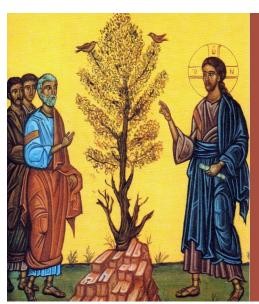
# Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul And the Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel

18th Street and Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Most Reverend Nelson J. Pérez, Archbishop of Philadelphia



If you had faith the size of a mustard seed. you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would

LUKE 17:6

**Reverend Gerald Dennis Gill** 

Rector

Reverend Monsignor Arthur E. Rodgers **Rector Emeritus** 

Reverend Matthew P. Carroll, O.P. **Parochial Vicar** 

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** 

Reverend Mr. Chike Egbufoama Transitional Deacon

Sister Marie Faustina, R.S.M. Parish Manager

Andrea Guckin Parish Finance Director

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** 

### **October 5, 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

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

12:00 PM (español) en la Capilla

Weekdays: 11:30 AM in the Basilica 4:15 PM in the Basilica **Saturday:** 

Please contact the Parish Office to arrange for the:

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# Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, October 5, 2025

"The word of the Lord remains forever. This is the word that has been proclaimed to you."

1 Peter 1:25 Alleluia, alleluia.

October 4	Saturday St. Francis of Assisi
10.05	
12:05	For the intentions of
	Jennifer Collins
5:15	Filippo Di Costanzo
October 5	Twenty Seventh Sunday in
	Ordinary Time
Respect Life Sunday	
	ld Communion Sunday
8:00	For the People of the Parish
9:30	For the Living & Deceased
	Members of the League of
	the Sacred Heart
11:00	For the Living & Deceased
	Members of the Feler Family
12:30	Angelina Aviles
6:30	John Cardinal Krol
October 6	Monday
	Blessed Marie Rose Durocher
7:15	For the intentions entrusted to
	St. Joseph
12:05	Diane Cellini
October 7	Tuesday
	Our Lady of the Rosary
7:15	Barbara Deissroth
12:05	Dr. Moon Ja Marianna Suh-
	Noh & Jae Yun Thomas Noh
October 8	Wednesday, Weekday
7:15	Barbara Deissroth
12:05	For the intentions of the Young
12.00	Church of Philadelphia
October 9	Thursday, Weekday
October 5	St. Denis & Companions;
	St. John Leonardi
7:15	John Lee Lannon
12:05	Maureen McCarthy
October 10	Friday, Weekday
7:15	Jorge Revol
12:05	Fr. Louis Kolenkiewicz
October 11	Saturday St. John XXIII
12:05	Matteo & Giovannina
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5.15	Marucci
5:15	Fr. Louis Kolenkiewicz
October 12	Twenty Eighth Sunday in
0.00	Ordinary Time
8:00	For the People of the Parish
9:30	For the Special Intentions of
11.00	Fr. Dennis Gill
11:00	Joseph Wolk Jr. Camila Jerónimo
12:30	
6:30	Fr. Louis Kolenkiewicz

Dear Parishioners.

This is the Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time. "Increase our faith (Luke 17:5)." The Apostles in the Gospel this Sunday beseech the Lord Jesus to increase their faith. The Twelve knew the Lord deeply and followed him closely. They heard his saving instructions and witnessed his marvelous deeds. Yet together they pleaded with Jesus to increase their faith. What could have been lacking in their belief at this point in the Gospel story? Perhaps, nothing was lacking in their belief in Jesus, in his words and deeds. However, they knew their own weaknesses, their sinfulness, and their fears. They were aware of their struggles to follow him with the faithfulness he expected of them. Is not this our story as well as modern-day Christians? We love the Lord Jesus. We believe all that he and his holy Church teach us. We are in wonder and awe of his great signs in the Gospel and the Sacraments we celebrate today, especially the Holy Eucharist. Yet, we too know our weaknesses, our sinfulness, our fearsour struggles to follow him faithfully. Like the Apostles, we beg the Lord to increase our faith. We ask for the gift and grace to have confidence in the Lord's presence to us to do all that he asks of us. We ask for his generous assistance to carry our crosses. We pray for the help to witness to him with a holy way of life—to turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel. The Lord will not fail to hear our prayer for an increase in faith.

October is Respect Life Month and today is Respect Life Sunday. Not everyone in the same way can participate in the many public and political opportunities to demonstrate a positive position on respect for human life from the first moment of conception until natural death. However, every one of us can pray for the intention of respect for all human life, especially the legal protection of life in our land. This intention will be especially remembered in the Sunday Universal Prayer during the month of October.

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. The Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary is this Tuesday, October 7, 2025. The Holy Rosary will be prayed following the 7:15 AM and 12:05 PM Mass on October 7. Our Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, has asked all Catholics to pray the Holy Rosary each day of this Month of the Holy Rosary. Grandparents, I encourage you to invite your grandchildren to pray the Holy Rosary with you.

The Parish Pastoral Council serves our parish in many fine ways, especially as a group of parishioners that offers me sound advice. Council meetings cover a wide range of topics and concerns that directly impact the life and mission of the Cathedral Parish. I am extremely grateful to the Council members for their time and interest in the work of the Council and the assistance they give to me. Every year, there is a turnover of one or two members. This year, we are looking for candidates from among our parishioners who can represent those who carry out a liturgical ministry and who can represent the Spanish-speaking members of the Cathedral Parish. If you are interested in either of these Council positions, please let me know at fr.dgill@archphila.org.

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 landscape needs of the Cathedral Parish. You can mail your Sunday offerings to the Cathedral Parish Office or make use of the many ways to give electronically. Please see <a href="http://cathedralphila.org/donate/">http://cathedralphila.org/donate/</a>.

God Bless! Father Dennis Gill, Rector

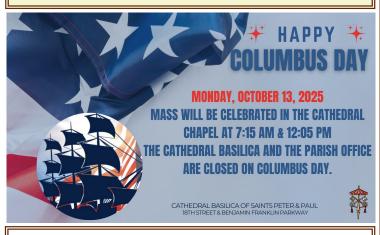


#### SACRED JUBILEE SITE

The Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul and the Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel are designated Sacred Jubilee Sites for the Holy Year 2025.

From Dec 29, 2024 – Dec 28, 2025, pilgrims can receive a plenary indulgence by going to confession, being truly repentant, receive communion, go to Holy Mass, and praying for the Pope's intentions.

Take part in this special year of grace and hope!



#### CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS

## -Adult faith formation-The Holy Bible: The New Testament

Thursday, October 9, 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

# The 2026 Mass Intentions and Wedding book are OPEN

For weddings, please submit the form on the Cathedral website wedding page. See the link below.

<a href="https://cathedralphila.org/sacraments/holy-matrimony/">https://cathedralphila.org/sacraments/holy-matrimony/</a>
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# PRAYER PARTICIPATION GENEROSITY

Be Strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged for the Lord your God, is with you wherever you go.

Joshua 1:9

Gracious and loving Lord,

May cool mornings invigorate our souls, and the crunch of leaves and fall breezes remind us that change is a blessing. May we imagine ourselves in your arms, close to your heart, surrounded by your light, and find comfort in your consistency as the world around us is constantly changing. We praise you for being a God who loves us and takes care of us. We are grateful you are with us in all circumstances and seasons. Guide us to live with a giving heart, a generous heart and a grateful heart.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, Pray for us. St. Katharine Drexel, Pray for us. And let us remember to pray for each other always!

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

#### Your generosity on 9/28 was:

Regular \$4,765

Special 1,136 (to liturgical music programs of the

Electronic\* 2,626 Cathedral Parish)

Total \$8,527

\*Electronic giving is your average weekly giving for August. Thank you!

#### Thank you for your generosity to the Cathedral Parish

Please consider a gift to support the good works of our Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul.

- You are invited to become a member of our parish family and take part in our ministries, programs, events, and worship. Please speak with Deacon Burgos, email us at <a href="mailto:info@cathedralphila.org">info@cathedralphila.org</a> 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 <a href="http://cathedralphila.org/donate">http://cathedralphila.org/donate</a>/ or scan this QR code:

#### LIVE STREAMED SUNDAY MASS AT 11:00 AM Click Here,

or go to: https://vimeo.com/event/2470138

Please remember these parishioners and friends of the Cathedral Parish in your prayers/ Oren por los enfermos y fallecidos:
Jeremy, Anubhab Mallick, Christa & Addie, Vira Family, Debbie Torres, Kathryn Kormash, Inocencia Torres, Janice Scholtz's intentions, Roxana Steern, Kathleen Gloeckler's intentions, Sabrina, Kevin Donahue, Nathaniel Roselli, James Noh's intentions, Rich Romeo, Jr, Erick Santos, For All Souls in Purgatory, For the Deliverance Ministry and all in need of deliverance, For the intentions submitted to Prayers UniteTheWorld.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 envie un email o llame a la oficina parroquial para añadir o remover los nombres de la lista de personas que estén enfermas.

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

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

Adoptado por el Consejo Pastoral Parroquial, agosto 10, 2021



MARTES, OCTUBRE 28, 2025

#### REFLEXIÓN DEL PÁRROCO

Estimados feligreses,

Este es el Vigésimo séptimo domingo del Tiempo Ordinario. "Auméntanos la fe" (Lucas 17:5). En el evangelio de este domingo, los Apóstoles suplican al Señor Jesús que aumente su fe. Los Doce conocían profundamente al Señor y lo seguían de cerca. Escucharon sus instrucciones salvadoras y presenciaron sus obras maravillosas. Sin embargo, juntos le suplicaron a Jesús que aumentara su fe. ¿Qué podría haber faltado en su fe en este punto del relato evangélico? Quizás, nada faltaba en su fe en Jesús, en sus palabras y obras. Sin embargo, conocían sus propias debilidades, su pecado y sus miedos. Eran conscientes de sus dificultades para seguirlo con la fidelidad que él esperaba de ellos. ¿No es esta nuestra historia, así como la de los cristianos de hoy? Amamos al Señor Jesús. Creemos en todo lo que Él y su santa Iglesia nos enseñan. Nos maravillamos y admiramos sus grandes signos en el evangelio y en los sacramentos que celebramos hoy, especialmente la Sagrada Eucaristía. Sin embargo, también nosotros conocemos nuestras debilidades, nuestra pecaminosidad, nuestros miedos, nuestras dificultades para seguirlo fielmente. Al igual que los Apóstoles, rogamos al Señor que aumente nuestra fe. Pedimos el don y la gracia de confiar en su presencia para hacer todo lo que nos pide. Pedimos su generosa ayuda para llevar nuestras cruces. Oramos por la ayuda para dar testimonio de él con una vida santa: alejarnos del pecado y ser fieles al evangelio. El Señor no dejará de escuchar nuestra oración por un aumento en la

Octubre es el Mes del Respeto a la Vida y hoy es el Domingo del Respeto a la Vida. No todos pueden participar de la misma manera en las numerosas oportunidades públicas y políticas para manifestar una postura positiva sobre el respeto a la vida humana desde el primer momento de la concepción hasta la muerte natural. Sin embargo, cada uno de nosotros puede orar por la intención de respetar toda la vida humana, especialmente la protección legal de la vida en nuestra tierra. Esta intención será especialmente recordada en la Oración Universal del Domingo durante el mes de octubre.

Octubre es el mes del Santo Rosario. La Conmemoración de Nuestra Señora del Rosario es este martes 7 de octubre del 2025. El Santo Rosario se rezará después de la Misa de las 7:15 AM y las 12:05 PM del 7 de octubre. Nuestro Santo Padre, el Papa León XIV, ha pedido a todos los católicos que recen el Santo Rosario todos los días de este Mes del Santo Rosario. Abuelos, los animo a invitar a sus nietos a rezar el Santo Rosario con ustedes.

El Consejo Pastoral Parroquial sirve a nuestra parroquia de muchas maneras excelentes, especialmente como un grupo de feligreses que me ofrece buenos consejos. Las reuniones del Consejo abarcan una amplia gama de temas e inquietudes que impactan directamente en la vida y la misión de la Parroquia Catedral. Agradezco profundamente a los miembros del Consejo su tiempo e interés en el trabajo del Consejo y la ayuda que me brindan. Cada año hay una rotación de uno o dos miembros. Este año buscamos candidatos entre nuestros feligreses que puedan representar a quienes realizan un ministerio litúrgico y a los feligreses hispanoparlantes de la Parroquia Catedral. Si le interesa alguno de estos puestos en el Consejo, por favor, hágamelo saber a fr.dgill@archphila.org.

Gracias a todos nuestros feligreses y visitantes por su generosidad con la Parroquia Catedral. La segunda colecta del próximo domingo se destinará a las necesidades de jardinería de la Parroquia Catedral. Puede enviar sus ofrendas dominicales por correo a la oficina parroquial de la Catedral o utilizar las diversas opciones para donar electrónicamente. Consulte <a href="http://cathedralphila.org/donate/">http://cathedralphila.org/donate/</a>.

¡Que Dios los bendiga! Padre Dennis Gill Rector



#### ARCHDIOCESAN JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE

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# Council of Nicaea

The battle was raging. The Arian heresy had gripped large swaths of the Church, leading many to deny the divinity of Christ. But at the Council of Nicaea in 325 AD, the Holy Spirit, working through the Council Fathers, definitively affirmed the Church's inerrant faith in Jesus Christ, Second Person of the Trinity, consubstantial with the Father.

7:00 PM

Cathedral Basilica of

Saints Peter and Paul

18<sup>th</sup> Street & Benjamin Franklin Pkwy Philadelphia, PA 19103

Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez, Roman Catholic Archbishop of Philadelphia

Philadelphia of the Ukrainian Catholic

Metropolitan Borys Gudziak, Metropolitan-Archbishop of

Seventeen hundred years later, Christians from across the region are invited to gather as we offer our gratitude to God for His self-revelation in Jesus Christ and for the Council of Nicaea that affirmed and protected the essential truth that Jesus is God.

- Proclamation of the Word of God Reflections offered by ecumenical leaders
- Litany of Thanksgiving with citations from the Council of Nicaea
- Sung Nicene Creed in English, Latin and

This is an Ecumenical Celebration for the Jubilee Year 2025. Please invite Christian friends and neighbors for this solemn moment of unity in

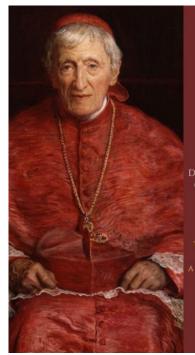
Free parking available in Cathedral parking lot. ~ For more information visit, archphila.org/holyyear.

#### Philadelphia Cathedral Basilica Young Adults

Theology on Tap
Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 6:30 PM After the 5:15 PM Mass Drexel Hall (Cathedral Basement)

**Bible Study** 

Tuesday, October 28th at 7:30 PM Saint John Neumann Room (Back of the Cathedral)



# SOLEMN MASS

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Coming to the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul: A Presentation on "The Holy Shroud of Turin"

A Silent Witness of the Passion, Death & Resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ



Lecture Presentation by Mr. Massimo Paris Saturday, October 25, 2:00 PM At the Cathedral (in Drexel Hall) 1723 Race Street Philadelphia, PA 19103

Mr. Paris, born and raised in Rome, Italy, has studied all the aspects of the Holy Shroud, the ancient linen cloth that bears the image of a crucified man, believed by millions to be Jesus Christ. A life size replica of the Shroud will be displayed.

> [A basket will be available for those who may wish to make a free-will donation.]



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Please keep our Archdiocesan and Cathedral Choir in **your prayers** as they travel to **Mexico City on October 3** to sing the *Mass of the Americas*, composed by Frank La Rocca, at the Basilica of Santa Maria de Guadalupe. Representing the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, the choir will also be singing on EWTN on October 7 as part of a series of events leading up to the 500th anniversary of Our Lady of Guadalupe at Tepeyac.

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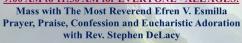
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Archdiocese of Philadelphia **Catholic Charismatic Renewal** ONE DAY - TWO GREAT OPPORTUNITIES Leadership Day - Saturday, November 8, 2025 Epiphany of Our Lord Church, 3050 Walton Rd., Ply. Mtg., PA



9:00 AM to 11:30 AM for EVERYONE - ALL AGES!



Vicar for Faith Formation with Youth and Young Adults 11:30 AM to 3:00 PM LUNCH and LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP All current and future discerning leaders! Register Now

Maria Carmel Richardson, Delegate Afternoon Cost: \$35.00 Register for Lunch and Workshop at https://archphilaccr.org Scholarships available if needed. Tickets transferable but not refundable

> Care for the Caregiver Wednesday, October 29, 2025 8:45 am—3:00 pm | Cost: \$65

Presented by Carolyn Rebalsky, RN, MSN (retired). This This workshop will focus on self-care, offering practical strategies for your own well-being and balance. For more information or to register by October 20th, visit our website www.VMbytheSea.com.

The Maternity BVM Elementary Class of 1975 **50 Year Class Reunion November 22, 2025** 

Mass at 4:30 PM | Reception-BVM Hall at 6-10pm



REVEREND GERALD DENNIS GILL, INSTRUCTOR DIRECTOR, OFFICE FOR DIVINE WORSHIP

#### **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF** HOLY COMMUNION

Tuesday, October 7, 2025 St. Charles of Borromeo Church, Bensalem 7:00 PM TO 9:00 PM

Tuesday, October 21, 2025 St. Matthew Church, Conshohocken 7:00 PM TO 9:00 PM

> TO REGISTER FOR THESE WORKSHOPS. EMAIL: WORSHIP@ARCHPHILA.ORG.

IN YOUR MESSAGE, PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR NAME, HOME PARISH AND THE WORKSHOP/DATE FOR WHICH YOU WOULD LIKE TO REGISTER.



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Archbishop Melson Pérez 2023 Pastoral Letter on Racism

SATURDAY OCT 11. 2025

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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