# 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



**April 26, 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

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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

### 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 4:15 PM in Basilica **Saturday:** 

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

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# Third Sunday of Easter Sunday, April 26, 2020

"Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us; make our hearts burn while you speak to us." R. Alleluia, alleluia. LK 24:32





# April 25, Saturday, Easter Weekday St. Mark, Evangelist

12:05 Intentions of Paola Herrera

5:15 Aethea Milich

## **April 26 Third Sunday of Easter**

8:00 For the People of the Parish 9:30 Intentions of Marie Zima

11:00 Sam Gabriel

12:30 Gilberto Rosario

6:30 Norman Tanner

## April 27, Monday, Easter Weekday

7:15 Hallie Jackson

12:05 Carmela M. Villone

### April 28, Tuesday, Easter Weekday St. Anselm

7:15 Viola Lamontagne

12:05 Kathryn Keenan

### April 29, Wednesday, Easter Weekday St. Catherine of Siena

PFC Joseph Boschetti

12:05 Frank & Josephine Polonski

7:15

### April 30, Thursday, Easter Weekday St. Pius V

7:15 Maryellen Imming

12:05 Kathryn Keenan

# May 01, Friday, Easter Weekday St. Joseph the Worker

7:15 Laura A. Neal

12:05 Rosanne Hoffmann & Samuel Palagruto

### May 02, Saturday, Easter Weekday St. Athanasius

12:05 Adolph Dias

5:15 Ria Filippelli

### May 03 Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:00 For the People of the Parish

9:30 Mary Tamburino

11:00 Essie Mae Rubin

12:30 Oscar Nava

6:30 Marge Amorose

Dear Parishioners,

Today is the Third Sunday of Easter! The Gospel for this Sunday is the familiar story of the encounter of the disciples with the Risen Lord on the way to Emmaus (Luke 24: 13-35). Several different elements in this narrative deepen our faith in the Risen Lord. Of particular significance is the closing line of the Gospel. "Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way and how [Jesus] was made known to them in the breaking of bread (Luke 24: 35)." Although we are on a type of fast from the celebration of Mass and the reception of Holy Communion during these days of COVID-19 precaution, the Eucharist must be upper most in our minds during Easter Time. The Sacrament of the Eucharist often is called the Easter Sacrament because it manifests in the bread and wine becoming the Holy Body and Blood of Christ the presence of the Risen Lord in our midst. Like the disciples on the way to Emmaus, we acknowledge in faith that Jesus is made known to us in the breaking of the bread, in the Holy Eucharist. As we long for a return to the celebration of Mass and the reception of Holy Communion, let us also reflect on this tremendous gift of Jesus to the Church, to each of us. Our present fast can only make us love and desire more for our next encounter with the Risen Lord in his Holy Body and Blood.

This is the Collect for Mass for the Third Sunday of Easter. Please add it to your prayers today.

May your people exult for ever, O God, in renewed youthfulness of spirit, so that rejoicing now in the restored glory of our adoption, we may look forward in confident hope to the rejoicing of the day of resurrection. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Pennsylvania "stay at home" order does allow people to leave their homes to visit churches and pray. I encourage you, if you are comfortable doing so, to make a trip to the Cathedral Basilica or Chapel and spend some time in adoration of our Lord in the Most Blessed Sacrament. Adoration gives us the opportunity to be in communion with Jesus's offering in the Mass and continues our own participation in the reception of Holy Communion.

This Week the Cathedral Chapel is open every day from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM for prayer. Confessions will be available Monday through Saturday at 11:30 AM in the Cathedral Chapel.

We count on your continued financial support of our Cathedral Parish. You can mail your Sunday and Easter offerings to the Cathedral Parish Office or make use of the many ways to give electronically. Please see <a href="http://cathedralphila.org/donate/">http://cathedralphila.org/donate/</a>. If you have participated in Operation Rice Bowl, please mail your donation to the Parish Office. I am so very grateful for your goodness and generosity, especially during these difficult and uncertain days.

Happy Easter! Father Dennis Gill

# TODAY'S READINGS

Reading I: Acts 2: 14, 22-23

Here is the core teaching message of the early Church used by her missionary Apostles. It is a short summary of Our Lord's works, death and resurrection.

Reading II: I Peter 1: 17-21

Christ's blood releases us from the power of sin. You must be holy because of this incomparable gift.

The Gospel: Luke 24: 13-35

A wonderful meeting of two disheartened disciples (representing all of us) with Jesus on the road to Emmaus. The scenario ends with a Eucharistic liturgy: there is a Scripture reading followed by an explanation, capped off by the breaking of the bread before Jesus vanishes.

# 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 homebound, especially in the Cathedral Parish area, please contact Mr. Steve Schiavone, by phone (215-464-2224) or email 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.



# Stay Informed!

Want to receive updates about news and events at the Cathedral directly to your inbox? Use your cell phone to **text** 

### CATHEDRALPHILLY to 22828

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

# CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS -Adult faith formation-

# The Blessed Virgin Mary and the Saints The Holy Rosary

# Thursday, April 30, 2020, 7:00 PM Online Meeting

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

# Readings for Mass for this Week

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

# 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.

# 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.

### 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.

Click Here to Donate

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: Alan Havelin, Patricia Horton, April de Matto, Stan Pollock, 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, 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.

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# 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 La Santa Misa Grabada en línea

# BOLETIN INFORMATIVO Oficina para Católicos Hispanos CLICK HERE,

or go to: oficinahispanacatolica.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Abril-April-2020.pdf

# TALLER QUINCEAÑERAS

Junio 20 de 10:00 AM a 2:00 PM Septiembre 19 de 10:00 AM a 2:00 PM

### TALLER PRE-CANA

Junio: Sábado 27 y domingo 28 November: Sábado 07 y domingo 08 Todos los talleres de arriba tendrán lugar en:

Centro Patoral Arquidiocesano 222 N. 17 Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103

Para más información y registración: Blanca Nelly Herrera 215-667-2920 / 2824 bherrera@archphila.org

# REFLEXIÓN DEL PÁRROCO

Estimados feligreses,

¡Hoy es el tercer domingo de Pascua! El Evangelio para este domingo es la historia familiar del encuentro de los discípulos con el Señor resucitado en el camino a Emaús (Lucas 24: 13-35). Varios elementos diferentes en esta narrativa profundizan nuestra fe en el Señor resucitado. De particular importancia es la línea final del Evangelio. "Entonces los dos relataron lo que había sucedido en el camino y cómo [Jesús] se dio a conocer al partir el pan (Lucas 24: 35)". Aunque estamos en un tipo de ayuno desde la celebración de la Misa y la recepción de la Sagrada Comunión durante estos días de precaución COVID-19, la Eucaristía debe ser lo más importante en nuestras mentes durante el tiempo de Pascua. El Sacramento de la Eucaristía a menudo se llama el Sacramento de Pascua porque se manifiesta en el pan y el vino convirtiéndose en el Cuerpo Santo y la Sangre de Cristo, la presencia del Señor Resucitado en medio de nosotros. Al igual que los discípulos en el camino a Emaús, reconocemos con fe que Jesús se nos dio a conocer al partir el pan, en la Sagrada Eucaristía. Mientras anhelamos el regreso a la celebración de la Misa y la recepción de la Sagrada Comunión, reflexionemos también sobre este tremendo regalo de Jesús a la Iglesia, a cada uno de nosotros. Nuestro ayuno actual solo puede hacernos amar y desear más para nuestro próximo encuentro con el Señor resucitado en su Santo Cuerpo y Sangre.

Esta es la oración colecta para la misa del tercer domingo de Pascua. Por favor agrégalo a tus oraciones hoy.

Dios nuestro, que tu pueblo se regocije para siempre al verse renovado y rejuvenecido, para que, al alegrarse hoy por haber recobrado la dignidad de su adopción filial, aguarde seguro con gosoza esperanza el día de la resurrección. por nuestro Señor Jesucristo, tu Hijo, que vive y reina contigo en la unidad del Espíritu Santo y es Dios por los siglos de los siglos.

La orden de "quedarse en casa" de Pensilvania permite a las personas salir de sus hogares para visitar iglesias y rezar. Le recomiendo, si se siente cómodo haciéndolo, que haga un viaje a la Catedral Basílica o Capilla y pase un tiempo adorando a nuestro Señor en el Santísimo Sacramento. La adoración nos da la oportunidad de estar en comunión con la ofrenda de Jesús en la Misa y continúa nuestra propia participación en la recepción de la Sagrada Comunión.

Esta semana, la Capilla de la Catedral está abierta todos los días de 9:00 a.m. a 3:00 p.m. para la oración. Las confesiones estarán disponibles de lunes a sábado a las 11:30 a.m. en la Capilla de la Catedral.

Contamos con su continuo apoyo financiero a nuestra Parroquia de la Catedral. Puede enviar por correo sus ofrendas de los domingos y de Pascua a la oficina de la parroquia de la catedral o hacer uso de las muchas formas de dar electrónicamente. Por favor vea <a href="http://cathedralphila.org/donate/">http://cathedralphila.org/donate/</a>. Si ha participado en Operation Rice Bowl, envíe su donación por correo a la Oficina Parroquial. Estoy muy agradecido por su bondad y generosidad, especialmente durante estos días dificiles e inciertos.

¡Felices Pascuas! Padre Dennis Gill

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# **Evangelization**

# Living Divine Mercy (Pt. 1)

"Jesus, I trust in you!" Last week we reflected upon the life-changing encounter with Divine Mercy and its effect on a generous heart. This Sunday places before us the disciples on the Road to Emmaus. Jesus approaches these downtrodden men who seem to be licking their wounds as they wonder at all the things that have occurred in Jerusalem since Jesus' passion and death.

As they walk, we read: "Jesus himself drew near and walked with them, but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him. He asked them, 'What are you discussing as you walk along?'" Jesus' questioning them, probing their hearts, will be the beginning of their really seeing Him who is risen from the grave not only as a fellow-traveler, but in the "breaking of the bread."

St. Gregory the Great, reflecting upon this passage notes something that is easy to miss in the exchange between Jesus and the disciples on the road. He writes:

"But since those with whom Truth is present cannot be far from charity, they invited Jesus to become their guest, even though He was still a stranger. Now why did I say they invited Him, when the text says, 'They constrained (urged) Him'? Because form their example we ought to learn that strangers should not only be invited to share our lodgings, but must be urged to do so. They prepared the table and brought food; then at the breaking of the bread they recognized God whom they did not recognize when the Sacred Scriptures were being explained. Observe they were enlightened not by hearing the commands of God but in performing them. Do we not read in holy Scripture, 'It is not they who hear the Law that are justified in the sight of God; but it is they who follow the Law that will be justified'? If, then, one wishes to understand what he has heard, let him hasten to put into action that which he has already grasped. Note that the Lord was not recognized when He was speaking, but he did manifest Himself while He was being served."

Living Divine Mercy, enables us to see Jesus. When the saints describe heaven, a key concept they come back to again and again is the "vision of God." The fullness of that vision is reserved for those who merit it in eternity. However God promises a taste of that vision to those who serve him here and now. It is not accidental that the father of the Second Vatican Council described our sharing in the Eucharist as "a pledge of future glory".

The Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy offer us a concrete way by which we may effectively "see" and "serve" the stranger in our midst. The Corporal and Spiritual works of Mercy are:

### Corporal Works of Mercy

Feed the hungry
Give drink to the thirsty
Clothe the naked
Shelter the homeless
Visit the sick
Visit the imprisoned
Bury the dead

# Spiritual Works of Mercy

Admonish the sinner
Instruct the ignorant
Counsel the doubtful
Comfort the sorrowful
Bear wrong patiently
Forgive all injuries
Pray for the living and the

Pray for the living and the dead

Seeing God and our brothers and sisters in need go hand in hand. The works of mercy ought not to be undertaken once in a while or when convenient but ought to be a regular part of our life as Christians. Doing so requires some creativity and the right outlook, the "merciful outlook". Next week we will consider what that is and is not. "Jesus, I trust in you!"

Fr. Matthew Biedrzycki

<sup>1</sup> Lk 24:15b-17

<sup>2</sup> St. Gregory the Great, Homily 23 on the Gospels. Emphasis added.

<sup>3</sup> Sacrosanctum Concilium 37



### OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

# Morning Reflection and Mass for Divorced & Separated

Saturday, May 5, 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. Call or Text: 215-870-

9913. Email: <u>director.srnf@gmail.com</u>. Free event with an optional free-will offering.

# The Catholic Foundation of Greater Philadelphia

As we navigate the trying times brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic, The Catholic Foundation of Greater Philadelphia (CFGP) is working to address the immediate needs of our faith community at every level. We understand that the suspension of public Masses has impacted parish communities directly in many ways. As a result, we have established the **Parish Support Initiative** in collaboration with the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

# Ways You Can Help Parish Support Initiative Information



To donate to your parish through the Parish Support Initiative, please follow the link below.

# **Click Here to Donate**

# **Emergency Relief Fund**

CFGP's Emergency Relief Fund is raising funds for local food pantries who are experiencing supply shortages due to COVID-19. 100% of your dontation to this fund will go directly to the food pantries in need.



# **Click Here to Donate**

### Saint Katharine Drexel Shrine

# **Novena Brochure**

http://cathedralphila.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/printable-novena-2.pdf

# Personal / Family Gospel Reflection

4th Sunday of Easter

"The Good Shepherd"



# Gospel of John 10:1-10

As we look ahead to next Sunday's Gospel, let us take some to time to reflect, to pray and possibly to share with others, some questions St. John raises for us. At one point, Jesus says He is "the gate" to the sheepfold.

# What does this mean for your relationship with Him?

He also calls himself the "shepherd of the sheep."

We know that his sheep knew the sound of his voice. He also knew the names of each of his sheep.

# Can we explain his love and affection for us?

As we follow him, we see that the path leads us behind him to the cross.

Is my love and affection for Him willing to take this same journey?

We know how the story ended for Him.

Do I believe His promise that "I came so that they may have life and have it more abundantly?"

Sister Eleanor McCann, RSM Cathedral Parish Pastoral Associate emccann@mercymidatlantic.org

# YOU If you

# YOUNG ADULT GROUP

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 <u>youngadults.cathedral@gmail.com</u>. Please search for our Facebook page: <u>Young Adults at the Cathedral</u>).

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# 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 the end of the coronavirus.

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

When: Every day, 8:00-8:30PM (Eastern)

**Link:** <u>zoom.us/j/494480541...</u>

Full details at: phillyevang.org/rosary

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

special guests

**View the Flyer** 

# LECTOR WORKSHOP

# Wednesday, October 28, 2020

Saint Joseph, Downingtown, PA 7:00 to 9:00 PM in the Main Church

To register, please EMAIL the workshop date, your name, and name of your parish using this link: worship@archphila.org

# WORKSHOP IN SPANISH for LECTORS and EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Saturday, November 14, 2020

9:30 AM to Noon/12:05 PM Mass to follow CATHEDRAL CHAPEL CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

18th and Benjamin Franklin Parkway Philadelphia, PA 19103 Parking available

To register, please EMAIL the workshop date, your name, and name of your parish using this link: worship@archphila.org

# Campaña del Rosario por el fin del Coronavirus en Español



La Oficina para la Nueva Evangelización de la Arquidiócesis de Filadelfia invita a todos a unirse a una **campaña del Rosario** por el fin del coronavirus.

Únanse a nosotros en línea, por teléfono o en espíritu mientras rezamos el Rosario todas las noches a las 6 PM. Le pediremos a la milagrosa intercesión de la Santísima Virgen María que ponga fin al coronavirus.

Cuándo: Todos los dias, 6:00-6:30PM (EST)

**Enlace**: zoom.us/j/180527700

Para más detalles visite: <a href="mailto:phillyevang.org/rosary">phillyevang.org/rosary</a>

Auspiciado por: Sacerdotes y líderes del apostolado

hispano de la Arquidiócesis de Filadelfia.

# Ver Volante

The pandemic in which we are immersed reminds us how fragile life truly is, and how little control we have. Many people are turning to the Bible for answers. JOIN Father Matt Guckin via FACEBOOK LIVE @phillyOCF

# **TEN PLAGUES OF EGYPT**

Beginning on Monday, April 27, Father Matt Guckin will be spending TEN minutes each day at TEN O'Clock in the morning to discuss each of the TEN plagues in Egypt at the time of Moses.

The series will last for TEN days.



### 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.

# He is nothere! He is Risen!





# Prayer Pause For Philadelphia



# **Father Dennis Gill**

Rector and Pastor, Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul Director, Office for Divine Worship, Archdiocese of Philadelphia

FACEBOOK LIVE

@PublicEngagementPHL

SUNDAY, APRIL 26 AT 3PM

# 57th World Day of Prayer for Vocations May 3, 2020 Novena for Vocations



The Vocation Office invites you to pray for increased grace to respond to God's call to the priesthood and religious life throughout the world, but especially in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia .

To celebrate this World Day of Prayer for Vocations, we invite you to join the seminarians from St. Charles Borromeo Seminary in praying a Novena for Vocations on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. The seminarians have videotaped their daily reflection/prayers and each day of the Novena the videos will be uploaded to our website at <a href="heedthecall.org/novena">heedthecall.org/novena</a> and our Facebook page at <a href="facebook.com/phillypriest.">facebook.com/phillypriest.</a>



# Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe During Coronavirus Pandemic

Holy Virgin of Guadalupe,
Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas.
We fly to you today as your beloved children.
We ask you to intercede for us with your Son,
as you did at the wedding in Cana.

Pray for us, loving Mother, and gain for our nation and world, and for all our families and loved ones, the protection of your holy angels, that we may be spared the worst of this illness.

For those already afflicted, we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance. Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful, wipe away their tears and help them to trust.

In this time of trial and testing, teach all of us in the Church to love one another and to be patient and kind.

Help us to

bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to our hearts.

We come to you with confidence, knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother, health of the sick and cause of our joy.

Shelter us under the mantle of your protection, keep us in the embrace of your arms, help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus.

Amen.

See the Video



# Live-Streamed Sunday Mass at 11:00 AM

Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul

Click Here Worship Aid

# Resources for Catholics at Home During COVID-19

### Online Mass

Vatican News Live Stream of Pope Francis' Masses

Catholic TV Mass

EWTN Daily Mass

Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

# **Prayers**

Pope Francis' Prayer with Mary for COVID-19

Archbishop Gomez Prayer for COVID-19

**Spiritual Communion** 

COVID-19: A Prayer of Solidarity

<u>Light a Candle Online (from the National Shrine of St. John</u> Neumann)

The following publishers have generously made their resources available to support prayer during these difficult days. We thank them for their generosity and pastoral concern.

**Liturgical Press:** Give Us This Day

Magnificat: English | Spanish

**Bayard:** Living with Christ

The Word Among Us: English | Spanish

**USCCB** 

Daily Readings: English | Spanish

Daily Readings Audio

Video Reflection

