

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 7, 2024



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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**

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

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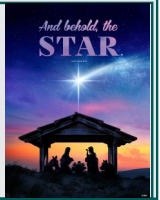


Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
1723 Race Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103 • 215-561-1313
www.cathedralphila.org • info@cathedralphila.org
Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel <https://www.saintkatharinedrexelshrine.com/>

The Epiphany of the Lord

Sunday, January 7, 2024

*"We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage".
MT. 2:2 R. Alleluia, alleluia.*



MASS Intentions

January 6	Saturday
	Christmas Weekday
	St. André Bessette
12:05	Jennifer Bebeko Randel
5:15	Ralph Kalish
January 7	Epiphany of the Lord
8:00	For the People of the Parish
9:30	Clare D'Agostino
11:00	Jennifer Bebeko Randel
12:30	Epifanio de Jesus, Sr.
6:30	Sabina Calabrese
January 8	The Baptism of the Lord
7:15	Margaret Simon
12:05	Sloane Kwartnik
January 9	Tuesday, Weekday
	(First Week in Ordinary Time)
7:15	Bruce McDonald
12:05	Bernadette Clerens
January 10	Wednesday, Weekday
7:15	Ton-Fu Chen
12:05	Loring F. Hill
January 11	Thursday, Weekday
7:15	Bradley Allen Simms
12:05	Madelyn Frances Bailey
January 12	Friday, Weekday
7:15	Intentions of Deborah Sacramo
12:05	Timothy Barrett, III
January 13	Saturday, Weekday
	St. Hilary
12:05	Jeanne Dougherty
5:15	Ralph Berarducci
January 14	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00	For the People of the Parish
9:30	Jo-Ann Stigliano
11:00	Thomas V. Salvo, Jr.
12:30	Geraldo Miranda, Jr.
6:30	Patrizia Iannetti

Dear Parishioners,

Our celebration of Christmas continues with this Sunday's Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord. In fact, Christmas Time this year will conclude tomorrow with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. The traditional date for the Solemnity of the Epiphany is January 6. However, in those countries where the Epiphany is not observed as a Holy Day of Obligation, like in the United States, the celebration is moved to the nearest Sunday. So today, on this day - which is sometimes referred to as "Little Christmas" - we praise our Almighty Father for the manifestation of the Birth of his Divine Son to all the world. The Kings, the Magi, come with their gifts to honor the Infant Savior but receive from him the gift that is also for us. Jesus is revealed to all the nations, all people in every place and for every time, as the promised Redeemer and Savior. As we too adore Jesus, let us pray for the grace - an openness to the gift of our Redeemer and Savior - to hear more fully his Word and to live more completely his Way of life.

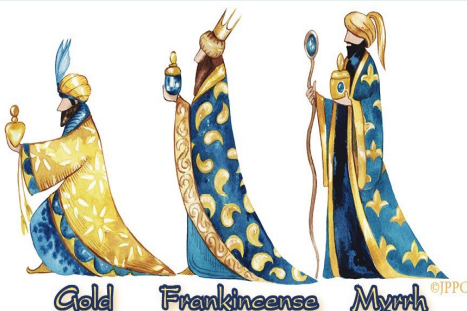
Traditionally, the New Year is the occasion for making resolutions. Often these resolutions focus on wanting to improve our health and circumstances of life. May I suggest there might be some spiritual resolutions as well? Consider a decision to spend serious time in prayer each day, in the early morning and/or before retiring to bed. Daily Mass makes a fine resolution and a sure way to be focused on the Lord and his Word each day. Spend some time before the Lord in the Most Blessed Sacrament. 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 other personal suggestions. The New Year gives us the opportunity to be fit in mind, body, and soul!

The location of our Cathedral Basilica and Chapel in the heart of Center City allows for a place of refuge for the homeless all throughout the day. We have a Christian duty to see the homeless men and women who spend time during the day in the Basilica and Chapel as our brothers and sisters in the Lord. At the same time, issues of safety and respect are also of equal concern. If you see any behavior that is not acceptable, please notify one of the priests or sacristans immediately. Panhandling in the church is forbidden and I ask you not to participate in this. **Also, please be mindful not to leave your personal belongings behind in the pew at any time.**

A special word of thanks to all the members of our Cathedral Parish Staff and Liturgical Ministers who worked in tireless ways to prepare for the beautiful celebration of Christmas. These men and women gave countless hours of service and ministry that benefited our parishioners and visitors for these days of Christmas for a most fitting celebration of the Birth of the Savior. Thank you so very much!

Thank you again to all our parishioners and visitors for your on-going generosity to the Cathedral Parish, especially at this time of the year. Your generosity in the Christmas Collections, in person and on-line, is so very much appreciated. Thank you as well for your generosity to the Christmas Flowers' fund. The second collection next Sunday will be directed to the national collection for Catholic Relief Services. 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/>. Thank you so very much.

God bless you for the Epiphany and the New Year!
Father Dennis Gill, Rector





PRAYER | PARTICIPATION | GENEROSITY

Consider planning your legacy as you begin the year. By remembering the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul Parish Fund in your will or through a planned gift, you are an eternal steward.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, Pray for us.

And let us remember to pray for each other always!

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

Your generosity on 12/24 was:

Regular	\$3,972
Special	790 (to the young adult ministries of the
Total	4,762 Cathedral Parish)

The offertory collection for Sunday 12/31/2023 will be posted on a future edition of the parish bulletin.

Your generosity on 12/31 was:

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:



Readings for Mass for this Week

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

Excellent faith formation at your fingertips!

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

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*

CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS

**-Adult faith formation-
Second Commandment**

Thursday, January 11, 2024, 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 fr.dgill@archphila.org

Blessing of the Home and Household on Epiphany

Each year around the feast of the Epiphany many parishes throughout the world participate in an annual blessing of chalk. It is an ancient tradition that not only places God at the entrance of your home, it places your entire family under his protection.

The blessing has biblical roots, deeply tied to the Passover in the book of Exodus, as the chalk is used to mark the doorpost of your home.

The priest will bless chalk at the Vigil Mass for the Epiphany (**January 6**) and make it available for the Vigil and all day on the Epiphany (**January 7**). *The chalk and the prayers to use at home will be available after each Mass.*

The prayer can be found at <https://www.usccb.org/prayers/blessing-home-and-household-epiphany>

LIVE STREAMED SUNDAY MASS AT 11:00 AM

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

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

*Carlos León, Viola Cleo Bradshaw's intentions, Alejandro Vargas, Jr., Barbara Mack, Magda & David's intentions, Maria's intentions, Patti Petrone, Rogelio Varela's intentions, Ronald Bogush, Angelita VR, Natalie Vo, Magda & David, Xela Mae Soriano, Maria Martin's intentions, Angelica's intentions, Judge Frank Caprio, Angel Morel, Allison Torres, Tereja Uttankar, For the intentions submitted to PrayersUniteTheWorld.org., 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,

Nuestra celebración de la Navidad continúa con la Solemnidad de la Epifanía del Señor de este domingo. De hecho, el tiempo de Navidad de este año concluirá mañana con la Fiesta del Bautismo del Señor. La fecha tradicional para la Solemnidad de la Epifanía es el 6 de enero. Sin embargo, en aquellos países donde la Epifanía no se observa como día de precepto, como en los Estados Unidos, la celebración se traslada al domingo más cercano. Por eso hoy, en este día, al que a veces se hace referencia como “Pequeña Navidad”, alabamos a nuestro Padre Todopoderoso por la manifestación del Nacimiento de su Divino Hijo a todo el mundo. Los Reyes Magos vienen con sus regalos para honrar al Niño Salvador pero reciben de él el regalo que es también para nosotros. Jesús se revela a todas las naciones, a todos los hombres, en todo lugar y en todo tiempo, como el Redentor y Salvador prometido. Mientras nosotros también adoramos a Jesús, oremos por la gracia (una apertura al don de nuestro Redentor y Salvador) para escuchar más plenamente su Palabra y vivir más plenamente su Modo de vida.

Tradicionalmente, el Año Nuevo es la ocasión para tomar resoluciones. Muchas veces estas resoluciones se centran en querer mejorar nuestra salud y circunstancias de vida. ¿Puedo sugerir que también podría haber algunas resoluciones espirituales? Considere la decisión de dedicar tiempo serio a la oración todos los días, temprano en la mañana y/o antes de acostarse. La Misa diaria es una excelente resolución y una forma segura de concentrarse en el Señor y su Palabra cada día. Pasa un tiempo ante el Señor en el Santísimo Sacramento. Comprométete a una práctica más regular de la Confesión. Rezar el Santo Rosario con mayor frecuencia. Lee un libro sobre un santo o uno de los grandes clásicos espirituales. Haz algo por los pobres cada mes del Año Nuevo. Esta es sólo una breve lista de algunas resoluciones espirituales a las que podrías agregar otras sugerencias personales. ¡El Año Nuevo nos brinda la oportunidad de estar en forma en mente, cuerpo y alma!

La ubicación de nuestra Catedral Basílica y Capilla en el corazón del centro de la ciudad permite un lugar de refugio para las personas sin hogar durante todo el día. Tenemos el deber cristiano de ver a los hombres y mujeres sin hogar que pasan tiempo durante el día en la Basílica y la Capilla como nuestros hermanos y hermanas en el Señor. Al mismo tiempo, las cuestiones de seguridad y respeto también son motivo de igual preocupación. Si ve algún comportamiento que no es aceptable, notifique a uno de los sacerdotes o sacristanes de inmediato. Está prohibido mendigar en la iglesia y les pido que no participen en esto. **Además, tenga en cuenta no dejar sus pertenencias personales en el banco en ningún momento.**

Unas palabras especiales de agradecimiento a todos los miembros de nuestro personal parroquial de la Catedral y a los ministros litúrgicos que trabajaron incansablemente para prepararse para la hermosa celebración de la Navidad. Estos hombres y mujeres brindaron innumerables horas de servicio y ministerio que beneficiaron a nuestros feligreses y visitantes durante estos días de Navidad para una celebración muy apropiada del Nacimiento del Salvador. ¡Muchas gracias!

Gracias nuevamente a todos nuestros feligreses y visitantes por su continua generosidad hacia la Parroquia de la Catedral, especialmente en esta época del año. Se agradece mucho su generosidad en las Colectas de Navidad, en persona y en línea. Gracias también por su generosidad con el fondo de Flores de Navidad. La segunda colecta el próximo domingo estará dirigida a la colecta nacional de Catholic Relief Services. Puede enviar sus ofrendas dominicales por correo a la oficina parroquial de la Catedral o utilizar las muchas formas de donar electrónicamente. Consulte <http://cathedralphila.org/donate/>. Muchas gracias.

¡Dios los bendiga para la Epifanía y el Año Nuevo!
Padre Dennis Gill
Rector



PARROQUIA SAN MARTIN DE TOURS
5450 Roosevelt Blvd, Philadelphia, PA

1ER. RETIRO
EMAUS MUJERES
Philadelphia



2, 3 & 4
DE FEBRERO, 2024

LEVANTATE Y BRILLA



Que ha llegado tu luz y la Gloria de Yavé
amaneció sobre ti; ya no tendrás
necesidad del sol para que alumbré tu
día, ni de la luna para la noche. Porque
Yavé será tu luz eterna, y tu Dios, tu
esplendor.

ISAÍAS 60:1, 19

CONTACTOS:
Danila Ysabel 267-888-0114 Juana Peña 267-343-2293

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG ADULTS
CATHOLIC ADULTS AT THE CATHEDRAL
BASILICA OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL
ALL YOUNG ADULTS WELCOME!**

EVERY FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

Gather for the 6:30 PM Sunday Mass

in the Cathedral Basilica and fellowship after Mass

Confessions at 5:30 PM

The Fellowship will be in Drexel Hall Which is below the
Cathedral Chapel
Parking available

Volunteer Opportunity

Our next volunteer opportunity with the Young Adult group
will be on **Saturday, February 3rd. Join us at 10:30AM** at
the front of the cathedral, where transportation will be
provided to the St. Francis Inn in Kensington to help feed the
homeless until approximately 1:30PM.

Please RSVP to Michael at mwilkins12@gmail.com by
Friday, February 2nd. Space is limited.
Thank you for your service!

Winter Clothing Drive

Winter is here, and we need your help!

*From Dec. 23rd to Jan. 28th we will have clothing bins in the
vestibule of the church after each Sunday mass. Please drop
off new / lightly used items to help keep our brothers and
sisters warm this winter. High-need items include:*

Winter coats

Hooded sweatshirts

Winter gloves

Men's pants (sizes 30-34 preferred)

New underwear (boxer briefs preferred)

*Hotel-sized hygiene products (shampoo, soap, toothpaste,
lotion, etc.)*

Towels and heavy blankets

*Thank you for your continued support. For questions please
email Michael at mwilkins12@gmail.com*



**MASS FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Saturday, January 13, 2024 at 11am
Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul**

The Office for Catechetical Formation invites parish
catechists and Directors/Coordinators of Religious
Education 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. **This year Bishop Fitzgerald will
receive the highest catechetical award** for his significant
contributions to evangelization and catechesis.

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/>

Men's Study Group

We will meet for one hour on the **second and fourth
Wednesday of the month in Drexel hall at 7 PM.**

For more information contact Michael McGeough at
mmcgeough64@gmail.com

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

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

Knights of Columbus

If you are interested in helping those in need,
helping the Church, growing in Faith or obtaining
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family, the Knights of Columbus is the organization for
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Fraternal Organization in the world with approximately
2 million members in over 16,000 Councils.

To be a part of the Knights Of Columbus at the
Cathedral, please contact Dennis Simoes at email,
simoespa@hotmail.com



**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.

GIVE TO GROW

**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
Prepare for a Happy and Holy Death**

Sunday, January 28, 2024

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Presenter: **Matthew Thompson**

Spiritual Director: **Fr. Dennis Gill**

Location: Room 1307

Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, 222 N 17th St. Philadelphia, PA 19103

Sandwiches, Coffee, and Donuts are provided during the Tea Break.

More information can be found at <https://cathedralphila.org/the-patricians-meeting/>

THE PAULINE FATHERS & THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF CZESTOCHOWA

WILL WELCOME
FR. DENNIS GILL INTO THE
PAULINE CONFRATERNITY

Join us for the Solemn Mass with
the induction into the Pauline
Confraternity of Fr. Dennis Gill at
**11:30 am in the Chapel of Our Lady
of Czestochowa (lower church)**

Date: JANUARY 16TH (Tuesday)
FEAST OF OUR LADY QUEEN
OF HERMITS

Location: 654 Ferry Road,
DOYLESTOWN, PA 18914

Learn more about Pauline
Confraternity & Fr. Dennis Gill



SEND YOUR PRAYER INTENTIONS TO:
prayingforyou@cathedralphila.org.

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

Catechetical Convocation

Sharing the
Good News
of Jesus



Saturday, March 23, 2024

Archbishop John Carroll High School

244 Matsonford Rd. Radnor, PA 19087

More information forthcoming

Office for Catechetical Formation | PhillyOFC @archphila.org



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

SHRINE OF SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL

Classroom Supplies Drive!

JANUARY 12TH - 15TH 2024

Celebrate the birthday of
Venerable Cornelia Connelly, Founder of
the Society of the Holy Child Jesus!

ITEMS REQUESTED:

- Wish List for Providence Center, an SHCJ ministry:
- Rosaries for Cathedral Parish Religious Education
- Stationery, Crafting Supplies for Children for Holy Children Day Camp at the Cathedral Basilica



BROTHERS OF BORROMEO VOCATION CAMP 2024



Prepare the Way

~John 1:23~



March 16, 2024 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

B.B.V.C. - A day of food, fun, & fellowship

at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary

Junior high young men - Grades 6-8

Registration due: February 23

Questions? Contact Sue Matour, Vocation Office:

smatour@archphila.org | 610-667-5778

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Go, Make Disciples: An Introductory Training in Missionary Discipleship

**Saturdays, January 13, February 17 and March 2
9am-12pm**

Our Lady of Hope Social Hall | 5200 N. Broad St., Phila.

Cost: \$25.00 includes all 3 sessions, coffee, snacks and
guidebook; Visit phillyevang.org/events

To register or <https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=zgvQCK>

For more info go to <https://www.phillyevang.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/GMD-Our-Lady-of-Hope-2024-flyer-general.pdf>