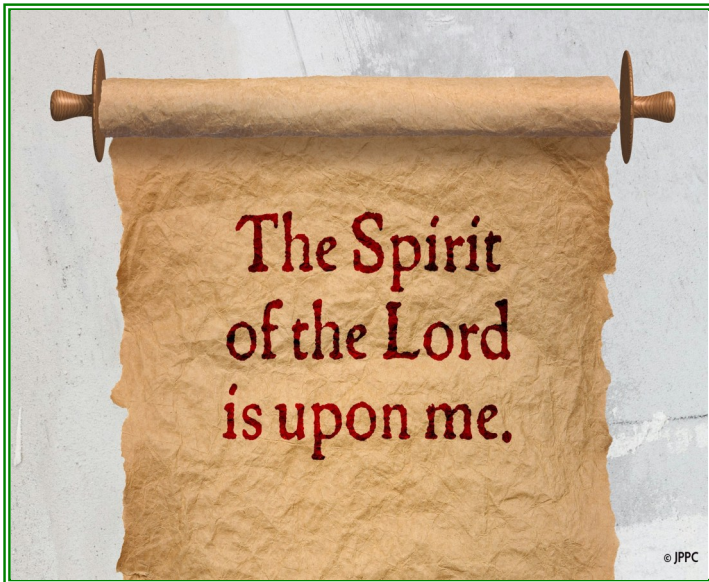


Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul And the Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel

18th Street and Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Most Reverend Nelson J. Pérez, Archbishop of Philadelphia



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

January 26, 2025

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

Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul
[@CathedralPhila](https://www.cathedralphila.org)



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, January 26, 2025

"The Lord sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor, and to proclaim liberty to captives".
LK. 4:18 R. Alleluia, alleluia.



MASS Intentions

January 25	Saturday Conversion of St. Paul 12:05 James Walker 5:15 For the repose of the soul of Sr. Carmen Rivera, PVM I
January 26	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00 For the People of the Parish 9:30 Richard A. Ronca 11:00 Timothy J. Klarich 12:30 Lorenzo Torres 6:30 Carlos Maldonado & Antonia
January 27	Monday, Weekday St. Angela Merici 7:15 Mickey McManus 12:05 Fr. Jason Kulczynski
January 28	Tuesday St. Thomas Aquinas 7:15 Intentions of the Priest Celebrant 12:05 Mary Joyce Curey
January 29	Wednesday, Weekday 7:15 Intentions of the Priest Celebrant 12:05 Rossana Sciarretta
January 30	Thursday, Weekday 7:15 Intentions of the Priest Celebrant 12:05 Bod Bueding
January 31	Friday St. John Bosco 7:15 Intentions of the Priest Celebrant 12:05 Nedra Marks
February 1	Saturday, Weekday 12:05 Benjamin James Petransky 5:15 Peter Miller
February 2	The Presentation of the Lord 8:00 For the People of the Parish 9:30 Deceased Members of the League of the Sacred Heart 11:00 World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life 12:30 Victor Torres 6:30 Michael Olmo

Dear Parishioners,

This is the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Holy Gospel for this Sunday reminds us that Jesus is truly present to us when the Gospel is proclaimed at Mass. "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing (Luke 4: 21)." Our lives are filled with all kinds of noise coming at us from a great variety of directions with all sorts of words filling our ears. Yet only one Word saves and redeems us. This is the living Word of God, the Divine Word, Jesus himself, the Word become flesh. This is the Word announced in the Gospel at every Mass, Jesus himself speaking his own Gospel to us. When the Gospel is proclaimed, we are on our feet. However, are we truly attentive as the Lord himself speaks to us? Do we recognize the power of this Word to change our hearts and make us new? Are we resolved to keep the Word we hear and live according to it? The lesson of this Sunday's Gospel gives us the opportunity to profess our faith in the holy Word of God and to renew our fidelity to it.

Pope Francis designated this Third Sunday in Ordinary Time as the Sunday of the Word of God. It is true that every Sunday is a Sunday of the Word of God. However, the designation of this Sunday highlights the year-round response of the members of the Church to listen to God as he speaks to us in the Sacred Scriptures, especially during the celebration of the Sacred Liturgy. The word of God forms our hearts and directs our prayer. The word of God links us with our Jewish brothers and sisters and all Christians as the source of revelation and truth. This Sunday of the Word of God reminds us of the dignity and importance to be shown with the proclamation of the holy Word of God. Finally, this Sunday invites all of us to read the Bible with great interest and devotion as part of our daily lives.

This Sunday begins Catholic Schools Week. Many of us know the great value of the Catholic School as part of our own educational experience. This week acknowledges the blessings of a Catholic School education. We honor the administrations, teachers, and staffs of our Catholic Schools. We support the families that make the choice for Catholic Schools. The Cathedral Parish is especially grateful to Saint Francis Xavier Catholic School, our partner for the Catholic education of our parish school age children.

Next Sunday, February 2, 2025, is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, World Day for Consecrated Life. The Archbishop will celebrate the 11:00 AM Solemn Mass for this occasion. The Blessing of Candles will take place at this Mass.

The Blessing of Throats will take place on the Memorial of Saint Blaise, Monday, February 3, 2025, at the 7:15 AM and 12:05 PM Masses in the Cathedral Chapel. The Blessing of Throats will also take place at the Sunday Masses on February 9, including the Anticipated Mass.

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 Archdiocesan collection for the care of the aging and infirm priests of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. 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

LIVE STREAMED SUNDAY MASS AT 11:00 AM

[Click Here](#), or go to:
<https://vimeo.com/event/2470138>;
[Worship Aid](#)



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 1/19 was:

Regular \$4,091
Special 1,054 (to support the Religious Education Program
Electronic* 2,561 in the Cathedral Parish)
Total \$7,706

*Electronic giving is your average weekly giving for December. 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.

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- 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 215561-1313 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.

- 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](#)

The **Wedding book** opens on **Monday, February 3, 2025** for the 2026 year.

The book for **Mass Intentions** for 2026 will open on **Monday, March 3, 2025**.

Please call the Parish Office at 215-561-1313 or email info@cathedralphila.org

BLESSING OF CANDLES & BLESSING OF THROATS

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Hearing Devices Available - If you or someone you know is in need of a hearing device at Mass, please ask one of the Greeters to assist you. They may be borrowed from the sacristy and returned after Mass.

CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS

-Adult faith formation-

The Fifth Commandment

Thursday, January 30, 2025, 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 info@cathedralphila.org

Excellent faith formation at your fingertips!

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

Men's Study Group

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

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

Please remember these parishioners and friends of the Cathedral Parish in your prayers/ Oren por los enfermos y fallecidos: David Dynako, Felix Tete, Luis Quintana, Nathaniel Roselli, Joan Ranieri, Sharnice, Jorge Vega, Chris Carey, Deacon Hinson's intentions, Maria DiDonato, Joshua Storey, Lin Huang, Alan Demascus, Marlene Pineda, Angelo David, Cathy Matlack, Baritono Abalo's intentions, Flia. Torres Santos, 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. Por favor envíe un email o llame a la oficina parroquial para añadir o remover los nombres de la lista de personas que estén enfermas.**

Declaración de la Misión de la Parroquia Catedral de los Santos Pedro y Pablo

Con Jesucristo como nuestra Cabeza y Fundamento, la Parroquia Catedral de los Santos Pedro y Pablo forma una vibrante comunidad Católica Romana en el centro de la ciudad y sirve a todos aquellos que vienen a la Catedral Basílica, la Iglesia Madre de la Arquidiócesis de Filadelfia. Nuestra comunidad parroquial profesa nuestra fe católica, ministra a los demás y da la bienvenida a todos, enraizada en la Palabra de Dios y la celebración de los sacramentos de Jesucristo, nuestro Señor y Salvador.

Adoptado por el Consejo Pastoral Parroquial, agosto 10, 2021

SACRAMENTO DE LA RECONCILIACIÓN

Los domingos a las 12:00 PM
en la Capilla



CONVOCATORIA CATEQUÉTICA

Sábado, Marzo 22, 2025
Archbishop Carroll High School, Radnor, PA

¿Estás listo para transformar tu vida y fortalecer tu fe?
¡Acompáñanos y Regístrate!

La Misa de apertura será oficiada por el Arzobispo Pérez seguida de una presentación principal y una serie de talleres en inglés y español.

El costo es de \$45 por persona.
Tarifa de grupo: 4 o más personas: \$35/persona.
Envíe un correo electrónico a kpfeffer@archphila.org para recibir un código de descuento si tiene más de 4 personas para registrarse.

Abierto a cualquier persona mayor de 18 años que quiera crecer en la fe y servir a la iglesia. No se aceptan niños.

Para registrarse vaya a:
<https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=EHMvdt>

Únase a nosotros para un día de oración, acompañamiento y formación.

SI TIENES ALGUNAS PREGUNTAS
O SI NECESITAS MÁS INFORMACIÓN
CONTACTANOS 215-587-3720

Office for Catechetical Formation
during the COVID-19 pandemic
<https://cfc.org>

El Arzobispo Pérez, en su carta pastoral, invita a los católicos de Filadelfia a un cambio de corazón y a participar en la conversación sobre el futuro de la Iglesia en la ciudad.

Para leer la carta, ver el video del arzobispo e inscribirse para una sesión de consulta, visite trustandhope.org



REFLEXIÓN DEL PÁRROCO

Estimados feligreses,

Este es el tercer domingo del Tiempo Ordinario. El santo evangelio de este domingo nos recuerda que Jesús está realmente presente cuando se proclama el evangelio en la Misa. “Hoy mismo se ha cumplido este pasaje de la Escritura que acaban de oír” (Lc. 4, 21). Nuestras vidas están llenas de todo tipo de ruidos que nos llegan desde una gran variedad de direcciones y de todo tipo de palabras que llenan nuestros oídos. Sin embargo, sólo una Palabra nos salva y nos redime. Esta es la Palabra viva de Dios, la Palabra Divina, Jesús mismo, la Palabra hecha carne. Esta es la Palabra anunciada en el evangelio en cada Misa, Jesús mismo hablándonos su propio Evangelio. Cuando se proclama el evangelio, nos ponemos de pie. Sin embargo, ¿estamos verdaderamente atentos mientras el Señor mismo nos habla? ¿Reconocemos el poder de esta Palabra para cambiar nuestros corazones y hacernos nuevos? ¿Estamos decididos a guardar la Palabra que escuchamos y a vivir de acuerdo con ella? La lección del evangelio de este domingo nos da la oportunidad de profesar nuestra fe en la santa Palabra de Dios y renovar nuestra fidelidad a ella.

El Papa Francisco designó este Tercer Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario como el Domingo de la Palabra de Dios. Es cierto que cada domingo es un Domingo de la Palabra de Dios. Sin embargo, la designación de este domingo resalta la respuesta de los miembros de la Iglesia durante todo el año para escuchar a Dios cuando nos habla en las Sagradas Escrituras, especialmente durante la celebración de la Sagrada Liturgia. La palabra de Dios forma nuestros corazones y dirige nuestra oración. La palabra de Dios nos vincula con nuestros hermanos y hermanas judíos y con todos los cristianos como fuente de revelación y verdad. Este Domingo de la Palabra de Dios nos recuerda la dignidad e importancia que debe demostrarse con la proclamación de la santa Palabra de Dios. Finalmente, este domingo nos invita a todos a leer la biblia con gran interés y devoción como parte de nuestra vida diaria.

Este domingo comienza la Semana de las Escuelas Católicas. Muchos de nosotros conocemos el gran valor de la Escuela Católica como parte de nuestra propia experiencia educativa. Esta semana reconoce las bendiciones de una educación en la Escuela Católica. Honramos a las administraciones, maestros y personal de nuestras Escuelas Católicas. Apoyamos a las familias que eligen las Escuelas Católicas. La Parroquia de la Catedral está especialmente agradecida con la Escuela Católica St. Francis Xavier, nuestro socio para la educación católica de los niños en edad escolar de nuestra parroquia.

El próximo domingo 2 de febrero del 2025 es la Fiesta de la Presentación del Señor, Jornada Mundial de la Vida Consagrada. El Arzobispo celebrará la Misa Solemne de las 11:00 AM para esta ocasión. La Bendición de las Velas se llevará a cabo en esta Misa.

La Bendición de las Gargantas se llevará a cabo en la Memoria de San Blas, el lunes 3 de febrero del 2025, en las Misas de las 7:15 AM. y las 12:05 PM en la Capilla de la Catedral. La Bendición de las Gargantas también se llevará a cabo en las Misas del domingo 9 de febrero, incluida la Misa Anticipada.

Gracias a todos nuestros feligreses y visitantes por su bondad y generosidad hacia la Parroquia de la Catedral. La segunda colecta del próximo domingo se destinará a la colecta arquidiocesana para el cuidado de los sacerdotes ancianos y enfermos de la Arquidiócesis de Filadelfia. Puede enviar sus ofrendas dominicales por correo a la oficina parroquial de la Catedral o utilizar las muchas formas de donar electrónicamente. Visite <http://cathedralphila.org/donate/>. Muchas gracias.

Dios los bendiga,
Padre Dennis Gill
Rector




SACRED JUBILEE SITE FOR 2025

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia is pleased to announce that the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul and Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel has been designated as a Sacred Jubilee Site for the Ordinary Jubilee Year 2025. From December 29, 2024, through December 28, 2025, pilgrims are invited to visit and receive the Jubilee Indulgence.

Full details are provided in the [Indulgence Decree](#).

Exodus 90 is a 90-day spiritual exercise for men based on 3 pillars: prayer, asceticism, and fraternity. Becoming a saint is the most important thing any of us can do with our lives. Join hundreds of thousands of Catholic men around the world and become the man God made you to be.

Contact : Michael McGeough (609)502-1185 or mmcgeough64@gmail.com



TMIY

That Man is You! is an interactive men's program that combines the latest findings of modern science with the teachings of the Church and the wisdom of the saints to develop authentic male leaders capable of transforming themselves, their families and greater society.

When: Wednesday mornings 6:30-7:30 AM.
Starts February 5th: 13 weeks.
Where: Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul - Neumann Room (backside)
Registration: <https://programs.paradisusdei.org/join/F914C2>

COME & SEE (JN 1:39)



Come & See Weekends (Jn 1:39)
St. Charles Borromeo Seminary
1400 Evans Road, Ambler PA



High School Discernment Dates
 January 25-26, 2025



Come & See Retreat Weekends offer men the opportunity to visit Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary, meet with seminarians, and deepen their prayer life in order to explore the possibility of the Priesthood for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

For more information and to register, visit: HeedtheCall.org/ComeandSee

Rev. David O'Brien, Vocation Director
 1400 Evans Road, Ambler PA
 610-667-5778; fr.dobrien@archphila.org

Announcement:

Archbishop Nelson J. Perez's Pastoral Letter and Invitation to Consultation Sessions



An Invitation from Archbishop Pérez

Learn more about a new way forward together for the Catholic Church of Philadelphia

Archbishop Nelson J. Perez has released a significant pastoral letter that calls all Catholics to a conversion of heart—a shift toward a lifestyle and mindset of a missionary disciple. This call urges us to commit seriously to life in Jesus Christ and to reach out to those who have fallen away from the faith, especially those Catholics who no longer attend Mass.

At the heart of the letter is the Archbishop's vision for the future of the Church in Philadelphia, which includes an exciting new initiative known as **"The Fourth Way."**

Take the Time to Read and Reflect We encourage all to read the Archbishop's pastoral letter, watch the accompanying video, and explore the Frequently Asked Questions on the website. All of this content can be found at trustandhope.org.

Attend a Consultation Session As part of this important moment in our Archdiocese, the letter inaugurates a period of widespread consultation regarding **"The Fourth Way."** All Catholics are invited to attend a consultation session, where you can learn more about this initiative and provide your valuable input.

Don't miss out! Dates, locations, and registration for the consultation sessions are also available on trustandhope.org.

We invite you to be part of this vital conversation for the future of our Church—please visit trustandhope.org today!

How to the Share the Kerygma: Catechist Training

Saturday, February 8, 2025 - 9am-12pm
Our Lady of Grace Gym, Pennel, PA (Bucks County)

"Kerygma" is the Greek word that the Church uses to refer to the proclamation of the core message of the Gospel. This core proclamation has its own power to change hearts and win souls for Jesus Christ. In recent years, the Church is asking us to recover the kerygma and put it once again at the center of catechesis. During this training, catechists will learn simple tools for proclaiming the kerygma in their classrooms, creating the conditions for students to have a personal encounter with the living Jesus.

Facilitator: Meghan Cokeley, Director, Office for the New Evangelization
More info: [View the flyer](#); \$15.00 includes refreshments and training materials; [Click here to register](#) or visit phillyevang.org/events

The Knights of Columbus 1191 La Rabida Council would like to invite the men of our parish to join our fraternal brotherhood. Check us out at www.kofc.org and email us at kofc1191@gmail.com.



Office for Catechetical Formation
Sowing the Seeds of Faith

34TH CATECHETICAL CONVOCATION



SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 2025

ARCHBISHOP JOHN CARROLL HIGH SCHOOL, RADNOR, PA

Keynote Speakers:
English Track: Julianne Stanz
Spanish Track: Rev. Thomas Viviano

More information forthcoming

PhillyOCF@archphila.org | 215-587-3720 | PhillyOCF.org | @PhillyOCF

TODAY!

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
When Someone You Love Walks Away From God / Leaves the Church

Sunday, January 26, 2025
1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Presenter: Barbara Rensman *
Spiritual director: Sr. Mary Luchia, PVMI

Join the discussion on ways to love them back to Christ. Don't feel like you've failed if your loved ones have left the church. You're not perfect. God is perfect and he is longing for us to return to him.

Location: Room 1307
Archdiocesan Pastoral Center,
222 N. 17th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103
Sandwiches, Coffee, and Donuts are provided during the Tea Break.



ALL ARE WELCOME TO THE CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL AND SHRINE OF SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL TO CELEBRATE

THE WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2ND, 2025

11:00 a.m. Solemn Mass

The Cathedral Basilica is a Sacred Jubilee Site and provides the clergy and faithful on this occasion the opportunity to obtain the gift of the Jubilee Indulgence.



Parking is available

BBVC 2025!

Brothers of Borromeo Vocation Camp



Saturday, March 22, 2025

9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

St. Charles Borromeo Seminary

1400 Evans Road Ambler, PA 19002

For young men in grades 6, 7, and 8



Scan for registration information!



VOCATION OFFICE FOR THE DIOCESAN PRIESTHOOD ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA HEED THE CALL

Registration Due: February 28, 2025

\$25 registration fee per person includes lunch and a t-shirt

Questions? Contact Grace Murphy, at gmurphy@archphila.org or 610-667-5778

Or visit HeedTheCall.org/BBVC