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THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 19, 2020

**MASSSES ON
THE LORD'S DAY**

5:00 pm Sat (vigil)
8:00 am, 10:00 am,
12:00 noon, 5:00 pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

7:00 am (Mon-Fri)
8:00 am (Mon-Sat)
12:05 pm (Mon-Fri)

OPEN WEEKDAYS

6:30 am – 5:00 pm

**LITURGY OF THE
HOURS**

Evening Prayer
4:30 pm (Sat)

**OPEN SATURDAY/
SUNDAY**

7:00 am – 6:30 pm

CONFESSIONS

7:30–8:00 am
(Monday through Friday)

3:30–4:50 pm (Sat)
9:00–9:50 am (Sun)
11:00–11:50 am (Sun)

**PERPETUAL HELP
DEVOTIONS**

Following 8:00 am &
12:05 pm Mass (Tues)

**EUCCHARISTIC
ADORATION**

3:30 pm–4:30 pm (Sat)
8:30 am–11:45 am
(Every First Friday)



WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

Archbishop Robert J. Carlson and the people of the Archdiocese of St. Louis welcome you and hope that your time in our Mother Church may be an opportunity to share our faith and joy in Jesus Christ.

Please enjoy the beauty of this building dedicated to the glory of God and built for the inspiration of all who enter.

Public tours are available with volunteer guides Monday through Friday. Tours are also available Sundays after 1:00 pm, unless pre-empted by an afternoon event.

All visitors who are not of the Catholic faith are welcome to join us in prayer but not to receive Holy Communion. Reception of Holy Communion is a sign of unity of faith and full membership in the Catholic community. Together let us pray for the eventual unity of all believers.

If you desire to become a member of the Catholic Church or to become a member of the Cathedral Basilica Parish, please complete a registration card, available at the entrances the church.

All contributions to the Cathedral Basilica ministries and maintenance are sincerely appreciated. Gift Shop and Museum open 10:00 am – 4:00 pm.

CATHEDRAL CONCERTS

314.533.7662

GIFT SHOP

314.373.8243

Mass Intentions

Specific Mass intentions for each scheduled Mass listed regularly in this bulletin are made by individual request. Every effort is made to accommodate times or dates as requested but when not possible, the intention will be kept as soon as there is an available opportunity. Requests for Mass intentions should be directed to the rectory by calling 314-373-8202.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun., January 19– 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 a.m. - Jean Marvel
- 10:00 a.m. - For the Parish Family
- 12:00 p.m. - Arthur Thomas Schultz
- 5:00 p.m. - Nick Theiss

Mon., January 20– St. Fabian

- 7:00 a.m. - Teresa and Francis Farrow & Family
- 8:00 a.m. - John Taaffe
- 12:05 p.m. - Edith C. Cunnane

Tues., January 21– St. Agnes

- 7:00 a.m. - Kirke Padgett
- 8:00 a.m. - Charles E. Whitten
- 12:05 p.m. - Kathy Wade

Wed., January 22– Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of the Unborn

- 7:00 a.m. - God's Precious Infants
- 8:00 a.m. - Priest Intention
- 12:05 p.m. - Helen Klunk

Thurs., January 23– St. Marianne Cope

- 7:00 a.m. - Priest Intention
- 8:00 a.m. - In Memory of Lloyd Taaffe III
- 12:05 p.m. - Peter Dwyer

Fri., January 24– St. Francis de Sales

- 7:00 a.m. - Jennifer Janson
- 8:00 a.m. - Priest Intention
- 12:05 p.m. - Capt. Kevin T. Roche

Sat., January 25– Conversion of St. Paul

- 8:00 a.m. - William B. Guyol
- 5:00 p.m. - Tom Franxman

Sun., January 26– 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 a.m. - Paul O'Toole
- 10:00 a.m. - Nick Theiss
- 12:00 p.m. - William Guyol
- 5:00 p.m. - For the Parish Family

**FROM OUR RECTOR**

Dear Parishioners,

Many thanks to all of you who responded to our most recent stewardship appeal. Your responses have been overwhelming. If you have any questions about your giving or about the appeal, please do not hesitate to reach out to the rectory. They staff or I would be happy to answer any questions for you. Again, thank you for your generosity to the Cathedral Basilica Parish.

Our Gospel this Sunday begins with a reference to John the Baptist who began his preaching under the Emperor Tiberius in about 27-28 A.D., and the unambiguous invitation he addressed to the people, who flocked to listen to him, was to prepare the way to welcome the Lord, to straighten the crooked paths of their lives through a radical conversion of heart.

However, John the Baptist did not limit himself to teaching repentance or conversion. Instead, as we hear in today's Gospel he recognizes Jesus as the "Lamb of God" who came to take away the sin of the world (Jn 1:29). John had the profound humility to hold up Jesus as the One sent by God, drawing back so that Christ might take the lead, and be heard and followed.

John the Baptist's last act was to witness with his blood to faithfulness to God's commandments, without giving in or withdrawing. In the 9th century the Venerable Bede says in one of his Homilies: "St John gave his life for [Christ]. He was not ordered to deny Jesus Christ, but was ordered to keep silent about the truth". And John did not keep silent about the truth and thus died for Christ who is the Truth. Precisely for love of the truth he did not stoop to compromises and did not fear to address strong words to anyone who had strayed from God's path.

In calling to mind John the Baptist, we are reminded that as Christians full of the love for Christ, for his words and for the Truth, we cannot stoop to compromises. The Truth is Truth; there are no compromises. Christian life demands, so to speak, the "martyrdom" of daily fidelity to the Gospel, the courage, that is, to let Christ grow within us and let him be the One who guides our thought and our actions.

However, this can happen in our life only if we have a solid relationship with God. Prayer is not time wasted, it does not take away time from our activities, but exactly the opposite is true. Only if we are able to have a faithful, constant and trusting life of prayer will God give us the ability and strength to live happily and serenely, to overcome the difficulties of our life and to witness courageously to him.

Monsignor Henry Breier

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ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

BEFORE THE CROSS | Tearing down the wall of abortion

A day of reckoning is coming for our country, which has aborted more than 60 million children

“Mr. Gorbachev, tear down this wall!” Ronald Reagan spoke these words in 1987 about the Berlin Wall, one of the great symbols of communism. It was a wall that kept people imprisoned within the communist bloc. People died every year trying to cross it.

Many Catholics are concerned these days — and rightly so — about another wall: a wall at the border with Mexico. They see this wall as a symbol of exclusion, a wall that protects our privileges while keeping our brothers and sisters out. Some people die every year trying to cross this wall as well.

But this week I want to speak of another wall. This week, as we commemorate the Supreme Court’s 1973 *Roe v. Wade* decision, and observe a national day of prayer for the legal protection of unborn children, and go on the March for Life, I want to speak of the legal wall that separates the unborn from those who have the privilege of being born. By means of this wall not only do we prevent more than 800,000 children every year from entering our country, we reach across to the other side of the wall and kill them. And those who defend this wall say that its reinforcement is crucial to the well-being of the country.

There’s a price to pay when the laws of man violate the laws of God. When Saul violated God’s command, he was removed as king of Israel. When Israel violated God’s law again and again, and failed to heed the warnings of the prophets, they were exiled “until the land should recover its lost Sabbaths.” In American history, there was a price to pay for the acceptance of slavery. In world history, there was a price to pay for the errors of communism.

St. John Paul II once asked: “Can history ever swim against the tide of conscience?” The question was only rhetorical, but it’s worth considering the answer, which he knew from his experience with Germany before and during World War II and Russia during the Cold War. The answer is: For a time, but not forever. Different errors take different amounts of time to overcome. In Germany it was just shy of 15 years. With Russia it was more like 75. With slavery it was 90 years between the founding of the country and the Civil War. The truth will win out in the end. But there is a terrible price to pay on the way to that victory.

We are getting close to the 50th anniversary of *Roe v. Wade*. Since 1973 we have killed more than 60 million children, and enshrined that killing as a right in our law. We are preparing a great day of reckoning.

Is this the only issue in an election year? By no means. Along with the Holy Father, I say clearly: there are a great many threats to human dignity — for example immigration, racism and human trafficking — and all of them deserve our attention.

But is abortion the pre-eminent human rights issue of our time? Along with the U.S. bishops I re-affirm: it is. It is pre-eminent because of the number of children involved — still close to a million a year in our country alone, and because of the kind of act involved — the direct taking of innocent human life.

Given the size of the Catholic Church in the United States, and given the size of the Catholic educational system, we should be able to raise a whole army of political candidates who can address all of the issues through the eyes of the Gospel, and give each issue its proper weight. And the shame of it is — we haven’t. And the shame of it is — we wonder whether it’s even possible.

And so I call on the young Church of today. Young Church, new wine needs new wineskins. Young Church, tear down this wall!.



Note: this column appeared in the St. Louis Review for Jan. 13-19 and may be read in the print edition or at <https://bit.ly/35ejOXr>.



STEWARDSHIP ALIVE!

A REPORT FROM THE CATHEDRAL CONFERENCE OF THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The members of the Cathedral Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul are pleased to report our 2019 activities to our fellow parishioners and contributors, to show how our conference responds with generosity to the poor within our parish boundaries while acting as a responsible steward of donated funds.

Currently, we have 14 regular members, 2 associate members, and 3 contributing members. Regular members attend our weekly meetings, make home visits, and share in administrative responsibilities. Associate members assist with conference work as needed and occasionally attend meetings. Contributing members provide financial support and advise us by phone or email. The three levels of membership enable parishioners to participate in the way most suited to their circumstances.

An important element of our work is meeting with needy clients in their homes. We provide emergency assistance with rent, utility payments, food, medications, clothing, and furniture; give our clients a card depicting the Basilica; and invite them to visit our church. The card reminds Society members and clients that the motivation for sharing is spiritual and ultimately embodies our calling to bring them Christ's love and to see Christ's face in theirs. During 2019, we helped 250 persons through approximately 190 home visits. We also delivered Christmas Baskets from Villa Duchesne to 18 of those households. In addition, we provided Christmas Gifts to 7 individuals.



A representative case from the past year is that of Ms. N, who lives in a house with her four grandchildren. Ms. N had been working full time when a series of events led to her having custody of her grandchildren. She had to take an unpaid leave of absence from work to get things in order for the children to begin school and to provide the essentials for them. The Cathedral Basilica Conference was able to pay the rent that was missed due to the lack of employment. Ms. N was able to get her grandchildren situated and then get back to her job.

Donations to the Poor Box located in the rear of the church are our primary source of funds. Additional generous support through bequests and member contributions have enabled us to assist less affluent St. Vincent de Paul conferences in neighboring parishes and to help needy families of students who attend Rosati-Kain School.

Mindful of the generous contributions of parishioners and visitors, our conference is operating within its budget. On behalf of all those we are able to help because of your generosity, we wish to express our most sincere gratitude.

Cathedral Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul



PRAY FOR THE SICK

It is our responsibility in the Lord to remember the sick, who are especially close to the Redeemer in their suffering.

William H. Bachmann	Linus Pottebaum
Linda Baldwin	Dorothy Quinn
Sandy Dubuque	Teresita Sanchez
Alvin Griffin	Sr. Patricia Sevik
Alexander Hacker	Rose Teran
Linda McGinnis	Willa Washington
Lenore Molloy	Richelle Weisbrod
Janice Noack	Mary Anne Work

A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

"If someone shared with you she was pregnant and hadn't ruled out having an abortion, would you know how to respond? ... When a woman is facing a difficult pregnancy, the reaction of the first person she tells tends to set the tone for her decision-making. How do we respond to our friend in a loving way that is life-affirming for both her and her baby?" Consider the four steps of the L.O.V.E. Approach™*: Listen and Learn, Open Options, Vision and Value, and Extend and Empower."

*USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
"What to Do When a Friend is Considering Abortion"*

St. Vincent de Paul Membership

Members of the Cathedral St. Vincent de Paul Society meet in the Rectory every Monday evening at 7:30 p.m. Members are committed to aiding fellow parishioners and neighbors with necessities such as food, clothing, utilities, and rent—all in the context of the Christian imperative. If interested in becoming a member or in learning more about the Society and our Conference, please leave a message on the SVDP HotLine at 314-373-8288.

Cathedral Tours

Tours of our beautiful church are offered following the noon Mass on Sunday, and at various times during the week (pending other events). To book your group tour, please call 314-373-8242.

Daily Readings for the Week...

The readings are included each week so that the parishioners who are unable to join us for daily Mass will be able to consider and pray them in union with the whole Church.

Readings for the Week

January 19, 2020 through January 26, 2020

Sunday:	Is 49:3, 5-6 Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10 1 Cor 1:1-3 Jn 1:29-34
Monday:	1 Sm 15:16-23 Ps 50:8-9, 16-17, 21, 23 Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday:	1 Sm 16:1-13 (or 1 Cor 1:26-31) Ps 89:20-22, 27-28 Mk 2:23-28 (or Mt 13:44-46)
Wednesday:	1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51 Ps 144:1-2, 9-10 Mk 3:1-6
Thursday:	1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7 Ps 56:2-3, 9-13 Mk 3:7-12
Friday:	1 Sm 24:3-21 (or Eph 3:8-12) Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11 Mk 3:13-19 (or Jn 15:9-17)
Saturday:	Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22 Ps 117:1-2 Mk 16:15-18
Sunday:	Is 8:23--9:3 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17 Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

Prayers for Christian Unity

The days between **January 18** and **January 25** have been kept for several generations as a period of special prayer for Christian Unity. The Lord Himself prayed during the Last Supper that "they all may be one, as we are one, Father. I pray that they may be one in us." Christ Himself reveals His desire for the unity of all Christianity. The **Prayers for Christian Unity** have brought about more than could have been anticipated even a generation ago, but real unity continues to beckon our continued prayer.

A Lasting Gift

Looking for a special gift to memorialize a loved one, or celebrate a birth, wedding, or other important event? Consider a commemorative brick in the Cathedral Basilica Jubilee Prayer Garden! Contact the parish office at 314-373-8202 for more information.



Grateful and Generous: Serving God and Neighbor

Thank you to all parishioners who have completed and submitted your Commitment Card to the church. For those parishioners who have not yet had the opportunity to submit their card, a letter will be mailed to you with a personalized Commitment Card. It is important that all parishioners complete a Commitment Card as we will be mailing out a Summary Report of the program and need all commitments accounted for in this report. If you have any questions, please contact the church office. We also encourage all parishioners to consider our electronic giving method and to setup your reoccurring offertory gifts electronically.

OFFERTORY	
Sunday Collection	01/12/2020
Offertory	\$11,390.00
Loose	2,557.00
Landscaping & Maintenance	32.00
St. Louis Review Subscription	70.00
Other Misc. Collections	35.00

Weekly Thoughts on Giving

"Now the Lord has spoken who formed me as his servant from the womb..." (Is 49:5)

God has given each of us different gifts. In order for God's plan to work, you have to do what God is calling you to do, and I have to do what God is calling me to do. And guess what? God has given each of us a different plan! So, stop comparing yourself to others. Don't let envy and jealousy enter your life. Be thankful for the gifts God has given you and generously share them with others.

Coffee and Donuts

The Cathedral Parish Coffee and Donuts gathering is held each Sunday in Boland Hall following the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Please join us for refreshments and fellowship today!

Subscription Sunday

The St. Louis Review, your faithful source for Catholic News, is the official newspaper of the Archdiocese of St. Louis. For \$35.00 a year, your weekly copy of the Review will keep you in touch with the Church in St. Louis, across the nation, and around the world. Please use the subscription renewal envelope in your January envelope packet (or write your check for \$35.00 to the parish, mark it "Review", and include your name and mailing address) and return it in any Sunday collection.

For the Poor

On the first Sunday of every month, the Cathedral Parish collects foodstuffs and canned goods (**non-perishable items only, please!**) for delivery to food pantries in the area. **Our next parish food drive will be held Sunday, February 2.**

Eyeglass Drive

"The Respectacle Project", an eyeglass recycling program, will be accepting donations of quality used eyeglasses **Sunday, February 2**, in the baskets near the sanctuary at the side aisles.

Eucharist: Source and Summit

"Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world." What a powerful part of the Mass it is when the priest elevates the host and says the same words that John the Baptist proclaimed, giving testimony to the power of Jesus as the Lamb of God who expiates the sins of the world. Every Mass provides us with a glorious opportunity to receive the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. The Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist transforms us as we become what we receive. Truly blessed are we to be able to receive the Lord every Sunday in the Eucharist, even daily, and to adore Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. "What wonderful majesty! What stupendous condescension! O sublime humility! That the Lord of the whole universe, God and the Son of God, should humble Himself like this under the form of a little bread, for our salvation." ~St. Francis of Assisi

For more, visit archstl.org/live-the-faith.



Young Adult Pro-Life Holy Hour

Join the Cathedral Anima Christi and young adults (19-39) throughout the archdiocese for this annual event on **Thursday, January 23**, to promote a greater respect for human life. We'll start with dinner and fellowship in Boland Hall at 6 p.m. followed by Adoration, the rosary, and an opportunity for Confession at the Cathedral at 7 p.m. Then we'll return to Boland Hall for a dynamic pro-life speaker and dessert!

For more, please visit: <https://www.archstl.org/>

Baptismal Preparation

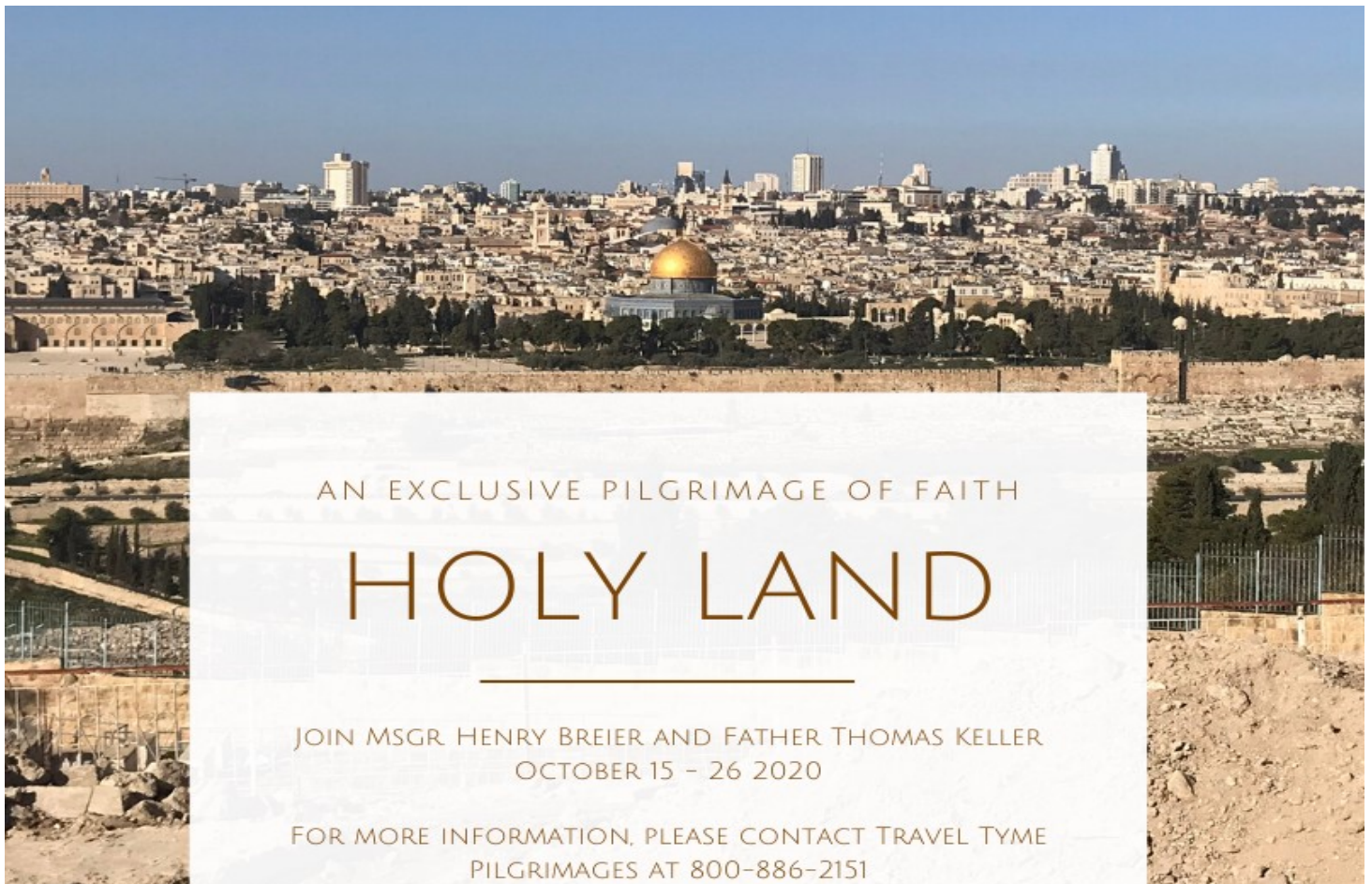
The next baptismal preparation class will be held **Tuesday, January 28, at 7:00 p.m.** in the rectory. If you are a registered parishioner who is or who is about to become a parent or godparent, please call Laura in the rectory at 314-373-8202 to register.

Men of the Cathedral

"Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need." (Heb 4:16) What better way to begin the New Year, a new decade and live your faith by joining the Men of the Cathedral for Adoration and Dinner?

Our first evening of Adoration and Dinner in 2020 will be held on **Tuesday, January 28**, beginning with Adoration in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at 6 PM and dinner at 6:30 PM in Boland Hall.

You are cordially invited to join this group of Catholic Men interested in deepening their faith with our Lord and their friendships with other like-minded men. Please encourage your friends and family members to join you. Please contact Michael Weisbrod at michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org by January 27 to confirm your reservation! The suggested offering is \$20 per person and includes dinner and drinks.



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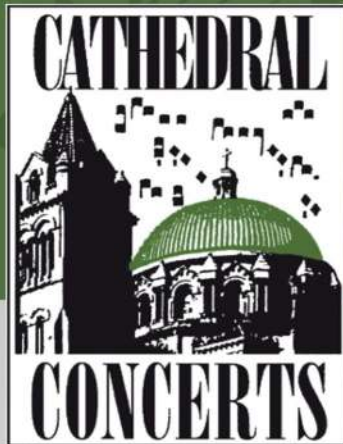
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Friday, January **31**, 2020 **8 PM**



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Friday, February **7**, 2020 **8 PM**

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS JANUARY 25-26, 2020**

Extraordinary Ministers		Lectors	Ministers of Care	Servers	Ushers
5:00 p.m. (Sat)		Elizabeth Abraham Kevin Reese		Doug Weber	Jerry Pastore Matt Colvin Robert Sutter Luke Koebbe
8:00 am	Latonja Taylor Laura Robinson Brian Ragen Tim Hirzel	Brian Ragen Connie Held	Latonja Taylor Laura Robinson Louise Campbell	Doug Weber Kevin Mattingly	Dave Meyer Michael Held Tom Doyle Frank Snyder
10:00 am	Laura Robinson Mary Elizabeth Grimes Mitch Smith Sr. Marie Paul	Sr. Mary Kathleen Mary Elizabeth Grimes		Joseph Brewer Matthew Brewer Brak Welby Will Ryan Joe Cyr	Victor Stuart Barb Murray Ana Anita Atok
12 Noon	Jessica Lobo Jerry Danekas Doug Weber TBD	Jessica Lobo Mary Ann Cheng		Henry Foppe George Foppe August Foppe	Kenneth Brandl Rebecca Brandl LaWanda Reason Jerry Danekas
5:00 pm	Skip Batchelor Nicki Batchelor	Rachel Kondro Kathleen Schmitz		Sacristan	Willie Kelsey Charlie Hapke

Parish Information

Registration in Parish

To join our parish, please fill out a registration card (found at entrances to church) or contact the parish rectory at 314-373-8202.

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Baptism of Infants

Parents requesting Baptism should be registered members of the parish. To schedule baptisms or register for baptismal preparation classes for parents or godparents, contact Laura Voegelie at 314-373-8202.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

For persons interested in becoming Catholic, contact the parish rectory at 314-373-8202.

Anointing of the Sick

Parishioners facing surgery or struggling with serious illness may request this sacrament by calling the rectory at 314-373-8202.

Vocations to Christian Marriage

Couples planning to marry at the Cathedral Basilica may contact Mary Ann Fox at 314-373-8208.

Vocations to Holy Orders and Consecrated Life

Those who feel called to this life are invited to call the Archdiocesan Office of Vocations at 314-792-6460.

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