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Holy Family Cathedral Michael's Mount St. Martin de Porres Parham St. Anthony's Potters St. Francis of Assisi Villa Good Samaritan Donovans



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THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA IN ROME - 9th November, 2025 - C

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday

Holy Family Cathedral 6:00pm

Tuesday

Holy Family Cathedral **6:00 am** St. Anthony's Potters **6:00pm**

Wednesday

Holy Family Cathedral 6:00pm

Thursday

Holy Family Cathedral **6:00 am** St. Francis of Assisi, Villa **6:00pm**

Friday

Holy Family Cathedral 12:15 noon

Saturday

Holy Family Cathedral 8:00am

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION 2nd November, 2025

Cathedral		1st	2nd
Saturday	6:00 pm	\$1,086.06	\$495.50
Sunday	7:00 am	\$1,552.37	\$326.40
	9:00 am	\$2,399.76	\$409.22
Out Stations			
Potters		\$588.00	\$85.95
Parham		\$800.35	\$226.70
Villa		\$819.25	\$195.40
Diocesan Schools		\$100.00	-

Thanks for your Generosity

Couples for Christ Ministries invites you to a Christian Life Program, on Sunday 9th November, from 2:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m in the Pastoral Centre. All are welcome to be a part of this enriching journey of faith, family, and community.

The funeral Mass for Mrs. Rose Margetson will be held on Tuesday 11th November, 2025 at Holy Family Cathedral. Tributes begin at 1:00 pm. May her soul Rest In Peace.

The funeral Mass for Mrs. Elma Skerritt will be held on Tuesday 18th November, 2025 at Holy Family Cathedral at 2:00pm. May her soul Rest In Peace.

The funeral Service for Ms. Francillia David will be held on Friday 21st November, 2025 at Holy Family Cathedral at 2:00pm. May her soul Rest In Peace.

The funeral Service for Mrs. Evelyn George Isaac will be held on Monday 24th November, 2025 at Holy Family Cathedral at 2:00pm. May her soul Rest In Peace.

The Antigua Barbuda Chorale (ABC) will hold its concert at Holy Family Cathedral on Sunday, 23rd November at 5:00pm.

Tickets: Adults **\$50.00** Young people 16-17years, **\$30.00** and children 15 years and under - **Free**.

Tickets may be purchased from any member of the Chorale or pay at the door. Come and listen to beautifully rendered music. Free parking on the cathedral grounds.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) how non-baptized is people or those who have never been confirmed are brought into full communion with the Catholic Church. The process offers several benefits for adults considering joining the Catholic Church. The inquirer deepens his understanding of the Catholic faith and develops a closer relationship with God and the community. The process covers the core beliefs. practices, and traditions of the Catholic Church, reception of the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist) for those un-baptized; personal transformation leading to personal growth and a renewed sense of purpose. Registration is open for persons 18 vears and over wishing to be part of this process. ************

Join us on Sunday, November 16, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. for our Annual Harvest Bazaar Fundraiser at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church.

Tickets are \$30 and will be available at Holy Family Pastoral Centre. We look forward to your support!

Holy Family Cathedral - The Annual Christmas Dinner will be held on Friday 5th December, 2025 from 7:00 pm. Tickets cost \$40.00 and can be purchased from any member of the Committee and at the Pastoral Centre. Come and share in a delicious meal with Live Entertainment, Bingo, a well-stocked Bar, Door Prizes and lots more.

Special Donation Envelopes are being distributed for this fundraiser.

START OF THE CATECHETICAL SESSIONS 2025 –2026:

Sunday School

Sunday 9th November - 10:30 – 11:30 am

Monday Religious Education:

Monday 10th November - 4 - 5 p.m.

Newly Registered Confirmation Group -November 15^{th} - 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

New Feature: Adult Share Your Faith Session – 4th Sunday of Every Month -10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.

SUPPORT THE CATECHETICAL

MINISTRY: There are envelopes at the entrances of the doors for your donation to the programme. Thank you for your contribution. Please drop them in the collection bags/baskets when you are ready to return them. We appreciate your support! Thank you.

2025 LOCAL CELEBRATION OF WORLD YOUTH DAY. "You also are my witnesses, because you have been with me" (In 15:27). This theme encourages young people to be witnesses of peace and fraternity. The event is celebrated locally in parishes and dioceses worldwide on the Solemnity of Christ the King, which falls on November 23, 2025.

This year, there will be three days of celebration: Youth in Concert, titled "UNMASK", showcasing the various talents and creativity of our young people; a Youth Seminar on Saturday 22nd November, 2025 and Mass on Sunday 23rd November at 9:00am - Feast of Christ the King.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK & SHUT- INS:

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place our worries in your hands.

We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servant to health again. Amen.

Gillian Howie, Catherine Durand, Georgina -Glave-Toussaint, Catherine DeTouche, Edward Lewis, Arnold Gomes, Jean James, Conrad Looby, Cecelia John, Justin Joseph, Carmen Ambrose, Tyler Lockhart, Joan Underwood, Cosmas Rowe, Andrea Brown, Niethia Dyier, Victor Charles, Junie Browne, Colette Simon, Brenda Frederick, Yvonne Watkins, Anthony Mathurin, Shirley Dyer.

The Jubilee Prayer (Amended)

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your Son, Jesus Christ, our brother and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen

Prayer for Protection during the Hurricane Season.

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control. During this hurricane season we turn to You, O loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with the passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, our beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son on our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem, where a stormless eternity awaits us. Amen.

LECTIO DIVINA



"You are God's building."

Read: Ezekiel has a vision of water flowing from God's temple, giving life. Saint Paul says that God dwells in us, and we are God's temple. Jesus describes his body as the temple which will be destroyed and rebuilt for our salvation.

Reflect: Saint Paul tells us, "You are God's building." The people are more important than the bricks and mortar. but our churches are treated with respect because they are consecrated to God, and because they are the central place in which the community of faith gathers to pray. So we have a church building because first of all we are a living church united in the Catholic faith. If we are living stones, what binds us together? Our baptism professing the one faith in Jesus. It is through the Mass, the sacraments and prayer that we become the living stones making up a spiritual temple of praise. On this feast of the Lateran Basilica in Rome, the mother church. and the symbol of the Church's unity. let us celebrate our being Church, and rejoice in the blessings we receive from God mediated by his Church.

Pray: Pray for the Pope and for the unity of the Church.

Act: Is there something you could do to help your local church?

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

<u>Sunday 9th November</u> First Reading

Ezekiel 47: 1-2, 8-9, 12 **Responsorial Psalm** Psalm 46: 2-3, 5-6, 8-9 **Second Reading**

1 Corinthians 3: 9-11, 16-17 **Gospel**

John 2: 13-22



"Stop Making a Marketplace of My Father's House."

Monday 10th November

Wisdom of Solomon 1: 1-7 Psalm 139: 1-10 Luke 17: 1-6

St. Leo The Great, pope & doctor

Tuesday 11th November

Wisdom of Solomon 2: 23—3:9 Psalm 34: 2-3, 16-19 Luke 17: 7-10 St. Martin of Tours, bishop

Wednesday 12th November

Wisdom of Solomon 6: 1-11 Psalm 82: 3-7 Luke 17: 11-19 St. Josaphat, bishop and martyr

Thursday 13th November

Wisdom of Solomon 7: 22—8:1 Psalm 119: 89-91, 130, 135, 175 Luke 17: 20-25

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, virgin

Friday 14th November

Wisdom of Solomon 13: 1-9 Psalm 19: 2-5 Luke 17: 26-37

Saturday 15th November

Wisdom of Solomon 18: 14-16; 19: 6-9 Psalm 105: 2-3, 36-37, 42-43 Luke 18: 1-8

Blessed Virgin Mary St. Albert the Great, bishop & doctor

WHAT THE 1ST READING SAYS TO ME

The title for this reading given by the Church in the *Lectionary* is: "I saw water flowing from the temple, and all who were touched by it were saved." This text is a figure of the life that flows from the new temple (which signifies our churches and the Body of Christ) and from the new worship brought by Christ. It will be like a stream that will overflow the earth, producing trees, herbs, and fruits that will become the food and medicine of human beings. Even in the spiritual realm, water is a sign and promise of life. "Come! behold the deeds of the Lord, the astounding things he has wrought on earth".

WHAT THE 2ND READING SAYS TO ME

The Church is built up by the efforts of man. "But each one must be careful how he builds upon it, for no one can lay a foundation other than the one that is there, namely, Jesus Christ." Furthermore, the community is the dwelling and property of God. Consequently, any attack against its integrity is an attack against God himself.

WHAT THE GOSPEL SAYS TO ME

In chapter two, John relates the wedding at Cana as the first of Jesus' "signs." Then he relates the cleansing of the temple. Again "signs" are in the picture. "What sign can you show us?" "Many began to believe... when they saw the signs he was doing". John wants to teach that Jesus put an end to the old way of worship (in the temple). inaugurated a new worship "in Spirit and truth". This transition was accomplished by Jesus' death and resurrection.

Organized worship and laws for participating in it make sense only if worship is motivated by Spirit and truth! God is not interested in hypocritical display. Make your worship meaningful today!

SAINT OF THE DAY

November 15, 2025

Saint Albert the Great's Story

Albert the Great was a 13th-century German Dominican who decisively influenced the Church's stance toward Aristotelian philosophy brought to Europe by the spread of Islam.

Students of philosophy know him as the master of Thomas Aquinas. Albert's attempt to understand Aristotle's writings established the climate in which Thomas Aquinas developed his synthesis of Greek wisdom and Christian theology. But Albert deserves recognition on his own merits as a curious, honest, and diligent scholar.

He was the eldest son of a powerful and wealthy German lord of military rank. He was educated in the liberal arts. Despite fierce family opposition, he entered the Dominican novitiate.

His boundless interests prompted him to write a compendium of all knowledge: natural science, logic, rhetoric, mathematics, astronomy, ethics, economics, politics, and metaphysics. His explanation of learning took 20 years to complete. "Our intention," he said, "is to make all the aforesaid parts of knowledge intelligible to the Latins."

He achieved his goal while serving as an educator at Paris and Cologne, as Dominican provincial, and even as bishop of Regensburg for a short time. He defended the mendicant orders and preached the Crusade in Germany and Bohemia.

Albert, a Doctor of the Church, is the patron of scientists and philosophers.

Reflection

An information glut faces us Christians today in all branches of learning. One needs only to read current Catholic periodicals to experience the varied reactions to the findings of the social sciences, for example, in regard to Christian institutions. Christian lifestyles. and Christian theology. Ultimately, in canonizing Albert, the Church seems to point to his openness to truth, wherever it may be found, as his claim to holiness. His characteristic curiosity prompted Albert to mine deeply for wisdom within a philosophy his Church warmed to with great difficulty.





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