

CATHEDRAL
BASILICA



OF SAINT LOUIS



THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 29, 2020

Due to the current public health crisis, Hours of Operation and the Schedule for Masses, Confessions, and Devotions have been adjusted as follows:

**MASSSES ON
THE LORD'S DAY**

All public Masses have been suspended

LiveStreaming of
Sunday Mass offered
at 10:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

LiveStreaming of
Daily Mass offered at
8:00 am Monday -
Saturday

OPEN DAILY

CONFESSIONS

12 noon - 1:00 pm
(Monday through Friday)

3:30-5:00 pm (Sat)
9:00 am-12 noon (Sun)

**PERPETUAL HELP
DEVOTIONS**

Livestream at 8:45 am
(Monday through Friday)



MASS INTENTIONS

Sun., March 29– 5th Sunday of Lent

- 8:00 a.m. - Gerard Pisano
- 10:00 a.m. - For the Parish Family
- 12:00 p.m. - Glenn Mertens
- 5:00 p.m. - Nick Theiss

Mon., March 30– Lenten Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. - Teresa and Francis Farrow & Family
- 8:00 a.m. - Trish Alatorre-Ridings
- 12:05 p.m. - Hilberto Martinez

Tues., March 31– Lenten Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. - Alice & Eugene Owens, Sr. & Family
- 8:00 a.m. - Helen Klunk
- 12:05 p.m. - Glenn Mertens

Wed., April 1– Lenten Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. - Anastasia Walsh
- 8:00 a.m. - Vernon Waymire
- 12:05 p.m. - Keith Avery

Thurs., April 2– St. Francis of Paola

- 7:00 a.m. - Mildred Frazier
- 8:00 a.m. - In Memory of Lloyd Taaffe III
- 12:05 p.m. - Linus Pottebaum

Fri., April 3– Lenten Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. - Kerry Sels
- 8:00 a.m. - Betty Claire Houser
- 12:05 p.m. - Lawrence Marek

Sat., April 4– St. Isidore

- 8:00 a.m. - Dan Stubler
- 5:00 p.m. - Mary Agnes Pudlowski

Sun., April 5– Palm Sunday

- 8:00 a.m. - For the Parish Family
- 10:00 a.m. - Archbishop's Intention
- 12:00 p.m. - James Mukkadan
- 5:00 p.m. - Nick Theiss

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.

Margaret Aubermann	Dorothy Quinn
William H. Bachmann	Terri Reason
Alex Burns	Teresita Sanchez
Sydney Cole	Sr. Patricia Sevik
Sandy Dubuque	Rita Sheftall
Sidney Edwards-Cole	Rose Teran
Alvin Griffin	Willa Washington
Paula Littleton	Richelle Weisbrod
Lenore Molloy	Mary Anne Work
Marie Mosher	Betty Ytzaina
Janice Noack	

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 March 29, 2020 through April 5, 2020

Sunday:	Ez 37:12-14 Ps 130:1-8 Rom 8:8-11 Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33-45
Monday:	Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41-62 Ps 23:1-6 Jn 8:1-11
Tuesday:	Nm 21:4-9 Ps 102:2-3, 16-21 Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday:	Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 Dn 3:52-56 Jn 8:31-42
Thursday:	Gn 17:3-9 Ps 105:4-9 Jn 8:51-59
Friday:	Jer 20:10-13 Ps 18:2-7 Jn 10:31-42
Saturday:	Ez 37:21-28 Jer 31:10-13 Jn 11:45-56
Sunday:	Mt 21:1-11 (<i>procession</i>) Is 50:4-7 Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 Phil 2:6-11 Mt 26:14--27:66 or 27:11-54

**FROM OUR RECTOR**

Dear Parishioners,

We continue on our Lenten journey, which is punctuated by the Covid-19 pandemic. This has changed our lives, and I am not sure what normal will feel like when this is over. In all honesty, more than ever have I increased my prayers and stormed the heavens.

During this time, I hope that you have been joining us via our live-stream from the Cathedral Basilica. Last Sunday, we hit an all-time high in number of viewers (4,100) for the Mass celebrated by Archbishop Carlson. We continue each day to consistently have about 400 people watching daily Mass, many days about 200 for the Holy Rosary.

I am edified by the number of those who are joining us for these times of prayer via the internet. It tells me that many out there, like myself, are increasing their prayers and storming the heavens. The high number of those viewing the Mass and prayer services also speak to the great desire that the faithful have in being close to the Lord in the Liturgy and their great desire as well to receive him in the Holy Eucharist.

Over the next few weeks, you may receive a call from a staff member at the Cathedral Basilica. The purpose of their call(s) will be to check-in with our parishioners, talk as long as they wish, and see if there is any assistance that they may need. If your caller id reads 314.373.8200, please do answer. They will not be soliciting any donations, merely checking on you.

In our Lenten journey we have reached the Fifth Sunday, characterized by the Gospel of the resurrection of Lazarus (Jn 11: 1-45). It concerns the last "sign" fulfilled by Jesus, after which the chief priests convened the Sanhedrin and deliberated killing him, and decided to kill the same Lazarus who was living proof of the divinity of Christ, the Lord of life and death.

He solemnly declares to Martha: "I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die". And he adds, "Do you believe this?" It is a question that Jesus addresses to each one of us: a question that certainly rises above us, rises above our capacity to understand, and it asks us to entrust ourselves to him as he entrusted himself to the Father. Martha's response is exemplary: "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, he who is coming into the world." Yes, O Lord! We also believe, notwithstanding our doubts and darkness; we believe in you because you have the words of eternal life. We want to believe in you, who give us a trustworthy hope of life beyond life, of authentic and full life in your Kingdom of light and peace.

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ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

**BEFORE THE CROSS | Put your trust in God
anytime you feel trapped**

God saves those who are faithful to Him, though He
does it in different ways

“I am completely trapped.”

These words voice a common theme of the readings this week. Characters get caught in what seem like impossible situations. Then God brings about their delivery in some creative, unexpected way. It's a fitting lead up to Holy Week.

Susanna gets trapped by two wicked judges. If she complies with their sinful request she will be condemned by God's law and her own conscience. If she refuses their request she will be condemned to death by men. She's completely trapped.

Part of us would like God to strike the wicked judges dead, or magically lift Susanna to safety. But God does something more creative: He stirs up the spirit of a young man who, through their own testimony, catches the wicked judges in their lie. Susanna, who stayed faithful to God, is saved.

Shadrach, Meschach and Abednego get trapped by a pagan king, who orders them to worship a golden statue. If they comply with his request they will be condemned by God's law and their own consciences. If they don't comply he'll cast them into the fiery furnace. They're completely trapped.

We'd like to see God strike down the king, or destroy the golden statue, or free the men and bring them to safety. But God does something more creative: He lets them get thrown into the fire, but sends His angel to protect them so that the fire doesn't harm them. Shadrach, Meschach and Abednego, who stayed faithful to God, are saved.

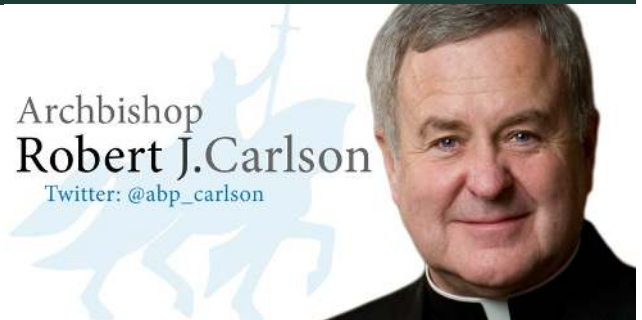
Likewise, this week and next week, Jesus gets trapped by the Jewish leaders. If He says that He's not the Son of God and doesn't perform the works the Father gives Him, He will betray His mission. If He says that He is the Son of God and performs the works of the Father, the leaders will crucify Him. He's completely trapped.

Part of us would like the Father to come down in thunder and teach those leaders a lesson. Part of us would like Him to take Jesus up into heaven and out of harm's way. But the Father now performs the ultimate act of creativity and power. He doesn't save Jesus from the cross. Instead He saves Him — and us — through the cross. Jesus, who stayed faithful to the Father, is raised from the dead.

We should remember this pattern. The next time any one of us — or all of us together — face what seems to be an impossible situation, where we feel completely trapped, we should stay faithful to God and trust in His creative and saving hand.

God always saves those who are faithful to Him. But He does it in different ways. Sometimes He saves them from difficulties; sometimes He saves them through the difficulties.

Salvation history is full of God's creative acts. As we prepare for Holy Week, let's reflect on God's creative and saving power. Let's learn to trust Him more deeply anytime we feel trapped. Then we'll see Him exercise His creativity in our own lives.



Note: this column appeared in the St. Louis Review for March 30-April 5 and may be read in the print edition or at <https://bit.ly/35ejOXr>.



Stations of the Cross

A privileged devotion most frequently prayed in a public service during Lent is the **Stations of the Cross**. For centuries pilgrimage to the holy places in Jerusalem and a walking the path of Christ's carrying the cross to Calvary has been an esteemed devotion and penitential practice.

Though we are unable to pray Stations of the Cross publicly together, the Cathedral is open from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm daily for private prayer. You are also invited to join us online for a livestreamed version of Stations of the Cross.

The Theological Virtues

The Gospel story of Christ raising Lazarus from the dead is a beautiful account that teaches the power of faith, hope, and charity. These virtues are essential in allowing us to participate in the life of God. Christ states that he is the resurrection and the life and that those who have FAITH in Him will never die but will live forever. Those who HOPE in the Lord will not be disappointed but will look forward to eternal life with a fervent desire for heaven. Hope enables us to trust in God's promises and to rely on His grace and not our own efforts. Finally, the story shows the LOVE Jesus had for His friend Lazarus. Jesus loves the Father perfectly and all His creation for the love of God. The theological virtues are infused by God into our souls to make us capable of acting as God's children and of meriting eternal life (CCC 1813). As we approach Holy Week, let us pray for a deeper awareness of these glorious virtues that are present in us when we are in the state of grace.

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

A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

“With great openness and courage, we need to question how widespread is the culture of life today among individual Christians, families, groups and communities in our Dioceses. With equal clarity and determination we must identify the steps we are called to take in order to serve life in all its truth.”

The Gospel of Life 95, Pope Saint John Paul II, Evangelium vitae. © 1995 Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission.

Lenten Resources

Following are also a list of some resources available for Lent this year:

- Best Lent Ever daily reflections: <https://dynamiccatholic.com/best-lent-ever>
- Bishop Barron Word on Fire Lenten Reflections: <https://www.lentreflections.com/>
- USCCB: <http://usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year/len/index.cfm>
- **Daily Live Streams** of the Rosary, Stations of the Cross, and Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions on www.cathedralstl.org

Lent and Confession

All Catholics associate Lent with the Sacrament of Penance, Reconciliation, and Confession. Sometimes we put off going to Confession until the last minute depriving ourselves of a much richer Lent; indeed, a much richer life. In response to the current public health crisis, the Cathedral has updated our confession schedule as follows:

- ♦ **Monday through Friday, from noon until 1PM**
- ♦ **Saturday, from 3:30PM until 5PM**
- ♦ **Sunday, from 9AM until noon.**

Please note: Confessors will be available behind the screen only; face to face will not be offered.

FORMED

Parishioners of the Cathedral Basilica have access to an exciting and educational online platform:

FORMED.org. With FORMED, parishioners have 24/7 access to the truth, beauty, and meaning of the Catholic Faith anytime, anywhere - on your computer, tablet, or smartphone. Find books, movies, and audio from inspiring teaching from renowned speakers, info on Marriage Prep and Enrichment, RCIA, Scripture Study, Sacrament Preparation, Small Group Teen Discipleship, and much more! And it's so easy:

- Go to www.Formed.org and enter our parish code **4P2W8Q** on the homepage
- Create a personal account with your own unique user name/email and password, then simply enjoy the best Catholic content... all in one place!



STEWARDSHIP ALIVE!

All Public Gatherings Cancelled

As a precautionary measure during the current public health crisis, **the rectory offices will be closed to the public until further notice.**

Likewise, all meetings, classes, and public gathering of the various parish groups - such as Lectio Divina, the Men's and Women's groups, the Legion of Mary, the Anima Christi group, St. Vincent De Paul, RCIA, baptismal preparation classes, et al - will either be cancelled or rescheduled in the near future as virtual meetings.

AHC Lecture Series Suspended

In accord with Archdiocesan guidance, the Sunday lectures being presented by the Association of Hebrew Catholics have been halted until further notice.

However, Dr. Feingold will still present the lectures from his home, as scheduled, using Zoom video communications. Those who wish to view the lectures from their computer can register for Zoom at <https://www.hebrewcatholic.net/lectures-sacramental-economy/>. Lectures will also be recorded for viewing at a later time. For questions, call 314-535-4242 or email dmoss@hebrewcatholic.net.

Now More Than Ever: Consider Online Giving!

On Line Giving is a secure and convenient web-based service to make your weekly or monthly contributions to Cathedral Parish from your computer, or lap top, or tablet. Simply access the Cathedral web site (www.cathedralstl.org) and click on the bright red DONATE button on the home page. Watch the 5 minute "Watch Help Video" and follow the easy instructions to set up your secure account and authorize your contributions to be automatically withdrawn from your bank account on the date you specify. All of information is encrypted and stored securely.

The House for Life

Due the coronavirus, the Respect Life Apostolate made the decision to close Our Lady of Guadalupe Convent to visitors for the next 6 weeks. There will be no Mass or Adoration in the chapel until April 24.

Sister Sue Ann and Sister Delores will remember you in their prayers.

Cathedral Tours

Though the Cathedral will remain open daily from 9:00 am until 5:00 pm for private prayer and devotion, ***all public tours of our beautiful church have been suspended until further notice.***

OFFERTORY

Sunday Collection	03/22/2020
Offertory	\$3,723.00
Loose	0
Landscaping & Maintenance	5.00
Catholic Relief Services	175.00
Central and Eastern European Missions	20.00
Easter Memorial Flowers	350.00
Other Misc. Collections	15.00

Weekly Thoughts on Giving

"Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?' (Jn 11:40)"

Many of us say that we believe in God. We go to church on Sunday. We volunteer for events at our parish. But when life gets hard and the pressure is on, when things aren't going our way, do we really believe and put our trust in the Lord? When we live a life of gratitude, being thankful for the gifts we have been given, we really do see that God is providing all that we need. It opens our hearts to see God's active presence in our daily lives.



MARCH 29, 2020

Easter Memorial Flowers and Lilies

The beautiful Easter lilies and spring flowers that adorn our church are a special part of the celebration of Easter at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis. We invite parishioners to share in the experience through a memorial or thanksgiving gift by filling out the form below. Donations toward the cost of Easter flowers in the Church may be made in memory or honor of family members and friends. This is a wonderful way to remember loved ones, honor friends, and offer thanksgiving to God for prayers answered and blessings received. The suggested donation is \$10.00 per remembrance. The names of all those being remembered will be printed in the parish bulletin on Easter Sunday and the week following Easter.

Please indicate in whose memory, or in whose honor, you wish the flowers to be dedicated. Completed forms and payment may be placed in an envelope and dropped into the weekend offertory baskets, OR mailed to: Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis, c/o Memorial Lilies, 4431 Lindell Blvd, Saint Louis, MO, 63108.

Please check one: ☐ In memory of OR ☐ In honor of (those still living):

Name of person/family being honored: _____

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Name of person/family being honored: _____

Total number of remembrances _____ X \$10 each = Total Payment of \$ _____

Please make checks payable to the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis

Given by: _____

Your Email Address _____ Phone _____

Order Deadline: Friday, April 3



An Update Regarding Coronavirus (COVID-19)
from Saint Louis Cathedral Concerts

The health and safety of our guests, musicians, and staff is our highest priority. Based on the order issued by the City of St. Louis Health Department that any large gathering or event for which attendance is anticipated to be in excess of fifty (50) people shall be cancelled effective March 16, 2020 through at least May 17, 2020, **the following concerts and events are officially postponed. Rescheduled dates will be announced as soon as possible.**

- March 28, Organ Plus
- April 21, Stile Antico
- May 3, Annual Gala

The following options are available for those who have purchased tickets to postponed events:

- Exchange your tickets for the rescheduled date of the postponed concert for which you purchased tickets.
- Exchange your tickets for a credit to any concert in the 2020/2021 season.
- Donate the value of your tickets to Cathedral Concerts and receive a tax deduction for the total ticket value.
- Receive a refund for the value of the tickets.

If you are unable to attend on the rescheduled date, please consider donating the value of your tickets to Cathedral Concerts. Your generous gesture will help Cathedral Concerts continue to fulfill its mission of presenting affordable live concerts featuring world-class musicians and the finest repertoire of sacred and classical music for the enrichment, education, and enjoyment of the entire region. Your ticket donation is 100% tax deductible, and you will receive a receipt for tax purposes.

Please contact Cathedral Concerts at 314-533-7662 or concerts@cathedralstl.org to let us know your preference of the 4 options listed above.

Thank you for your support of Saint Louis Cathedral Concerts. We will get through this and continue to share great music in this great space with you again. We look forward to seeing you during our 28th season.

Sincerely,
Scott Kennebeck
Executive Director





HOW TO PRAY THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

1. Sign of the Cross

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

2. Our Father

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, Amen.

3. Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death, Amen.

4. Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

5. On each of the Large Beads

Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

6. On each of the Small Beads

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

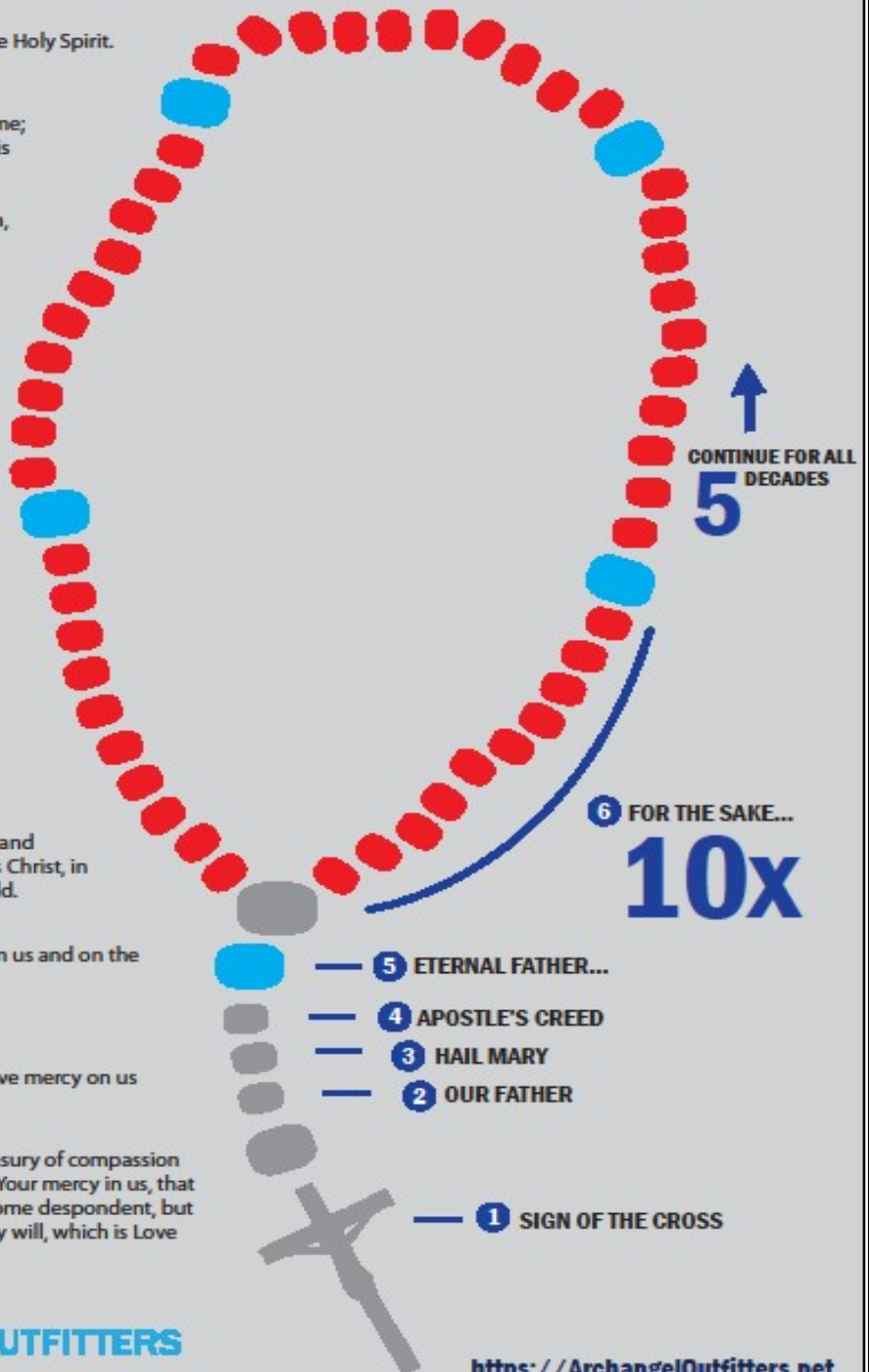
After Praying All 5 Decades

7. Concluding Doxology (Repeat 3x)

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

8. Closing Prayer (optional)

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion — inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.



ARCHANGEL OUTFITTERS

<https://ArchangelOutfitters.net>



2020 Holy Week and Easter

Passion (Palm) Sunday, April 5
Mass with Archbishop Robert Carlson
LiveStreamed at 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, April 7
Chrism Mass with the Archbishop
LiveStreamed at 10:00 a.m.

Holy Thursday, April 9
Mass of the Lord's Supper with the Archbishop
LiveStreamed at 7:30 p.m.

Good Friday, April 10
Confessions: 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m.
Service of the Lord's Passion with the Archbishop
LiveStreamed at 3:00 p.m.
Stations of the Cross LiveStreamed 7:00 p.m.

Holy Saturday, April 11
Easter Vigil Mass with the Archbishop
LiveStreamed at 8:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 12
Mass with Archbishop Robert Carlson
LiveStreamed at 10:00 a.m.

For LiveStreams, go to www.cathedralstl.org