August 29, 2021

Reverend Gerald Dennis Gill
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Reverend Monsignor Arthur E. Rodgers
Rector Emeritus
Reverend Matthew K. Biedrzycki
Parochial Vicar
Reverend Monsignor Louis A. D’Addezio
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Sister Mary Luchia, P.V.M.I
Parish Évangelization
Sister Mary Raphael Paradis, R.S.M.
Outreach Coordinator
Charlene Angelini
Director of Cathedral Parish Music

Mark Loria
Principal Organist

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
Saturday: 5:15 PM Anticipated Mass
Sunday: 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

Parish Mission Statement
With Jesus Christ as our Head and Foundation, the Cathedral Parish of Saints Peter and Paul forms a vibrant Roman Catholic community in Center City and serves all those who come to the Cathedral Basilica, the Mother Church of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Our parish community professes our Catholic Faith, ministers to others and welcomes all, as rooted in the Word of God and the celebration of the Sacraments of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Adopted by the Parish Council, August 10, 2021

Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul
Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel
https://www.saintkatharinedrexelshrine.com/
Dear Parishioners,

*Today is the Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time!* The Gospel for this Sunday returns to a reading from Saint Mark, (see Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23), after several Sundays of listening to Jesus teach us about the Holy Eucharist in Saint John’s Gospel. The teaching of Jesus about his great gift of his Body and Blood not only made clear to us what is the Holy Eucharist and his Real Presence to us in this Sacrament but also that we must live our Christian lives from the power and strength of this Sacrament. As the great Bishop Saint Augustine taught, we become what we receive. When we receive Holy Communion worthily, without any serious sin that separates us from Communion, we become within us all that Christ gives us. We become one with Christ himself, all that he teaches and all that we are to do in the love of his Father and the service of one another. All too easily for many of us we can live divided Christian lives. We are one person interiorly and exteriorly. We are one person with our words and another person with our thoughts. We are one person before God, or at least we think, and another person before others. In today’s Gospels, in rather strong language, Jesus rejects such divided lives for his followers. Who we are within ourselves must be the same person before God and others. This radical correspondence between our mind, heart and soul is the lifelong project of the Christian life. This experience of personal justice is greatly assisted by our reception of Holy Communion. When we receive Holy Communion, we receive the grace of communion with Christ and within all our parts—mind, heart and soul. Let us come forward for Holy Communion with a desire and confidence for our thoughts to match our actions, for our actions to match our thoughts, as part of Christ’s gift to us.

This Wednesday, September 1, 2021, marks the annual World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. Pope Francis established this observance in 2015 following a similar observance in the Eastern Church. The created world points to the majesty and providence of Almighty God. And God has entrusted to us stewardship over all the earth. We do not have to look too far to see how creation in every form suffers from neglect and abuse of all types. As we pray for the care of creation, it prompts us to action and reminds us that our primary care must be directed to the crown of creation, human life, from the first moment of conception until natural death. Please join this intention to your personal prayers this coming Wednesday.

Next Sunday, the second collection will be directed to the national collection for the Black and Indian Mission. You can mail your Sunday offerings to the Cathedral Parish Office or make use of the many ways to give electronically. Please see [http://cathedralphila.org/donate/](http://cathedralphila.org/donate/). Thank you so very much for your goodness and generosity to the Cathedral Parish.

God bless you,
Father Dennis Gill,
Rector

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**Weekly Mass Intentions**

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PRAYER | PARTICIPATION | GENEROSITY

One of the best things about summer is the Joy of time away from work and worries with your family.

Remember to remain grateful through prayer for all the joy-filled opportunities. Your Cathedral parish priests shore do have a plan to pray that all of our parishioners have a happy summertime of family and blessings!

There are some very cool ways to help us with our ministries this summer! As always, thank you for your generosity and for sharing your joy with us. Please remember our Cathedral parish with your gift.

St. Joseph, pray for us!

And let us remember to pray for each other always!

Have the Best Summer Yet!

Your generosity was:

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We hope that your generosity will exceed $10,000 next week. Thank you!

Please consider a gift to support the good work of our Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul.

- Become a parishioner! – speak with Father Gill, Father Biedrzycki, Deacon Burgos or Sr. Eleanor McCann after any Sunday Mass and one of them can help you register
- Planned Gifts – call and leave a message for Rose at 215-561-1313, so she may discuss with you long-term ways that may be best for you such as annuities, life insurance, stock, estate planning and memorial gifts
- Text to give anytime, especially for your Sunday Mass offering – text “Cathedral” to 215-709-9955
- Donate on-line at [http://cathedralphila.org/donate/](http://cathedralphila.org/donate/) or scan this QR code:

Please remember these parishioners and friends of the Cathedral Parish in your prayers:

Daniel Damon, Nancy, Jacqueline and her intentions, Anthony Pelle, Jr., Baby Ava Hope, David Blue, Jeannette Argir, Judy Day, Wally Dalton, Baby Benjamin Summers, Eileen Maher, Carmine Meadows, April De Matteo, Jim Mace Thompson, Levi Oates, Rose McKenna, Sue Del Biondo, Paul Fischer, Valente family, Marlene Cinclair, Gloria Quici, Frank Munafa, Matthew Munafa, Rosemary Henmelly, and those in nursing homes or hospitals and all the sick.

To add or remove parishioners, friends or family members to the prayer list, please send an email to: sr.mrparadis@archphila.org, or call Sister Mary Raphael, Parish Outreach Coordinator, at the Cathedral Parish Office, 215-561-1313 Monday through Thursday. Por favor envíe un email o llame a la oficina parroquial para añadir o remover los nombres de la lista de personas que estén enfermas.
Declaración de la Misión de la Parroquia Catedral de los Santos Pedro y Pablo

Con Jesucristo como nuestra Cabeza y Fundamento, la Parroquia Catedral de los Santos Pedro y Pablo forma una vibrante comunidad Católica Romana en el centro de la ciudad y sirve a todos aquellos que vienen a la Catedral Basílica, la Iglesia Madre de la Arquidiócesis de Filadelfia. Nuestra comunidad parroquial profesa nuestra fe católica, ministra a los demás y da la bienvenida a todos, enraizada en la Palabra de Dios y la celebración de los sacramentos de Jesucristo, nuestro Señor y Salvador.

Adoptado por el Consejo Pastoral Parroquial, agosto 10, 2021

BOLETIN INFORMATIVO
Oficina para Católicos Hispanos
CLICK HERE

¿PRIMERA COMUNIÓN Y CONFIRMACIÓN EN LA CATEDRAL!

Si alguno de sus hijos necesita prepararse para la Primera Penitencia, la Primera Comunión o la Confirmación, ¡habrá clases aquí en la Parroquia de la Catedral a partir del otoño en inglés y español! Todas las clases comenzarán en octubre. Habrá una pequeña tarifa por los libros / materiales.

- Este no es un programa completo de educación religiosa.
- Pueden asistir niños que estén inscritos en un programa de educación religiosa, que asistan a una escuela católica, pública o autónoma, que estén recibiendo educación en el hogar o que no estén en educación religiosa.
- Los materiales en línea estarán disponibles en caso de que las clases en persona se vuelvan imposibles debido a Covid-19.
- Los no feligreses también son bienvenidos.

PÓNGASE EN CONTACTO CON LA HERMANA MARY RAPHAEL, COORDINADORA DE DIVULGACIÓN, AT sr.mparadis@archphila.org para inscribirse o llámele al 215-561-1313 para inscribirse.
Para las clases en español, envíe un correo electrónico a Arturo Aceves a aceves28@gmail.com, o hable con él después de la misa dominical en español a las 12:30pm en la Capilla.

REFLEXIÓN DEL RECTOR

Estimados feligreses,

¡Hoy es el vigésimo segundo domingo del tiempo ordinario! El Evangelio de este domingo vuelve a una lectura de San Marcos, (ver Marcos 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23), después de varios domingos de escuchar a Jesús enseñarnos sobre la Sagrada Eucaristía en el Evangelio de San Juan. La enseñanza de Jesús acerca del gran regalo de su Cuerpo y Sangre no solo nos dejó en claro que es la Sagrada Eucaristía y su Presencia Real en este Sacramento, sino también que debemos vivir nuestra vida cristiana desde el poder y la fuerza de este Sacramento. Como enseñó el gran obispo San Agustín, nos convertimos en lo que recibimos. Cuando recibimos dignamente la Sagrada Comunión, sin ningún pecado grave que nos separe de la Comunión, llegamos a ser dentro de nosotros todo lo que Cristo nos da. Nos convertimos en uno con Cristo mismo, todo lo que él enseña y todo lo que debemos hacer en el amor de su Padre y en el servicio mutuo. Con gran facilidad muchos de nosotros podemos vivir nuestra vida cristiana dividida. Somos una sola persona interior y exteriormente. Somos una persona con nuestras palabras y otra con nuestros pensamientos. Somos una persona ante Dios, o al menos pensamos, y otra ante los demás. En el evangelio de hoy, en un lenguaje bastante fuerte, Jesús rechaza la vida dividida para sus seguidores. Quienes somos interiormente debe ser la misma persona ante Dios y los demás. Esta correspondencia radical entre nuestra mente, corazón y alma es el proyecto de todo la vida de la vida cristiana. Esta experiencia de justicia personal se ve enormemente asistida por nuestra recepción de la Sagrada Comunión. Cuando recibimos la Sagrada Comunión, recibimos la gracia de la comunión con Cristo y dentro de todas nuestras partes: mente, corazón y alma. Pasemos frente a la Sagrada Comunión con el deseo y la confianza de que nuestros pensamientos coincidan con nuestras acciones, de que nuestras acciones coincidan con nuestros pensamientos, como parte del regalo de Cristo para nosotros.

Este miércoles 1 de septiembre del 2021 se celebra La Jornada Mundial de Oración por el Cuidado de la Creación. El Papa Francisco estableció esta observancia en 2015 después de una observancia similar en la Iglesia Oriental. El mundo creado apunta a la majestad y providencia del Dios Todopoderoso. Y Dios nos ha confiado la administración de toda la tierra. No tenemos que mirar demasiado lejos para ver cómo la creación en todas sus formas sufre negligencia y abuso de todo tipo. Cuando oramos por el cuidado de la creación, nos impulsa a la acción y nos recuerda que nuestro cuidado primario debe estar dirigido a la corona de la creación, la vida humana, desde el primer momento de la concepción hasta la muerte natural. Únase a esta intención con sus oraciones personales el próximo miércoles.

El próximo domingo, la segunda colecta se dirigirá a la colecta nacional de las Misiones para los Negros y los Indígenas. Puede enviar sus ofrendas dominicales a la Oficina Parroquial de la Catedral o hacer uso de las muchas formas de donar electrónicamente. Consulte http://cathedralphila.org/donate/. Muchas gracias por su bondad y generosidad con la Parroquia Catedral.

Dios te bendiga,
Padre Dennis Gill,
Rector

NADA SE COMPARA con estar ahí
With gratitude to Almighty God for the years of Dedicated and faithful service to the Church By our Religious Priests, Brothers and Sisters, The Archdiocese of Philadelphia Wishes to invite you to join in Celebration of their Jubilee Year.

Mass of Thanksgiving
Archbishop Nelson Pérez Celebrant
Sunday, September 19, 2021 @ 11 o’clock
The Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul
Parking available next to Cathedral
All are Welcome

THE LEGION OF MARY CELEBRATE OUR 100TH ANNIVERSARY!

All parishioners are invited to join in celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the Legion of Mary with a Mass of Thanksgiving at the Cathedral Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul, 18th Street and Benjamin Franklin Pkwy., Philadelphia on Sept. 11 at 1:00 pm with Most Rev. John McIntryre, principal celebrant, and Rev. Hugh Gillespie SMM, homilist. Before Holy Mass, the Rosary and Legion prayers will be recited at 12:30 pm. The Legion of Mary is an international association of lay Catholics finding Jesus through prayer, works of mercy and evangelization rooted in Marian spirituality and commitment to the Holy Spirit. The first meeting of the Legion of Mary took place in Dublin, Ireland, on September 7, 1921. For more information: www.philadelphiasenatus.org.

FORMED Webinar “Back in His Presence”
Wednesday, September 8, 2021 – 1:00pm
Join us for a webinar hosted by the Augustine Institute. We’ll focus on how FORMED can help you invite your community back to the in person celebration of Mass and rekindle their love for the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. Click HERE to register for the webinar.

YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH
Visit http://archphila.org/joseph/ often for new events and resources for the celebration of this holy year!

 Legacy of Life Foundation Baby Bottle Drive Fundraiser
Many of the women who come through our doors believe there is no other choice but abortion. They are scared, confused, and feel they have no support. Through your generous giving, Cathedral Basilica of Sts. Peter & Paul parish has provided tremendous support over the years helping to save nearly 3,000 babies! Our centers provide free services ~ abortion education, counseling, advocacy, and ultrasound exams so women can receive the truth about abortion with love and mercy! Please support the Legacy of Life Foundation Baby Bottle Drive Fundraiser and donate now! Envelopes are in the back of the church with the Legacy of Life Foundation display. Checks should be made payable to the Legacy of Life Foundation (note: parish and Baby Bottle Drive) THANK YOU for your prayerful and generous support!

 Legacy of Life Foundation Baby Bottle Drive Fundraiser
http://archphila.org/joseph/  

If you are interested in the Young Adults of the Cathedral Parish and would like to receive the most up to date information about our group’s events, please e-mail us at: youngadults.cathedral@gmail.com. Please search for our Facebook page: Young Adults at the Cathedral. Follow our Instagram page: @YACPhilly. Our activities at the Cathedral are:

♦ Gospel Reflection: Every Thursday @ 7pm (Drexel Hall)
♦ Rosary on Saturday mornings @ 8AM in the Chapel followed by Gospel Reflection in the Neumann Room
♦ Meet and Greet: Last Friday of every month @ 7pm (Friday, August 27 will be sponsored by Philly Frassati—7pm Mass followed by Eucharistic Adoration and outreach event)

EVENING OF FORMATION FOR LITURGICAL MINISTERS
Wednesday, September 29, 2021, 7-9PM in the Cathedral Basilica
We will have an evening of formation and review for all Cathedral Parish Liturgical Ministers. Please join us if you are: a parish lector and extraordinary minister of Holy Communion, parish greeter, parish cantor, and parish sacristan.

CYO Cross Country
All K-8 Cathedral parishioners are invited to run cross country with the St. Francis Xavier CYO team. Races are Sundays at Belmont Plateau.
Contact daniel.p.kilpatrick@gmail.com for more information. All are welcome.

The Divine Mercy Chaplet
We will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet each Friday at 3:00 P.M. Join us wherever you are.
Join Via Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87567068541?pwd=Wmo1V01XWElQLzRuZ0JnOWU2T3Rsdz09
Meeting ID: 875 6706 8541 Passcode: Mercy

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“Each one of them is Jesus in disguise” - St. Mother Teresa”
The Holy Mass  
– Making a Holy Communion – Part 4 of 4

On, August 15, 2021, the Solemnity of the Assumption, the obligation to assist (be present) at Mass in-person is reinstated for Catholic Christians living in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. This means that we are to be present for Holy Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. Our absence carries with it the pain of grave sin. Exceptions to this obligation ordinarily consist of those obstacles posed by grave physical (illness) or moral (excess fear, anxiety etc.) factors that would make assisting at Mass difficult if not impossible.

Over the past few weeks we considered from where the obligation to attend Holy Mass each Sunday comes. We then considered the way by which we might fruitfully “assist” or actively participate at Mass on Sunday. One of the central pieces we often associate with Mass is Holy Communion. Something we need to keep in mind is that Holy Communion is one part of the greater whole of the Mass.

Why do we participate in Mass however? Jesus’ total self-sacrifice on our behalf to the Father on the Cross happened once for all. The Mass perpetuates the sacrifice of the Cross. We who live several hundred years removed from that initial sacrifice may share in its fruits now. Whether or not we receive Jesus in the Eucharist at each Mass, we are called to be present for that sacrifice which defines us, which makes us who we are in Jesus Christ.

Receiving the Eucharist, we are offered an even more intimate share in that one sacrifice; receiving Jesus into our very bodies. Like anything else we can do that better or worse. Holy Communion means to receive Jesus in the Eucharist in a state of grace. A state of grace means to be free from mortal sin. Why is this so important?

The Eucharist, is Jesus. Jesus makes himself really and truly present to us body, blood, soul and divinity. Receiving Jesus in Holy Communion is a sign of our belief that Jesus present there in the Eucharist and also, of our actual and moral communion with Jesus. This means that first, we have faith Jesus is there in the Eucharist. Secondly, we are initiated into Jesus’ body on earth, the Church. Finally, it means that being a member of the Church, my life is in moral communion with Jesus and his way of life: his teachings, his law, and those promulgated by his representatives in the Church.

If we cannot say with a clear conscience that our life is both in actual and moral communion with Jesus in the Church, we ought to refrain from making an act of Holy Communion as we would be receiving Jesus unworthily. St. Paul noticed this disconnect among the Corinthians and reminded them:

“Therefore whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord unworthily will have to answer for the body and blood of the Lord. A person should examine himself, and so eat the bread and drink the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body, eats and drinks judgment on himself.”

The best way we can prepare to receive Jesus worthily is to make a good confession. There we may be forgiven any and all sins committed since our Baptism. Having been reconciled to Christ and to his Church in confession we may be confident of being in a state of grace. We may be confident of making a worthy, a holy communion glorifying God, and growing in the life of grace which prepares the way for heaven.

Fr. Matthew Biedrzycki

1 Cor 11:27-29