

# 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*



Carlo Crivelli, Saints Peter and Paul, probably 1470s Tempera on poplar, 93.3 x 47 cm, The National Gallery/NG200  
<https://www.nationalgallery.org.uk/paintings/carlo-crivelli-saints-peter-and-paul>

**JUNE 30, 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  
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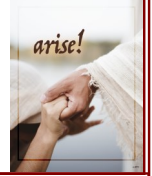


Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM  
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Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel <https://cathedralphila.org/drexel/>

# Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Sunday, June 30, 2024

*"Our Savior Jesus Christ destroyed death and brought life to light through the Gospel". 2 TM. 1:10*  
*R. Alleluia, alleluia.*



### Weekly Intentions



<b>June 29</b>	<b>Saturday</b> <b>Sts. Peter &amp; Paul</b> 12:05 Intentions of the Priest Celebrant 5:15 Intentions of Alecia Oliver
<b>June 30</b>	<b>Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> 8:00 For the People of the Parish 9:30 Audrey Harris 11:00 Marilym Polomski 12:30 Juan Carlos Tellez 6:30 Gloria Lombardi
<b>July 1</b>	<b>Monday, Weekday</b> <b>St. Junipero Serra, Priest</b> 7:15 Intentions of Kelly & Joe Aukward 12:05 Intentions of the Chico Guzman Family
<b>July 2</b>	<b>Tuesday, Weekday</b> 7:15 Gloria Lombardi 12:05 Hugo Bucaro
<b>July 3</b>	<b>Wednesday</b> <b>St. Thomas, Apostle</b> 7:15 Essie Mae Rubin 12:05 Elizabeth Marks
<b>July 4</b>	<b>Thursday, Weekday</b> <b>Independence Day</b> 9:00 For the intentions entrusted to St. Katharine Drexel
<b>July 5</b>	<b>Friday, Weekday</b> <b>St. Elizabeth of Portugal</b> 7:15 Grace Sara Poon 12:05 Stephen & Deborah Wood
<b>July 6</b>	<b>Saturday, Weekday</b> <b>St. Maria Goretti</b> 12:05 Intentions of Lila Oliver 5:15 Florence Lombardi Joerss
<b>July 7</b>	<b>Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> 8:00 For the People of the Parish 9:30 For the 444 World War II Veterans from Pennsylvania 11:00 Victor Francis Russell 12:30 Claudio Colón 6:30 Beverly DeTraites

Dear Parishioners,

### A GIFT OF AN INDULGENCE FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL (JUNE 29) AND THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL (JUNE 30)

The liturgical calendar of our Cathedral Basilica gives the clergy and faithful the opportunity to receive the gift of a plenary or full indulgence on the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul and the Anniversary of the Dedication of the Cathedral both of which we observe this weekend.

An indulgence obtains for us through power of the death and resurrection of Jesus the removal of the temporal punishment due to sin (the experience of purgatory) for ourselves or for a deceased loved one. To obtain an indulgence on both days, we must be intentional about all its parts and be in the state of grace--no attachment to sin. We must visit the Cathedral Basilica, pray the Creed and the Our Father--and this can happen alongside with participating in Holy Mass--receive the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation and Holy Communion on the day or several days before or after visiting the Cathedral Basilica as well as pray for the Holy Father (one Our Father and one Hail Mary). Only one plenary indulgence can be obtained a day. One confession suffices for several plenary indulgences in the days before or after visiting the Cathedral Basilica.

*On Thursday, July 4, 2024, Independence Day, Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 AM in the Cathedral Chapel. Following the 9:00 AM Mass on July Fourth, everyone is invited to join in praying the Holy Rosary for the intentions of our nation. The Basilica and the Parish Office will be closed on Independence Day.*

*This past Friday evening, we held our annual Keys and Sword Event. It was again a tremendous success for our Cathedral Parish. This annual event promotes a culture of financial support for the Mother Church of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia beyond the limits of our own parish community. The Cathedral Basilica serves the Archbishop, the whole Archdiocese and our parish. So, it is right that many be invited to provide financial support for her service to our local Church. I thank all of you who supported our Keys and Sword Event by attending the dinner on Friday evening, by a donation and/or by an ad in the Ad Book.*

*We continue to look for a part-time cook at the Cathedral Rectory for Tuesday through Thursday evenings. As I mentioned previously, our long-time faithful cook decided to step away from cooking and take on another type of work. I have tried various avenues to find a new cook but with no success. If you might be interested or know someone who is, please contact me directly at [fr.dgill@archphila.org](mailto:fr.dgill@archphila.org). Thank you!*

*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 national collection for the Campaign for Human Development. 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!  
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](http://www.cathedralphila.org).

### Your generosity on 6/23 was:

Regular \$4,150  
Special 1,044 (to the young adult ministries of the  
Electronic\* 2,961 Cathedral Parish)  
Total \$8,155

\*Electronic giving is your average weekly giving for May.

### 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](mailto:info@cathedralphila.org) or call the office at 215-561-1313 to make an appointment with Father Gill, and he 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.
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### Readings for Mass for this Week

Please see the website of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops: [usccb.org/bible/readings](http://usccb.org/bible/readings)

**Please remember these parishioners and friends of the Cathedral Parish in your prayers/ Oren por los enfermos y fallecidos:** Luis Barreto, Daranee Teapthong, Lorraine, Xavier Correia's intentions, Diana & Gabriel, Margaret Lawson and Willie Richie, Mark, Jim's intentions, Carla Castro, Viola Cleo Bradshaw, Guillermina Ojeda, Gloria and Leo Paradis, Ella Bella, Anthony & Allison T., Victoria M., For All Souls in Purgatory, For the Deliverance Ministry and all in need of deliverance, 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](mailto: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.**

Reverend Gerald Dennis Gill  
Rector

Reverend Monsignor Arthur E. Rodgers  
Rector Emeritus

Reverend Peter J. Welsh  
Part-time Parochial Vicar (Hispanic Ministry)

Reverend Monsignor John M. Savinski  
Priest in Residence

Reverend Philip G. Bochanski  
Priest in Residence

Deacon Jesús M. Burgos  
Permanent Deacon

Sister Mary Luchia, P.V.M.I.  
Parish Evangelization

Sister Mary Raphael Paradis, R.S.M.  
Outreach Coordinator

Gina Ingiosi  
Director of Religious Education

Charlene Angelini  
Director of Cathedral Parish Music

Mark Loria  
Principal Organist

## REMEMBER OUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL



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FREE code: CATHEDRALPHILA



### 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!

### SHRINE OF SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL

Praying the Rosary with St. Katharine

Thursdays @ 12:45 PM

at the Tomb of St. Katharine Drexel

Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul

For digital copies of the devotional aid or for Group

RSVPs: [Drexelshrine@archphila.org](mailto:Drexelshrine@archphila.org)

## **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**  
Todos los domingos a las 12:00 PM  
en la Capilla de la Catedral

**ENVÍA TUS INTENCIONES DE ORACIÓN A:**  
[prayingforyou@cathedralphila.org](mailto:prayingforyou@cathedralphila.org).



### **TU COMUNIDAD DE PARKINSON EN ESPAÑOL**

Manténgase al tanto de las historias, los recursos educativos y la información más actualizada en torno a nuestra comunidad de Parkinson de habla hispana.

Constantemente agregaremos aquí testimonios y material educativo para ayudar a las personas con Parkinson a Vivir Bien Hoy.

Para más información vaya [Tu Comunidad de Parkinson en Español - Davis Phinney Foundation](#)

## **Nosotros estamos CONTRATANDO**

¿Es usted un (a) cocinero (a) talentoso (a) que busca un puesto a tiempo parcial? ¿Conoce a alguien que lo sea? Buscamos un cocinero a tiempo parcial dedicado y con experiencia para unirse a nuestro equipo en la Rectoría de la Catedral.

#### **Detalles del puesto:**

Días:  
De martes a jueves por la noche  
Ubicación: Rectoría de la Catedral

Si está interesado (a) o conoce a alguien que podría estarlo, comuníquese directamente con el **Rev. Dennis Gill** at [fr.dgill@archphila.org](mailto:fr.dgill@archphila.org). ¡Únase a nosotros y conviértase en un miembro valioso de nuestra comunidad!

<https://cathedralphila.org/>

## **REFLEXIÓN DEL PÁRROCO**

Estimados feligreses,

### **UN REGALO DE UNA INDULGENCIA PARA LA SOLEMNIDAD DE SAN PEDRO Y PABLO (29 DE JUNIO) Y EL ANIVERSARIO DE LA DEDICATORIA DE LA CATEDRAL (30 DE JUNIO)**

El calendario litúrgico de nuestra Catedral Basílica brinda al clero y a los fieles la oportunidad de recibir el regalo de una indulgencia plenaria o plena en la Solemnidad de los Santos Pedro y Pablo y el Aniversario de la Dedicación de la Catedral, los cuales observamos este fin de semana.

Una indulgencia nos obtiene por el poder de la muerte y resurrección de Jesús la eliminación del castigo temporal debido al pecado (la experiencia del purgatorio) para nosotros o para un ser querido fallecido. Para obtener una indulgencia en ambos días, debemos ser intencionales en todas sus partes y estar en estado de gracia, sin apego al pecado. Debemos visitar la Catedral Basílica, rezar el Credo y el Padre Nuestro -y esto puede suceder además de participar en la Santa Misa-, recibir el Sacramento de la Penitencia y la Reconciliación y la Sagrada Comunión el día o varios días antes o después de visitar la Catedral Basílica, así como rezar por el Santo Padre (un Padre Nuestro y un Ave María). Sólo se podrá obtener una indulgencia plenaria al día. Una confesión es suficiente para varias indulgencias plenarias en los días previos o posteriores a la visita a la Catedral Basílica.

*El jueves 4 de julio del 2024, Día de la Independencia, se celebrará Misa a las 9:00 AM en la Capilla de la Catedral. Después de la Misa de las 9:00 AM el 4 de julio, todos están invitados a unirse para rezar el Santo Rosario por las intenciones de nuestra nación. La Basílica y la oficina parroquial permanecerán cerradas el Día de la Independencia.*

*El viernes pasado por la noche celebramos nuestro evento anual Llaves y Espadas «Keys and Sword por su nombre en inglés». Nuevamente fue un tremendo éxito para nuestra Parroquia Catedral. Este evento anual promueve una cultura de apoyo financiero a la Iglesia Madre de la Arquidiócesis de Filadelfia más allá de los límites de nuestra propia comunidad parroquial. La Catedral Basílica sirve al Arzobispo, a toda la Arquidiócesis y a nuestra parroquia. Por lo tanto, es correcto que se invite a muchos a brindar apoyo financiero para su servicio a nuestra Iglesia local. Les agradezco a todos los que apoyaron nuestro Evento Llaves y Espada asistiendo a la cena del viernes por la noche, mediante una donación y/o mediante un anuncio en el Libro de Anuncios.*

*Seguimos buscando un (a) cocinero (a) a tiempo parcial para las noches de martes a jueves en la Rectoría de la Catedral. Como comenté anteriormente, nuestra fiel cocinera de toda la vida decidió dejar la cocina y dedicarse a otro tipo de trabajo. He probado varias vías para encontrar un nuevo (a) cocinero (a), pero sin éxito. Si puede estar interesado o conocer a alguien que lo esté, comuníquese conmigo directamente a [fr.dgill@archphila.org](mailto:fr.dgill@archphila.org). ¡Gracias!*

*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 la colecta nacional para la Campaña por el Desarrollo Humano. 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!**  
**Father Dennis Gill**  
**Rector**



SHRINE OF SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL

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AGES 6-9

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SHRINE OF SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL

# MEMORIAL

OF THE TRANSLATION OF THE RELICS OF  
**ST. KATHARINE DREXEL**

6TH ANNIVERSARY  
*St. Katharine's Homecoming*

Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul  
**AUG 2ND 2024**  
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

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**Men's Study Group**

We will meet for one hour on the **second and fourth Wednesday of the month at the Drexel Hall at 7 PM.**  
For more information contact Michael McGeough at [mmcgeough64@gmail.com](mailto:mmcgeough64@gmail.com)

# We Are HIRING

Are you a talented cook looking for a part-time position? Do you know someone who is? We are seeking a dedicated and experienced part-time cook to join our team at the Cathedral Rectory.

**Position Details:**  
Days: Tuesday through Thursday evenings  
Location: Cathedral Rectory

If you are interested or know someone who might be, please reach out directly to **Fr. Dennis Gill** at [fr.dgill@archphila.org](mailto:fr.dgill@archphila.org). Join us and become a valued member of our community!

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

**Volunteer Opportunity**

Our next volunteer opportunity with the Young Adult group will be on **Saturday, July 6. 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 1:30 PM.

Please RSVP to Michael at [mwilkens12@gmail.com](mailto:mwilkens12@gmail.com) by Friday, July 5th. Space is limited.  
Thank you for your service!

**2024 Catholic Women's Conference**

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Fr. Stephen DeLacy  
Emily Wilson

**Full details & registration:**  
[catholicwomensconference.org](http://catholicwomensconference.org)

# OLMC Summer Novena

July 8 - 16, 2024



<p>Monday, July 8 7 PM (Evening Prayer)</p> <p>Father Randy Kraft</p> <p>Parochial Vicar, Saint Agnes Parish</p>	<p>Tuesday, July 9 7 PM (Evening Prayer)</p> <p>Father Frank Giuffre</p> <p>Prof. of Sacred Scripture &amp; Director of the Spirituality Year, Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary</p>	<p>Wednesday, July 10 7 PM (Evening Prayer)</p> <p>Bishop Keith Chylinski</p> <p>Rector, Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary</p>	<p>Thursday, July 11 7 PM (Evening Prayer)</p> <p>Father Dennis Fedak</p> <p>Adjunct Professor, Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary</p>	<p>Friday, July 12 7 PM (Evening Prayer)</p> <p>Father Shane Flanagan</p> <p>Parochial Vicar, Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish</p>
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<p>Saturday, July 13 5 PM (Vigil Mass)</p> <p>Father Eric Banecker</p> <p>Pastor, Saint Mary Magdalen Parish</p>	<p>Sunday, July 14 7 PM (Evening Prayer)</p> <p>Father Patrick Welsh</p> <p>Pastor, Saint Matthew Parish</p>	<p>Monday, July 15 7 PM (Evening Prayer)</p> <p>Father Matthew Guckin</p> <p>Pastor, Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish</p>	<p>Tuesday, July 16 7 PM (Closing Mass)</p> <p>Father Chris Walsh</p> <p>Pastor, Saint Cecilia Parish</p>
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## ARCHBISHOP PÉREZ ANNOUNCEMENT

Earlier this spring, it was a great joy for us to welcome three new auxiliary bishops in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Following the Episcopal Ordinations of Bishops Chylinski, Cooke, and Esmilla, Archbishop Pérez promised to share detailed information about their pastoral and administrative assignments.

### Pastoral Responsibilities

Each bishop will be a visible presence in the parishes of his region, especially in making parish visits, the celebration of Confirmation, and the installation of pastors, as well as presiding over the funeral rites of priests and deacons.

As of July 1, 2024, the Archdiocese will consist of four Episcopal Regions as outlined below.

- **Episcopal Region I (Delaware and Chester Counties):** Most Reverend John J. McIntyre
- **Episcopal Region II (Montgomery County):** Most Reverend Keith J. Chylinski
- **Episcopal Region III (Bucks County):** Most Reverend Christopher R. Cooke
- **Episcopal Region IV (City of Philadelphia):** Most Reverend Efren V. Esmilla

Together with Bishop Edward Deliman, Bishop Cooke will also take on pastoral responsibility for the Spanish-speaking Catholic community, which is spread over many parishes in all of the Episcopal Regions.

### Administrative Responsibilities

Each auxiliary bishop is also entrusted to watch over and lead particular aspects of the life and ministry of the Archdiocese, working in my name and in close coordination with me. The areas of administrative oversight in which the auxiliary bishops will serve are:

- **Oversight for the Ministry of Charity:** Most Reverend John J. McIntyre
- **Oversight for the Ministry of Evangelization:** Most Reverend Efren V. Esmilla
- **Oversight for Ministry to Hispanic Catholics:** Most Reverend Christopher R. Cooke in conjunction with Most Reverend Edward M. Deliman
- **Oversight for the Ministry of Catholic Education:** Most Reverend Keith J. Chylinski

Bishop Chylinski will continue to serve as Rector of Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary throughout the coming academic year. He will also retain oversight of the Redemptoris Mater Seminary and the Vocation Office to Diocesan Priesthood during that time.

Beginning in June 2025, a new Rector will lead the Seminary and Bishop Chylinski will assume oversight of the Office for Catholic Education, including elementary schools, secondary schools, and schools of special education. In that role, he will also maintain relationships with Catholic colleges and universities in our local Church.

In the interim, until next June, I will continue to oversee those aspects of the Ministry of Catholic Education with the cooperation of Father Philip Bochanski, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia.