



INSTALLATION OF
MOST REVEREND NELSON J. PEREZ
AS THE FOURTEENTH BISHOP AND THE
TENTH ARCHBISHOP OF PHILADELPHIA

Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul
and the Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel
February 18, 2020



Heavenly Father,
you sent us your Son, Jesus,
whose cross and resurrection is the hope of the world.
With the aid of your Holy Spirit
fill our hearts anew with this hope.

We come to you with confidence and ask you
to bless Archbishop Nelson Perez and all the clergy
and faithful of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

With Jesus, hope of the world,
we ask you for a new fire in our local Church,
which comes from Christian lives rooted in your Son.
Grant us more numerous vocations to Christian marriage,
the holy Priesthood and the Consecrated life.

We ask for a new outpouring of your grace
to live the Gospel more faithfully,
to serve one another more generously,
to strengthen us in the weakness of our faith,
and to heal the wounds of sin and division.

We depend on the prayers of our Blessed Mother Mary,
Saint John Neumann and Saint Katharine Drexel,
to obtain for us greater trust in your mercy
and to deepen the holiness of our lives.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.