

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

January 1, 2023

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
Santa 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

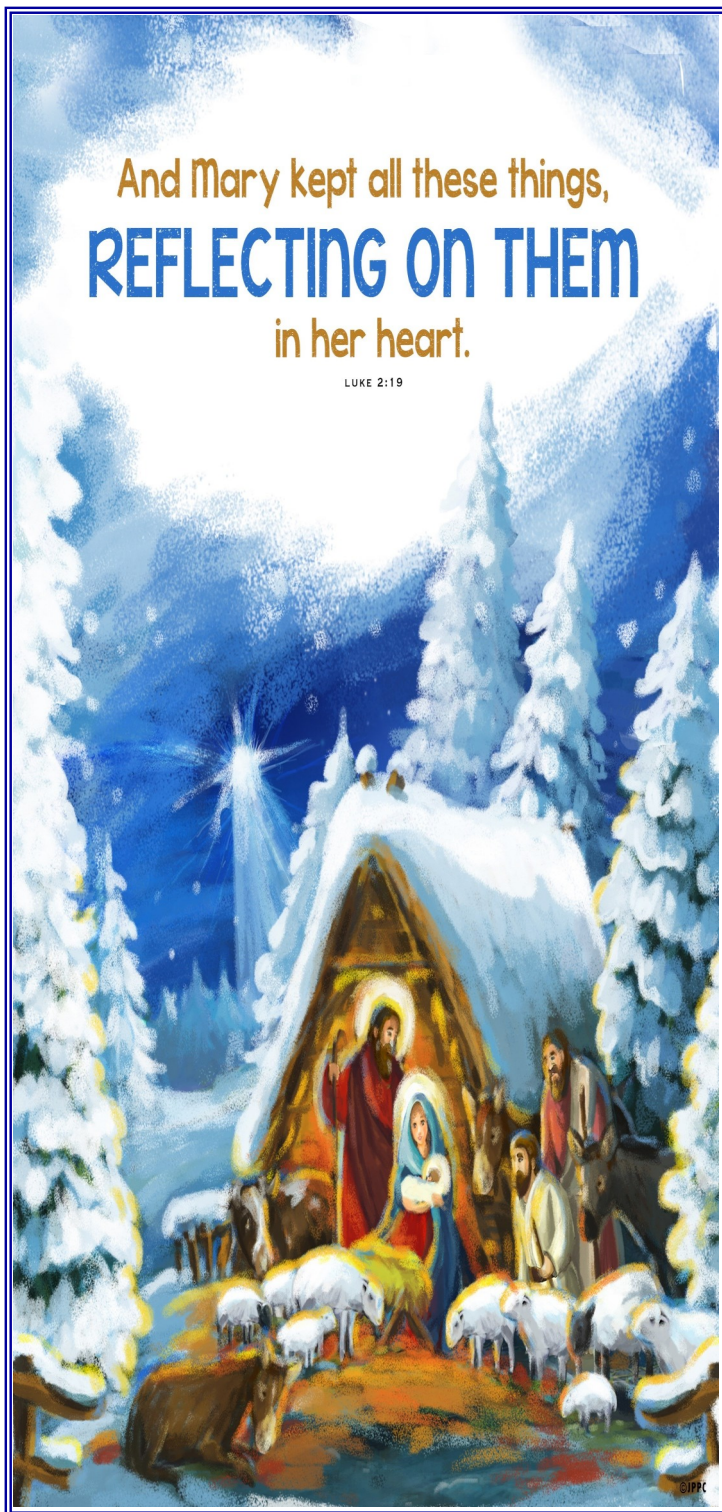
Weekdays: 11:30 AM in Basilica

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**

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

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/>

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God

Sunday, January 1, 2023

*"In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets;
in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son." HEB 1:1-2*
R. Alleluia, alleluia.



December 31 Saturday
Seventh Day within
the Octave of the
Nativity of the Lord
12:05 Lin Family

New Year's Eve Anticipated Masses

5:15 Frank Pino

11:00 PM

Holy Hour with Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament

New Year's Day Masses

January 1
THE OCTAVE DAY OF
CHRISTMAS - SOLEMNITY OF
THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY,
THE MOTHER OF GOD

12:00 Intention of the Priest Celebrant

8:00 Intention of the Priest Celebrant

9:30 Intention of the Priest Celebrant

11:00 Intention of the Priest Celebrant

12:30 Intention of the Priest Celebrant

January 2 Monday
St. Basil the Great &
St. Gregory Nazianzen
9:00 Dennis Jung &
Betsy Merry

January 3 Tuesday, Christmas
Weekday
The Most Holy Name of
Jesus
7:15 Living & Deceased
Members of the League
of the Sacred Heart
12:05 Essie Mae Rubin

January 4 Wednesday
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
7:15 Marilyn McCormick
12:05 Michael John Grogan

January 5 Thursday
St. John Neumann
7:15 Patricia Nora Kowaleski
12:05 For the intentions
entrusted to St.
Katharine Drexel

January 6 Friday, Christmas
Weekday
St. André Bessette
7:15 Kathleen L. Contrucci
12:05 Jennifer Bedko Randel

January 7 Saturday, Christmas
Weekday
St. Raymond the
Penafort
12:05 Catherine McManus
5:15 The Harvey Family

Dear Parishioners,

Today is the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God which brings to a close the eight-day celebration of the Nativity of the Lord. The Birth of Jesus is an eternal event, the Son of God taking on our humanity. As such, the Church throughout the centuries has observed Christmas Day with an octave, an eight-day celebration of the same feast. This is the eighth day and the focus is on Mary, the Mother of the divine Savior. As we continue to celebrate Christmas, let us ask the Blessed Virgin, the Mother of Jesus and the Mother of all us, to pray for us that we may be increasingly more grateful for the salvation and redemption of her Son and to be faithful to his Gospel way of life.

Today is also New Year's Day 2023. Traditionally, the beginning of the New Year is the occasion for making resolutions. Often times these resolutions focus on improving our health and circumstances of life. May I suggest that among these well-intended resolutions there might be some spiritual resolutions as well. Consider a decision to spend serious time in prayer each day, in the early morning and/or before retiring to bed. Daily Mass makes a fine resolution and a sure way to focus on the Lord each day. Commit to a more regular practice of Confession. Pray the Holy Rosary more frequently. Read a book about a saint or one of the great spiritual classics. Do something for the poor each month of the New Year. This is just a brief list of some spiritual resolutions to which you could add others. The New Year gives us the opportunity to be fit in mind, body, and soul!

New Year's Day is also the Word Day of Peace. 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!

This week on Thursday, January 5, 2023, we observe the Feast of Saint John Neumann, the holy fourth Bishop of the Diocese of Philadelphia. Saint John Neumann continues to be an inspiration and example to us in our own time. He carried out the ordinary things of life in an extraordinary way. If possible, come to Mass in the Cathedral Chapel on his Feast, either at 7:15 AM or 12:05 PM. Also, today, through the week, or next Sunday, make a visit to his altar which is located on the rear Race Street side of the Basilica. *Saint John Neumann, pray for us!*

I thank Mr. Christopher Dinan, the Funeral Director of the Dinan Funeral Home on Spring Garden Street, Philadelphia, on behalf of the Cathedral Parish. Mr. Dinan generously donated the 2023 Parish Calendars for our parishioners and visitors.

Thank you to all our parishioners and visitors for your on-going generosity to our Cathedral Parish, especially at this time of the year. Your generosity in the Christmas Collections is absolutely remarkable. Your generosity to the Christmas Flowers' fund is also greatly appreciated. The second collection next Sunday will be directed to the support of the liturgical ministries in the Cathedral Parish. 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/>.

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

Father Dennis Gill
Rector

PRAYER | PARTICIPATION | GENEROSITY



During this most holy season, rejoice in the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. As stewards of our faith, continue his good work on earth by considering a gift to the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul Parish Fund through your will or a planned gift in support of the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul.

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 12/18 was:

Regular \$5,144

Special \$1,157 (for support the outreach needs of the

Total \$6,301 Cathedral Parish)

The offertory collection for Sunday 12/25/2022 will be posted on a future edition of the parish bulletin.

Thank you for your generosity to the Cathedral Parish.

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:



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

Shane, David and Joe Anderson, Lucy Parolie, Cristelene Agbayani, Denys Rawson, Scott Lawson, Joshua Storey, Colleen, Joe, Kathleen Anderson, David, Frank A. Vara, Joanne Quickle and her intentions, Casey McKee, Antonio, Edi & Fabio, Edmund Napieralski, TerriAnn DiMarcantonio, Joseph Maiellano, Alex and Paige Bednarsky, Lysiane, For the intentions submitted to PrayersUniteTheWorld.org., 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.

CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS

-Adult faith formation-

Living a Moral Life

The First Commandment

Thursday, January 5, 2023, 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/2470138>; **Worship Aid**

The Divine Mercy Chaplet

Please join our Parish community as we pray the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy **Each Friday at 3:00 PM** for peace in Ukraine and the conversion of Russia.

Join Via Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87567068541?pwd=Wmo1V01XWEIQLzRuZ0JnOWU2T3Rsdz09>

Meeting ID: 875 6706 8541

Passcode: Mercy

"Jesus, I trust in you." St. Faustina, Pray for us!

LECTOR WORKSHOP

Wednesday, January 18, 2023

Cathedral Chapel, Philadelphia, PA

7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

To register for workshops, email: worship@archphila.org

In your message, please include your name, home parish and the workshop/date for which you would like to register.

SEND YOUR PRAYER INTENTIONS TO US!

We encourage you to send your prayer requests to us using this link rather than calling the parish office:

<https://cathedralphila.org/cathedral-prayer-request/>;

you may also email us at

prayingforyou@cathedralphila.org.

May Our Lord give you His grace and peace!



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*

Misa Televisada en Español

En UNIVISIÓN 65 - Todos los domingos a las **6:30 AM**

La Santa Misa Grabada en línea

SACRAMENTO DE LA RECONCILIACIÓN

Los domingos a las 12:00 PM en la Capilla

BOLETIN INFORMATIVO

Oficina para Católicos Hispanos

CLICK HERE

<https://oficinahispanacatolica.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/November-Noviembre-2022.pdf>



¡El arzobispo Pérez quiere enviarte mensajes de texto!

***Vayan, Pues:* profundiza en tu discipulado, crece en tu misión**

¡Únase a la nueva iniciativa de Arzobispo Pérez en su misión de crear una cultura de Discípulos Misioneros.

Al suscribirse usted recibirá **un mensaje de texto semanal del Arzobispo** con una actividad para trabajar durante esa semana. Esta actividad le ayudará a profundizar su amistad con Jesús o a crecer en su misión de llevar a Jesús a los demás.

Para suscribirse envía el mensaje de texto **vayanpues** al número **202-765-3441** o visita el sitio web phillydisciples.org/vayanpues.

Los mensajes de texto comienzan el Miércoles de Ceniza, 22 de febrero del 2023.

REFLEXIÓN DEL PÁRROCO

Estimados feligreses,

Hoy es la Solemnidad de María, la Santa Madre de Dios, que pone fin a los ocho días de celebración de la Natividad del Señor. El Nacimiento de Jesús es un acontecimiento eterno, el Hijo de Dios asumiendo nuestra humanidad. Como tal, la Iglesia a lo largo de los siglos ha observado el día de Navidad con una octava, una celebración de ocho días de la misma fiesta. Este es el octavo día y el foco está en María, la Madre del divino Salvador. Mientras continuamos celebrando la Navidad, pidamos a la Santísima Virgen, Madre de Jesús y Madre de todos nosotros, que ore por nosotros para que seamos cada vez más agradecidos por la salvación y redención de su Hijo y seamos fieles a su estilo de vida evangélico.

Hoy también es el día de Año Nuevo 2023. Tradicionalmente, el comienzo del Año Nuevo es la ocasión para tomar decisiones. Muchas veces estas resoluciones se enfocan en mejorar nuestra salud y las circunstancias de la vida. Permítanme sugerir que entre estas resoluciones bien intencionadas podría haber también algunas resoluciones espirituales. Considere la decisión de dedicar un tiempo serio a la oración todos los días, temprano en la mañana y/o antes de acostarse. La Misa diaria es una buena resolución y una manera segura de enfocarse en el Señor cada día. Comprometerse a una práctica más regular de la confesión. Rezar el Santo Rosario con mayor frecuencia. Lea un libro sobre un santo o uno de los grandes clásicos espirituales. Haz algo por los pobres cada mes del Año Nuevo. Esta es solo una breve lista de algunas resoluciones espirituales a las que podría agregar otras. ¡El Año Nuevo nos da la oportunidad de estar en forma en mente, cuerpo y alma!

El día de Año Nuevo es también el Día de la Palabra de la Paz. 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!

Esta semana, el jueves 5 de enero del 2023, observamos la fiesta de San Juan Neumann, el cuarto obispo santo de la Diócesis de Filadelfia. San Juan Neumann sigue siendo una inspiración y un ejemplo para nosotros en nuestro tiempo. Llevó a cabo las cosas ordinarias de la vida de una manera extraordinaria. Si es posible, venga a Misa en la Capilla de la Catedral en su Fiesta, ya sea a las 7:15 AM o a las 12:05 PM. Además, hoy, durante la semana o el próximo domingo, visite su altar que se encuentra en el lado trasero de la calle Race Street de la Basílica. ¡San Juan Neumann, ruega por nosotros!

Doy las gracias al Sr. Christopher Dinan, director de la funeraria de Dinan Funeral Home en Spring Garden Street, Filadelfia, en nombre de la Parroquia de la Catedral. El Sr. Dinan generosamente donó los calendarios parroquiales 2023 para nuestros feligreses y visitantes.

Gracias a todos nuestros feligreses y visitantes por su continua generosidad con nuestra Parroquia Catedral, especialmente en esta época del año. Su generosidad en las colectas de Navidad es absolutamente notable. También apreciamos mucho su generosidad con el fondo de las Flores de Navidad. La segunda colecta el próximo domingo estará dirigida al apoyo de los ministerios litúrgicos en la Parroquia Catedral. Puede enviar sus ofrendas dominicales por correo a la Oficina Parroquial de la Catedral o hacer uso de las muchas formas de donar electrónicamente. Consulte <http://cathedralphila.org/donate/>.

En nombre del Padre Biedrzycki, de Monseñor Savinski y mío, les deseo un feliz y santo Año Nuevo. Que nuestro Señor bendiga su Año Nuevo con muchos favores y gracias.

Padre Dennis Gill
Rector

NEWS FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

Archbishop Pérez is asking all of us to join him in **creating a culture of missionary discipleship in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia**. As a way to help all of us to do this, the Office for the New Evangelization is launching three different initiatives in 2023 that we hope will give us a deeper understanding of missionary discipleship, discern how to live it in our various spheres of influence and above all, to experience anew the deeply personal love that Jesus Christ has for each one of us.



One of these initiatives is the **Go Forth initiative**, in which you can subscribe to receive a **weekly text from the Archbishop** with one action step you can take that week to deepen your friendship with Jesus or grow in your mission to bring Jesus to others. **Texts begin Ash Wednesday, Feb 22, 2023.**

Here's how to subscribe:

To receive the Archbishop's texts in **English**:

- use your phone to text **goforth** to the number **84576** or
- visit the website <https://www.phillydisciples.org/goforth>

Please help us spread the word!

Recent Celebrations of the Sacrament of Baptism at the Cathedral Basilica



Connor Vincent McFadden
Lorraine Grace Foder-Nguyen
Scarlett Frances Barbiero
Miles Alonso Cantagallo

Let us keep the newly baptized in our prayers.

Recent Celebrations of the Sacrament of Marriage at the Cathedral Basilica



Michael Anthony & Kristina Mary Purcell Pinciotti
Charles Ryan & Kalie Cosnett Mills
Vincent Vuong & Christine Thach Vu
Eric Lindemar & Taylor Marie Fleming Becker
John Zachary & Elizabeth Patricia Armstrong Costello
Christopher Michael & Courtney Marie Olenzak Algieri
Anthony & Mikaila Marie Ryan Rossi III
Frank Benjamin & Sarah Jeannette Garner Longo
Frank C & Alisa Marie DeStefano Narducci
James Ryan & Brooke Renee Weidhaas Shaw

Let us keep these newlyweds in our prayers.

CANTUS ANGELORUM
CATHEDRAL CHILDREN'S CHOIR
OPEN HOUSE
CHILDREN GRADES 3-12

JANUARY 21, 2023
10:00AM-12:00PM

CANTUSANGELORUMCCC@GMAIL.COM

CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF SAINTS PETER & PAUL

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



MASS FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Saturday, January 14, 2023 at 11am
Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul

The Office of Catechetical Formation invites parish catechists and catholic school teachers throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia to participate in the annual Mass for Religious Education which will be celebrated by Archbishop Nelson Pérez in the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul.

At the conclusion of the liturgy, the Archbishop will present anniversary awards individually to parish religious education catechists and Directors/Coordinators of Religious Education. With great joy we extend our congratulations on your nomination by your Pastor and Director of Religious education for a catechetical award which honors your years of dedication .

For more information go to <https://phillyocf.org/mass-for-religious-education/>

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, God bless you.



DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

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

YOU CAN CHANGE THE FUTURE Become a Foster Parent!

Foster families provide temporary homes to children of all ages and cultures whose families are in crisis. The love and commitment that foster parents provide can have a lasting and positive effect. For more information please call Catholic Social Services at (267) 331-2502!

February 2023 - Come and See Weekend for Post-High School Men

Men who have graduated from high school and who are considering a vocation are invited to attend a Come and See Weekend at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary to see what seminary life is like and explore the possibility of their own call to the priesthood. For more information about this Weekend, contact Fr. David Friel, Vocation Director, at fr.dfriel@archphila.org or Susan Matour, Associate Director, at smatour@archphila.org.

Please register for this weekend by clicking [HERE](#).

The registration deadline for the February 10-12, 2023 Weekend is *February 1, 2023*.

College-Age* Retreat

January 6 - 8, 2023

Marianist Family Retreat Center
Cape May Point, NJ 08212

This retreat is designed to bring young people together of **college-age** (17-22). So whether you are in college or working come join us to renew your spiritual life, deepen your relationship with God and to meet new friends. Our time will be filled with prayer experiences, peer group discussions, Eucharist and lots of fun!

Cost: \$145 per person

Register at: www.capemaymarianists.org or call 609-884-3829. Some financial aid is available.

* High School Seniors are welcomed



Cathedral Ambassadors

The Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul conducts an evangelization ministry with the *Cathedral Ambassadors*. This enthusiastic group of trained Ambassadors staffs the Basilica every day of the week and is comprised of volunteers from all over the Archdiocese. They answer questions and offer assistance to all who come to the Cathedral Basilica. *Cathedral Ambassadors* provide a personal presence in the Basilica and most importantly they put a face on the Church. *Cathedral Ambassadors* are assigned 4 hour shifts. The schedule is flexible with assignments of one day or more a month. Training and materials are provided to support this evangelization ministry. For more information and to become a *Cathedral Ambassador*, please contact Martha Ortiz, at cdhedral.ambassadors@gmail.com.



Parish Greeters Needed

Dear Parish Members, we invite you to consider a liturgical ministry for our Parish at the week-end Masses.

It is significant that the Mother Church of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia Greet and Welcome all who come to worship God each week-end. If you are a regular attendee at one of our Masses and would be able to come 15 minutes early and stay a few minutes after Mass, we would truly welcome your service. The simple tasks which are involved include:

- Greeting each person
- Handing them the worship aid & book
- Answering simple questions of visitors
- Distributing bulletins after Mass.

If you are interested please tell one of our Greeters or call Sister Eleanor McCann, RSM at: 215-561-1313.

Sunday, January 15, 2023 (Bucks County)

at St. Andrew Catholic Church at 81 Swamp Road, Newton, PA

*Led by the OMY

Sunday, January 29, 2023 (Chester County)

at St. Peter's Church at 2835 Manor Road West Brandywine Coatesville

*Led by the MY County Community of Chester County

