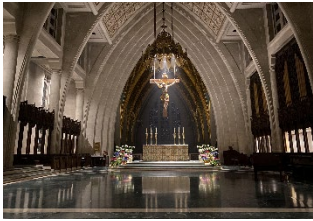


What it Means to be a Parishioner of Cathedral

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"For as in one body we have many parts, and all the parts do not have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ and individually parts of one another."
(Romans 12:4-5)



What is a Parish?

"A parish is a certain community of the Christian faithful stably constituted in a particular Church, whose pastoral care is entrusted to a parish priest (*parochus*) as its proper pastor under the authority of the diocesan bishop" (*Code of Canon Law*, Can. 515 §1).

What is a Parishioner?

A parishioner can be defined as a Catholic who is registered and **actively** participates in the liturgical and pastoral life of the parish through the sacrificial and proportionate sharing of his or her God-given gifts of *time*, *talent*, and *treasure*.

Why should you register as a parishioner?

The pastor and his staff should know who is under his pastoral care. As a parishioner you have a right to: daily prayers by the pastor; the Sacraments; general spiritual care, and; pastoral education and formation. Our desire is to welcome and cherish you as a member of this family in Christ as you "work out your salvation."

Just as there are *rights* for registered members of the parish, there are also *responsibilities*.

- **An active parishioner** follows our Lord Jesus Christ as His disciple and strives to be faithful to the Ten Commandments and to the magisterial teachings of the Catholic Church. We are called to lead others to faith by our good example, through loving service to others, and offering our prayers, works, joys, and sufferings for the conversion of the world and the glory of God.
- **An active parishioner** is a person who has received or is preparing to receive the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation.
- **An active parishioner** is a person who regularly attends Sunday Mass (weekly) and Holy Days of Obligation at the Cathedral.

- **An active parishioner** gives of him or herself by donating *time*, *talent*, and *treasure* to the works of the parish and/or to the volunteer organizations and ministries within the Parish. We are to share in the responsibilities that keep our parish alive and thriving, and not just surviving.
- **An active parishioner** is a good financial steward of the Church. Parishes, like any household, have bills to pay. As a parishioner, it is important to *contribute financially* to the best of one's ability to the mission and upkeep of the Cathedral church and its campus. I am grateful for and humbled by people's generosity to this parish. I encourage parishioners always to pray and ask the Lord's guidance on what you should tithe to the parish.

Practically speaking, then, an **Active Member** :

1. Is properly registered on the Parish roster with all contact information kept current.
2. Faithfully attends weekly Sunday Mass and all Holy Days of Obligation.
3. Participates in parish activities and ministries whenever possible.
4. Prays for their pastor and the work of the Parish.
5. Observes the precepts of the Church:
 - You shall attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation.
 - You shall confess your sins at least once a year.
 - You shall humbly receive the Lord Jesus in Holy Communion at least during the Easter season.
 - You shall observe the prescribed days of fasting and abstinence.
 - The faithful have the obligation of supporting the church.

Of course, we understand that those parishioners who are homebound due to illness or old age may not be able to attend Mass or to support financially the parish. However, we ask those members to pray and to offer some of their sufferings for the work of the parish, its pastor and members.

Monsignor Richard Gilles
Rector of Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman

Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman

New Parishioner Registration Form

Last Name: _____ First Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Primary Phone: _____

Mass Usually Attended: 4:30pm 7:30am 10:00am

Head of Household

First Name/Middle: _____

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY): _____

City/State of Birth Place: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Religion: _____

Occupation: _____

Employer: _____

Baptized: Yes () No () Date: _____

Parish: _____

Confirmed: Yes () No () Date: _____

Parish: _____

Marital Status: _____

Married in Catholic Church? Yes () No ()

Spouse

First Name/Middle and **Maiden**: _____

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY): _____

City/State of Birth Place: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Religion: _____

Occupation: _____

Employer: _____

Baptized: Yes () No () Date: _____

Parish: _____

Confirmed: Yes () No () Date: _____

Parish: _____

Anniversary Date: _____

Place of Marriage: _____

Please attach copies of all Sacramental Certificates with your registration for all Catholics wishing to join Cathedral

DEPENDENT CHILDREN INFORMATION

1. Full Name: _____ Gender: M F Birthdate/Place: _____

Baptism: Parish: _____ City: _____ Date: _____

First Communion: Parish: _____ City: _____ Date: _____

Confirmation: Parish: _____ City: _____ Date: _____

2. Full Name: _____ Gender: M F /Birthplace: _____ Baptism:

Parish: _____ City: _____ Birthdate _____ Date:

First Communion: Parish: _____ City: _____ Date: _____

Confirmation: Parish: _____ City: _____ Date: _____

3. Full Name: _____ Gender: M F Birthdate/Birthplace: _____

Baptism: Parish: _____ City: _____ Date: _____

First Communion: Parish: _____ City: _____ Date: _____

Confirmation: Parish: _____ City: _____ Date: _____

4. Full Name: _____ Gender: M F Birthdate/Birthplace: _____

Baptism: Parish: _____ City: _____ Date: _____

First Communion: Parish: _____ City: _____ Date: _____

Confirmation: Parish: _____ City: _____ Date: _____

Registration Date: _____

Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman

New Parishioner Registration Form

Altar Server (4th Grade-HS)

Catholic Education Committee

Choir/Cantor

Church Cleaning (Twice Annually)

Eucharistic Adorer

Family Life Committee

Knights of Columbus

Lector

Men's Group

Minister of Holy Communion

Money Counting (Monthly)

Prayer Chain

Sacred Worship Committee

Scrip Sales

Social Concerns Committee

Usher

Visiting the Elderly/Homebound

Registration Date: _____