

The Catholic Community of
Saint Paul

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**OPEN Monday 10:00am - 11:00am and
 by appointment, calling the number above!**

New Office Hours (Nuevo Horario de Oficina)

Monday - Thursday (lunes - jueves)
 10:00 am. - 11:45a.m.; 1:30p.m. - 4:30p.m.

Closed on Holidays

BAPTISM OF CHILDREN
 CALL THE RECTORY DURING
 REGULAR OFFICE HOURS

MARRIAGE
 CALL THE OFFICE AT LEAST
 ONE YEAR IN ADVANCE

SWEET 15 & 16
 BLESSINGS CALL THE OFFICE AT LEAST
 ONE YEAR IN ADVANCE

MINISTRY TO THE SICK
 PLEASE, CALL THE OFFICE!

MISAS / MASSES

**Horario / Schedule
 Domingos / Sundays**

9:00 a.m. English (Church) / Inglés (Iglesia)
 11:00 a.m. Spanish (Church) / Español (Iglesia)
 1:00 p.m. Spanish (Church) / Español (Iglesia)
 3:00 p.m. Spanish (Church) / Español (Iglesia)

Miércoles y Viernes / Wednesday & Friday:
 5:00 p.m. Spanish (Chapel) / Español (Capilla)

Misa por los Enfermos / Mass for the Sick
 Último martes (Last Tuesday) 5:00 p.m.
 (Capilla/Chapel)

HORA SANTA/HOLY HOUR
 CADA JUEVES/ EVERY THURSDAY 5:00 p.m.
 (Capilla/Chapel)

RECONCILIATION/CONFESIONES

Wednesday/Miércoles & Friday/Viernes
 4:30pm: Chapel/Capilla
 Or by appointment: call the office
 O por cita; llame a la oficina

BAUTISMO DE NIÑOS

LLAME A LA RECTORÍA DURANTE
 HORAS DE OFICINA

MATRIMONIOS

LLAME A LA OFICINA CON AL MENOS
 UN AÑO DE ANTICIPACIÓN

QUINCEAÑERAS

LLAME A LA OFICINA CON AL MENOS
 UN AÑO DE ANTICIPACIÓN

MINISTERIO AL CUIDADO DE LOS ENFERMOS
 FAVOR DE LLAMAR A LA OFICINA



27 julio 2025

Oración Inicial: Mi querido Padre Celestial, eres verdaderamente santo. Señor, abre mi corazón a tu Espíritu y guíame en este momento de oración. Gracias por amarme como soy y perdóname por mis muchas faltas.

Encuentro con Cristo:

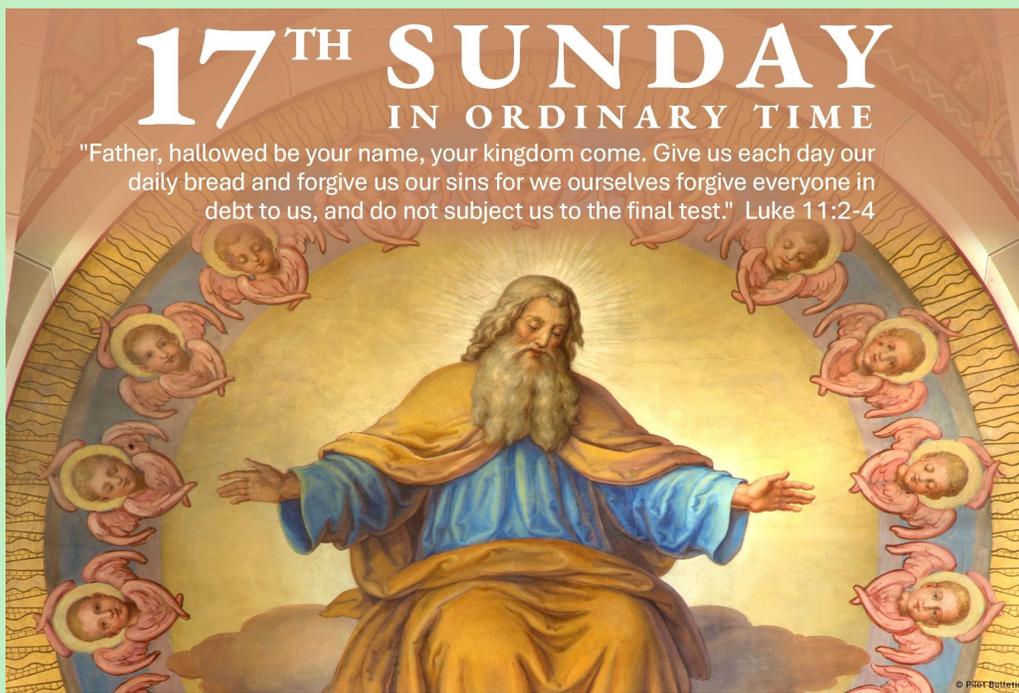
Señor, enséñame a orar: Imaginen a los discípulos observando a Jesús mientras oraba. ¿Cuántas veces lo habían visto sumido en oración? ¿Qué les despertó la curiosidad en ese momento? ¿Cuál era la postura de Jesús? ¿Cómo se manifestaba su intensidad? Ver a Jesús hablar con su Padre debió inspirar profundamente a los discípulos, pues pidieron que les enseñaran a orar. Todos anhelamos una intimidad en nuestra oración que nos acerque al Padre, ¿verdad? Que el Señor nos enseñe a orar.

¿Un amigo a medianoche?: Nuestro Señor anhelaba enseñar a sus discípulos a orar. En la parábola que compartió, Jesús los instó (y a nosotros también) a ser persistentes en la oración. Persistir en la oración puede ser difícil mientras esperamos una respuesta. El desánimo puede minar nuestra esperanza. Pero la perseverancia puede ser mucho más fácil si recordamos con quién hablamos. Sabemos que Nuestro Señor es puro amor. Por lo tanto, podemos confiarle nuestros anhelos más profundos, sabiendo que él obra todo para bien (cf. Romanos 8:28). «Porque “no se nos ha ordenado trabajar, velar y ayunar constantemente, sino que se nos ha ordenado orar sin cesar”. Este fervor incansable solo puede provenir del amor. Contra nuestra torpeza y pereza, la batalla de la oración es la del amor humilde, confiado y perseverante» (CIC 2743).

Serpientes y escorpiones: Puede sonar extraño, pero ¿no hay veces que pensamos que nuestras oraciones reciben serpientes? ¿Con qué frecuencia miramos las oraciones, quizás por un amigo moribundo, y nos preguntamos si son escuchadas? Podemos sentir la tentación de alejarnos de Dios, de cruzarnos de brazos como un niño pequeño terco. Sin embargo, si somos sabios, seguiremos la recomendación de San Pablo y alabaremos a Dios. «Estén siempre alegres. Oren sin cesar. Den gracias en toda circunstancia, porque esta es la voluntad de Dios para ustedes en Cristo Jesús» (1 Tesalonicenses 5:16-18). Por difícil que sea, alabamos a Dios por nuestro sufrimiento y por el bien que encontramos en medio de nuestra profunda tristeza. Cuando alabamos a Dios, lo bendecimos grandemente y nuestra alabanza atrae una abundancia de gracia sobre nosotros y sobre quienes amamos.

Conversación con Cristo: Señor, tu relación con el Padre es fascinante y cautivadora. Hay una intimidad que veo y que deseo. Señor, ayúdame, en mi oración, a cultivar esa intimidad que solo se logra con la relación. Ayúdame, por medio de tu Espíritu Santo, a acercarme más a ti. Ayúdame a crecer en la confianza a medida que tu plan para mí se desarrolla.

Resolución: Señor, hoy, por tu gracia, buscaré un momento especial de oración personal.



July 27, 2025

Opening Prayer: My dear Father in Heaven, you are truly holy. Lord open my heart to your Spirit and guide me in this time of prayer. Thank you for loving me as I am and forgive me for my many failings.

Encountering Christ:

1. **Lord, Teach Me to Pray:** Imagine the disciples watching Jesus as his prayer unfolded. How many times had they seen him steeped in prayer? What about this moment made them curious? What was Jesus' posture? How did his intensity reveal itself? Watching Jesus talk to his Father must have deeply inspired the disciples because they asked to be taught how to pray. We all want an intimacy in our prayer that draws us close to the Father, don't we? May the Lord teach us to pray.
2. **A Friend at Midnight?:** Our Lord was eager to teach his disciples how to pray. In the parable he shared, Jesus urged them (and us) to be persistent in prayer. Persistence in prayer can be difficult while we wait for an answer. Discouragement can sap our hope. But persistence can become much easier if we remember whom we are talking to. We know that Our Lord is pure love. Therefore we can trust him with our deepest longings, knowing that he works everything out for the best (cf. Rom 8:28). "For 'we have not been commanded to work, to keep watch and to fast constantly, but it has been laid down that we are to pray without ceasing.' This tireless fervor can come only from love. Against our dullness and laziness, the battle of prayer is that of humble, trusting, and persevering love" (CCC 2743).
3. **Snakes and Scorpions:** This may sound strange, but aren't there times we think we're getting snakes in answer to our prayers? How often do we look at prayers, perhaps for a dying friend, and wonder if they are being heard? We can be tempted to pull away from God, to cross our arms like a stubborn toddler. If we're wise, however, we'll follow St. Paul's recommendation and praise God! "Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus" (1 Thess 5:16-18). As hard as it can be, we praise God for our suffering, and for the good we find in the midst of our deep sorrow. When we praise God, we greatly bless him and our praise draws an abundance of grace upon us and those we love.

Conversation with Christ: Lord, your relationship with the Father is intriguing and captivating. There is an intimacy that I see and that I want. Lord help me, in my prayer, to form that intimacy that only comes with relationship. Help me, through your Holy Spirit, to grow closer to you. Help me to grow in trust as your plan for me unfolds.

Resolution: Lord, today by your grace I will seek out a special time of personal prayer,

DIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Cathedral of Saint Peter, in the historic Quaker Hill section of the City of Wilmington, is the Bishop's own parish and the center of Catholicism in our diocese. It was built over 200 years ago – 50 years before the founding of the Diocese of Wilmington - and continues with a small but dedicated parish community and school. In 2015, the diocese instituted an annual special collection to support the maintenance and ministry of our Cathedral. This year, the collection will be held on August 16 & 17. For more information and to make a secure online donation, visit www.downtowncatholic.com. We thank you for your generosity.

How to Assist Victims of the Texas Flood...

[Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of San Antonio](#) is accepting financial donations to provide emergency supplies and other assistance to those affected by the devastating floods in that region this past week. You also can donate through [Catholic Charities USA](#) (100% of your donations will go to Texas flood assistance).

San Antonio Archbishop Gustavo García-Siller, M.Sp.S., [visited the affected area](#), offering comfort to victims and families. [Pope Leo XIV prayed for the victims of the flood](#) on Sunday.



RETROUVAILLE: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program begins the weekend of August 1 - 3 and October 3 - 5 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

Parish News

Información Parroquial

Actividades de ésta semana

Lunes 28: 6:30-Directiva Juan XXIII,
7pm Lideres de Renovación

Martes 29: 5:00 Misa por lor enfermos
6:30 pm Legion de Maria
7 pm Circulo de Oración

Miércoles 30: 4:30 pm Confesiones
5:00 pm Misa

Jueves 31: 5:00 pm Hora Santa
Rosario/Confesiones

Viernes 1 agosto: 4:30 pm Confesiones
5:00 pm Misa



31 julio 2025

Rosario, adoración y confesiones

Intención del Santo Padre: julio

Por la formación para el discernimiento.

Oremos para que aprendamos cada vez más a discernir, saber elegir caminos de vida y rechazar todo lo que nos aleje de Cristo y del Evangelio.



SCAN ME

Readings To-Go!

*17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 27, 2025*

Scan QR code to see this week's readings!

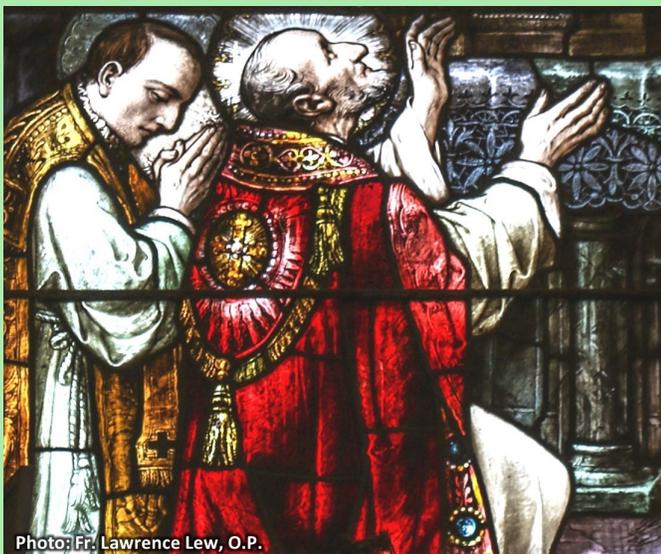


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SAINT ALPHONSUS LIGUORI

BISHOP AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

FEAST DAY ~ AUGUST 1ST

Saint Alphonsus founded the Redemptorists in 1732, and was renown for his moral theology.

"My Lord Jesus Christ, Who because of Your love for men remain night and day in the Blessed Sacrament, full of pity and of love, awaiting, calling and welcoming all who come to visit You, I believe that You are present here on the altar. I adore You, and I thank You for all the graces You have bestowed on me, especially for having given me Yourself in this Sacrament."

- from a Prayer of St Alphonsus Liguori

Support Catholic Charities Relief Efforts! Sign up today!



Three PARISH SPONSORSHIP Levels Available!

Choose from **PARISH BELIEVER**, **PARISH MENTOR**, or **PARISH SUPPORTER!**
Your Parish will get noticed when hundreds of participants and volunteers see your name on the back of the Catholic Charities Bishop's 5K t-shirt.

Please return sponsorship form to athibodeau@cdow.org. Thank you for your support!

PARISH BELIEVER – \$250 • Mention on 5K webpage + link to your website • Parish name on race t-shirt	PARISH MENTOR – \$100 • Mention on 5K webpage + link to your website • Parish name on race t-shirt	PARISH SUPPORTER – \$50 • Mention on 5K webpage + link to your website • Parish name on race t-shirt
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302.573.3120 • For more information and to register:
www.ccwilm.org/events/the-bishops-5k-runwalk/
All proceeds will be used to support Catholic Charities' social service programs in Delaware and the Eastern shore of Maryland. Sponsorships are tax deductible.

On behalf of the Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia, I am reaching out to kindly request your support in promoting our 30th Annual Golf Outing, taking place on Monday, September 29, 2025 at Penn Oaks Golf Club in West Chester, PA.

This important fundraising event benefits our elder sisters, many of whom have dedicated their lives to education, healthcare, and social service ministries in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and beyond. As the need for elder care grows, your support in spreading the word about our outing helps us continue to provide for their comfort and care in their later years.

We would be so grateful if you could include a brief announcement or our event ad in your parish bulletin or e-newsletter over the coming weeks. I've attached a print-ready ad you're welcome to use.

If you have any questions or need the ad in a different format, please don't hesitate to reach out. Thank you for helping us share this special event with your community!

With gratitude,

Lisa Petragrani Spradlin
 Event and Marketing Coordinator
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Mass Intentions For The Week



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Sunday (7/27/25)

- 9:00a + Benny DeJesus
- 11:00a + Stephen Prestipino
- 1:00p + Leonides Collazo Vargas
- 3:00p Feligreses

Tuesday (7/29/25)

- 5:00 p + Thomas Pollstina

Wednesday (7/30/25)

- 5:00 p + Pam Rutherford

Friday (8/1/25)

- 5:00 p + Robert Edrozo

Sunday (8/3/25)

- 9:00a Feligreses
- 11:00a + Ismael Prado
- 1:00p + Antonia Silva Perez
- 3:00p



PLEASE MAKE YOUR DONATION COUNT
Please become a registered parishioner. Being a registered parishioner will help St. Paul's and help you in many ways. For example, many people ask for parish letters for immigration, sacraments sponsorship, or taxes. In order for us to write such a letter you need to be a registered parishioner for at least three months. This information is private and it is share with others only if you request it. **Please call the parish office (302) 655-6596 to complete the registration process**

TU DONACIÓN CUENTA

Por favor, sea un feligrés registrado. Al ser un feligrés registrado, ayuda a la Iglesia y se ayuda usted mismo. Si necesita alguna carta para inmigración, documentos legales, para ser padrinos de sacramentos, o para pro-pósitos de impuestos, debe estar registrado al menos por tres meses para poder recibir dicha carta. Esta información es privada y la compartimos solo si usted nos da la autorización. Encontrará un formulario pe-queño al final de esta nota. **Favor de llamar a la oficina parroquial (302) 655-6596 para completar el proceso de registra-cion.**

Register in Our Parish!!! ;Regístrate en Nuestra Parroquia!

Weekly Collections



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June 29, 2025 Offerings

Amount Needed 1st Collection	\$3,500.00
Actual Collection	\$2,044.00
*Amount UNDER	\$1,456.00
Juan XXIII Mass	\$1,556.00
Peter's Pence	\$947.00
Air Conditioning	\$279.00



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