



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

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HORAS DE OFICINA

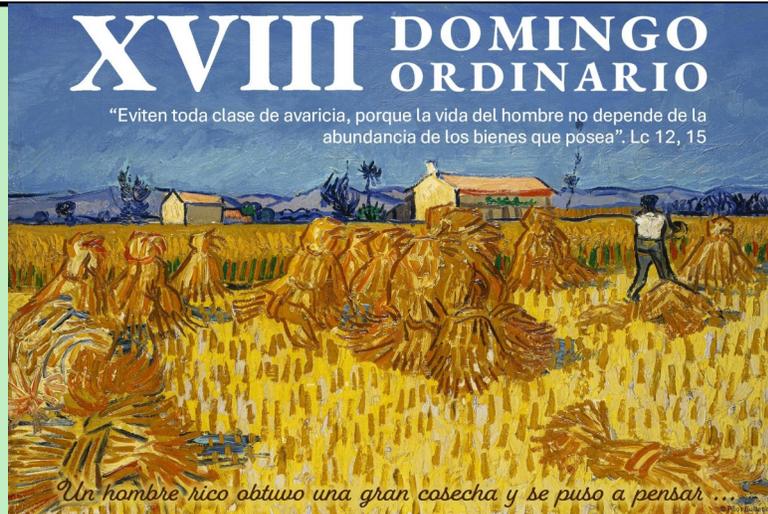
MATRIMONIOS

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



3 agosto 2025

Oración inicial: Querido Jesús, dijiste: «Bienaventurados los limpios de corazón, porque ellos verán a Dios» (Mt 5,8). Limpia mi corazón de los apegos terrenales para que pueda buscar amarte con todo mi corazón, con toda mi alma, con toda mi mente y con todas mis fuerzas.

Encuentro con Cristo:

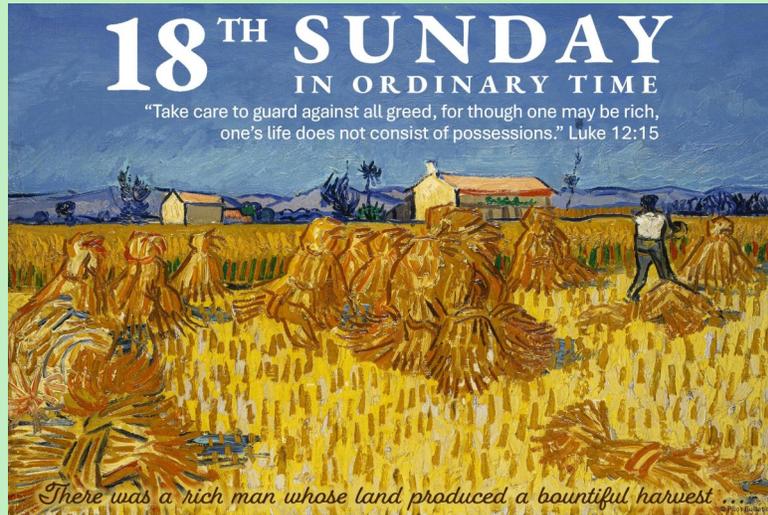
¿A qué me apego?: Jesús nos recuerda de vez en cuando el peligro de los apegos a los bienes terrenales. El Evangelio se refiere aquí a la prosperidad y la riqueza, y quizás sintamos que esta advertencia no se aplica a nosotros. Sin embargo, todos podríamos estar apegados a otros aspectos materiales de la vida: el trabajo, los placeres, la salud, los talentos, el honor o la familia. Estas cosas no son necesariamente malas; muchas de ellas son regalos de Dios. El problema es el valor absoluto que les atribuimos. Después de todo, son transitorias y no durarán para siempre. Mediante un examen de conciencia, podemos pedirle al Señor que nos muestre qué apegos tenemos que necesitan purificación.

Desprendimiento: El Evangelio de hoy se refiere a la comida, la bebida y las posesiones, que son necesidades de la vida, pero Jesús nos invita a «buscar primeramente el Reino de Dios y su justicia, y todas estas cosas se les darán por añadidura» (Mt 6,33). Hay muchas cosas hermosas y dignas en la creación para nuestro disfrute y bienestar. No debemos rechazarlas, sino aprovecharlas siempre que nos acerquen a Dios y no nos alejen de él. El desapego no consiste en rechazar las posesiones, sino en priorizar nuestras vidas para que Dios y la salvación eterna siempre sean lo primero.

Jesús quiere que seamos libres: La sociedad nos dice que la libertad implica autocomplacencia y autogratificación. Sin embargo, la verdadera libertad consiste en transformarnos a la imagen de Cristo. Si confiamos en la providencia de Dios, nada nos falta. Al morir al pecado y a los apetitos mundanos, ya no estamos atados por el orgullo, los remordimientos, la culpa ni los miedos. Ni siquiera la muerte debe temerse, ya que es un paso hacia el abrazo eterno. Esta libertad como hijos de Dios es nuestra, y podemos reclamarla incluso ahora si nos soltamos y permitimos que Dios tome el control de nuestro pasado, presente y futuro.

Conversando con Cristo: Señor, estoy tan preocupado por las cosas de este mundo que a veces olvido que solo tú eres mi Pastor y que nada me falta (cf. Sal 23:1). Aumenta mi esperanza de que cuidas de mi vida y de la de mis seres queridos. Ayúdame a confiar más en tu amor providencial. Te agradezco todos los buenos dones que me has dado y las cruces que has permitido en mi vida. Dame la fuerza para entregarme a ti y buscar tu santísima voluntad por encima de todo.

Resolución: Señor, hoy, por tu gracia, examinaré las áreas de mi vida que no te he entregado. Recordaré, como Job, que «desnudo salí del vientre de mi madre, y desnudo volveré allá» (Job 1:21). Dame la fuerza y la gracia para desprendirme de estos bienes terrenales y abandonarme a tu amor.



August 3, 2025

Opening Prayer: Dear Jesus, you said, "Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God" (Mt 5:8). Cleanse my heart from earthly attachments so that I may seek to love you with all my heart, all my soul, all my mind, and all my strength.

Encountering Christ:

- 1. What Am I Attached To?:** Jesus reminds us now and again of the danger of attachments to worldly goods. The Gospel here refers to prosperity and wealth, and perhaps we feel this warning doesn't apply to us. However, we could all be attached to other material aspects of life—work, pleasures, health, talents, honor, or family. These things are not necessarily bad; many of them are God's gifts to us. The problem is the absolute worth we may allocate to them. After all, these things are transient and will not last forever. Through an examination of conscience, we can ask the Lord to show us what attachments we have that need purification.
- 2. Detachment:** The Gospel today refers to food, drinks, and possessions, which are necessities of life, but Jesus invites us to "seek first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given you besides" (Mt 6:33). There are many delightful and decent things in creation for our enjoyment and well-being. We should not shun them but put them to good use as long as they bring us to God and not away from him. Detachment is not about rejecting possessions but prioritizing our lives so that God and eternal salvation always come first.
- 3. Jesus Wants Us to Be Free:** Society tells us that freedom implies self-indulgence and self-gratification. However, true freedom consists of transformation into the likeness of Christ. If we trust in God's providence, we lack nothing. Through death to sin and worldly appetites, we are no longer bound by pride, regrets, guilt, or fears. Even death is not to be feared, as it is a step toward the eternal embrace. This freedom as children of God is ours to claim even now if we let go and let God take control of our past, present, and future.

Conversing with Christ: Lord, I am so preoccupied with things of this age that sometimes I forget that you alone are my Shepherd and that I lack nothing (cf. Ps 23:1). Increase my hope that you oversee my life and those of my loved ones. Help me trust more in your providential love. I thank you for all the good gifts you have given me and the crosses you allowed in my life. Empower me with the strength to surrender my life to you and seek your most holy will above all.

Resolution: Lord, today by your grace I will examine the areas of my life that I have not surrendered to you. I will remind myself with Job that "naked I came forth from my mother's womb, and naked shall I go back there" (Job 1:21). Give me the strength and grace to detach from these earthly goods and abandon myself in your love.

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 4:** 6:30-Directiva Juan XXIII,
7pm Lideres de Renovación
- Martes 5:** 6:30 pm Mision en la calle
7 pm Circulo de Oración
- Miércoles 6:** 4:30 pm Confesiones
5:00 pm Misa
6:30 pm Mision en la calle
- Jueves 7:** 5:00 pm Hora Santa
Rosario/Confesiones
6:30 pm Mision en la calle
- Viernes 8:** 4:30 pm Confesiones
5:00 pm Misa
6:30 Mision en la calle



7 agosto 2025

Rosario, adoración y confesiones

Intención del Santo Padre: Agosto

Por la convivencia común

Oremos para que las sociedades en que la convivencia parece más difícil no sucumban a la tentación del enfrentamiento por motivos étnicos, políticos, religiosos o ideológicos

SCAN ME

Readings To-Go!

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 3, 2025

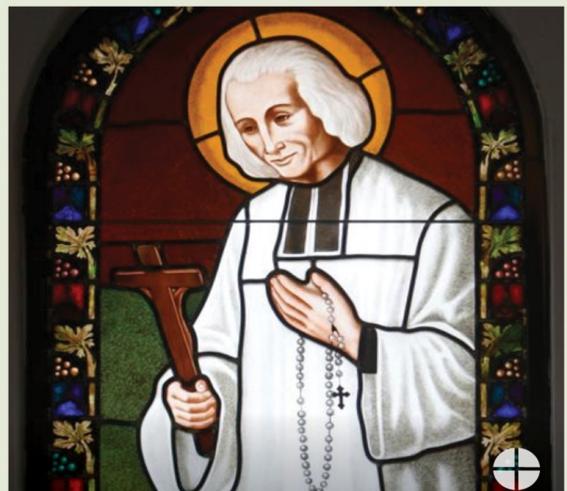
Scan QR code to see this week's readings!

San Juan Vianney

1786—1859

DÍA DE FIESTA: 4 DE AGOSTO

Juan nació cerca de Lyon, Francia, era hijo de un agricultor y por muchos años estudió para el sacerdocio. Finalmente, él fue ordenado, más que por otras cualidades, por su devoción y su buena voluntad. Pero Juan se convirtió en un modelo de sacerdote párroco en Arsen-Dombes, en donde prestó servicios por 40 años. Él se dedicó mucho a sus feligreses y se hizo famoso por su rigurosa prédica y por su discernimiento y saber en el confesionario. El Cura de Ars, como así lo llamaban, pasaba 18 horas al día escuchando las confesiones de los peregrinos que lo buscaban. Juan es el patrón de los sacerdotes y párrocos.



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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 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mention on 5K webpage + link to your website • Parish name on race t-shirt 	PARISH MENTOR – \$100 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mention on 5K webpage + link to your website • Parish name on race t-shirt 	PARISH SUPPORTER – \$50 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mention on 5K webpage + link to your website • Parish name on race t-shirt
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 or email form to athibodeau@cdow.org. For more information, call 302-573-3120

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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 Petragnani Spradlin
 Event and Marketing Coordinator
 Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia
 609 S. Convent Road | Aston, PA 19014
 Phone: 610.558.6143 lspradlin@osfphila.org
www.osfphila.org

30 YEARS GOLF TOURNAMENT 2025
 Support the retired Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia with a day of golf, fellowship, raffles, and more – all for a great cause! Proceeds benefit the elder care for our sisters who have dedicated their lives to service.
MONDAY SEPTEMBER 29
 PENN OAKS GOLF CLUB
 WEST CHESTER, PA
 Check-in + Breakfast: 09:00 AM
 Shotgun starts 10:00 AM
osfphila.org/events/30th-annual-golf-tournament
 #foundation.events@osfphila.org 610-558-6143

Mass Intentions For The Week



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Sunday (8/3/25)

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

Wednesday (8/6/25)

- 5:00 p + Carol Clancy

Friday (8/8/25)

- 5:00 p +

Sunday (8/10/25)

- 9:00a + Maria & Eladio Figueroa
- 11:00a + Ismael Rivera
- 1:00p + Esteban Nunez Reyes
- 3:00p Feligreses



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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July 6, 2025 Offerings

Amount Needed 1st Collection	\$3,500.00
Actual Collection	\$2,462.00
*Amount UNDER	\$1,038.00
Air Conditioning	\$935.00
Peter's Pence	\$20.00
Diocesan Priest Retirement	\$20.00



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