

# 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 J. Pérez, Archbishop of Philadelphia*

**September 18, 2022**



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**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**

**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 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**

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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/>**

## Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, September 18, 2022

*"Though our Lord Jesus Christ was rich, he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich."  
2 COR 8:9*



### September 17 Saturday, Weekday St. Robert Bellarmine

12:05 Mildred Feler  
5:15 Eduardo Osberg

### September 18 Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 For the People of the Parish  
9:30 Benedict Victor Arul  
11:00 For all those celebrating a Jubilee  
12:30 Maria Luisa Mendoza  
6:30 Patrick Kane

### September 19 Monday, Weekday St. Januarius

7:15 In Thanksgiving to our merciful God for everything  
12:05 Mary Kaytrosh

### September 20 Tuesday St. Andrew Kim Te-gon & Paul Chong Ha-sang & Companions

7:15 Kathleen Contrucci  
12:05 Maryann McGovern

### September 21 Wednesday St. Matthew

7:15 Kathleen L. Contrucci  
12:05 Intentions of Ann Menna

### September 22 Thursday, Weekday

7:15 Kay Bratta  
12:05 William M. Laughlin

### September 23 Friday St. Pius of Pietrelcina

7:15 Intentions of Ann Callahan & Charles Croce  
12:05 William Cuthbert

### September 24 Saturday, Weekday

12:05 Lin Family  
5:15 Peppino DiFonzo

### September 25 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 For the People of the Parish  
9:30 Alfonzo Altobelli  
11:00 Angela Pachioli  
12:30 Otilia Torres  
6:30 Ruby Donnelly

Dear Parishioners,

*This is the Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time.* "No servant has two masters. [...] You cannot serve both God and mammon (Luke 16: 13)." The Lord is rather direct in his instruction to us with this Sunday's Gospel. Last Sunday's parables - the lost sheep, the lost coin, and the lost son - all focused on the Lord's desire to seek us out, forgive us our sins and keep us in his company. In every age - and perhaps especially in our time - to live the Christian life without distraction, including the insidious distraction of sin, demands a singular focus in our lives. This focus keeps us in the company of the Lord. The focus must be God. God is our master. God, and not our riches, regardless of the form they take, must receive our complete and undistracted attention as Christians. This way of living the Christian life needs to be habitual and allowed to mature over time. This way of living the Christian life is the witness we must give to others, especially our families and friends. This Sunday as we hear the Lord's instruction to serve God alone let us reflect on how we do just this. Is prayer a part of my everyday routine? Do I examine my conscience each evening? Do I consider what the Gospel teaches and the Commandments require in my daily choices? Do I regularly seek virtue over vice? Just how is God the master of my life, the focus of my life? God's grace is with us as we make him the focus of our Christian lives. Let us be confident in our decision to be a Christian disciple!

*October is Respect Life Month in the United States.* The Archdiocese of Philadelphia will anticipate Respect Life Month with a commemoration of this theme at the 11:00 AM Solemn Mass on Sunday, September 25, 2022. Bishop John McIntyre will be the celebrant of the Mass and the homilist. There are several ways to observe Respect Life Month. Perhaps the most significant way is to learn more about the life issues and to grasp more fully our Catholic commitment to do all we can to protect life from the first moment of conception until natural death. Another way to observe this month is to pray for the intention of respect for human life. Since October is also the month of the Holy Rosary, I suggest that we pray the Holy Rosary throughout this month with the intention of deepening respect for human life. The Holy Rosary can be prayed in a variety of settings - at home, on the way to work, or during a walk. Praying the Holy Rosary before or after Mass is also a great setting.

*Panhandlers are often attracted to gatherings at our Cathedral Basilica.* I assure you that we have services available to assist the poor and homeless who frequent the Cathedral Basilica. Please do not give any money to the panhandlers inside or outside the Cathedral Basilica. If you are approached by a panhandler, please alert one of the parish priests or sacristans, or greeters.

*Invite a family member, a neighbor, and/or a friend to join you for Holy Mass next Sunday at the Cathedral Basilica.*

*Please keep the intention for peace in our City and an end to gun violence in our neighborhoods in your prayers. Our Lady, Queen of Peace, pray for us!*

*The second collection at Mass next Sunday will be directed to the support of the liturgical music programs of the Cathedral Parish.* If possible, please make use of the on-line possibility of making your weekly offering. Thank you so very much for all of your goodness and generosity to the Cathedral Parish.

God bless you!  
Father Dennis Gill

## PRAYER | PARTICIPATION | GENEROSITY



Make a gift that continues the God-given gifts you receive and give during your lifetime. A gift to the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul Parish Fund through your will or other planned gift creates a perpetual legacy of support. Consider supporting the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul in this very special way. Your support makes a difference in the life of our Church. Consider a gift of stock, insurance, real estate, retirement plan or cash to provide for the future of our parish.

Thank you for being a blessing to the Cathedral parish!

For more information, visit: [www.cathedralphila.org](http://www.cathedralphila.org).

*Jesus, Mary and Joseph, Pray for us.*

*And let us remember to always pray for each other!*

Your generosity on 9/11 was:

Regular \$4,610

Special 1,016 (for support of liturgical ministries of the  
Electronic\* 3,163 Cathedral Parish)

Total \$8,789

\*Electronic giving is your average weekly giving for August.

Thank you!

**We hope that your generosity will exceed  
\$13,000 this week.**

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 Deacon Burgos or Sr. Eleanor McCann after any Sunday Mass or make an appointment with Father Gill or Father Biedrzycki, 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:



## 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*

### 2022 PASTORAL COUNCIL - APPOINTEE RECOMMENDATION PERIOD

The Cathedral Parish Pastoral Council is seeking to fill vacancies for positions representing **Liturgical Ministry** and **Hispanic Ministry**. We are soliciting recommendations of potential appointees to these positions in the weeks ahead. If you or someone you know would be a good candidate to fulfill these representative roles, please call or email **Fr. Matthew Biedrzycki**: (215) 561-1313, [fathernkb@gmail.com](mailto:fathernkb@gmail.com). Please send your recommendations by **Friday 9/23/2022**. Thanks so much!

It is important to carefully consider the role and responsibilities of a Parish Pastoral Council member:

- ♦ The Parish Pastoral Council is solely a consultative body with the role of advising and assisting the Pastor in areas of pastoral concerns.
- ♦ The Parish Pastoral Council cooperates with parish committees, addressing such areas of parish life as worship, spirituality, community, evangelization, education, stewardship, and service.
- ♦ The membership of the Council should be representative of the entire parish community, recognizing and reflecting the parish's rich diversity.

## YOUNG ADULT GROUP

### Saturday Morning Cathedral Rosary and Gospel Group

Join the young adults at the Cathedral Basilica every **Saturday morning from 8-10am.**

If you have any questions reach out to Eric Clark at: [ecclark7@gmail.com](mailto:ecclark7@gmail.com) or by text/call (717) 405-8813.

### Excellent faith formation at your fingertips!

Subscribe for free to this exciting online platform, [www.FORMED.org](http://www.FORMED.org). Parish code, 07854f.

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

Brother Leo, Kay and Bill, Leal, Christine, Kelsey, Eugenia, Edzel Lorraine, Fr Charles Bonner, Justin Rounds, Candice Cooley, Brooklynne Rounds, Coletton Rounds, Denise Cooley, Danielle Cooley Hampton, and Tyson Hampton, Michael Deprest, Maureen FitzGerald, Judy Miller, Edward Mansfield, Judy Andrade and her intentions, Edzel Lorraine, Letizia, Tyler, Flavia, Jeff Spina, Adolfo, Milagros Velazquez, Eridania Guzman, Allison Torres, 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](mailto:prayingforyou@cathedralphila.org). 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](https://oficinahispanacatolica.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/Newsletter)

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## **Retiro y Misa de la Herencia Hispana**

**"HE AQUÍ, YO HAGO NUEVAS  
TODAS LAS COSAS"**



**SÁBADO, 1 DE  
OCTUBRE DE 2022**

ENTRADA GRATUITA, DESAYUNO  
Y ALMUERZO INCLUIDO

**DE 8 AM A 1 PM SALÓN PARROQUIAL DE SAN PEDRO EL APÓSTOL**  
1039 NORTH LAWRENCE STREET, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19123



Predicador invitado  
**Padre GUS PULEO**



Participación especial  
**Obispo EDWARD DELIMAN**



Celebrante  
y homilista  
**ARZOBISPO  
NELSON PÉREZ**

Con la participación de la Coral Hispana de Filadelfia  
Procesión de países latinoamericanos 10:30 am - Santa Misa 11 am

## **NSE Radio,**

### **excelente estación de Radio Católica**

Programas de información y formación para  
adultos y niños, Santa Misa, Santo Rosario,  
Horas Litúrgicas, y devociones.  
Programas en vivo y podcasts.

[nseradio.com](http://nseradio.com) [https://www.youtube.com/  
user/nsetvradio](https://www.youtube.com/user/nsetvradio)



phillyeucharisticrevival.org

## **REFLEXIÓN DEL PÁRROCO**

Estimados feligreses,

*Este es el Vigésimo Quinto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario.* “No hay criado que pueda servir a dos amos. [...] No pueden ustedes servir a Dios y a al dinero (Lucas 16:13).” El Señor es más bien directo en su instrucción para nosotros con el evangelio de este domingo. Las parábolas del domingo pasado - la oveja perdida, la moneda perdida y el hijo prodigo - todas se centraron en el deseo del Señor de buscarnos, perdonar nuestros pecados y mantenernos en su compañía. En cada época, y quizás especialmente en nuestro tiempo, vivir la vida cristiana sin distracciones, incluida la insidiosa distracción del pecado, exige un enfoque singular en nuestras vidas. Este enfoque nos mantiene en la compañía del Señor. El foco debe ser Dios. Dios es nuestro amo. Dios, y no nuestras riquezas, independientemente de la forma que adopten, debe recibir nuestra atención completa y sin distracciones como cristianos. Esta forma de vivir la vida cristiana necesita ser habitual y madurar con el tiempo. Esta forma de vivir la vida cristiana es el testimonio que debemos dar a los demás, especialmente a nuestras familias y amigos. Este domingo, mientras escuchamos la instrucción del Señor de servir sólo a Dios, reflexionemos sobre cómo hacemos precisamente esto. ¿Es la oración parte de mi rutina diaria? ¿Examinó mi conciencia cada noche? ¿Considero lo que enseña el evangelio y exigen los mandamientos en mis elecciones diarias? ¿Busco regularmente la virtud sobre el vicio? ¿Cómo es Dios el amo de mi vida, el centro de mi vida? La gracia de Dios está con nosotros cuando hacemos de Él el centro de nuestra vida cristiana. ¡Tengamos confianza en nuestra decisión de ser un discípulo cristiano!

*Octubre es el Mes de Respeto a la Vida en los Estados Unidos.* La Arquidiócesis de Filadelfia anticipará el Mes de Respeto a la Vida con una conmemoración de este tema en la Misa Solemne de las 11:00 AM el domingo 25 de septiembre del 2022. El Obispo John McIntyre será el celebrante y el homilista de la Misa. Hay varias formas de observar el Mes del Respeto a la Vida. Quizás la forma más significativa es aprender más sobre los problemas de la vida y comprender mejor nuestro compromiso católico de hacer todo lo posible para proteger la vida desde el primer momento de la concepción hasta la muerte natural. Otra forma de observar este mes es orar por la intención de respeto por la vida humana. Dado que octubre es también el mes del Santo Rosario, sugiero que rezamos el Santo Rosario a lo largo de este mes con la intención de profundizar el respeto por la vida humana. El Santo Rosario se puede rezar en una variedad de entornos: en casa, de camino al trabajo, o durante una caminata. Rezar el Santo Rosario antes o después de la Misa también es un lugar ideal.

*Los mendigos a menudo se sienten atraídos por las reuniones en nuestra Catedral Basílica.* Les aseguro que tenemos servicios disponibles para asistir a los pobres y desamparados que frecuentan la Catedral Basílica. Por favor, no entregue dinero a los mendigos dentro o fuera de la Catedral Basílica. Si se le acerca un mendigo, por favor avise a uno de los sacerdotes, sacristanes o anfitriones.

*Invita a un familiar, vecino y/o amigo a acompañarte a la Santa Misa del próximo domingo en la Catedral Basílica.*

*Mantenga en sus oraciones la intención de paz en nuestra ciudad y el fin de la violencia armada en nuestros vecindarios. ¡Nuestra Señora, Reina de la Paz, ruega por nosotros!*

*La segunda colecta en la Misa del próximo domingo estará dirigida al apoyo de los programas de música litúrgica de la Parroquia Catedral. Si es posible, aproveche la posibilidad en línea de hacer su oferta semanal. Muchas gracias por toda su bondad y generosidad a la Parroquia Catedral.*

¡Dios te bendiga!  
Padre Dennis Gill

*Join us in*  
**PRAYER  
FOR  
PEACE IN  
OUR CITY**

**EVERY SUNDAY  
5:30 TO 6:30 PM**

Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul  
 18th Street & Benjamin Franklin Pkwy  
 Philadelphia, PA 19103

Parking is available.

The Cathedral doors are open to people of all Faiths and Traditions as we make a common religious response to the ever increasing violence in our city streets. Each Sunday evening we will gather for intentional prayer for peace in our city with a specific plea before the Lord for an end to gun violence on our streets. Individuals and groups are invited and no previous arrangements are required. All are welcome.

Reverend Gerald Dennis Gill, Rector of the Cathedral

**CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS**  
**-Adult faith formation-**  
**The Blessed Trinity:**  
**God the Father**

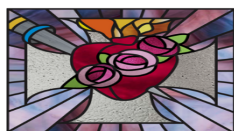
**Thursday, September 22, 2022, 7:00 PM**  
 Meeting in the Neumann Room

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](mailto:fr.dgill@archphila.org)

**EVANGELIZATION NEWSLETTER**  
 Office for New Evangelization  
[CLICK HERE, or  
 https://phillyevang.flocknote.com/note/17532776](https://phillyevang.flocknote.com/note/17532776)

**2022 Catholic Women's Conference**

*Be Not Afraid*  
 FINDING YOUR FREEDOM IN CHRIST



**Saturday, October 22  
 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM**  
 Czestochowa Shrine  
 Doylestown

**Keynotes:**

Michelle Benzinger  
 Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT

**Full details & registration:**  
[catholicwomensconference.org](http://catholicwomensconference.org)

**Recent Celebrations of the Sacrament of  
 Baptism at the Cathedral Basilica**



*Justin Gael Mendoza Marquez  
 Julieta Celeste Castillo  
 Dominic Gerard O'Malley  
 Charles Claude Weeks, III*

*Let us keep the newly baptized in our prayers.*

**Recent Celebrations of the Sacrament of  
 Marriage at the Cathedral Basilica**



*Nicholas & Samantha Leigh Teibel Lavelle  
 Anthony J & Debbie Permessur Scaria  
 Stephen Rodd & Christina Laraine Saunders DeWitt  
 Manuel Enrique & Marie Cindy Elma Valverde  
 Graham Longman & Michaela Anne  
 Connolly Travaglini  
 Matthew Joseph & Erica Ann Bonavitacola Fleischl  
 Matuesz & Koffi Murielle Kouame Piasta  
 Andrei Siarheibich & Justine Cox Miadzvedzik  
 Michael Anthony & Roshin Mary Thomas Frascello  
 Derek Howard & Kamila Marta Buraczynski Supinsky*

*Let us keep these newlyweds in our prayers.*

**#iGIVECATHOLIC**

**Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>**

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia's participation in #iGiveCatholic presents an opportunity for Catholics to affirm their faith as disciples of Jesus Christ by sharing their gifts out of love for God and one another. It also gives parishes, schools, and nonprofit ministries the chance to rally support for their individual organizations and make a difference in their community, with the goal of raising as many funds as possible.

Last year, 124 Catholic organizations across the Archdiocese of Philadelphia participated in #iGiveCatholic and raised more than \$1.7 million.

Please visit [philadelphia.igivecatholic.org](http://philadelphia.igivecatholic.org) to register. If your ministry is a returning participant, simply search for your organization's name, and click on it.

Archbishop Pérez encouraged all parishes, schools, and non-profit ministries of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia to register for participation in #iGiveCatholic.



**Cathedral Parish Baby Bottle Drive for  
The Legacy of Life Foundation  
At all Sunday Masses Sept. 24-25**

Roe vs. Wade is finally behind us but there is much work to be done. Pennsylvania is just one of those states that continues to allow abortions up through the 24th week (6 months) of pregnancy averaging over **thirty thousand abortions** every year. **Philadelphia** is responsible for literally half of those abortions. **These babies have no chance at life unless we help.**

Through your generous giving, **Cathedral Basilica of Ss. Peter & Paul** parish has provided tremendous support in helping to **save over 3,300 babies!** Our centers provide free counseling, ultrasound exams, and advocacy including **life enrichment programs for 3 years after the baby is born!**

Please join us in saving lives and give today to help transform not only a woman's life but her baby's life too. Donation **Envelopes** will be distributed at each entrance with the Legacy of Life Foundation display.

Make your check payable to the **Legacy of Life Foundation** and return to church next week.

**THANK YOU** for your prayerful and generous support! ~ [www.legacyoflifefoundation.org](http://www.legacyoflifefoundation.org)

**"Motherhood is the gift of God to women"**  
- St. Mother Teresa

**"The Legion of Mary**, Queen of Apostles Praesidium of the Cathedral Basilica of Ss. Peter and Paul, meets each Sunday at 1pm in the Newman Room. The Legion of Mary is a Catholic organization of men and women under the patronage of Mary Immaculate who strive to lead others into a personal relationship with Christ through prayer and service, especially through evangelization and care for the sick and marginalized.

The contact person is Jeannette Garcia [jeannettelegionofmary@gmail.com](mailto:jeannettelegionofmary@gmail.com).

**New members are always welcome."**



**CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF SAINTS  
PETER AND PAUL - PHILADELPHIA**  
Reverend Gerald Dennis Gill, Rector  
[fr.dgill@archphila.org](mailto:fr.dgill@archphila.org)

**Job Description - Associate Shrine Director  
Part-time (20 hours per week)**

Planning, Development, and Promotion of Events and Fundraising Initiatives for the Saint Katharine Drexel Shrine and Memorial to the Venerable Cornelia Connelly at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul.

**CLICK HERE**, or go to <https://cathedralphila.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/Job-Description-Associate-Shrine-Director-Position-2022.pdf> for more details.

**THE SACRAMENT  
OF BAPTISM**

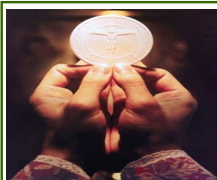
The celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism is the doorway to the Christian life and to all the other Sacraments. As such, preparation of the parents and for the Baptism itself deserve very special attention. The celebration of Baptism at the Cathedral Parish takes place on the **FIRST Sunday** of each month at 12:30 PM after the 11:00 AM Solemn Mass. Everyone is welcome. The celebration will be carried out with liturgical music and with a great sense of hospitality.

**Upcoming Baptisms:** October 2, 2022; November 6, 2022 & December, 4, 2022.

Most of the *Baptism Preparation Sessions* take place on the **THIRD Sunday** of each month at 12:30 PM in anticipation of the celebration of the Sacrament. Parents in the Cathedral Parish are obligated to participate. The session is open to all of our neighbor parishes and to godparents as well. Parents are encouraged to participate during pregnancy, if at all possible. Please call Sister Mary Marta at the rectory by calling 215-561-1313 **to register for the Baptism Preparation Session provide your phone number, parish, and names of people attending.** Also note if you would like to schedule the baptism at the Cathedral.

**Upcoming prep sessions:** September 18, 2022; October 16, 2022; November 13, 2022.

For details on requirements for the parents and sponsors please visit our website:  
[cathedralphila.org/sacraments/baptism](http://cathedralphila.org/sacraments/baptism)



**Holy Hour For Our Priests  
(Intercessory Prayer Support Team - IPST)**

Can you commit to making a holy hour once a week for a year for the holiness of one of our priests? If you can, we invite you to join the Intercessory Prayer Support Team.

The Intercessory Prayer Support Team was started by Randa Jabbour. According to the Archdiocesan website it is "a call to strengthen the Church and her priests by organizing a team of 7-10 people who commit for one year to pray for one specific priest. Together they ensure a Eucharistic Holy Hour is prayed each day of the week by one member of the team for the sole intention of the priest's own personal holiness and sanctification."

If you are interested in participating and are willing to make a weekly commitment to pray for a priest for a year, or for more information, please contact: Sr. Mary Luchia, PVMI [srmaryluchia@gmail.com](mailto:srmaryluchia@gmail.com) or call the parish office at 215-561-1314, and the name of a specific priest will be given to you. This is a good way to support our parish priests in their priestly ministry.

**2022-23 Admissions Events**

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 18TH - DISCOVERY DAY**

**SUNDAY, OCT. 9TH - OPEN HOUSE**

**SATURDAY, OCT. 15TH - ENTRANCE EXAM**

**SUNDAY, OCT. 23RD - ENTRANCE EXAM**

**SATURDAY, NOV. 19TH - ENTRANCE EXAM**

**ROMAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL**