consulte este sitio arquidiocesano con muchos recursos útiles: <http://archphila.org/resources/>. También debemos preocuparnos por aquellos que están solos y vulnerables en nuestras familias y vecindarios. Busquémoslos más de lo habitual. La Basílica de la Catedral permanece abierta todos los días durante este período para la oración, especialmente ante el Santísimo Sacramento. Tenga la seguridad de que sus sacerdotes están ofreciendo misa todos los días por todas nuestras intenciones.

*¡Este es el cuarto domingo de Cuaresma, domingo de Laetare! Sí,* la Cuaresma continúa. Este domingo marca la cercanía de la Pascua y llena nuestros corazones de alegría, ya que pronto celebraremos la resurrección del Señor. El Evangelio de este domingo (véase Juan 9: 1-41) cuenta la historia familiar del encuentro del hombre nacido ciego con el Señor Jesús. El hombre ciego quería ver nuevamente y creía que Jesús podía restaurar su vista. El Señor no solo abre los ojos del ciego para ver de nuevo, sino que también abre su corazón a la fe, para creer en quién es Jesús. Nuestra mayor causa de ceguera espiritual es nuestro pecado. Nuestro pecado nos impide ver claramente quién es Jesús. Mientras la Cuaresma continúa esta semana, y con la Pascua tan cerca, recemos para que nosotros también podamos ver más plenamente nuestra necesidad de conversión y arrepentimiento. Jesús, con su misericordia y amor, especialmente con el Sacramento de la Penitencia y la Reconciliación, restaura nuestra visión espiritual. A pesar de que las Misas públicas están suspendidas en este momento, las Confesiones se siguen escuchando en la Basílica de la Catedral en los horarios habituales. Por favor, no deje de hacer una buena confesión en esta Cuaresma, la forma más adecuada de prepararse para la Pascua que está a la vuelta de la esquina.

*Tenga en cuenta también que es nuestro deber celebrar los sacramentos para las personas en peligro de muerte, especialmente con la recepción de la última comunión, el sagrado viático.* Pida a los sacerdotes que ministren a cualquiera que esté gravemente enfermo en este momento, especialmente al final de la vida. Además, durante este período se siguen celebrando bautizos, bodas y funerales. Aunque los números que se juntan deben ser pequeños y el distanciamiento social impuesto, estas ocasiones sacramentales más importantes para los cristianos no pueden y no deben dejarse de lado fácilmente.

*Como no hay Misas públicas, no hay colecciones.* Sin embargo, es importante que sigamos apoyando a la Parroquia de la Catedral. Reconozco que muchos de ustedes se verán afectados de manera negativa desde el punto de vista financiero con los cierres asociados con el Coronavirus. Sin embargo, no se olvide de la Parroquia de la Catedral con el apoyo financiero posible. Puede enviar su ofrenda dominical por correo a la Oficina de la Parroquia de la Catedral o hacer uso de las muchas formas de dar electrónicamente. Por favor vea <http://cathedralphila.org/donate/>. Estoy muy agradecido por su bondad y generosidad.

¡Dios te bendiga!  
Padre Dennis Gill

## **ARCHBISHOP NELSON J. PÉREZ ANNOUNCES THE SUSPENSION OF ALL PUBLIC MASSES IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA EFFECTIVE AT NOON TOMORROW**

Today, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia announced that Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez has suspended all public Masses in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia effective at 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 18th and until further notice.

Last week, the Archbishop dispensed the faithful from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass. Both decisions were made in response to the growing concern over the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) and the directives provided by government and health department officials at the local, state, and national levels. These measures will be re-evaluated pending future developments.

[CLICK HERE](#) to find a news release that has been distributed to the media as well as liturgical directives that have been shared with all clergy in the Archdiocese.

**Archbishop Pérez said, “As the Archbishop of Philadelphia, my first priority is to ensure the health and welfare of those entrusted to the pastoral and temporal care of our Church. So, in light of the developing Coronavirus pandemic, a decision has been made to suspend the public celebration of all Masses in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia for the time being.**

**All of us need to do our part to slow the spread of this illness. Like you, we are monitoring coronavirus developments and look forward to continuing our lives on a more normal basis. While things may look and feel different during these uncertain times, I want to be very clear that the Catholic Church in Philadelphia is not closing down. It is not disappearing and it will not abandon you. Time and again as our history has proven the Church has risen to meet great challenges and provide a beacon of hope and light.**

**As your Shepherd, I promise that the Church remains steadfast and is prepared to walk with you and serve you. Neither the Church nor its charitable works will stop. God is always by our side. He never abandons us. I invite you to join me in prayerful solidarity for the intentions of the sick, suffering, and their caregivers as well as government and health officials. With God’s grace and blessing, we will navigate the difficult waters of this challenge as a united human family, for after all is said and done, we are people of Hope!”**

Though public Masses are suspended in all churches in the Archdiocese, the right and need of the faithful to hear the Word of God and celebrate the Sacraments is not put aside. Pastors, along with all those who work with them, will be as attentive as possible to all the spiritual, pastoral, and charitable needs of the people they serve.

Priests will continue to offer the sacrifice of the Holy Mass during this period and to honor all requested Mass intentions.

Churches can remain open as a location for private prayer at the discretion of the pastor. Baptisms, Confessions, Marriages, and Funerals will take place as usual but with due regard for the limitation of participants and reasonable social distancing.

In conjunction with directives already in force in hospitals and institutions, all visits to the sick with Holy Communion, including in private homes, by priests, deacons, and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion are suspended. In such instances, only priests will be available to celebrate the Sacraments for those in immediate danger of death. In all circumstances, government and health agency directives for group size and social distancing are to be observed as the Archdiocese of Philadelphia strives to meet the pastoral and temporal needs of all those in need.

On Sunday, March 15th, the Archdiocese featured a live streaming broadcast of the 11:00 a.m. Mass on its website and Archbishop Pérez’s Facebook page for the benefit of those wishing to participate in the liturgy remotely.

This broadcast will continue each Sunday on an ongoing basis. Additional information regarding opportunities for prayer and devotions are available on the Archdiocesan website.

[CLICK HERE](#) to see the most updated information regarding liturgy directives from Archbishop Pérez and the Office for Divine Worship.

For comprehensive information about the pastoral and temporal response of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, please visit <http://archphila.org/covid19/>.

**EVENT CANCELLATION in the  
CATHEDRAL BASILICA  
SS. PETER & PAUL**

LEGION OF MARY,  
Sunday March 22, 12:45PM

CULTURAL HERITAGE MASS  
Sunday March 22, 2:30PM

ALTAR CRAWL MASSES  
Tuesdays, March 24, 31 & April 7, 6:30PM

ADULT FAITH FORMATION  
Tuesday, March 24, 2PM

GOSPEL REFLECTION  
Tuesday, March 24, 11AM

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP  
Wednesday, March 25, 6PM

HOLINESS CONFERENCE  
Saturday, April 4, 9AM

THE ELEVENTH PATRICIANS MEETING  
Sunday, April 5, 12:45PM

**Rosary Campaign for the end of the Coronavirus**



The Office for the New Evangelization of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia invites everyone to join in a **Rosary campaign** for an end of the coronavirus .

Join us online, by phone or in spirit as we pray the Rosary every night at 8 PM until the Solemnity of the Annunciation. We will ask the miraculous intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary to put an end to the coronavirus.

**When:** Starts Friday, March 13, **8:00-8:30PM** (Eastern)  
Every day through Tuesday, March 24\*

**Link:** [zoom.us/j/494480541...](https://zoom.us/j/494480541...)

Full details at: [phillyevang.org/rosary](http://phillyevang.org/rosary)

**Hosted by:** Meghan Cokeley, Office for the New Evangelization, Archdiocese of Philadelphia with special guests

[View the Flyer](#)

**Job opening : College Counselor**

Merion Mercy Academy, a leading independent Catholic girls' school outside Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, seeks an innovative and student-centered college counselor well versed in best practices in independent education to begin in July 2020.

Applicants should have Master's Degree in Education or School Counseling (preferred) and/or experience in college admissions; excellent writing skills, facility with technology, strong communication and organizational skills; appreciation of and commitment to single gender education, diversity and to serving the needs of a diverse population; commitment to the traditions and philosophy of a Catholic educational community and a style consistent with the Mercy core values are also important. Please visit our school's website for complete details for this position, [www.merion-mercy.com](http://www.merion-mercy.com).

**Spring Open House**

Roman Catholic High School will hold a Spring Open House intended for 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade students and their families on Sunday March 29<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM. Registration available online at [RomanCatholicHS.com](http://RomanCatholicHS.com). For additional information or questions regarding the event call (215)-627-1270 ext. 110/111 or e-mail [admissions@romancatholichs.com](mailto:admissions@romancatholichs.com).

**7th Grade Practice Test**

Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM – Noon.



**Save the Date! Catholic  
Women's Conference 2020**

**Saturday, October 24, 2020**

Ladies, mark your calendars for the 2020 Catholic Women's Conference on Saturday, October 24, 2020. This sellout event gathers over 1300 Catholic women from around the area for a day of fun, friendship, faith formation and prayer. Talks will be offered in English, Spanish and American Sign Language.

Registration opens in May. More information coming soon at [catholicwomensconference.org](http://catholicwomensconference.org).

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Please join the  
***League of the Sacred Heart of Jesus***  
In Celebration and Prayer at the  
**80<sup>th</sup> Annual Communion Mass and Brunch**  
***Sunday April 19, 2020, 10:00 am Mass***  
*Saint Katherine of Sienna Church*  
*9738 Frankford Ave Philadelphia, PA 19114*  
Celebrant Monsignor Paul M. Kennedy Pastor.  
Tickets are required to attend the Brunch  
**Cost: \$15.00 per person**



## The Eleventh Patricians Meeting

**CANCELLED**

### **Mercy is God's Greatest Attribute**

Sunday, April 5, 2020

12:45 PM — 2:45 PM

Spiritual Director: Sister Mary Luchia, P.V.M.I.

## **Five things church leaders should do about coronavirus**

- ⇒ Communicate with your people
- ⇒ Communicate with key leaders
- ⇒ Educate your people
- ⇒ Make sure you can connect with everyone
- ⇒ Pray as a community

For more details, visit: <https://catholicphilly.com/2020/03/commentaries/five-things-church-leaders-should-do-about-coronavirus/>

*By Matthew Manion, professor of practice in the Department of Management and Operations and faculty director of the Center for Church Management at the Villanova School of Business.*

## **Gospel Reflection Gatherings**

on Tuesdays are

**CANCELLED**

for the remainder of Lent.

We offer the following for your own private reflection or with a family member or friend.

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent     John 11: 1-45

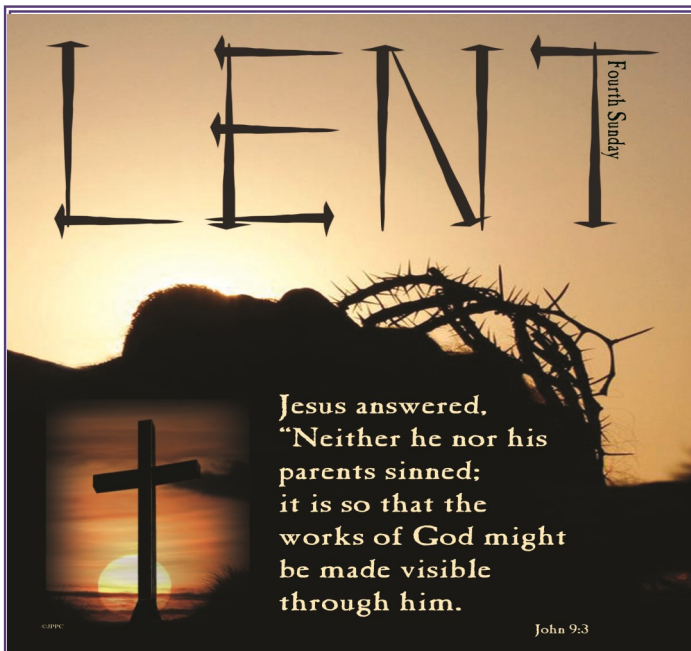
Jesus' raises his friend Lazarus from the dead.



*During this Epidemic, may we pray for all who are suffering from the Coronavirus, for those who have died from it, the many living in fear, and all who are serving others as*  
**Medical Professionals:**  
*and so we pray...*

God, grant me the Serenity to accept the things I cannot change,  
Courage to change the things I can  
and the Wisdom to know the difference.

*Our Father...Hail Mary... Glory be ...*



Jesus answered,  
"Neither he nor his  
parents sinned;  
it is so that the  
works of God might  
be made visible  
through him.

## **Saint Basil Academy presents The WIZ**

### **Spring Musical Dates**

Friday, March 27, 28 at 7 PM, and March 29 at 2PM

Tickets cost \$13

**[View the Flyer](#)**

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE**  
THE BEGINNING OF THE END OF ABORTION.

St Peter and Paul Cathedral next sign up day is **March 26th**  
from 8-5 at **Planned Parenthood.**  
Address is 1144 Locust Street Philadelphia.

## OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

### THE WAY OF THE CROSS

Will take place each Friday of Lent immediately following the 12:05 PM Mass in the Chapel. *El Via Crucis*, the Way of the Cross in Spanish, will also take place each Friday at 7:00 PM in the Chapel.

### EVANGELIZATION NEWSLETTER

Office for New Evangelization

[CLICK HERE](#),

or go to: [phillyevang.flocknote.com/note/5757305](http://phillyevang.flocknote.com/note/5757305)

### Coming to Saints Peter and Paul Cathedral Basilica

A Presentation on

**The Shroud of Turin**

**A Silent Witness of the Passion, Death & Resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ**

**Lecture Presentation by Mr. Massimo Paris  
Monday, April 6, 2020, 7:00 PM**

Archdiocesan Pastoral Center Auditorium  
222 N. 17<sup>th</sup> Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103  
(Complimentary Parking in the Lot).

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or visit: [cathedralphila.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Shroud-Presentation\\_040620-2.pdf](http://cathedralphila.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Shroud-Presentation_040620-2.pdf)

### FLAME OF LOVE OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

Lenten Retreat Theme:

**“Remain In My Love, and Draw Others To My Sacred Heart**

March 28, 2020 @ 8:30AM

Annunciation BVM Parish

For more info, [CLICK HERE](#)

or visit: [cathedralphila.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Flame-of-Love-Lenten-Retreat-March-282020-final.pdf](http://cathedralphila.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Flame-of-Love-Lenten-Retreat-March-282020-final.pdf)

**Martin Saints Classical High School**

7<sup>th</sup> Grade Visitation: March 31, 2020

On the campus of Holy Martyrs Church,  
120 Allison Road, Orelana PA 19075.

[www.whymsc.org](http://www.whymsc.org)

### 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.



## CELEBRATING MARY'S YES!!!



**Celebrating Mary's Yes  
Rosary Rally  
March 25**

[HeedTheCall.org/RosaryRally](http://HeedTheCall.org/RosaryRally)

**INVITE**

**REMIND**

**BE BOLD**

On Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia will gather **VIRTUALLY** to pray a Rosary, led by Archbishop Nelson Pérez, learn how to support and promote vocations, and ask for the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary on her Feast Day! This includes YOU!

All are invited to gather online at [HeedtheCall.org](http://HeedtheCall.org) or on the Philly Vocations Facebook Page ([@PhillyPriest](https://www.facebook.com/PhillyPriest)) 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](http://HeedTheCall.org/RosaryRally)

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### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating a special anniversary this year? The annual Archdiocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass will take place on **Saturday, May 2, 2020** at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul at the 5:15 pm Vigil Mass with **Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez** presiding.

This Mass is to pray for, and with, all married couples who are newlyweds 1-5 years, who have been married 25 years or more, or 50 years or more. Friends and family are welcome and encouraged to attend.

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**Event: Morning Reflection and Mass for Adult Children of Divorce**

**Saturday, April 18, 2020. 9:30 a.m. – Noon.**

Presented by the St. Raymond Nonnatus Foundation for Freedom, Family, and Faith. Reflection, prayer, Mass and Confession. This is a half-day mini-retreat for adult children of divorce 18 or older.

Refreshments served. (Feel free to bring a breakfast item to share.)

**Location:** St. Matthew's Roman Catholic Church, 219 Fayette Street, Conshohocken, PA. Free parking on Harry Street in lot behind church (around the block).

**Speakers include:** Anne DeSantis, Director of the St. Raymond Nonnatus Foundation and Chas DeFeo, Founder, Walk by Faith to Live.

**To learn more:** Visit the website: [www.nonnatus.org/events](http://www.nonnatus.org/events). Call or Text: 215-870-9913. Email: [director.srnf@gmail.com](mailto:director.srnf@gmail.com). Free event