

Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul And the Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel

18th Street and Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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July 16, 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
in the Cathedral Basilica

8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM - Mass in
the Cathedral Basilica

12:30 PM - Spanish Mass in the
Cathedral Chapel
(Misa en español, en la Capilla)

6:30 PM - Mass in the Cathedral Basilica

Weekdays: 7:15 AM, 12:05 PM - Mass in the
Cathedral Chapel

Saturdays: 12:05 PM - Mass in the Cathedral Chapel

Holy Days: See website

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE SCHEDULE

Sunday: 9:00 AM and 5:30 PM in the Basilica
12:00 PM (español) en la Capilla

Weekdays: 11:30 AM in the Basilica

Saturday: 4:15 PM in the 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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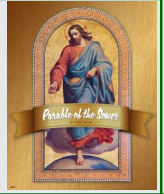
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Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel <https://www.saintkatharinedrexelshrine.com/>

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, July 16, 2023

“The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower. All who come to him will have life forever”.
R. Alleluia, alleluia.



MASS Intentions

- July 15 Saturday**
St. Bonaventure
 12:05 Lin Family
 5:15 Kathleen Contrucci
- July 16 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 8:00 For the People of the Parish
 9:30 Marianne Nulty Zaborowski
 11:00 Karolyn Allen
 12:30 Luz Rodríguez
 6:30 Thomas Francis O'Brien
- July 17 Monday, Weekday**
 7:15 Anthony Russo
 12:05 Joseph Fedena
- July 18 Tuesday, Weekday**
St. Camillus de Lellis
 7:15 Intentions of Sr. Eleanor McCann, RSM
 12:05 Smith/Gevvy Families
- July 19 Wednesday, Weekday**
 7:15 Michael E. Land
 12:05 Intentions of Steve Jun
- July 20 Thursday, Weekday**
St. Apollinaris
 7:15 Patrick Beckham
 12:05 Patricia Mckee
- July 21 Friday**
St. Lawrence of Brindisi & Blessed Francis Jordan
 7:15 Scott Possiel
 12:05 Frank Comeno
- July 22 Saturday**
St. Mary Magdalene
 12:05 Intentions of Su Family
 5:15 Sr. Grace O'Connor
- July 23 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 8:00 For the People of the Parish
 9:30 Mrs. Contrucci
 11:00 Susan Montezinos
 12:30 Por la salud de Dolores Tellez
 6:30 Theresa Clair Imms

Dear Parishioners,

This is the Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. This Sunday we hear Jesus instruct us with the parable of the sower in the Holy Gospel (see Matthew 13: 1-23). The seed that is sown is the saving Word of God, the Word that brings us happiness in this life and leads us to eternal life. The parable reminds us as followers of Christ to have hearts ready to receive the Word so that it can bear fruit in our Christian lives.

What does this mean? The Word of God is Jesus, the Son of God, spoken to us by his Father with the breath of the Holy Spirit. The Sacred Scriptures, inspired by the Holy Spirit, are the texts of all that the Father wants us to know from his Son through the Church. As we listen, as we read, the Sacred Scriptures, we encounter the living Word. This encounter requires faith in the Word, a readiness to make it our own and live by it, and to have confidence in its unfailing truth. The Word of God leads us to turn away from sin and to turn to God's ways. A heart that is ready to receive the Word of God is a heart ready and open to receive Jesus. I encourage you to read the Bible in your home regularly. I encourage you as you hear the Biblical Readings at Holy Mass to do so with ears attentive to the voice of God himself. In his way, the seed of the Word sown in your heart indeed will bear much fruit.

This Saturday, July 22, is the Feast of Saint Mary Magdalene. Perhaps, when we first think of Saint Mary Magdalene, we recall her rather sinful life and the Lord's generous forgiveness of her. While this is very much a part of the story of this New Testament Saint, the Sacred Liturgy has us focus on her privileged role as a witness to the Resurrection of the Lord. As we live the Christian life, we struggle to be sincere and authentic. We know our sins and seek the mercy and forgiveness of the Lord. All this is very good and to be encouraged. However, it is only one side of discipleship - turning away from sin and being faithful to the Gospel. The other side is to manifest the Risen Lord. Mary Magdalene, the forgiven sinner, was entrusted before all others to announce the great joy of the Resurrection (see the Collect for the Feast). What does this mean for us? The world needs to hear about the Risen Lord - each of us, our families, our friends, everyone. The Risen Lord is announced by us above all by example and then by words. We do this when Christ is obviously the center of our lives and directs our thoughts and actions. We do this when we are able to encourage faith in others, especially when they are separated in their thoughts and actions from the Risen Lord. Let us ask the heavenly help of Saint Mary Magdalene to pray for us sinners and to help us to announce the Lord, risen among us, by our lives. *Saint Mary Magdalene, pray for us!*

The violence in our City, especially the gun violence, is unspeakable. Oftentimes, the shootings are random. Lives are senselessly ended. Families and communities are devastated. And, violence frequently begets violence. Many times, we feel helpless in the face of such constant tragedy. One thing that we as Christians can do and must do is to pray. I encourage you to pray each day in an intentional way for an end to violence in our City. *Our Lady, Queen of Peace, pray for us!*

Thank you to all our parishioners and visitors for your goodness and generosity to the Cathedral Parish. The second collection next Sunday will be directed to the support of the liturgical music programs in the Cathedral Parish. You can mail your Sunday offerings to the Cathedral Parish Office or give electronically. Please see <http://cathedralphila.org/donate/>. Thank you so very much.

God bless you,
 Father Dennis Gill, Rector



PRAYER | PARTICIPATION | GENEROSITY

One of the best things about summer is the Joy of time away from work and worries with your family.

Remember to remain grateful through prayer for all the joy-filled opportunities. Your Cathedral parish priests *shore* do have a plan to pray that all of our parishioners have a happy summertime of fun, family and blessings!

There are some very cool ways to help us with our ministries this summer! As always, thank you for your generosity and for sharing your joy with us. Please remember our Cathedral parish with your gift.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, Pray for us.

And let us remember to pray for each other always!

Have the Best Summer Yet!

For more information, visit: www.cathedralphila.org.

Your generosity on 7/2 was:

Regular \$4,780
Special 1,497 (for Campaign for Human Development of
Electronic* 1,694 the Cathedral Parish)
Total \$7,971

Your generosity on 7/9 was:

Regular \$3,809
Special 822 (for Liturgical Ministries of the
Electronic* 1,694 Cathedral Parish)
Total \$6,325

*Electronic giving is your average weekly giving for June.

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, email us at info@cathedralphila.org or call the office at 215-561-1313 to make an appointment with Father Gill or Father Artman, 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.
- Donate on-line** at <http://cathedralphila.org/donate/> or scan this QR code:



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Readings for Mass for this Week

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HANDYMAN NEEDED FOR THE CATHEDRAL BASILICA

If you or you know someone who is a well-rounded handyman - with basic skills - interested in a part time job at the Cathedral Basilica, please contact the Rector, Father Dennis Gill, at fr.dgill@archphila.org.

Please remember these parishioners and friends of the Cathedral Parish in your prayers/ Oren por los enfermos y fallecidos: Mark Adamski, Intentions of Diana Gonzalez, Intentions of Dale Joseph, Thomas Magruder Veirs Jr. and Harriette Stokes Veirs, Intentions of Marie O'Rourke, Grazyna Kolondra, Neha, Linda Kerr, Anthony, Natasha, Mary Frances Rieser, Hazel Acrissya, Keith and Valerie Preston, Steve and Ellen Bowen, David Powell, Jr, Kristina Olsen and her intentions, 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.**

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

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

LA ARQUIDIÓCESIS DE FILADELFIA TE INVITA AL RETIRO JUVENIL HISPANO

Atrévete





Predicador
JOSÉ FUNES



Música
ALEJANDRA BARRIOS



Celebrante Misa
REV. FRANCESCO D'AMICO



Con la presencia del
OBISPO EDWARD DELIMAN

SÁBADO, 12 DE AGOSTO DEL 2023
8:30AM - 5:00PM PARROQUIA SANTOS INOCENTES
1337 E. HUNTING PARK AVENUE, FILADELFIA
DONACIÓN \$10 INCLUYE DESAYUNO Y ALMUERZO
Para informe y registración: 215-667-2820

Consejos y Herramientas sobre Discapacidad

Sábado 5 de agosto de 2023
de 12 pm - 4 pm ET
En Vivo/Zoom

CAPACITACIÓN PARA CATEQUISTAS- SIN COSTO



Para más información comuníquese con Esther García egarcia@ncpd.org



ncpd.org/es/inicio

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REFLEXIÓN DEL PÁRROCO

Estimados feligreses,

Este es el décimo quinto domingo del Tiempo Ordinario. Este domingo escuchamos a Jesús instruirnos con la parábola del sembrador en el santo evangelio (ver Mateo 13: 1-23). La semilla que se siembra es la Palabra salvadora de Dios, la Palabra que nos hace felices en esta vida y nos conduce a la vida eterna. La parábola nos recuerda como seguidores de Cristo tener el corazón listo para recibir la Palabra para que pueda dar fruto en nuestra vida cristiana.

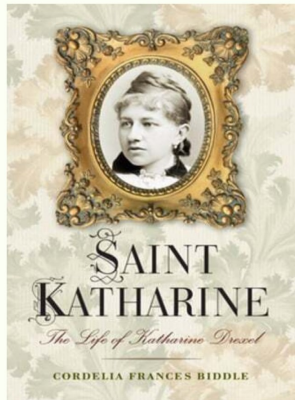
¿Qué quiere decir esto? La Palabra de Dios es Jesús, el Hijo de Dios, que nos habla su Padre con el soplo del Espíritu Santo. Las sagradas escrituras, inspiradas por el Espíritu Santo, son los textos de todo lo que el Padre quiere que sepamos de su Hijo a través de la Iglesia. Al escuchar, al leer las sagradas escrituras, nos encontramos con la Palabra viva. Este encuentro requiere fe en la Palabra, disponibilidad para hacerla nuestra y vivir de ella, y tener confianza en su verdad indefectible. La Palabra de Dios nos lleva a alejarnos del pecado y volvernos a los caminos de Dios. Un corazón que está listo para recibir la Palabra de Dios es un corazón listo y abierto para recibir a Jesús. Le animo a leer la biblia en su casa con regularidad. Le animo a escuchar las lecturas bíblicas de la santa Misa, a hacerlo con los oídos atentos a la voz de Dios mismo. A su manera, la semilla de la Palabra sembrada en nuestro corazón ciertamente dará mucho fruto.

Este sábado 22 de julio es la Fiesta de Santa María Magdalena. Quizás, cuando pensamos por primera vez en Santa María Magdalena, recordamos su vida bastante pecaminosa y el generoso perdón del Señor hacia ella. Si bien esto es una parte muy importante de la historia de esta Santa del Nuevo Testamento, la sagrada liturgia nos hace centrarnos en su papel privilegiado como testigo de la Resurrección del Señor. Mientras vivimos la vida cristiana, luchamos por ser sinceros y auténticos. Conocemos nuestros pecados y buscamos la misericordia y el perdón del Señor. Todo esto es muy bueno y hay que animarse. Sin embargo, es solo un lado del discipulado: alejarse del pecado y ser fiel al evangelio. El otro lado es manifestar al Señor Resucitado. A María Magdalena, la pecadora perdonada, se le encomendó antes que todos anunciar la gran alegría de la Resurrección (ver la Oración Colecta de la Fiesta). ¿Qué significa esto para nosotros? El mundo necesita escuchar acerca del Señor Resucitado: cada uno de nosotros, nuestras familias, nuestros amigos, todos. El Señor Resucitado es anunciado por nosotros sobre todo con el ejemplo y luego con las palabras. Hacemos esto cuando Cristo es obviamente el centro de nuestras vidas y dirige nuestros pensamientos y acciones. Hacemos esto cuando somos capaces de alentar la fe en los demás, especialmente cuando están separados en sus pensamientos y acciones del Señor Resucitado. Pidamos la ayuda celestial de Santa María Magdalena para que ruegue por nosotros pecadores y nos ayude a anunciar al Señor, resucitado entre nosotros, con nuestra vida. ¡Santa María Magdalena, ruega por nosotros!

La violencia en nuestra ciudad, especialmente la violencia armada, es indescriptible. A menudo, los tiroteos son aleatorios. Las vidas se terminan sin sentido. Las familias y las comunidades están devastadas. Y, la violencia frecuentemente engendra violencia. Muchas veces nos sentimos impotentes ante una tragedia tan constante. Una cosa que nosotros como cristianos podemos y debemos hacer es orar. Le animo a orar cada día de manera intencional por el fin de la violencia en nuestra ciudad. ¡Nuestra Señora, Reina de la Paz, ruega por nosotros!

Gracias a todos nuestros feligreses y visitantes por su bondad y generosidad a la Parroquia Catedral. La segunda colecta el próximo domingo estará dirigida al apoyo de los programas de música litúrgica en la Parroquia Catedral. Puede enviar sus ofrendas dominicales a la oficina parroquial de la Catedral o enviarlas electrónicamente. Consulte <http://cathedralphila.org/donate/>. Muchas gracias.

Dios te bendiga,
Padre Dennis Gill, Rector



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Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel

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It is for each of us to learn the path by which He requires us to follow Him, and to follow Him in that path.


**ESSAYS ON QUOTE DUE
DECEMBER 1ST**

**AWARDEES ANNOUNCED
JANUARY 5TH**

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THE SHRINE OF SAINT KATHARINE
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Communion for the Sick

The priests of the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul are prepared to serve the spiritual needs of our Catholic brothers and sisters who live in Residences such as **Atria, Kennedy House, Penn Center House, Riverside Presbyterian, Watermark, Spring Garden Towers, and anyone else who may be confined to their homes**. Therefore, if you are aware of anyone who would like a priest to visit and administer the Sacrament of Penance, the Sacrament of the Sick, and Holy Communion, please let us know. There is no better way that we can emulate Jesus Christ than by sharing his love with all whom he places in our paths, especially the sick and the aged who long for his healing presence.

Please pass the above requested information on to us by calling the **Parish Office at 215-561-1313**. Be assured of the love, concern, and prayers of your priests at the Cathedral, and in your goodness, pray for us that we may always be channels of Christ's love and peace to others. God bless you always and in all ways.

CATHEDRAL SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

The Cathedral Parish will offer classes again this coming year for school-age children who need to prepare for the sacraments of Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation. This is NOT a full religious education program.

Your child may attend these classes whether he or she is attending a Catholic school in the Archdiocese, is in a religious education program at another parish, is NOT in religious education, or is in a home-based program.

We want to assist you with the best placement for your child for religious education, especially for preparation for the Sacraments of Confirmation and Penance, as well as, the reception of First Holy Communion. The Cathedral Parish is committed to assisting you with the formation and preparation of your children in the Faith and for the Sacraments. **Registration for the Parish Sacrament Preparation Program will be published soon.**

THE CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS will resume on September 2023

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.

[CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE PREVIOUS BULLETIN](#)

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES

Dear parishioners, we kindly ask that you use the contribution envelopes that are mailed to your home. **If you prefer to switch to online giving, please let us know.** If for some reason you must make use of a different envelope, please be sure to include on it your parish data base identification number (which can be found on your regular contribution-envelopes). Only those offerings which are properly labeled can be reflected in your annual statement declaring tax deductible contributions to the parish. If you have moved, or are not receiving contribution envelopes, or if you have any questions please contact the Parish Office at 215-561-1313. Thank you.

5TH ANNIVERSARY ST. KATHARINE'S HOMECOMING



*Memorial of the
Translation of the
Relics of
St. Katharine Drexel
to the
Cathedral Basilica*

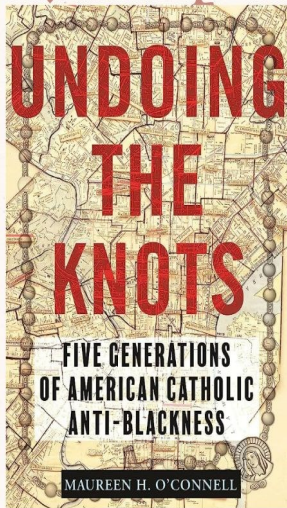
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12:05 p.m. Votive Mass

Hospitality and Presentation on St. Katharine's Life

12:45 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. in Drexel Hall

Summer Book Club for Racial Healing

Friday, July 7th & 21st @ 7pm
Thursday, August 17 @ 7pm
w/ the author

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Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. **Upcoming programs will be held August 18 - 20 and again October 6 - 8, 2023 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA.**

For more information, or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

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“There is no salvation through anyone else.” Does a life of joy in knowing you are following the Lord as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life inspire you? **It is hard to discern without the right information.**

Contact the Vocation Office at 610-667-5778 or go to <https://heedthecall.org/>

ARE YOU GOING ON VACATION?

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