March 6, 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

MASS SCHEDULE
Sunday: 5:15 PM Anticipated Mass on Saturday
8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM in Basilica
12:30 PM Spanish in Cathedral Chapel
Sta. Misa en español, en la Capilla
6:30 PM in Basilica
Weekdays: 7:15 AM, 12:05 PM in Cathedral Chapel
Saturdays: 12:05 PM in Cathedral Chapel
Holy Days: See website

SACRAMENT OF PENCENACE 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

Reverend Gerald Dennis Gill
Rector
Reverend Monsignor Arthur E. Rodgers
Rector Emeritus
Reverend Matthew K. Biedrzycki
Parochial Vicar
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 will be closed for the next few weeks due to store renovations.
Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul
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Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
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Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel
https://www.saintkatharinedrexelshrine.com/
Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday is the First Sunday of Lent! The Ash Wednesday charge that accompanied the imposition of the blessed ashes is still ringing in our ears, “Repent, and believe in the Gospel.” This is the project of our whole Christian life. However, Lent gives us the opportunity, in communion with all the members of the Church, to be intentional about heeding this charge that comes to us from the Word of God. It is not easy. In fact, in the Gospel for this Sunday, we hear how Jesus himself, after forty days of prayer in the desert, was tempted by the Devil. The temptations directed at Jesus by the Devil were an attempt to make him forfeit his divinity and pass the test of the Evil One. Jesus does not give into the temptation but rather rebukes the Devil for putting him to the test. The discipline of Lent—especially with prayer, fasting and almsgiving—gives us the grace to be strong in the face of temptation, to rebuke the influence of the Devil and truly to reform our Christian lives. Let the witness of Jesus inspire and encourage us. May the presence of Christ in our lives keep us on course all throughout Lent.

The first Sunday of Lent is also the occasion when the Archbishop elects Catechumens from all throughout the Archdiocese for the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist to be received at the Easter Vigil. Our parish has seven catechumens that will participate in the Rite of Election on Sunday afternoon, March 6, 2022 at 3:00 PM. The godparents of these Catechumens will testify to their readiness for the Sacraments. The Archbishop will exhort them, with our prayers and example, to observe Lent as a time of purfication and enlightenment, and to look forward to their Christian Initiation at Easter. Once the Catechumens are elected for the Easter Sacraments, they are no longer called Catechumens but the Elect. We also have a good number of baptized Christians in the Cathedral Parish preparing to come into the Church and/or to receive Confirmation and Holy Communion. They will also join the Catechumens and the Archbishop will exhort them to be steadfast in their continuing conversion to Christ during Lent. Please keep all our Catechumens and Candidates in your prayers. You are most welcome to attend the Rite of Election on Sunday afternoon.

Rice bowls are available at the entrances to the Cathedral Basilica. Participation in the use of Rice Bowls—donating money not used for meals—is a helpful way both to fast and give alms during Lent.

It is not too early in Lent to go to Confession for this holy season. The schedule for Confessions is:

On Sundays at 9:00 AM (Basilica), 12:00 Noon in Spanish (Chapel) and 5:30 PM (Basilica). On Weekdays at 11:30 AM (Basilica) and on Saturdays at 4:15 PM (Basilica)

Plan on attending our annual Keys and Sword Event—Friday, June 24, 2022. Please see, https://ksphila.org/, for more information on tickets, sponsors and ads for the Ad Book.

Thank you to all our parishioners and visitors for your goodness and generosity to the Cathedral Parish. The second collection next Sunday will be the national collection directed to the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Latin America. 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.

God bless you! Father Dennis Gill, Rector
Dear Lord,
Make this Lenten season a time for us to throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light.
Thank you for your cross - the only ladder by which we may go to heaven!
Amen!

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 2/27 was:
Regular $5,479  
Special ________1,192____ (for the works of the St Katharine Drexel Shrine)  
Total ________$6,671____  

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
- Consider the Cathedral in your Financial Plan – call Rose at the Cathedral office 215-561-1313. She can help with your Estate planning – such as adding the Cathedral as a beneficiary of your life insurance, IRA, annuity or a memorial gift. She can also help you with Tax Planning – such as a gift of appreciated stock or a distribution from your IRA.
- 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:

Abstinence from meat and fasting during Lent
The bishops of the United States prescribe, as minimal obligation, that all persons who are fourteen years of age and older are bound to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday, on all the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday. Further, all persons eighteen years of age and older, up to and including their fifty-ninth birthday, are bound to fast by limiting themselves to a single full meal on Ash Wednesday and on Good Friday, while the other two meals on those days are to be light. Keeping a voluntary fast throughout Lent is encouraged on the part of all.

The Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation will be available:
- On Sundays at 9:00 AM (Basilica), 12:00 Noon in Spanish (Chapel), and 5:30 PM (Basilica),
- On Weekdays at 11:30 AM (Basilica) and on Saturdays at 4:15 PM (Basilica).

The Way of the Cross
Each Friday of Lent immediately following the 12:05 PM Mass in the Chapel. The Way of the Cross in Spanish, will also take place each Sunday of Lent in the Basilica following the 12:30 PM Mass.

Via Crucis (Estaciones de la Cruz) todos los domingos despues de la Misa de las 12:30 pm, en la Basilica.

CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS
- Adult faith formation
  - The Tenth Commandment
    Thursday, March 10, 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

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

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

Please remember these parishioners and friends of the Cathedral Parish in your prayers/ Ora por los enfermos:
Margaret R. Farley, Paige Bednarzky, For All Ukrainians, Richard Burke Jr., June Goodwin, Ermanna, Gaia, Philip Hartley, Isaiah Rosario, Catherine Kamler, Eileen Hammel, Carey Cogino, Andrew Arczynski, Maria Garcia, David Hoefner, Marian and her intentions, Phil Chavez and his intentions, Charles Gilbert, 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: prayingforyou@cathedralphila.org. Por favor envie 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 Basilica, 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

Cuasema 2022
Abstinencia de carne y ayuno durante la Cuaresma

Los obispos de los Estados Unidos prescriben, como mínimo obligación, que todas las personas mayores de catorce años están obligadas a abstenerse de comer carne el Miércoles de Ceniza, todos los viernes de Cuaresma y Viernes Santo. Además, todas las personas mayores de dieciocho años, hasta los cincuenta y nueve años inclusivos, están obligadas a ayunar limitándose a una sola comida completa el Miércoles de Ceniza y el Viernes Santo, mientras que las otras dos comidas en esos días son ser ligero. Se anima a todos a mantener un ayuno voluntario durante la Cuaresma.

El Sacramente de la Penitencia y la Reconciliación estará disponible:
• Los domingos a las 9:00 AM (Basilica), 12:00 PM en español (Capilla), y 5:30 PM (Basilica).
• Los días de semana a las 11:30AM (Basilica) y los sábados a las 14:30 PM (Basilica).

Via Crucis (Estaciones de la Cruz)
Cada viernes de Cuaresma inmediatamente después de la Misa de las 12:05 PM en la Capilla. El Via Crucis en español también tendrá lugar cada domingo de Cuaresma en la Basílica después de la Misa de las 12:30 PM.

RETIRO PARA PAREJAS RENOVANDO EL AMOR
Sábado, 12 de Marzo
10 am a 5 pm
Locación:
Mother Boniface Center, 3501 Solly Ave, Philadelphia, PA
Presentado por:
Lucia y Ricardo Luzondo

REFLEXIÓN DEL PÁRROCO

Estimados feligreses,

¡Este domingo es el Primer Domingo de Cuaresma! El mandato del Miércoles de Ceniza que acompañó a la imposición de las cenizas benditas todavía resuena en nuestros oídos: “Arrepéntete y cree en el evangelio”. Este es el proyecto de toda nuestra vida cristiana. Sin embargo, la Cuaresma nos da la oportunidad, en comunión con todos los miembros de la Iglesia, de ser intencionales en atender este encargo que nos llega de la palabra de Dios. No es fácil. De hecho, en el evangelio de este domingo, escuchamos cómo el mismo Jesús, después de cuarenta días de oración en el desierto, fue tentado por el Diablo. Las tentaciones dirigidas a Jesús por el Diablo fueron un intento de hacerle perder su divinidad y pasar la prueba del Maligno. Jesús no cede a la tentación, sino que reprende al Diablo por ponerlo a prueba. La disciplina de la cuaresma, especialmente con la oración, el ayuno y la limosna, nos da la gracia de ser fuertes frente a la tentación, de reprender la influencia del Diablo y de reformar verdaderamente nuestra vida cristiana. Que el testimonio de Jesús nos inspire y anime. Que la presencia de Cristo en nuestras vidas nos mantenga en el rumbo durante toda la cuaresma.

El primer domingo de cuaresma es también la ocasión en que el Arzobispo elige a los catecúmenos para recibir los sacramentos del Bautismo, la Confirmación y la Eucaristía en la Vigilia Pascual. Nuestra parroquia tiene siete catecúmenos que participarán en el Rito de Elección el domingo 6 de marzo del 2022 a las 3:00 PM. Los padrinos de estos catecúmenos darán testimonio de su disponibilidad para los sacramentos. El Arzobispo los exhortará, con nuestra oración y ejemplo, a observar la cuaresma como un tiempo de purificación e iluminación, y a esperar su Iniciación Cristiana en Pascua. Una vez que los catecúmenos sean elegidos para los sacramentos Pascales, ya no se les llama catecúmenos sino elegidos. También tenemos un buen número de cristianos bautizados en la parroquia que deseen regresar a la Iglesia. La cuaresma es un tiempo de renovación y regreso.

Los días de semana a las 11:30AM (Basilica) y los sábados a las 14:30 PM (Basilica).


¡Que Dios te bendiga!
Padre Dennis Gill, Rector
HOSPICE SUNDAY
NEXT SUNDAY
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.

EVPENGELIZATION NEWSLETTER
Office for the New Evangelization
CLICK HERE,
https://phillyevang.flocknote.com/note/15235571

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
La Rábida Council 1191
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The power of prayer!
PRAY FOR HEALING

LENTEN DAY OF RECOLLECTION
Saturday, March 26, 2022
9 AM-3:30 PM
Theme
The Two Hearts: Experiencing the Passion of Christ with the Immaculate and Sacred Hearts
Location: Drexel Hall/Cathedral Chapel
Please RSVP to Sr. Gabrielle Mary Braccio, RSM at: sr.gbraccio@archphila.org/ 215-587-3795

The Divine Mercy Chaplet
We will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet each Friday at 3:00 PM
Join Via Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87567068541pwd=Wmo1V01XWEIQLzRuZ0InOWU2T3Rsdz09
Meeting ID: 875 6706 8541
Passcode: Mercy

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Thank you for helping us to share your prayer intentions for your loved ones in a timely way with our parishioners!
May Our Lord give you His grace and peace!

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Passcode: Mercy

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Give To Grow
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 at: youngadults.cathedral@gmail.com.
Please search for our Facebook page: Young Adults at the Cathedral.

Events for Young Adults:
- Gospel Reflection: Every Thursday @ 7pm (Drexel Hall)
- Meet and Greet: Last Friday of every month (March 25th) @ 7pm (Mass followed by pizza and doughnuts in Drexel Hall.)
- Rosary on Saturday mornings @ 8AM in the Chapel followed by Gospel Reflection in the Neumann Room.

Saturday Morning Cathedral Rosary and Gospel Group
To all those interested in praying the Rosary and reading the Bible in community, you are invited to join the young adults at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul every Saturday morning from 8-10am. Our group includes men, women, single, married, Catholics, non-Catholics. Whether the Rosary and Scripture are part of your daily life or you are new to both, join us. If you have any questions reach out to Eric Clark at ecclark7@gmail.com or by text/call (717)405-8813.

Come and Join us!

Archdiocesan SAVE THE DATE!
Family Festival

featuring:
Philadelphia Catholic Gospel Mass Choir
Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers
Mike & Allia Herman The Many Family Project
Dr. Leonard Bus, MD PhD
Archbishop Nelson Perez

Saturday, April 30th 2022
9:00 am - 4:30 pm
Cardinal O'Hara High School

Join the Catholic Charities Appeal for a Special Mass Celebrated by Archbishop Pérez

MONDAY MARCH 21 2022 | 7:00 PM
CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL
1723 RACE STREET
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19103

Please join us for a Mass of Thanksgiving as an expression of gratitude for your commitment to the Appeal and to our faith.

Man-Up Philly Men's Spirituality Conference
March 19, 2022
Location: Immaculata University, Exton
Speakers: Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers, Coach Pat Chambers, Keith Nester and more.
The theme this year is COME BACK TO ME. Our hope is that the conference will draw men back to a vibrant life of faith after this pandemic.

View the flyer

Update on the Celebration of the Sacred Liturgy
To read the last update on the Sacred Liturgy, please CLICK HERE, or go to https://archphila.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/February-25-2022.pdf

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