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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September 17, 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

9:00 AM and 5:30 PM in the Basilica **Sunday:**

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:

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Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM 1723 Race Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103 • 215-561-1313 www.cathedralphila.org • info@cathedralphila.org Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel https://www.saintkatharinedrexelshrine.com/

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, September 17, 2023





MASS Intentions

September 1	o Saturday
_	St. Cornelius &
	Cyprian
12:05	Salvatore DellaPolla
5:15	Peppino DiFonzo

September 17 Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00

For the People of the Parish

9:30	Alionzo Altobelli
11:00	Mildred Feler
12:30	Pedro & Maria Olmo
6:30	Luigi Antonio & Gemma
	Stumpa Rosmini

September 18 Monday, Weekday

7:15	Virginia "Ginny"
	Domarasky
12:05	Elizabeth Anastasi

September 19 Tuesday, Weekday St. Januarius

7:15	Intentions of Fr.
	Matthew Biedrzycki
12:05	Jennifer Gallagher

September 20 Wednesday

St. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chong Ha-sang & Companions

7:15	Intentions of Dusty
	Phillips

12:05 Intentions of Barry Su

September 21 Thursday, Weekday St. Matthew

7:15	William Clark
12:05	Patricia A. Lockhart

7:15 Friday, Weekday Intentions of Fr. Matthew Biedrzycki

12:05 Joseph Feeney

September 23 Saturday

St. Pius of Pietrelcina 12:05 Pasqualino Corrado 5:15 Maxine Watson

September 24 Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary

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8:00	For the People of the Parish
9:30	Angela Pachioli
11:00	Jaxon Mariano
12:30	Maria Luisa Arias
6:30	Clare D'Agostino

Dear Parishioners,

This is the Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Gospel for this Sunday (see Matthew 18: 21-35) is a challenge on many fronts. Before we consider the instruction of Jesus for this Sunday we need to recall it comes after weeks of hearing the Lord inviting us to a deeper faith in him and to follow him even to the cross. We are ready to learn as followers of Christ that we must forgive one another not seven times but seventy-seven times. Does this mean we forget the pain and hurt of being wronged in some way? Does this imply that we can allow almost anyone or anything to disrespect us and disregard our rights and dignity? No, this is not forgiveness. Forgiveness is the willingness to love someone without holding on to the offense. This is the way the Lord forgives us over and over again - more than seventy-seven times. This manner of forgiveness requires the true Christian spirit and the practice of it in our daily lives.

The Gospel for this Sunday also reminds us of our need to seek the forgiveness of Almighty God with the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation. In a time when we are nearly numb to sin and its damaging effects on our relationship with the Lord and others, it is rather easy to put aside the compelling need as Christians to be contrite and to go to Confession. In the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation, we actually meet the same Christ we meet in the Eucharist. Jesus is truly present to forgive us and fill us with his grace to avoid future sin and live more completely our Christian lives. The only way for our mortal sins to be forgiven and to be restored to communion with Christ and one another is through the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation. It is not possible, and in fact, it is an offense against Holy Communion, to receive Eucharistic Communion when we are separated from communion with the Lord and one another with serious sin. I encourage you to look at your practice with regard to Confession. Have you made a good Confession lately? Are you in serious sin and should take immediate advantage of the Sacrament of Penance and Please don't stay away. Come to Confession with some Reconciliation? regularity. When we know the personal forgiveness of God, we are even more ready to forgive others.

October is Respect Life Month in the United States. The Archdiocese of Philadelphia will anticipate Respect Life Month with a commemoration of this theme at the 11:00 AM Solemn Mass next Sunday, September 24, 2023. Bishop John McIntyre will be the celebrant of the Mass and the homilist. There are several ways to observe Respect Life Month. Perhaps the most significant way is to learn more about the life issues and to grasp more fully our Catholic commitment to do all we can to protect life from the first moment of conception until natural death. Another way to observe this month is to pray for the intention of respect for human life. Since October is also the month of the Holy Rosary, I suggest that we pray the Holy Rosary throughout this month with an intention for a deepening respect for human life. The Holy Rosary can be prayed in a variety of settings - at home, on the way to work, or during a walk. Praying the Holy Rosary before or after Mass is also a great practice.

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!

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 support the religious education 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 9/10 was:

Regular \$5,077

Special 818 (for support of liturgical ministries of the

Electronic* 1,981 Cathedral Parish)

Total \$7,876

*Electronic giving is your average weekly giving for August.

Thank you!

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@cathedrlphila.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:

Readings for Mass for this Week

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

CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE PREVIOUS BULLETIN

CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS -Adult faith formationThe Blessed Trivity: God the Son

Thursday, September 21, 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., 215-561-1313 or email Father Dennis Gill at <u>info@cathedralphila.org</u>

LIVE STREAMED SUNDAY MASS AT 11:00 AM

<u>Click Here</u>, or go to: https://vimeo.com/event/2470138; Worship Aid

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SEND YOUR PRAYER INTENTIONS TO:

prayingforyou@cathedralphila.org.



On the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi

Wednesday, October 4 at 7:00 PM In the Courtyard in Front of the Cathedral Chapel

Convenient Parking Available in the Cathedral Lot www.CathedralPhila.org

The Divine Mercy Chaplet

Please join us as we pray the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy Each Friday at 3:00 PM.

Join Via Zoom Meeting:

Meeting ID: 875 6706 8541

Passcode: Mercy

Please remember these parishioners and friends of the Cathedral Parish in your prayers/ Oren por los enfermos y fallecidos: Carlos Leon's intentions, Nicole & Kevin, Lucas Martinez, Frank Munafo, Ryan Shaner, Maria del Carmen Martin's intentions, Angelica's intentions, Jose Rafael Collazo's intentions, Freya Coppen, Tripti Ghosh, Angel Morel, For the intentions submitted to Prayers UniteTheWorld.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:

<u>prayingforyou@cathedralphila.org.</u> 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.

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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 es el vigésimo cuarto domingo del Tiempo Ordinario. El evangelio de este domingo (ver Mateo 18, 21-35) es un desafío en muchos frentes. Antes de considerar la instrucción de Jesús para este domingo, debemos recordar que llega después de semanas de escuchar al Señor invitándonos a una fe más profunda en él y a seguirlo incluso hasta la cruz. Estamos listos para aprender como seguidores de Cristo que debemos perdonarnos los unos a los otros no siete veces sino setenta y siete veces. ¿Significa esto que olvidamos el dolor y el dolor de haber sido agraviados de alguna manera? ¿Implica esto que podemos permitir que casi cualquier persona o cualquier cosa nos falte el respeto e ignore nuestros derechos y dignidad? No, esto no es perdón. El perdón es la voluntad de amar a alguien sin aferrarse a la ofensa. Así es como el Señor nos perdona una y otra vez, más de setenta y siete veces. Esta forma de perdón requiere el verdadero espíritu cristiano y su práctica en nuestra vida diaria.

El evangelio de este domingo también nos recuerda nuestra necesidad de buscar el perdón de Dios Todopoderoso con el Sacramento de la Penitencia y la Reconciliación. En una época en la que estamos casi insensibles al pecado y sus efectos dañinos en nuestra relación con el Señor y con los demás, es bastante fácil dejar de lado la necesidad apremiante como cristianos de ser contritos y de confesarnos. En el Sacramento de la Penitencia y la Reconciliación, en realidad nos encontramos con el mismo Cristo que encontramos en la Eucaristía. Jesús está realmente presente para perdonarnos y llenarnos de su gracia para evitar pecados futuros y vivir más plenamente nuestra vida cristiana. La única manera de que nuestros pecados mortales sean perdonados y restaurados a la comunión con Cristo y con los demás es a través del Sacramento de la Penitencia y la Reconciliación. No es posible, y de hecho, es una ofensa a la Sagrada Comunión, recibir la Comunión Eucarística cuando estamos separados de la comunión con el Señor y unos de otros con pecado grave. Le animo a que observe su práctica con respecto a la Confesión. ¿Has hecho una buena Confesión últimamente? ¿Estás en pecado grave y deberías aprovechar inmediatamente el Sacramento de la Penitencia y la Reconciliación? Por favor no te alejes. confiésate con cierta regularidad. Cuando conocemos el perdón personal de Dios, estamos aún más dispuestos a perdonar a los demás.

Octubre es el Mes del Respeto a la Vida en los Estados Unidos. La Arquidiócesis de Filadelfia anticipará el Mes del Respeto a la Vida con una conmemoración de este tema en la Misa solemne de las 11:00 AM el próximo domingo 24 de septiembre del 2023. El Obispo John McIntyre será el celebrante de la misa y el homilista. Hay varias formas de celebrar el Mes del Respeto a la Vida. Quizás la forma más significativa sea aprender más sobre los problemas de la vida y comprender más plenamente nuestro compromiso católico de hacer todo lo posible para proteger la vida desde el primer momento de la concepción hasta la muerte natural. Otra forma de observar este mes es orar por la intención de respetar la vida humana. Dado que octubre es también el mes del Santo Rosario, sugiero que recemos el Santo Rosario a lo largo de este mes con la intención de profundizar el respeto por la vida humana. El Santo Rosario se puede rezar en una variedad de entornos: en casa, de camino al trabajo, durante una caminata. Rezar el Santo Rosario antes o después de la Misa también es una gran práctica.

Por favor mantengan 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!

Gracias a todos nuestros feligreses y visitantes por su bondad y generosidad hacia la Parroquia Catedral. La segunda colecta del próximo domingo estará dirigida a apoyar los programas de educación religiosa en la Parroquia Catedral. Puede enviar sus ofrendas dominicales por correo a la oficina parroquial de la Catedral o donar electrónicamente. Consulte http://cathedralphila.org/donate/. Muchas gracias.

Dios los bendiga, Padre Dennis Gill, Rector

CATHEDRAL SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION 2023-2024

The Cathedral Parish will offer classes again this coming year for 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
- ⇒ in a religious education program at another parish
- ⇒ not in religious education
- ⇒ in a home-based program

There will be a section of each class for primarily English-speaking children/families, and another for primarily Spanish-speaking children/families.

2023 – 2024 Schedule To register online, please scan the QR codes below:

English-Speaking Classes
Tuesday afternoon's
3:30-4:30pm

Sunday Mornings 11-12:15pm

Spanish-Speaking Classes



To view the class schedule and obtain a physical copy of the registration form, please scan this QR code:



Sacrament Solemn Mass Dates:

Confirmation - Sunday, April 7, 2024 - 11:00 AM First Holy Communion - Sunday, May 5, 2024 - 11:00 AM

Questions? Contact – Christian Thompson, Director of Religious Education cthompson@archphila.org

TORRESDALE READING CLUB

Thursdays in September 7 – 8 p.m., ET, via Zoom

Every Thursday evening in August and September, we will be meeting via Zoom to talk about the book *Saint Katharine: The Life of Katharine Drexel* and tackling questions about her legacy and how it can guide our faith journey. Use the <u>Torresdale Reading Club Form</u> to register.

DREXEL SHRINE MISSION AWARD

Essays due Friday, December 1st, Via Email, <u>DrexelShrine@ArchPhila.org</u>

All High School Juniors in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia are encouraged to submit a short, 250-word essay explaining what the following quote from St. Katharine means to them: "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." The prize is \$250 to help with the various expenses of applying to college!

The Patricians Meeting sponsored by the Legion of Mary of the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul and the Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel

Catholics with Same-Sex Attraction

Sunday, September 24, 2023

1:00 PM — 3:00 PM 222 N 17th Street– Room APC 1307, Phila, PA 19103 Presenter: *Fr. Chris Rogers

Within in the Catholic church, people who experience same-sex attraction can receive pastoral support in the form of spiritual guidance, community prayer support, and fellowship. There are resources for parents, spouses, siblings, and friends of people who identify as LGBTQ.



Legacy of Life Foundation "Baby Bottle" Drive Fundraiser September 30th- October 1st

Many of the women who come through our doors believe there is no other choice but abortion. They are scared, confused, and feel they have no support. Because of caring supporters like you, over 300 babies got a chance at life last year! Our advocacy program empowers women through mentoring and hands-on life skills classes throughout their pregnancy, and for at least three years after their babies are born. Please support the Legacy of Life Foundation "Baby Bottle" Drive Fundraiser on September 30th- October 1st (Speaker weekend) and donate now! Envelopes are in the back of the church with the Legacy of Life Foundation dis play.

Make your check payable to the *Legacy of Life Foundation*. Note *Baby Bottle Drive and your parish name* along with all of your information so we can report back about the success of the Baby Bottle Drive. Return to church or Mail to: 25 S. Main Street, #217, Yardley, PA 19067 or Go to www.legacyoflifefoundation.org *THANK YOU* for your prayerful and generous support!

"Each one of them is Jesus in disguise" St. Mother Teresa"

ARE YOU BEING CALLED?

Permanent Diaconate Information Session
Thursday, Sentember 21, 2023

Thursday, September 21, 2023 7:00 PM

St. Charles Borromeo Seminary -Vianney Auditorium 100 East Wynnewood Road, Wynnewood, PA 19096

We invite Catholic men (and wives if married) between the ages of 29 and 55 to join us for an in-person panel of clergy about discerning a vocation to the Permanent Diaconate and admittance to the School for Diaconal Formation program.

Interested in attending this Permanent Diaconate Information Session? Scan this QR code to register!



Want to learn more visit https://archphila.org/deacon or School of Diaconal Formation website https://www.scs.edu/diaconal-formation

MSBT **Missionary Servants of the Most Blessed Trinity** has an immediate opening for a PT Housekeeper - (8 am to noon). For more information contact Human Resources at 215-335-7576. www.msbt.org.

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Villa Maria by the Sea Retreat Center, Stone Harbor, NJ is now welcoming lay people as well as clergy and religious to participate in our spiritual programs. Formerly a retreat

house reserved solely for the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (Malvern, PA), our new building accommodates 45 overnight guests. Our Catholic faith is rooted throughout our property. Mass is celebrated in Mary, Star of the Sea Chapel and has the Blessed Sacrament present for Eucharistic Adoration. There are serene indoor and outdoor porches for quiet reflection or small group sharing. The Stations of the Cross are located inside the chapel and outside where you are invited to pray this beautiful devotion.

The Saint Joseph Garden is a peaceful place to enjoy God's beauty.

Please visit VMbytheSea.com to view our Fall 2023 offerings of spiritual workshops and weekend retreats.

Contact Sr. Emily Vincent, IHM, at 609-964-7696 or <u>S.ERebalsky@VMbytheSea.com</u> with any questions.

"Be Empowered for Mission – Participating in the Healing Work of Jesus" Healing Conference with Dr. Mary Healy: September 22-23, 2023

Through Baptism every member of the Church, Laity and Clergy, is given supernatural gifts of the Holy Spirit to participate in Christ's mission. In fact, all the gifts of the Spirit are used to build up and heal the Body of Christ. Come and learn what Scripture reveals about the Lord's healing power and how we can experience it in our lives. Have your heart lifted up as you see Jesus act in perceptible and sometimes dramatic ways. Be equipped to share in Christ's Mission: building up and healing the Body of Christ, including your own family! This Conference consists of four talks by Dr. Mary Healy, Professor of Scripture at Sacred Heart Major Seminary, Detroit, and bestselling author international speaker. Her books include The Spiritual Gifts Handbook and Healing.

Conference: Friday 7:30—9:00PM;

Saturday 8:30AM - 3:00PM Cost: \$75 for Adults: \$25 for S

<u>Cost:</u> \$75 for Adults; \$25 for Students; Seminarians, Clergy, and Religious. Fee includes lunch. Seating is Limited.

Weekend Confession/Mass:

Saturday 3:00PM/4:00PM. All are welcome.

<u>Healing Service:</u> Saturday 6:30PM. Free.

No registration required.

Location: Holy Angels Church,

82 Possum Park Rd., Newark, DE 19711

Information: aRiseHealingMinistry.com

Registration:

https://aRiseEmpoweredForMission.Eventbrite.com Questions: aRise@holyangels.net or 630-999-8481





The "Cor" Knights of Columbus Men's Discipleship Study

welcomes all men to join us **every second and fourth Wednesday** evenings at **7 PM** for a time of prayer, formation and fraternity.

Drexel Hall at the Cathedral Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul

Located directly below the Cathedral chapel.

Please use the side entrance to chapel and then adjacent stairwell to hall.

2nd & 4th Wednesdays 7:00 PM

For more information please contact

Michael McGeough mmcgeough64@gmail.com

RETROUVAILLE: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE

Some couples feel lonely, frustrated, or angry in their marriage, often feeling shut off from one another. Other couples experience severe conflict and never-ending arguments. Retrouvaille offers hope for all these marriages by teaching couples to communicate in a deeper, more meaningful way, healing hurts and rebuilding trust and intimacy. No relationship is beyond help. The next program will be held **October 6 - 8, 2023** at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA.

For more information, or to register,

visit <u>www.HelpOurMarriage.org</u> or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

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