

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



November 20, 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 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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Sun. 10:30 AM - 6:30 PM / 215-665-9032

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/>

Reverend Gerald Dennis Gill
Rector

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Sunday, November 20, 2022

*"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!
Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come" MK 11: 9,10
R. Alleluia, alleluia.*



November 19 Saturday, Weekday

12:05 Charles Scary
5:15 Stephen J. Huggard

November 20 Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:00 For the People of the Parish
9:30 For the Holy Souls
11:00 Clarissa & Thomas Frommer
12:30 Maria R. Fontanez
6:30 Charlotte Thomsen

November 21 Monday The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

(Thirty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time)

7:15 Marybeth Prager
12:05 Andrew Adams

November 22 Tuesday, Weekday St. Cecilia

7:15 Intentions of Gina Siciliano
12:05 Linda & Giulia Fiorini

November 23 Wednesday, Weekday Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro

7:15 Intentions of Eliud Chico
12:05 Emily Morris

November 24 Thursday Thanksgiving Day

9:00 Nicholas & Rita Scanlon

November 25 Friday, Weekday St. Catherine of Alexandria

9:00 Adrian William Dodson Days

November 26 Saturday, Weekday

12:05 Clarissa Frommer
5:15 Giovanna Gobbi

November 27 First Sunday of Advent

8:00 For the People of the Parish
9:30 Alesandro Iavarrone
11:00 For the Holy Souls
12:30 Eduviges Rodriguez
6:30 Charlotte Thomsen

Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday is the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. With this Sunday's observance, our liturgical year comes to a fitting conclusion. All things and all people belong to Christ -from the beginning of time, today, and for all eternity. Every grace and blessing that we have received from Our Lord Jesus Christ, especially with the celebration of the Sacred Liturgy, brings us more fully into his Kingdom. Today in the Holy Gospel, we hear the good thief, Saint Dismas - as tradition names him, beg the Lord on the cross, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom (Luke 23: 42)." This should be our prayer all the time. However, on this last Sunday of the liturgical year, may it also be our prayer especially as we reflect on the graces received this past year and look forward to a new liturgical year. The Christian goal for all of us is to allow Christ, the King, to reign fully in our lives now as we long for our place in his eternal Kingdom.

This Thursday, November 24, 2022, is Thanksgiving Day, a national holiday. I encourage you to include the celebration of Holy Mass as part of your Thanksgiving Day. The Holy Eucharist, the most perfect prayer of thanksgiving, is the most appropriate way to express our gratitude to the Lord for all his favors and blessings to us. Please see the schedule for Thanksgiving Day and Friday, November 25, elsewhere in this edition of the Parish Bulletin.

Next Sunday, November 27, 2022, is the First Sunday of Advent. Advent is usually eclipsed by all sorts of anticipations of Christmas. Sometimes, Advent appears like a very long Christmas Eve. Even if the world around us says it is Christmas, it is not yet. We need to do our part to keep a good and holy Advent. I invite you to plan now on your personal participation in the Advent period. It is a time for devout preparation for the Birth of Christ with some practical spiritual measures. Consider reading the Prophet Isaiah, who instructs us on how to prepare for the coming of Christ. Pray more frequently the Joyful Mysteries of the Holy Rosary to meditate with Mary on the coming of Christ. Make a good Advent Confession. Come to daily Mass! Let us not rush Christmas! We need to prepare - our hearts and lives - for the Birth of the Savior. The First Sunday of Advent also begins our Parish Forty Hours Devotion. Please see the schedule for the Forty Hours Devotion elsewhere in this edition of the Parish Bulletin.

Our Parish Pastoral Council meeting this past Tuesday, November 15, 2022, convened with its new members. Philip Clark represents parishioners who carry out a liturgical ministry. Daniel Hernández Tellez and María Jiménez Ríos represent the Spanish-speaking members of our parish. Thomas Dolan (TJ) is a newly appointed member. The full roster of members of the Parish Pastoral Council can be found on the Cathedral Parish website. You are always welcome to bring concerns and suggestions to the members of the Council.

The second collection at Mass next Sunday will be directed to the liturgical music programs in the Cathedral Parish. If possible, please make use of the on-line opportunities for 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) and the Annual Seminary Collection taking place at this time.

God bless you!
Father Dennis Gill, Rector





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 11/13 was:

Regular \$4,724

Special 1,731 (for the Annual Seminary Collection)

Electronic* 2,693

Total \$9,148

*Electronic giving is your average weekly giving for October.

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:



THANKSGIVING SCHEDULE

**Mass on Thanksgiving Day, November 24,
will be at 9:00 AM in the Cathedral Chapel.**

**Mass on Friday, November 25, 2022,
also will be at 9:00 AM in the Cathedral Chapel.**

November 26 is the Birthday of Saint Katharine Drexel.

Prayers at her Tomb will take place following the
12:05 PM Mass for this occasion.

Saint Katharine Drexel, pray for us!

**Only the Chapel will be open on Thursday and Friday
for the 9 AM Mass.**

All buildings will be closed.

**The Parish office and Cathedral Basilica will close
at 1 pm on Wednesday, November 23, 2022.**

NO CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS

-Adult faith formation-

Thursday, November 24, 2022, 7:00 PM



Tuesday, November 29th

The Cathedral Basilica's participation in #iGiveCatholic presents an opportunity for our parishioners to affirm their faith as disciples of Jesus Christ by sharing their gifts out of love for God and one another.

Please visit <https://philadelphia.igivecatholic.org/organizations/cathedral-basilica-of-ss-peter-and-paul> to contribute.

**DON'T MISS THE OPPORTUNITY
TO SUPPORT YOUR CATHEDRAL PARISH.**

CATHEDRAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

December 4, 2022 – 3pm

Join the Cathedral Choirs and instrumentalists as they perform the Seven “Great O Antiphons” culminating in a thrilling setting of the Magnificat by Leo Nestor. You will hear works by Melissa Dunphy, John Muehleisen, Frank La Rocca and Charpentier as well as beloved Christmas Carols for all to participate.

May we all experience the hope, joy and love of our Lord, Jesus Christ, throughout the Christmas season.

Tickets can be purchased: <https://secure.acceptiva.com/?>

Excellent faith formation at your fingertips!

Subscribe for free to this exciting online platform,
www.FORMED.org. Parish code, 07854f.

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

Frank A. Vara, Joanne Quickle and her intentions, Casey McKee, Antonio, Edi & Fabio, Edmund Napieralski, TerriAnn DiMarcantonio, Joseph Maiellano, Alex and Paige Bednarsky, Lysiane, Liam Wajda, Lily Greenwood, 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, 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*

REFLEXIÓN DEL PÁRROCO

Estimados feligreses,

Este domingo es la Solemnidad de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, Rey del Universo. Con la observancia de este domingo, nuestro año litúrgico llega a una conclusión adecuada. Todas las cosas y todas las personas pertenecen a Cristo, desde el principio de los tiempos, hoy y por toda la eternidad. Cada gracia y bendición que hemos recibido de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, especialmente con la celebración de la Sagrada Liturgia, nos lleva más plenamente a su reino. Hoy, en el santo evangelio, escuchamos al buen ladrón, San Dimas, como lo llama la tradición, suplicar al Señor en la cruz: “Jesús, acuérdate de mí cuando entres en tu reino (Lucas 23: 42)”. Esta debe ser nuestra oración todo el tiempo. Sin embargo, en este último domingo del año litúrgico, que también sea nuestra oración, especialmente cuando reflexionamos sobre las gracias recibidas este año pasado y esperamos un nuevo año litúrgico. La meta cristiana para todos nosotros es permitir que Cristo, el Rey, reine plenamente en nuestras vidas ahora mientras anhelamos nuestro lugar en su reino eterno.

Este jueves 24 de noviembre del 2022 es el Día de Acción de Gracias, feriado nacional. Los animo a incluir la celebración de la santa Misa como parte de su Día de Acción de Gracias. La Sagrada Eucaristía, la más perfecta oración de acción de gracias, es la forma más adecuada de expresar nuestra gratitud al Señor por todos sus favores y bendiciones para con nosotros. Consulte el horario para el Día de Acción de Gracias y el viernes 25 de noviembre en otra parte de esta edición del boletín parroquial.

El próximo domingo 27 de noviembre del 2022 es el Primer domingo de Adviento. El Adviento suele verse eclipsado por todo tipo de anticipaciones navideñas. A veces, el Adviento parece una muy larga Nochebuena. Incluso si el mundo que nos rodea dice que es Navidad, todavía no lo es. Necesitamos hacer nuestra parte para guardar un Adviento bueno y santo. Los invito a planificar ahora su participación personal en el período de Adviento. Es un tiempo de preparación devoto al nacimiento de Cristo con algunas medidas espirituales prácticas. Considere leer al profeta Isaías, quien nos instruye sobre cómo prepararnos para la venida de Cristo. Recen con mayor frecuencia los Misterios Gozosos del Santo Rosario para meditar con María la venida de Cristo. Haz una buena Confesión de Adviento. ¡Ven a Misa diaria! ¡No apresuremos la Navidad! Necesitamos preparar nuestros corazones y nuestras vidas para el Nacimiento del Salvador. El Primer domingo de Adviento también comienza nuestra Devoción Parroquial de Cuarenta Horas. Consulte el horario de la Devoción de Cuarenta Horas en otra parte de esta edición del boletín parroquial.

Nuestra reunión del Consejo Pastoral Parroquial este pasado martes 15 de noviembre del 2022, convocada con sus nuevos integrantes. Philip Clark representa a los feligreses que llevan a cabo un ministerio litúrgico. Daniel Hernández Tellez y María Jimenez Ríos representan a los miembros de habla hispana de nuestra parroquia. Thomas Dolan (TJ) es un miembro recién nombrado. La lista completa de miembros del Consejo Pastoral Parroquial se puede encontrar en el sitio web de la Parroquia de la Catedral. Siempre es bienvenido para traer inquietudes y sugerencias a los miembros del Consejo.

La segunda colecta de la Misa del próximo domingo estará dirigida a los programas de música litúrgica en la Parroquia Catedral. Si es posible, aproveche las oportunidades en línea para hacer su ofrenda semanal. Muchas gracias por toda su bondad y generosidad con la Parroquia de la Catedral, especialmente con la Colecta Parroquial Anual de Otoño (Colecta en Bloque) y la Colecta Anual del Seminario que se llevan a cabo en este momento.

¡Dios te bendiga!
Padre Dennis Gill, Rector



**DEVOCIÓN
EUCARÍSTICA ANUAL
Cuarenta Horas 2022**

**PARROQUIA CATEDRAL DE SAN PEDRO Y SAN
PABLO Y SANTUARIO DE SANTA
KATHARINE DREXEL**

**DOMINGO 27 DE NOVIEMBRE DEL
2022, PRIMER DOMINGO DE
ADVIENTO**

*El clero, los religiosos y los fieles laicos de
la Arquidiócesis están invitados a participar
en la Devoción de 40 Horas de este año en
la Catedral. Es parte de la iniciativa Nada
Se Compara del Arzobispo Pérez, que invita
a los fieles a un renovado amor por la
celebración presencial de la Misa.*

HORARIO DE ACCIÓN DE GRACIAS

**Misa en el Día de Acción de Gracias,
24 de noviembre, será a las 9:00 AM en la
Capilla Catedral.**

**Misa del viernes 25 de noviembre de
2022, también será a las 9:00 AM en la
Capilla Catedral.**

El 26 de noviembre es el cumpleaños de Santa Katharine Drexel. Las oraciones ante su tumba se llevarán a cabo después de la misa de las 12:05 p. m. para esta ocasión.

*¡Santa Katharine Drexel,
ruoga por nosotros!*

Solo la Capilla estará abierta los jueves y viernes para la Misa de las 9 AM.

Todos los edificios estarán cerrados.

La oficina parroquial y la Basílica Catedral estarán cerradas desde las 1:00 pm del miércoles 23 de noviembre de 2022.

**SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING
OF THE UNIVERSE**

TODAY! Sunday, November 20, 2022

**After the 12:30 PM Mass in Spanish,
A EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION
will follow at 2 PM**

(Beginning in the Cathedral Basilica)

The mission of the Revival is "to renew the Church by enkindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist." The vision of this Eucharistic Revival overflows with hope for a life-changing experience of the Holy Eucharist - especially of the Mass - in the lives of all Catholics.

ANNUAL EUCHARIST DEVOTION

Forty Hours 2022

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2022, FIRST SUNDAY
OF ADVENT**

11:00 AM SOLEMN MASS in the Cathedral Basilica
FOLLOWED BY EXPOSITION OF THE
MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

6:30 PM MASS in the Cathedral Basilica
FOLLOWED BY EXPOSITION OF THE
MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT
THROUGH THE NIGHT IN THE
CATHEDRAL CHAPEL

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2022, ADVENT WEEKDAY

7:15 AM MASS in the Cathedral Chapel
FOLLOWED BY EXPOSITION OF THE
MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

12:05 PM MASS in the Cathedral Basilica
FOLLOWED BY EXPOSITION OF THE
MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

5:15 PM EVENING PRAYER in the Cathedral
Basilica WITH BENEDICTION OF THE
MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT
FOLLOWED BY EXPOSITION
THROUGH THE NIGHT IN THE
CATHEDRAL CHAPEL

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2022, ADVENT WEEKDAY

7:15 AM MASS in the Cathedral Chapel
FOLLOWED BY EXPOSITION OF THE
MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

12:05 PM MASS in the Cathedral Basilica
FOLLOWED BY EXPOSITION OF THE
MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

5:15 PM EVENING PRAYER in the Cathedral
Basilica WITH PROCESSION AND
BENEDICTION OF THE MOST
BLESSED SACRAMENT

*Clergy, religious, and lay faithful of the Archdiocese are
invited to participate in this year's*

Forty Hours Devotion at the Cathedral Basilica.

*This Annual Eucharistic Devotion is an occasion for us
deepen our love for the Real Presence of Christ in His Holy
Body and Blood.*

SIGN-UP FOR A HOLY HOUR:

[Click Here](#) to sign up for a holy hour time slot.



ADVENT GIVING TREE 2022

The Cathedral Parish will be aiding those in need once again. We will assist the following organizations: St. John's Hospice, Visitation Community Center, the Little Sisters of the Poor Holy Family Home, the Sisters of Life maternity home, Guiding Star maternity home, Women of Hope, and the

Hispanic Ministry. We will also be helping twelve families who have requested assistance.

The Giving Tree will go up in the Basilica prior to the **First Sunday of Advent, NOVEMBER 27th** and will be covered with decorative paper ornaments. Each will have on it the name of a family/child or an item for one of the organizations. **PLEASE TAKE ONE OR MORE ORNAMENTS** and purchase a gift for that person or group. **RETURN THE ORNAMENT AND GIFT, UNWRAPPED but in a gift bag, along with a brief Christmas prayer greeting,** to the parish office or give it to someone in the sacristy after Mass. **YOU MAY ALSO DONATE GIFT CARDS FROM TARGET, WALMART, WAWA OR VISA;** place in the collection basket at Mass in an envelope labelled "Giving Tree", or mail to the parish office.

ALL GIFTS MUST BE IN BY THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT, DECEMBER 11th.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, please call or leave a message with Sister Mary Raphael, Outreach Coordinator, 215-561-1313, x 134. Thank you for your generosity!



**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: _____

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Advent Day of Recollection
Saturday, December 10, 2022
9 AM-3:30 PM

Speaker:
Father Matthew Biedrzycki
Theme

The Incarnation and the Eucharist

Location:
Drexel Hall/Cathedral Chapel
Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul, Philadelphia

Schedule			
9 a.m.	Coffee/donuts	12:05 p.m.	Holy Mass
10 a.m.	Conference	12:45 p.m.	Lunch
11 a.m.	Quiet Time	1:30 p.m.	Conference
11:30 a.m.	Confessions	2:30 p.m.	Holy Hour

Please RSVP to Sr. Gabrielle Mary Braccio, RSM

sr.gbraccio@archphila.org or 215-587-3795

Parking and Lunch available

EVANGELIZATION

Prayer in the Church *Growing in Prayer (Part VIII)*

Friends, last week we continued our study of prayer as it is taught us by Jesus Christ in his public ministry, the events of holy week and especially his Passion. This week our focus shifts to what he teaches us about prayer in light of his Resurrection and his bride, the Church.

One of the most striking of Jesus' Resurrection encounters is that which happens on the road to Emmaus (Lk 24:13-35). Two of his disciples, Cleopas and an unnamed disciple meet Jesus on their way to Emmaus a town not far from Jerusalem. Jesus, whose identity is hidden from them, invites them to share what they are discussing as they walk. As the conversation unfolds, Jesus begins to enlighten them as to the meaning of the events of his death and resurrection from the scriptures. Growing late, they invite him to stay with them for supper. There, he takes, blessed, and breaks bread as their eyes are opened. They proceed from there with haste to tell all what they have seen.

Jesus will remain with his disciples forty days, and upon ascending into heaven, directs them to return to Jerusalem where they are to pray and wait for the Advocate whom Jesus promised to send. They pass nine days in prayer and on the tenth day, the Holy Spirit descends upon them; this is the feast of Pentecost. We learn quickly that prayer became even more important from that point. We read: *"They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of the bread and to the prayers."* (Acts 2:42)

The prayers which the Church teaches her sons and daughters are many and varied but generally fall into five categories: 1) Blessing, 2) Petition, 3) Intercession, 4) Thanksgiving and 5) Praise. *Blessing* characterizes the fundamental relationship between God who blesses and man who receives blessings and is able to bless in return. *Petition* is where one asks, beseeches, pleads, invokes or cries out to the Lord for personal need; we make supplication to the Lord for our needs. *Intercession* is that prayer offered on behalf of others in need. *Thanksgiving* characterizes the fundamental disposition of a believer and also that of the Church, especially as she celebrates the Eucharist. *Praise* is prayers wherein we recognize that God is God and we are not. We praise his glory simply because it is right to do so.

In conclusion, I want to return briefly to Emmaus. This meeting I believe encapsulates the essential spirit of prayer and serves as a fitting end to our brief study. Prayer is marked by a friendly converse with *the* one who loves us. In that conversation with Jesus and their pondering the word of God that Jesus reveals himself to them. Friends, this is the essence of holiness – knowing and more importantly loving the living God. The Church teaches us the various forms that conversation can take as that relationship grows, evolves and encounter different needs in the Christian Life.

The only way to truly grow in prayer as we have learned from this study of prayer through salvation history is to pray. As Advent approaches, may we take advantage of this time to prepare well by prayer for Jesus who is coming now and at the end of time. May God bless you!

Fr. Matthew Biedrzycki 6

Eucharistic Summit
Sewing Hope Into Broken Hearts
December 6-8, 2022
Register for Free @ Nonnatus.org

Everything You Always Wanted to Know About The Creed

But Were Afraid To Ask!
(Presented on Zoom) @ 7-8:30PM

November 29, 2022

"I BELIEVE . . ." WHAT IS THE CREED?

Rev. G. Dennis Gill, S.L.L., M.Div., Director,
Office for Divine Worship and Rector of the Cath-
edral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul, Philadelphia

Register at the link below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84612345678>
[tZAocugrrDgqGNeGXTJzEsqvO2Srn3EnTV5](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84612345678)

For more information and to submit your questions,
contact Jacob Marquart, O.F.S. at:
staugustineparish09@gmail.com