

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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February 4, 2024

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**

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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Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel <https://cathedralphila.org/drexel/>

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, February 4, 2024

*“Christ took away our infirmities and bore our diseases”.
MT. 8:17 R. Alleluia, alleluia.*



Weekly Intentions

February 3	Saturday, Weekday St. Blaise; St. Ansgar Essie Mae Rubin Robert Fuss
12:05	
5:15	
February 4	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00	For the People of the Parish
9:30	Matthew John Britton
11:00	For All in Consecrated Life
12:30	Marjorie Blair
6:30	Kevin Saint Claire
February 5	Monday St. Agatha Asia Dagher Khoury Joyce E. Cowern
7:15	
12:05	
February 6	Tuesday St. Paul Miki & Companions Bill Jordan Marguerite Marg Staigerwalt
7:15	
12:05	
February 7	Wednesday, Weekday Clare D'Agostino Ryan P. McKnight
7:15	
12:05	
February 8	Thursday, Weekday St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita For the intentions of Elena Z. George Eleanor Jawers
7:15	
12:05	
February 9	Friday, Weekday Elizabeth Dinger Lauberto & Sandra Maiolini
7:15	
12:05	
February 10	Saturday St. Scholastica Kevin Saint Claire The Harvey Family
12:05	
5:15	
February 11	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00	For the People of the Parish
9:30	Alessandra Iavarone
11:00	Intentions of Sr. Maria Kateri, SV
12:30	Raúl y Blanca Guillama
6:30	Gerald F. Janco

Dear Parishioners,

Today is the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Gospel of Mark is the shortest of the four Gospels and most likely the first of the four to be written. The evangelist has a keen way of saying a great deal in a few words. This Sunday's Gospel is no exception. We hear how the Lord cured the mother-in-law of Saint Peter, how a great number gathered at the door of the home of Saint Peter and Saint Andrew for healing from diseases and demons. We also hear how he woke the next morning for prayer in a deserted place and finally how he moved on to a nearby village for more preaching and healing. What strings all these brief episodes together is the Lord's work to heal the sick, people sick with "various diseases." The Lord continues to heal, to heal us, of all types of illnesses. The greatest healing comes to our souls when we allow the Lord to forgive our sins, especially with the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation. Let us turn to him in a serious way and ask him to heal us, make us whole before him, with confidence that he alone can take away our sins and even bring healing to our bodies and minds.

Today, in the United States, we observe the World Day for Consecrated Life. This day reminds us to pray in thanksgiving for all those called to follow in a complete way the evangelical counsels of chastity, poverty and obedience. Here in the Cathedral Parish, we are blessed by the service of several Religious Sisters and are most grateful for them—Sister Mary Marta, RSM, Sister Mary Raphael, RSM, Sister Malyia Grace, RSM, and Sister Mary Luchia, PVMI. May the Lord bless all those in the Consecrated Life and lead many more men and women to profess publicly the evangelical counsels.

This Sunday, the annual Catholic Charities Appeal begins, Giving Hope to All. The Catholic Charities benefits countless groups, organizations, and agencies in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. The appeal is primarily conducted through the mail but it is also possible to support the appeal through the Sunday Collection. Materials to do this will be at the entrances to the Basilica for the month of February. Our Cathedral Parish goal for the Catholic Charities is nearly 50,000 dollars. I encourage all of you to be thoughtful and generous to this important endeavor of the Archdiocese. To learn more about the Catholic Charities, please see, <https://www.catholiccharitiesappeal.org/>.

Next Sunday, February 11, 2024, is also the Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes, World Day of the Sick. This day is especially given over to prayer for all the sick, asking the special heavenly help of Our Blessed Mother. Please remember all the sick, even more so, at Mass next Sunday.

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2024. This Sunday and next, there will be a basket near the entrance to the sacristy to collect old blessed palm. Please bring any old palm you may have at home to church on these Sundays before Lent. Old blessed palm is used for the ashes to be blessed and imposed on Ash Wednesday. Please see the insert in the parish bulletin for Lent 2024 at the Cathedral.

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 landscape needs of 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

Make a gift that continues the God-given gifts you receive and give during your lifetime. A gift to the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul Parish Fund through your will or other planned gift creates a perpetual legacy of support. Consider supporting the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul in this very special way. Your support makes a difference in the life of our Church. Consider a gift of stock, insurance, real estate, retirement plan or cash to provide for the future of our parish.

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 1/27 was:

Regular \$3,279
Special 1,756 (to the Little Sisters)
Electronic* 3,902
Total \$8,937

*Electronic giving is your average weekly giving for December.

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

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EPISCOPAL ORDINATION OF OUR NEW AUXILIARY BISHOPS



The Archdiocese of Philadelphia rejoices that three of her priests have been chosen by Christ and named by our Holy Father to be elevated to the dignity of the episcopal office.

Archbishop Perez asks the faithful to pray daily for Bishop-elect Keith J. Chylinski, Bishop-elect Christopher R. Cooke, and Bishop-elect Efren V. Esmilla as they prepare for their episcopal ordination on **March 7, 2024**.

A special holy hour of intercession for the bishops-elect will be offered on March 6, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul and is open to the public. All are invited to attend.

At the Ordination Mass on March 7, seating in the Cathedral is by invitation only given space limitations. All are encouraged to participate in the Mass via livestream that day.

Episcopal Ordination of Bishop-elect

**Keith J. Chylinski,
Bishop-elect Christopher R. Cooke, and
Bishop-elect Efren V. Esmilla**

EUCCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR WITH SOLEMN VESPERS

Wednesday, March 6, 2024 at 7:30 p.m.

at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul and the Shrine of St. Katharine Drexel Open to the Public.
Free parking is available in the Cathedral lot.

SOLEMN MASS WITH THE ORDINATION OF SEVERAL BISHOPS

Thursday, March 7, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.

at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul and the Shrine of St. Katharine Drexel
The faithful are invited to participate via livestream at this link: <https://vimeo.com/event/247013>

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

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

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: Leo Mullin, Mufide's intentions, Marylee Gluhoski's intentions, Maximus Roy, John Rhaymiel Baisan, Alfred Brown's intentions, Mildred Hill, Ruben Abaj Marroquin, Raven, Sr. Illuminada Estevez, Viola-Cleo Bradshaw, Joseph & Joey Gallo, Joseph Saraceni, Andrea S. ' intentions, Beth & Jaime, Fanny Bautista's intentions, Héctor, Jesse Martinez, Angel Morel, Allison Torres, 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,

Hoy es el quinto domingo del Tiempo Ordinario. El evangelio de Marcos es el más corto de los cuatro evangelios y probablemente el primero de los cuatro que se escribió. El evangelista tiene una manera aguda de decir mucho en pocas palabras. El evangelio de este domingo no es una excepción. Escuchamos cómo el Señor curó a la suegra de San Pedro, cómo un gran número se reunió a la puerta de la casa de San Pedro y San Andrés para curarse de enfermedades y demonios. También escuchamos cómo se despertó a la mañana siguiente para orar en un lugar desierto y finalmente cómo se mudó a un pueblo cercano para más predicación y sanación. Lo que une todos estos breves episodios es la obra del Señor para sanar a los enfermos, personas que padecen “diversas enfermedades”. El Señor continúa sanando, sanándonos, de todo tipo de enfermedades. La mayor curación llega a nuestra alma cuando permitimos que el Señor perdone nuestros pecados, especialmente con el Sacramento de la Penitencia y la Reconciliación. Acudamos a él de manera seria y pidámosle que nos sane, que nos sane ante él, con la confianza de que sólo él puede quitar nuestros pecados e incluso traer sanidad a nuestros cuerpos y mentes.

Hoy, en Estados Unidos, celebramos la Jornada Mundial de la Vida Consagrada. Este día nos recuerda orar en acción de gracias por todos aquellos llamados a seguir de manera íntegra los consejos evangélicos de castidad, pobreza y obediencia. Aquí en la Parroquia de la Catedral, somos bendecidos por el servicio de varias Hermanas Religiosas y estamos muy agradecidos por ellas: Hermana Mary Marta, RSM, Hermana Mary Raphael, RSM, Hermana Mary Grace, RSM y Hermana Mary Luchia, PVMI. Que el Señor bendiga a todos los que están en la Vida Consagrada y lleve a muchos más hombres y mujeres a profesar públicamente los consejos evangélicos.

Este domingo comienza la Campaña Anual de Caridades Católicas, Dando esperanza a todos. Caridades Católicas beneficia a innumerables grupos, organizaciones y agencias de la Arquidiócesis de Filadelfia. La campaña se realiza principalmente por correo, pero también es posible apoyar la campaña a través de la colecta dominical. Los materiales para ello estarán en los accesos a la Basílica durante el mes de febrero. La meta de la Parroquia Catedral para Caridades Católicas es de casi \$50,000 dólares. Los animo a todos a ser reflexivos y generosos con este importante esfuerzo de la Arquidiócesis. Para obtener más información sobre Caridades Católicas, consulte <https://www.catholiccharitiesappeal.org/>.

El próximo domingo 11 de febrero del 2024, es también la Memoria de Nuestra Señora de Lourdes, Jornada Mundial del Enfermo. Este día se dedica especialmente a la oración por todos los enfermos, pidiendo la especial ayuda celestial de Nuestra Santísima Madre. Por favor, acordémonos de todos los enfermos, más aún, en la misa del próximo domingo.

La Cuaresma comienza con el Miércoles de Ceniza, 14 de febrero del 2024. Este domingo y el próximo, habrá una canasta cerca de la entrada a la sacristía para recoger la palma bendecida vieja. Por favor traiga a la iglesia cualquier palma vieja que tenga en casa estos domingos antes de la Cuaresma. La palma bendecida vieja se utiliza para que las cenizas sean bendecidas e impuestas el Miércoles de Ceniza. Consulte el inserto en el boletín parroquial para la Cuaresma 2024 en la Catedral.

Gracias a todos nuestros feligreses y visitantes por su bondad y generosidad hacia la Parroquia Catedral. La segunda colecta el próximo domingo estará dirigida al apoyo de las necesidades paisajísticas de 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

Noche de Adonación y Oración Juvenil

DOMINGO 11 DE FEBRERO 5:30-8:30 PM

SAN PATRICIO 714 DEKALB STREET NORRISTOWN, PA 19401

ALL YOUTH BETWEEN THE AGES OF 13-17 ARE INVITED TO THIS EVENING OF WORSHIP IN PREPARATION FOR LENT JOIN US!

¡Invita el Grupo de Jóvenes de San Patricio!

¡TODOS LOS JOVENES ENTRE LAS EDADES DE 13-17 AÑOS ESTAN INVITADOS A ESTA PREPARACION DE CUARESMA, ACOMPAÑANOSI!

33ma Convocación Catequética

Compartiendo la Buena Nueva de Jesús

Sábado, Marzo 23, 2024

Archbishop John Carroll High School
241 Matsonford Rd., Radnor, PA 19087

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Oficina para la Formaci3n Catequética - PhillyOCE.archphila.org

CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS

-Adult faith formation-

The Sixth Commandment

Preparing for Lent

Thursday, February 8, 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

Archdiocese of Philadelphia Catholic Charismatic Renewal



Cathedral Charismatic Praise & Prayer Group

All are welcome on

Wednesdays, 6:15 pm - 8:00 pm

Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul

Neumann Room

1723 Race Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103

Parking available: Enter Cathedral lot by 17th Street entrance. Neumann Room is between the rectory and the Cathedral Square Tower

- ❖ Weekly gathering to give praise, thanks, honor & love to Jesus Christ
 - ❖ The individual & community grow in the life & power of the Holy Spirit
 - ❖ Praise & worship, singing, prophecy, tongues, scripture reading
 - ❖ Teachings, grow in the charisms, testimony, and sharing
- For more information contact **Ross & Beverly**:
610 - 853 - 3688

Mary Mother of Captives is a support group for those coping with a loved one in prison.

The group meets **every second Thursday** of the month (February 8th) in the St Charles Borromeo Parish Hall 3422 Dennison Ave, Drexel Hill, PA at 7PM.

For more information: John or Sue at 610-259-3178 or

marymotherofcaptives@augustinian.org.

Attendees remain confidential.



HOSPICE SUNDAY **NEXT WEEKEND**

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,

Recent Celebrations of the Sacrament of Baptism at the Cathedral Basilica



Darling Valentina Menendez Ipina

Cecilia Fernanda Lorenzo Ipina

Mariana Cecilia Ipina

Lilliana Zolla Mejia

William Connor Stevens

Josue Maa Tellez

Lando Michael Wicks

Frederick John Ulstrup

Theodore Ulstrup

Ansel Sebastian Pena Canela

Zienna Amri Moffatt

Mariella Carolina Snider Diaz

Rebecca Rugerio Xinaxtle

Annabelle Marie Keavney

Let us keep the newly baptized in our prayers.

Recent Celebrations of the Sacrament of Marriage at the Cathedral Basilica



Liam Brennan & Brigid Anne O'Shaughnessy Slavin

Justin Charles & Hannah Therese Capponi Jellinek

Ernie Emilio & Kristine Marie Aprile Silvestri

Anthony William & Allison Marie Long Mamunes

Patrick Stephen & Kathleen Grace White Fryer

Brenden John & Elizabeth Anne Buonomo Leese

Sean Patrick & Francesca Gatti Tenney

Max & Alyssa Ann Ogle Tenenbaum

Juan & Vianey Castro Sanchez Hernandez Evengetiste

Cameron James & Anna Jane Carosi Calv

Kevin Joseph & Morgan Elizabeth Meyer Donnelly

Timothy Charles & Nicole Marie Parvesse Wilde

Brian Michael & Colleen Adele Hallett O'Neill

Let us keep these newlyweds in our prayers.

Recent Funeral Masses at the Cathedral Basilica



Anna McHugh

Ricardo Jackson

John Ragan, Jr.

Joan Zurad

Anthony Friel

May they rest in the peace of Christ!

- 2024 Lenten Day of Recollection -

The *Passion* and the *Eucharist*

- Presenter: Fr. Hyacinth Cordell, OP -

Retreat Schedule

9am	Coffee and Cake
10am	Conference
11am	Quiet/Confession
12:05pm	Holy Mass
12:45pm	Lunch
1:30pm	Conference
2:30pm	Holy Hour

9am - 3:30pm

Saturday,
March 9th, 2024

Drexel Hall / Cathedral Chapel
Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul

Free with offering / Parking available

Please RSVP to Sr Gabrielle Mary, RSM
sr.gbraccio@archphila.org / 215-587-3795

Archdiocese of Philadelphia
Office of Consecrated Life

OPERATION RICE BOWL

By eating one simple meal weekly and placing your savings into the *Rice Bowl*, you will be joining in solidarity with all who have so little to live on and helping to reach out to assist them throughout the world and here in the Archdiocese. *Rice bowls* are available in the vestibules. Your donations can be dropped off during Holy Week and the first weeks of Easter in the collection basket at Mass or to the Parish Office.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR EVENTS DURING THIS LENT

On **Wednesday, March 13, 2024**, the Cathedral Basilica will be open from **7:00 to 9:00 PM** with a large number of priests available to hear confessions in English and Spanish. All are welcome.

The Solemn Novena to Saint Katharine Drexel begins on Thursday, February 22, 2024. The Feast of Saint Katharine Drexel falls on the Third Sunday of Lent and so it will not be observed liturgically this year.

For additional information about March 3 and the Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel, please see, <https://cathedralphila.org/drexel/>.

Why did Jesus have to suffer and die?

Why do we observe Lent each year?

Why do we have to suffer?

What will our risen life be like?

Join us this Lent for our ongoing series when we will discuss and answer questions regarding **“Lent and the suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus.”** Join us and our special guests via **Zoom** from **7:00 PM to 8:30 PM** on the dates listed below!

February 20, 2024 “Why do we observe Lent each year?” - Rev. G. Dennis Gill, Director, Office for Divine Worship and Rector of the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul.

Register at the link below: http://xxxus02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/abcdefggqzsiE9VaKZLU_VBls7TcmgxxxxxT

LENTEN SCHEDULE

The holy season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and concludes on Holy Thursday with the celebration of the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper. Lent is a preparation for the celebration of Easter. The Lenten liturgy disposes both catechumens and the faithful to celebrate the Paschal Mystery, the death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus. For catechumens, this takes place through the several stages of Christian initiation. For the faithful, this takes place through reminders of their own baptism and through penitential practices.

COLLECTION OF OLD BLESSED PALM

You are invited to bring your old blessed palm to church on **Sunday, February 4** and **Sunday, February 11**. Please place it in the baskets near the sanctuary. This palm will be burned for the ashes for Ash Wednesday. You may also reverently dispose of your blessed palm by burning it and burying it at home.

ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT AND FASTING DURING LENT

The Bishops of the United States prescribe, *as a minimal obligation*, that all persons who are **fourteen years of age and older** are bound to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday, on all the Fridays of Lent, and Good Friday. Further, all persons eighteen years of age and older, up to and including their fifty-ninth birthday, are bound to fast by limiting themselves to a single full meal on Ash Wednesday and on Good Friday, while the other two meals on those days are to be light. Keeping a voluntary fast throughout Lent is encouraged on the part of all.

CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The description and schedule of the Lenten Rites for the Elect (catechumens) and Candidates for the Easter Sacraments will be announced in the Parish Bulletin all throughout Lent. These rites will take place at the **Saturday evening 5:15 PM Anticipated Mass** for Sunday and at the **Sunday 11:00 AM Solemn Mass**.

ASH WEDNESDAY, February 14, 2024

Blessed Ashes will be distributed at all the Masses. Mass will be celebrated on Ash Wednesday at:
7:15 AM (Cathedral Chapel)
12:05 PM (Cathedral Basilica)
5:15 PM (Cathedral Basilica)

7:00 PM (Cathedral Chapel) in Spanish

In addition to the celebration of Mass with the distribution of Ashes, there will be Celebrations of the Word of God and the distribution of Ashes in the medical facilities within the parish boundaries on Ash Wednesday.

THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE AND RECONCILIATION WILL BE AVAILABLE
Sundays at 9:00 AM (Basilica), 12:00 Noon in Spanish (Chapel), and 5:30 PM (Basilica)
Weekdays at 11:30 AM (Basilica)
Saturdays at 4:15 PM (Basilica)

THE WAY OF THE CROSS

will take place each Friday of Lent in the Chapel immediately following the 12:05 PM Mass.
El Via Crucis, the Way of the Cross in Spanish, will also take place each Sunday of Lent in the Basilica following the 12:30 PM Mass.