

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



October 23, 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

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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
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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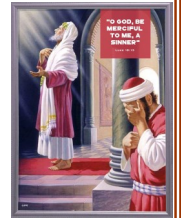
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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, October 23 2022

"God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, and entrusting to us the message of salvation."

2 COR 5:19
R. Alleluia, alleluia.



- October 22 Saturday**
St. John Paul II
12:05 Robert Boyer
5:15 Felicia Umile & Family
- October 23 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8:00 For the People of the Parish
9:30 Abramo Tascione
11:00 Angelo Ranalli
12:30 Silda de Rodriguez
6:30 Philomena Kurcik
- October 24 Monday**
St. Anthony Mary Claret
7:15 Pat Biello
12:05 Intentions of Mr. & Mrs. Horace McGill (Janet)
- October 25 Tuesday, Weekday**
7:15 Marian Boyer
12:05 Mark Boyer
- October 26 Wednesday, Weekday**
7:15 Robert Hill, Sr.
12:05 Victoria Alange
- October 27 Thursday, Weekday**
7:15 Paul Reen
12:05 Francis Reen
- October 28 Friday**
SS. Simon & Jude
7:15 Theresa Ellis
12:05 Regina Emerick
- October 29 Saturday, Weekday**
12:05 Edward R. Ross & Jenga Sechowicz
5:15 Ercolino Ranalli
- October 30 Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8:00 For the People of the Parish
9:30 Antonio DiCandilo
11:00 Adelmo Marrone
12:30 Familia Lara
6:30 Miriam Nagle

Dear Parishioners,

This is the Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time. "O God, be merciful to me a sinner (Luke 18: 13)." This is the pleading of the tax collector in this Sunday's Gospel. The Lord Jesus is so clear in his parable to us this Sunday when he compares the righteous words of the Pharisee with the prayer of the tax collector. Yes, it is most important that we follow the will and the way of the Lord at all times. However, we do so for the glory of God and the service of others. We do not do so to boast and to hold ourselves above others. No matter how faithful we are to what God expects of us there is still the need to be humble before him and recognize our sinful failings. Let us take a lesson from the tax collector and turn to the Lord for his mercy as we aim to live our Christian lives with great integrity.

Today is World Mission Sunday. In a sense, every Sunday is mission Sunday. When Mass concludes, the deacon or the priest sends us from the celebration of the Eucharist with a mission mandate. In a variety of forms provided in the *Roman Missal*, we are dismissed from the Mass to go and to live the great Mystery of Christ we just celebrated. The Word of God and the grace of Holy Communion assist us to live more fully our faith and make it known to others, especially to our families and those with whom we work. Today, World Mission Sunday highlights at the same time our personal responsibility to be a missionary at home and also to support the missionaries and missions here in the United States and abroad. We can support the missionaries and missions in so many ways. A most important way is financially. This Sunday we collect monies for the missionaries and missions that will be distributed all throughout the world by the Pontifical Mission Societies. We can also support the missionaries and missions by our prayers, especially praying the Holy Rosary for this intention. As we observe this World Mission Sunday, let us pray for all Christians, especially here in our Cathedral Parish, that we will be more attentive to our own role in making Christ known to others and for missionaries and missions everywhere. *Saint Therese, patroness of the Missions, pray for us!*

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!

October is the Month of the Holy Rosary. Let us continue to turn to the Holy Rosary with renewed devotion for our many intentions! Our Lady, Mother of us all, cannot fail to take our prayers to her Son.

The second collection at Mass next Sunday will be directed to the young adult ministries in 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, especially with the annual Parish Fall Collection (Block Collection) taking place at this time.

God bless you!
Father Dennis Gill





PRAYER | PARTICIPATION | GENEROSITY

Gracious and loving Lord,
May cool mornings invigorate our souls,
and the crunch of leaves and fall breezes
remind us that change is a blessing. May

we imagine ourselves in your arms, close to your heart,
surrounded by your light, and find comfort in your consistency
as the world around us is constantly changing. You are with us
in all circumstances and seasons. Guide us to live with a
giving heart, a generous heart and a grateful heart.

Thank you for being a blessing to the Cathedral parish!

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 10/16 was:

Regular \$5,628

Special 1,407 (for outreach needs of the Cathedral Parish)

Electronic* 2,740

Total \$9,775

*Electronic giving is your average weekly giving for September.
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:



SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2022

Holy Mass & Confession Schedule:

- ⇒ 5:15 PM Anticipated Mass, in the Cathedral Chapel (on Monday, October 31)
- ⇒ 7:15 AM Mass, in the Cathedral Chapel
- ⇒ 11:30 AM Sacrament of Penance, in the Cathedral Basilica
- ⇒ 12:05 PM Mass, in the Cathedral Basilica, with liturgical music
- ⇒ 5:15 PM Mass, in the Cathedral Basilica

The Parish Office will be closed.

More information can be found at <https://cathedralphila.org/solemnity-of-all-saints-holy-day-of-obligation/>

COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED – “ALL SOULS DAY” WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2022

Holy Mass Schedule on this Feast:

- ⇒ 7:15 AM Holy Mass in the Cathedral Chapel
- ⇒ 11:30 AM Sacrament of Penance, in the Cathedral Basilica
- ⇒ 12:05 PM Holy Mass in the Cathedral Basilica
- ⇒ 7:00 PM Holy Mass for All Souls in the Cathedral Basilica (Mass according to the Missal of 1962) [View the Flyer](#)

More information can be found at <https://cathedralphila.org/allsouls/>

INSTITUTE FOR CHRISTIAN INITIATION SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2022 from 9-3PM (lunch included) Location: APC: 222 North 17th St. Philadelphia

TODAY! ANNUAL ST. LUKE'S WHITE MASS October 23, 2022 at 11 AM Cathedral Basilica of Sts. Peter & Paul

Readings for Mass for this Week

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

LIVE STREAMED SUNDAY MASS AT 11:00 AM [Click Here](#), or go to: <https://vimeo.com/event/2470138> **Worship Aid**

Excellent faith formation at your fingertips!

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

James Marra, Cosimo and his family, Adelin, Dr. Furlong and his daughter Elana, Regina Long, Johnny Garcia, Susan Fuentes, Diana and Anuar Valencia Sr. Pauline Cope, May Muldoon, Annarella, Roberto Caiaro and his family, Giorgia, Trace and Silas, Brother Leo, Kay and Bill, Leal, Christine, Kelsey, Eugenia, Edzel Lorraine, Fr Charles Bonner, Justin Rounds, Michael Deprest, Judy Andrade and her intentions, Eridania Guzmán, 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. 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/2022/09/Octubre-October-2022.pdf>

SACRAMENTO DE LA RECONCILIACIÓN
Los domingos a las 12:00 PM en la Capilla

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

TALLER BILINGUE
Inglés y Español
**Ministros Extraordinarios de la
Sagrada Comunión y Lectores**

Sábado, Noviembre 19, 2022
Capilla de la Catedral, Philadelphia
10:00 AM hasta 12 PM

**Para registrarse, envíe un correo
electrónico a worship@archphila.org**

NSE Radio,
excelente estación de Radio Católica
Programas de información y formación para
adultos y niños, Santa Misa, Santo Rosario,
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user/nsetvradio](https://www.youtube.com/user/nsetvradio)**

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nosotros en el mundo virtual, utilizando el
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«Arquidiócesis de Filadelfia - Católicos
Hispanos» o en el siguiente enlace:
www.facebook.com/HispanosPhilly

REFLEXIÓN DEL PÁRROCO

Estimados feligreses,

Este es el Trigésimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario. “Dios mío, ten piedad de mí, que soy un pecador (Lucas 18:13).” Este es el alegato del recaudador de impuestos en el evangelio de este domingo. El Señor Jesús es tan claro en su parábola para nosotros este domingo cuando compara las palabras justas del fariseo con la oración del recaudador de impuestos. Sí, es sumamente importante que sigamos la voluntad y el camino del Señor en todo momento. Sin embargo, lo hacemos para la gloria de Dios y el servicio de los demás. No lo hacemos para jactarnos y mantenernos por encima de los demás. No importa cuán fieles seamos a lo que Dios espera de nosotros, todavía existe la necesidad de ser humildes ante él y reconocer nuestras fallas pecaminosas. Tomemos una lección del recaudador de impuestos y volvámonos al Señor por su misericordia mientras aspiramos a vivir nuestras vidas cristianas con gran integridad.

Hoy es el Domingo Mundial de las Misiones. En cierto sentido, cada domingo es domingo de misión. Cuando concluye la Misa, el diácono o el sacerdote nos envía de la celebración de la Eucaristía con un mandato de misión. En una variedad de formas provistas en el Misal Romano, somos despedidos de la Misa para ir y vivir el gran Misterio de Cristo que acabamos de celebrar. La Palabra de Dios y la gracia de la Sagrada Comunión nos ayudan a vivir más plenamente nuestra fe y darla a conocer a los demás, especialmente a nuestras familias y aquellos con quienes trabajamos. Hoy, Domingo Mundial de las Misiones, destaca al mismo tiempo nuestra responsabilidad personal de ser misioneros en casa y también de apoyar a los misioneros y las misiones aquí en los Estados Unidos y en el extranjero. Podemos apoyar a los misioneros y las misiones de muchas maneras. Una de las formas más importante es financieramente. Este domingo recolectamos dinero para los misioneros y misiones que serán repartidos por todo el mundo por las Obras Misionales Pontificias. También podemos apoyar a los misioneros y misiones con nuestras oraciones, especialmente rezando el Santo Rosario por esta intención. Mientras observamos este Domingo Mundial de las Misiones, oremos por todos los cristianos y por los misioneros y las misiones en todas partes, especialmente aquí en nuestra Parroquia Catedral, para que estemos más atentos a nuestro propio papel en dar a conocer a Cristo a los demás. ¡*Santa Teresa, patrona de las Misiones, ruega por nosotros!*

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!

Octubre es el Mes del Santo Rosario. ¡Sigamos dirigiéndonos al Santo Rosario con renovada devoción por nuestras múltiples intenciones! Nuestra Señora, Madre de todos nosotros, no puede dejar de llevar nuestras oraciones a su Hijo.

La segunda colecta en la Misa del próximo domingo estará dirigida a los ministerios de jóvenes adultos en la Parroquia Catedral. Si es posible, aproveche la posibilidad en línea de hacer su oferta semanal. Muchas gracias por toda su bondad y generosidad con la Parroquia de la Catedral, especialmente con la Colecta Parroquial Anual de Otoño (Colección de Bloques) que se lleva a cabo en este momento.

¡Dios te bendiga!
Padre Dennis Gill





ALL SOULS MEMORIAL CANDLE

Six day candles are available now and all throughout the month of November as we join with the Church and pray for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. You are invited to remember especially your beloved deceased with an All Souls Memorial Candle.

These candles burn at the All Souls Altar on the Race Street side of the Basilica, **starting Nov. 2**, and remind us of our prayers for those who have died.

A **fifteen dollar** donation is requested for **each** candle. Your request for prayers for your loved one will be placed on the candle. You can complete the information below and place it with your donation in the collection basket, or drop it off at the office. You may also email the information and mail in a check to:

Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul

Attn: Memorial for All Souls

1723 Race Street

Philadelphia, PA 19103-1204

Name of the deceased: _____

(Please Print) This name will be placed on the candle

At the request of: _____

Amount enclosed: _____

Tel. #: _____



Vela Conmemorativa para los fieles difuntos

Las velas de seis días están disponibles ahora y durante todo el mes de noviembre mientras nos unimos a la Iglesia y oramos por las Santas Almas del Purgatorio. Se le invita a recordar especialmente a su amado (a) difunto (a) con una vela conmemorativa para los fieles difuntos.

Estas velas arden en el Altar de los fieles difuntos en el lado de Race Street de la Basílica, **a partir del 2 de noviembre**, y nos recuerdan nuestras oraciones por aquellos que han muerto.

Se solicita una donación de **quince dólares** por **cada** vela. Su solicitud de oraciones para su ser querido se colocará en la vela. Puede completar la información a continuación y colocarla junto con su donación en la canasta de colecta o dejarla en la oficina. También puede enviar la información por correo electrónico y enviar un cheque a:

Catedral Basílica de los Santos Pedro y Pablo

A la atención de: Memorial for All Souls

1723 Race Street

Philadelphia, PA 19103-1204

Nombre del fallecido (a): _____

(Escriba con letra de imprenta) Este nombre se colocará en la vela.

A petición de: _____

Cantidad adjunta: _____

Tel. #: _____



The Legion of Mary, of the Cathedral Basilica of Sts. 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. Contact person Jeannette Garcia jeannettelegionofmary@gmail.com. **New members are always welcome.**

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 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.



Into the Breach Video Series

Calling men of all ages!

Join the Knights of Columbus for this powerful, multi-part presentation presentation *Into the Breach* Saturday mornings at 10:30 AM in the Neumann room at the Cathedral Basilica of Sts. Peter & Paul.

Saturdays
**NOV 5 -
DEC 17**
10:30 AM

ALL SOULS DAY

NOVEMBER 2, 2022 | 7:00 PM



Mass according to the Missal of 1962

Join us in the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed (All Souls) in which we will pray for the happy repose of all those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith.

CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF SAINTS PETER & PAUL
AND THE SHRINE OF ST. KATHARINE DREXEL
15TH STREET AND THE BENJAMIN FRANKLIN PARKWAY
PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA 19103

Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul, Philadelphia Pa



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Dec. 4, 2022 3pm



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EVANGELIZATION NEWSLETTER

Office for New the Evangelization

[CLICK HERE](#), or

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CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS

-Adult faith formation-
*The Sacrament of Baptism
and Confirmation*

Thursday, October 27, 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

REGENERATION:

SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES FOR OUR COMMUNITIES AND FOR OUR OWN PERSONAL SPIRIT

WHEN: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 9AM-1PM.
FOLLOWED BY OPTIONAL LUNCH
AND SCREENING OF "THE LETTER"

ST AUGUSTINE FRIARY,
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EVANGELIZATION

Prayer in the Old Testament - Pt. 2 Growing in Prayer (Part IV)

Friends, last week we began we began looking at the books of the bible recorded before Jesus' birth in time, Old Testament. We learned that man's desire for God, is preceded by God's desire for Man. In a word, God labors to bring about man's salvation. We also learned man's converse with God is personal. Like other relationships a true bond is deepened through words and deeds exchanged at regular intervals. Finally, relationship has its expectations, contours in which we live (the commandments).

This week we continue with the Old Testament and look at what God reveals to us through the stories of David, the prophets who prepare the way immediate for Jesus. After Moses dies, he is succeeded by Joshua a series of men and women, the judges who will lead Israel as they take possession of the earthly "Promised Land." With time, the people desire a king so that they may be like the other nations (cf. 1 Sam 8:20)

First Saul, then David and a series of men after him will lead Israel as kings. David is the greatest of these and is a man after God's own heart. (cf 1 Sam 13:14) David is a shepherd and will take that mentality into the kingly office. He will pray for and in the name of the people before God. He will become the first prophet of Jewish and Christian Prayer. (CCC 2579)

Unfortunately, the kings begin moving from bad to worse. So God sends prophets to His people. The prophets' prayer and intercession is epitomized in the father of the prophets, Elijah. Elijah, by mighty deeds and words of both warning and consolation, will point Israel back to God. His one-on-one encounters with God are reminiscent of Moses. He and his successors will prefigure and prepare the way for the Messiah, the definitive Redeemer of Israel and a "New Covenant" with God almighty.

Of special note before we leave the Old Testament, is the book of Psalms. From David onward, this preeminent book of prayer collects a series of prayers which give voice to the wide range of human needs and emotions. They span the principle forms prayer takes in the life of man: praise, adoration, thanksgiving, petition and intercession. These vocal prayers would accompany Israel in her worship and the Church in hers'.

So what have we learned? The relationship of prayer grows through time for Man. God walks ahead of us, leading the way and stops at intervals to redirect us when we stumble or wander off the way. God raises up persons who will teach man how he is to relate to God and speak to Him. He uses their words and examples (both good and bad) to communicate his will to man. Finally, he provides concrete forms of prayer which man may use to learn how he is to speak to God (the Psalms). Next week we will begin to look to Jesus, and his response to our desire: "...teach us to pray..." (Lk 11:1)

Fr. Matthew Biedrzycki

***"Exhort the people to be faithful to the assembly of the Church.
Let them not fail to attend, but let them gather faithfully together.
Let no one deprive the Church by staying away; if they do, they deprive the
Body of Christ of one of its members..." Didascalia Apostolorum, Ch. 13***