January 2, 2022

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

Reverend Gerald Dennis Gill
Rector
Reverend Monsignor Arthur E. Rodgers
Rector Emeritus
Reverend Matthew K. Biedrzycki
Parochial Vicar
Reverend Monsignor Louis A. D’Addezio
Priests in Residence
Deacon Jesús M. Burgos
Permanent Deacon
Sister Eleanor McCann, R.S.M.
Pastoral Associate
Sister Mary Luchia, P.V.M.I.
Parish Evangelization
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

Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
1723 Race Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103 • 215-561-1313
www.cathedralphila.org • info@cathedralphila.org

SHrine of Saint Katharine Drexel
https://www.saintkatharininedrexelshrine.com/
Dear Parishioners,

Today in the United States we celebrate the great Christmas Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord. The traditional observance of this Christmas feast is January 6 but in those countries where the Epiphany is not celebrated as a Holy Day of Obligation it is transferred to the nearest Sunday. Christmas continues with the Epiphany of Jesus. Some people even refer to the Epiphany as “Little Christmas.” The Epiphany of the Lord along with the Nativity of the Lord (Christmas) are the principal observances of Christmas Time. The Nativity celebrates the mystery of the Lord’s Birth and the Epiphany celebrates the announcement and promises of salvation with this Birth. We learn from the Epiphany Gospel that once the Three Kings—the Magi—encounter the Infant Savior “they departed for their country by another way.”

Our own celebration of the Birth of Jesus on Christmas Day and the days of Christmas Time are meant to impact us in so many ways—in our relationship with the Lord, the manner of our Christian lives, and our outreach to others. Perhaps, today’s celebration of the Epiphany gives us a pause to reflect on just how our Christmas celebration has made a difference in us for this New Year. Are we returning to our everyday life “by another way?”

Traditionally, the New Year is the occasion for making resolutions. Often times these resolutions focus on us to improve our health and circumstances of life. May I suggest that among these well-intended resolutions there might be some spiritual resolutions as well. Consider a decision to spend serious time in prayer each day, in the early morning and/or before retiring to bed. Daily Mass makes a fine resolution and a sure way to focus on the Lord each day. Commit to a more regular practice of Confession. Pray the Holy Rosary more frequently. Read a book about a saint or one of the great spiritual classics. Do something for the poor each month of the New Year. This is just a brief list of some spiritual resolutions to which you could add others. The New Year gives us the opportunity to be fit in mind, body and soul!

This week on Wednesday, January 5, 2022, we keep the Feast of Saint John Neumann, the holy fourth Bishop of the Diocese of Philadelphia. Saint John Neumann continues to be an inspiration and example to us in our own time. He carried out the ordinary things of life in an extraordinary way. If possible, come to Mass at the Cathedral Chapel on his Feast, either at 7:15 AM or 12:05 PM. Also, today, through the week or next Sunday, make a visit to his altar that is located to the rear of the Race Street side of the Basilica. Saint John Neumann, pray for us!

I thank Mr. Christopher Dinan, the Funeral Director of the Dinan Funeral Home on Spring Garden Street, Philadelphia, on behalf of the Cathedral Parish. Mr. Dinan generously donated the 2022 Parish Calendars distributed last month to our parishioners and visitors.

Thank you to all our parishioners and visitors for your goodness and generosity to the Cathedral Parish this Christmas Time. Your support of the Parish and its many ministries is overwhelming. The second collection next Sunday will be directed to the winter maintenance needs of the Cathedral Basilica. 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/. Thank you so very much.

On behalf of Father Biedrzycki, Monsignor D’Adzezio, and me, I wish you a happy and holy New Year. May the Lord bless your New Year with many favors and graces.

God bless you for the Epiphany and the New Year!

Father Dennis Gill, Rector
Consider planning your legacy as you begin the year. By remembering the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul Parish Fund in your will or through a planned gift, you are an eternal steward. For more information, visit: www.cathedralphila.org. Jesus, Mary and Joseph, Pray for us. And let us remember to always pray for each other!

Your generosity on 12/19 was:

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The offertory collection for Sunday 12/26/2021 will be posted on a future edition of the parish bulletin. We hope that your generosity will exceed $10,000 this week. Thank you!

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

- You are invited to become a member of our parish family and take part in our ministries, programs, events, and worship. Please 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
- **Venmo us** @cathedralbasilica
- **Donate on-line** at http://cathedralphila.org/donate/ or scan this QR code:

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LIVE STREAMED SUNDAY MASS AT 11:00 AM
Click Here, or go to: https://vimeo.com/event/17522

**Readings for Mass for this Week**
Please see the website of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops: usccb.org/bible/readings

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**What’s Happening at the Parish Outside the Liturgical Schedule**

- **Jan. 6** Perpetual Novena to Saint Katharine Drexel, following the 7:15 AM and 12:05 PM Masses. Catechetical Session, NR, 7PM
- **Jan. 7** Divine Mercy Chaplet, via Zoom at 3PM

For more events, please visit: https://cathedralphila.org/category/events/

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**DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?**

The Cathedral Parish offers year round opportunities for people seeking more information about the Catholic Faith, the Sacraments and living the Christian Life. These opportunities are for adults who would like to inquire about following Jesus and becoming a member of the Catholic Church, or who are already baptized Christians and would like to become Catholic, or who are already baptized Catholics and would like to receive Confirmation and Holy Communion. There are many people like yourself inquiring, and we are ready to answer your questions. Please contact Fr. Dennis Gill at: fr.dgill@archphila.org

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**HOSPICE SUNDAY NEXT WEEKEND**

Please remember to bring your food donations for St. John’s Hospice. Please bring all items to Mass and leave them in the Sacristy. Your recent donations were very much appreciated.

Thank you for your continued generosity, God bless you.

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**CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS**
- Adult faith formation-
  - A Review of Participation at Mass
  
  Thursday, January 6, 2022, 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 at 215-561-1313 or email Father Dennis Gill at fr.dgill@archphila.org

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**Please remember these parishioners and friends of the Cathedral Parish in your prayers/ Ora por los enfermos:**

Susan Mather, Mary Goudsward, Nancy Rice, Edward McCarty, Paige Bednarsky, Loyalty, Lucila C. Castor, Mark Louie Castor, Judy Miller, Marie Rizzi, Daniel Damon, Nancy, Jacqueline and her intentions, Anthony Pelle, Jr., Baby Ava Hope, David Blue, Jeannette Argir, Judy Day, Wally Dalton, Baby Benjamin Summers, 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 nuestra fe. Arquidiócesis de Filadelfia. Nuestra Catedral Basílica, la Iglesia Madre de la comunidad parroquial profesa nuestra fe.

Adoptado por el Consejo Pastoral Parroquial, agosto 10, 2021

Misa Televisada en Español
En UNIVISIÓN 65 - Todos los domingos a las 6:30 AM
La Santa Misa Grabada en línea

ENCIDE TU MINISTERIO
Taller de formación para líderes actuales y nuevos
Sábado 5 de Marzo del 2022
8:30am – 12:30pm
Concluiremos con la misa de 12pm
Arquidiócesis de Filadelfia Centro Pastoral
222 North 17th Street, Filadelfia, PA 19103

Más información:
Ver volante
Registrarse

BOLETIN INFORMATIVO
Oficina para Católicos Hispanos
CLICK HERE
https://oficinahispanacatolica.org/wp-content/

REFLEXIÓN DEL PÁRROCO
Estimados feligreses,

Hoy en Estados Unidos celebramos la gran solemnidad navideña de la Epifanía del Señor. La observancia tradicional de esta fiesta de Navidad es el 6 de enero, pero en aquellos países donde la Epifanía no se celebra como un día de precepto, se traslada al domingo más cercano. La Navidad continúa con la Epifanía de Jesús. Algunas personas incluso se refieren a la Epifanía como "Pequeña Navidad". La Epifanía del Señor junto con la Natividad del Señor (Navidad) son las principales celebraciones de la época navideña. La Natividad celebra el misterio del Nacimiento del Señor y la Epifanía celebra el anuncio y las promesas de salvación con este nacimiento. Aprendemos del Evangelio de la Epifanía que una vez que los Reyes Magos se encuentran con el Niño Salvador, “partieron hacia su país por otro camino”. Nuestra propia celebración del nacimiento de Jesús, el día de Navidad y los días de Navidad, están destinados a impactarnos de muchas maneras: en nuestra relación con el Señor, en la manera de nuestra vida cristiana y en nuestro alcance a los demás. Quizás, la celebración de la Epifanía de hoy nos da una pausa para reflexionar sobre cómo nuestra celebración de Navidad ha marcado una diferencia en nosotros para este Año Nuevo. ¿Estamos volviendo a nuestra vida cotidiana “de otra manera”?

Tradicionalmente, el Año Nuevo es la ocasión para tomar decisiones. A menudo, estas decisiones se enfocan en nosotros para mejorar nuestra salud y circunstancias de la vida. Permítaseme sugerir que entre estas decisiones bien intencionadas también puede haber algunas resoluciones espirituales. Considere la decisión de pasar un tiempo serio en oración todos los días, temprano en la mañana y / o antes de acostarse. La misa diaria es una excelente resolución y una manera segura de enfocarse en el Señor cada día. Comprométase a una práctica más regular de la confesión. Reza el Santo Rosario con más frecuencia. Lea un libro sobre un santo o uno de los grandes clásicos espirituales. Haga algo por los pobres cada mes del Año Nuevo. Esta es solo una breve lista de algunas resoluciones espirituales a las que podría agregar otras. ¡El Año Nuevo nos da la oportunidad de estar en forma en cuerpo, mente y alma!

Esta semana, el miércoles 5 de enero del 2022, celebramos la Fiesta de San Juan Neumann, el cuarto obispo santo de la Diócesis de Filadelfia. San Juan Neumann sigue siendo una inspiración y un ejemplo para nosotros en nuestro tiempo. Realizó las cosas ordinarias de la vida de una manera extraordinaria. Si es posible, asista a misa en la capilla de la Catedral en su fiesta, ya sea a las 7:15 AM o a las 12:05 PM. Además, hoy, durante la semana o el próximo domingo, visite el altar que se encuentra en la parte trasera del lado de la calle Race de la Basílica. San Juan Neumann, ¡ruega por nosotros!

Agradezco al Sr. Christopher Dinan, director de la funeraria Dinan en Spring Garden Street, Filadelfia, en nombre de la Parroquia de la Catedral. El Sr. Dinan donó generosamente los calendarios parroquiales del 2022 distribuidos el mes pasado a nuestros feligreses y visitantes. Gracias a todos nuestros feligreses y visitantes por su bondad y generosidad a la Parroquia de la Catedral en esta época navideña. Su apoyo a la parroquia y sus muchos ministerios es abrumador. La segunda colecta del próximo domingo estará dirigida a las necesidades de mantención de invierno de la Catedral Basílica. Puede enviar sus ofrendas dominciales a la oficina parroquial de la Catedral o hacer uso de las muchas formas de donar electrónicamente. Consulate http://cathedralphila.org/donate/. Muchas gracias.

En nombre del Padre Biedrzycki, de Monseñor D'Addezio y de mí, les deseo un feliz y santo Año Nuevo. Que el Señor bendiga a todos nosotros con muchos favores y gracias.

¡Dios los bendiga por la Epifanía y el Año Nuevo!
Padre Dennis Gill, Rector
**Cathedral Parish Greeters**

**Save the Date!**

All Parish Greeters please plan to attend a very special meeting on Saturday, January 15, 2022 10:40 AM – 12 Noon

Thank you!

Sister Eleanor McCann, RSM
Cathedral Parish Pastoral Associate

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**NUTRITIONAL DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**

Archdiocese of Philadelphia

To support our continued hunger relief efforts, NDS is once again pleased to have the opportunity to team up with Convergence Acceleration Solutions Group (CAS Group) to provide increased access to nutritious food. Now through **January 31, 2022**, CAS Group is pledging to match all donations made to NDS dollar-for-dollar up to the amount of $50,000. Those wishing to double their impact can support NDS by visiting the NDS website at [https://nutritionaldevelopmentservices.org/](https://nutritionaldevelopmentservices.org/) and clicking on the secure online donate button. Please include “CAS Challenge” in the “How did you hear about us?”

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**CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES**

Dear parishioners, we kindly ask that you use the contribution envelopes that are mailed to your home. **If you prefer to switch to online giving, please let us know.** If for some reason you must make use of a different envelope, please be sure to include on it your parish data base identification number (which can be found on your regular contribution-envelopes). Only those offerings which are properly labeled can be reflected in your annual statement declaring tax deductible contributions to the parish. If you have moved, or are not receiving contribution envelopes, or if you have any questions please contact the Parish Office at 215-561-1313. Thank you.

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**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Family Festival**

**Saturday, April 30th 2022**

9:00 am – 4:30 pm

Cardinal O’Hara High School

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**YOUNG ADULT GROUP**

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, January 28 @ 7pm Mass followed by Eucharistic Adoration and outreach event)

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**Mass in the Extraordinary Form**

Sung Latin Mass for the Epiphany of Our Lord

**Thursday, January 6, 2022 @ 7:00PM**

Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul


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**Please support us**

To replace crumbling asbestos floor tiles, and time and weather-damaged windows in our convent

Parish Visitors of Mary Immaculate Pennsylvania

Thank you for your support!

Visit: [https://gofund.me/9c9FGE](https://gofund.me/9c9FGE)

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**Catechetical Convocation**

**Infusing Theology of the Body into Your Religion Curriculum**

**For All DREs, Catechists, Principals, and Catholic School Teachers**

**Saturday, March 26th, 2022**

8:00am–3:00pm

Archbishop Wood High School

Registration will be handled by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia
EVENTOS DE INTERÉS

EVANGELIZATION NEWSLETTER
Office for New Evangelization
CLICK HERE,
https://phillyevang.flocknote.com/note/14064968

OFFYMA MASS FOR THE YOUNG CHURCH
Wednesday, January 12, 2022 at 8am

Every month, on behalf of all the offices which make up the Office for Faith Formation with Youth and Young Adults, Fr. Delacy will be celebrating a special Mass for the intentions presented by Ministers with Youth and Ministers with Young Adults on behalf of themselves and the young Church they serve.

Masses will be LIVESTREAMED on the OMY Facebook page. Feel free to join us live or after.

THE VOICES OF FAITH RADIO PROGRAM

Tune into the Voices of Faith radio program monthly for a powerful message of TRUST and HOPE from Archbishop Pérez. The program airs the first Saturday of every month on WPHT/1210am at 5:00 p.m. You can listen to the live broadcast on your Smartphone via the Radio.com app by searching for WPHT. If you miss a show, you can watch it at your convenience on the Voices of Faith YouTube channel.

LIVE YOUR BEST LIFE IN LOVE

Uncover the secrets to a lasting, supportive, transformational marriage
Take a new look at your marriage, priorities, and lifestyle, learn simple, effective communication techniques, enhance the love that you share Rediscover your hopes and dreams.

Want to attend? Need more information?
The next in-person Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences for 2022 are:
Feb. 11-13 and Apr. 22-24 at Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown, PA
- Early application is highly recommended -
For more information visit our website at: www.wwme-philly.org
or contact Al & Mary Liz at:
Applications@wwme-philly.org ~ or ~
Phone: 610-449-1859

College-Age* Retreat
January 7 – 9, 2022
Marianist Family Retreat Center
Cape May Point, NJ 08212
This retreat is designed to bring young people together of college-age (17-22). So whether you are in college or working come join us to renew your spiritual life, deepen your relationship with God and to meet new friends. Our time will be filled with prayer experiences, peer group discussions, Eucharist and lots of fun!
* High School Seniors are welcomed
Cost: $140 per person
Register at: www.capemaymarians.org or call 609-884-3829
Some financial aid is available

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

⇒ MSBT, Missionary Servants of the Most Blessed Trinity, is looking for a Part Time Vocation Council Coordinator to assist our Vocations Department. We are looking for someone who is out going, supportive, can commit to deadlines, is flexible, and has a willingness to embrace the MSBT charism. For more information contact Human Resources 215-335-7576.
⇒ Holy Family Home (Little Sisters of the Poor) is looking for amazing full time Advancement Assistant (Development Secretary) to join our family team to work full time - 8am - 4pm. For more information visit http://www.littlesistersofthepoorphiladelphia.org/