

CATHEDRAL
BASILICA



OF SAINT LOUIS



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 7, 2021

MASSSES ON THE LORD'S DAY

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

LiveStreaming of
Sunday Mass and daily
Mass offered **at 8:00 am**

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 Mitchell T. Rozanski 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.

Small public tours of the Cathedral led by volunteer guides are available *by appointment*, as is access to the Cathedral Gift Shop. Large public tours are not currently available, due to the difficulty of being able to adequately social distance larger groups.

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 parish, ministries, and maintenance are sincerely appreciated.

CATHEDRAL CONCERTS

314.533.7662

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314.373.8205

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

March 7– Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. - Marcie Touchette
10:00 a.m. - Dr. Philip LeFevre, MD
12:00 p.m. - For the Parish Family
5:00 p.m. - Nick Theiss

Mon., March 8– St. John of God

7:00 a.m. - Anne Marie Nguyen K. Nhuong
8:00 a.m. - Rob & Anne Golterman
12:05 p.m. - John T. Madden

Tues., March 9– St. Frances of Rome

7:00 a.m. - Teresa and Francis Farrow & Family
8:00 a.m. - Gerald Marie Phung N. Quan
12:05 p.m. - Olivia Chutich

Wed., March 10– Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m. - Anne Duval
8:00 a.m. - Robert Will
12:05 p.m. - Gary Zastrow

Thur., March 11– Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m. - Mark Wiskow
8:00 a.m. - Donald Lang
12:05 p.m. - Donald Silver

Fri., March 12– Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m. - Kathy Kelly
8:00 a.m. - Richelle Weisbrod
12:05 p.m. - Tag & Ann Goodwin

Sat., March 13– Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. - Rosemary Farrow
5:00 p.m. - Archbishop's Intentions

Sun., March 14– Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. - Fannie Thorpe
10:00 a.m. - Philip LeFevre IV
12:00 p.m. - For the Parish Family
5:00 p.m. - Nick Theiss



FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Parishioners,

This past week I became aware of one of our long-time parishioners, who moved away several years ago to live with one of her daughters, had passed away. Mary Deppe is survived by her husband of 68 years Gerry, whom she would describe always as the love of her life, and 5 daughters. Gerry was a sergeant in the Korean War, stationed in Tokyo, Japan. Gerry proposed to Mary by phone and Mary bravely crossed the Pacific on a freighter during wartime to join him as his wife. Mary was a deeply spiritual woman. She was a member of the Rosary Makers of St. Williams, the Daughters of St. Francis de Sales and served with the Knights of the Holy Sepulcher and the Serra Club. In addition, she was involved with Morality in Media for over 20 years.



"The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem." This is how the Gospel passage starts, as if reminding us not to get distracted. Rather it urges us to join the group of disciples accompanying Jesus and to ask ourselves about our Lenten path till today. It is easy also for us to slow down our pace and get far from the Lord's thoughts. Every time our ego prevails, we distance ourselves from the Lord and from his brothers and sisters. But the Gospel returns to speak to us, to shows us the path to follow and to keep us in listening to Jesus.

The evangelist John presents to us Jesus' first trip to Jerusalem to celebrate Passover there. The scene of chasing out the sellers from the temple manifests Jesus' jealousy, as the prophet wrote: "Zeal for your house devours me." It is a Jesus particularly hard and resolute; he well knows that in a temple, these small transactions are accepted. But what is the market that scandalizes Jesus?

There is another market we need to focus on; it is that which happens in our hearts. It is a market that scandalizes the Lord Jesus even more because the heart is the true temple in which God wants to dwell. Such a market has to do with the way one conceives and conducts one's life. How often life is reduced to a long and mean buying and selling process, no longer with gratuitous love! The iron law of self-interest seems to inexorably preside over human life. What one seems to count and value is one's own personal gain, at any cost.

The message of today's Gospel is that Jesus again enters into our life, as he entered the temple, and turns this primacy upside down; he throws up in the air the little benches of our petty interests and reaffirms God's absolute primacy. It is the zeal that Jesus has for each one of us, for our heart, for our life, that it might open to receive God.

Monsignor Henry Breier

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ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

Though present everywhere, God is found in special ways in certain places

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SERVE THE LORD
WITH GLADNESS

Showing, instead of stating, that faith is important can help heal our culture, which appears to be complacent

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Does place matter in our relationship with God?

In many ways it doesn't, because God is everywhere. That's why the first thing the Catechism of the Catholic Church says about the matter, quoting from John 4, is: "The worship 'in Spirit and truth' of the new covenant is not tied exclusively to any one place" (CCC 1179).

But let's reflect together, for a few minutes, on the ways place does matter, and why that might be important for us.

In this week's readings, we hear about the healing of Naaman, an army commander from Syria who was afflicted with leprosy. He came to Israel, to the prophet Elisha, to be healed. Elisha told him to wash seven times in the Jordan River.

At this point, Naaman objected. You could summarize his objection this way: "You have got to be kidding me! The rivers in Syria are every bit as good as this muddy Jordan. You can't tell me there's something special here that I couldn't find there."

The response to Naaman's objection could be put this way: well, make an experiment for yourself and find out.

Naaman's servants prevailed on him to try. And he did. And he came out of the water healed. He made an experiment, and the evidence was clear. There is something special about this place, something that can't be found elsewhere.

Naaman learned for himself what Israel already knew: this is the Promised Land, and place makes a difference. At the end of the episode Naaman took home two mule loads of soil — a recognition that God is present here, in this land, in a way that He isn't present anywhere else.

It's not so foreign to our experience, actually. People visit the Holy Land or Assisi and say: "There's something about this place." People visit Auschwitz and say the same. Closer to home, we might visit Gettysburg, or the hotel in Memphis where Martin Luther King Jr. was shot, or the shrine of St. Rose Philippine Duchesne in St. Charles, or simply go back to the house where we grew up — and our own experience tells us that, in some ways, place matters.

Why might that be important to us?

For one thing, because our culture is engaged in a massive experiment. An increasing number of people claim no religious affiliation. The percentages are dramatic when it comes to young adults. What they're saying is: faith doesn't matter.

We know, from history, how this experiment turns out. Every time Israel becomes complacent in the Old Testament, it leads to collapse, and the collapse needs to be healed. The same is true in the history of individuals, marriages, parishes and nations. Complacency leads to collapse; collapse needs to be healed. Increasingly, that's the path our culture is taking.

We can respond by insisting that faith is important. A better response is showing that faith is important. And part of showing that faith is important is giving witness to how place matters. It matters whether we show up for Mass. It matters whether we go to confession. It makes a difference when we spend time in adoration. Sure, God is everywhere. But, like Naaman, we've made the experiment, and discovered that He's present in the Mass, and in confession, and in the adoration chapel, in a way that He isn't present elsewhere. We can bear witness to that and invite others to find out for themselves.

Does place matter? Yes and no. We can encounter God anytime, anywhere. But the Bible tells us that place matters. And our own experience tells us that place matters. Let's not be too quick to say that place doesn't matter when it comes to the life of faith.

Note: this column appeared in the St. Louis Review for March 8-14 and may be read in the print edition or at <https://bit.ly/3SejOXr>.



A Lenten Retreat with Sacred Art

Week 4: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus (displayed in the All Saints chapel and the west transept)



We find ourselves now in the middle of the Lenten season and the middle of our time in the desert with Jesus. This can be a time in which we are tempted to give up on our Lenten resolutions or to begin treating this season as if it were just any other ordinary time of year. Perhaps some of us haven't really even begun to be intentional about the season yet: maybe you've been putting it off day after day and are now shocked to find yourself halfway through the season. For others, perhaps you are having the most spiritually enriching Lent you've ever had.

How ever your Lent is going, *today* Jesus offers you His Heart. The unknown artist of this 19th century painting (which is also enshrined as a mosaic in the west transept of the Cathedral Basilica) depicts the Lord Jesus looking gently at the viewer. As you look upon this image, can you allow Jesus to look at *you* with this penetrating yet gentle and loving gaze? Notice the feelings that come up within you as you do so. We noted last week that there is no need for a shield or mask when we come before Jesus. He wants us to approach Him as we are: to not try to hide anything. For some, this kind of vulnerability – even before God – can be a bit difficult or unsettling, even frightening, at first. If it is for you, try talking to Jesus about that.

As Jesus looks upon you with all of your successes and failures, all of your gifts and what you conceive as faults, He offers you His Heart. No matter what He sees when He looks at you – in fact, *because of* what He sees – Jesus wants to share His divine Heart with you. Notice how gently He offers it. He doesn't force His love upon us. Rather, He softly and quietly holds it out, indicating to it with His other hand as if to say, "This is for you, if you'll only freely receive it."

As with all of the paintings we've prayed with over the course of this "retreat," we find here once again the instruments of our Lord's Passion. They adorn the Sacred Heart. Indeed, the Heart of our Lord Jesus is a pierced Heart, crowned with thorns. The Passion permanently marks the Heart of Jesus as a testament to His eternal and unconditional love for us, and as a perpetual reminder of that act of suffering which is mysteriously placed at the center of His providential plan for our salvation.

Jesus' right hand is turned palm-upward. While indicating to His Heart, He also seemingly invites us to place our own hearts there, so that they might be side-by-side with His. Can you give your heart to Jesus? To do so, we often will have to undergo our own passion and crucifixion: dying to those earthly things that we've given our hearts to in the past and that we're tempted to give them to now. This should be our focus especially during this season of Lent: detaching our hearts from passing things so that we might give them more completely to the only One who is eternal. For indeed, as St. Augustine says, "Our hearts are restless until they rest in You!"

**Jesus, meek and humble of heart,
Make our hearts like unto thine!**



Archdiocesan Lenten Regulations

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.” (Jn 3:16-17)

The Church has always helped us fulfill these words of Jesus by prescribing very definite penance for all Catholics. Universal Lenten directions are printed here in order that we may be reminded of what is expected of all Catholics for all the days of Lent.

1. **Abstinence from meat** (totally meatless days) is observed by all Catholics 14 years of age and older (no upper age limit) on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent.

2. **Fasting** is observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics between 18 and 59. Those who are bound by this eat only one full meal; two smaller meals are taken to maintain strength according to each one's needs.

3. **Fasting** on other weekdays of Lent is not obligatory but recommended most strongly; if fasting is not observed, some other form of **self-denial is obligatory**, not from Church direction but from Christ's command.

4. **Prayer** is especially necessary to maintain the perspective of penance and to keep the motivation spiritual. Some substantial time should be given to prayer each day.

5. **Almsgiving** or charity is necessary to maintain and intensify the movement of the soul away from self-centeredness. A substantial donation of monetary funds and/or time and/or personal effort should be given to those in need.

Operation Rice Bowl

The effort known as **Operation Rice Bowl** is a regular feature of Lent in Catholic homes, whereby families reduce substantially one meal eaten together to a very simple fare like soup and bread, then donate the money saved to the "rice bowl". At the end of Lent, all the "rice bowl" funds are forwarded to the poor through Catholic Relief Services. **“Rice bowls”, instructions, and a Lenten Calendar are available on the tables at each entrance.** Please consider taking one and using it to fulfill the Universal Lenten Direction toward almsgiving or charity this Lenten season.

Lenten Resources

Following is a list of resources available to enhance your prayer life this Lenten season:

- Augustine Institute Formed: <https://formed.org/>
- Best Lent Ever daily reflections: <https://dynamiccatholic.com/best-lent-ever>
- Bishop Barron Word on Fire Lenten Reflections: <https://www.lentreflections.com/>
- USCCB: <http://uscgb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year/lent/index.cfm>

Finally, the **Lenten Day of Recollection with our new Archbishop, is scheduled for Saturday, March 13.**

Stations of the Cross

A privileged devotion 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. In similar fashion, the faithful have prayed at fourteen "stations of the Cross" erected on the walls of their parish churches. Join us for this powerful devotional prayer **every Friday evening of Lent at 7:00 p.m., live or via livestream!**

Lent and Confession

All Catholics associate Lent with the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Sometimes we put off going to Confession until the last minute depriving ourselves of a much richer Lent; indeed, a much richer life. Everyone is urged to make their Lenten confession early, allowing the richness of God's mercy to "take root" in Lent and then blossom into a hardy Easter joy.

Weekly Thoughts on Giving

“You shall not carve idols for yourselves in the shape of anything...” - Ex 20:4

How many “gods” do you put before God? “Idols” do not always take the shape of physical things, things we can touch and feel. Those are easy to recognize. Many times they take the form of things we cannot touch and are much harder to spot like pride, power, ego, time, comfort or health. Pray for God's help to prune our vices and to grow in virtue.



2021 Lenten Day of Recollection & Reconciliation

with
Archbishop Mitchell Rozanski

Saturday, March 13, 2021

1:00 pm -5:00 pm

Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis

This event is free and open to the public
Mask and social distancing protocol will be in place

For more information,
please contact Mary Ann Fox at 314-373-8208



Anima Christi Young Adults

All young adults interested in growing the fellowship of our young adult community are invited to the next young adult gathering scheduled for **Thursday, March 11**. We begin with Adoration and confessions in the church at 6:30 pm (*enter through the west door by the playground*), followed by dinner in Boland Hall at 7:30 p.m. Please join us, in full or in part, to deepen your relationship with Christ and with one another. For more information, please e-mail AnimaChristiStL@gmail.com.

Infant Baptism

According to the mind of the Church, parents are obliged to see that infants are baptized within the first weeks after birth. If you are a registered parishioner who is or is about to become a parent or godparent, please contact the parish office at 314-373-8202 to schedule a baptism.

Parish Pro-Life Ministry

The Cathedral Pro-Life Ministry is seeking new members to assist with a variety of projects in the upcoming year, including a Mothers' Day rose sale, attendance at the RLA Convention, a 30-Minute Speaker Series, and annual Epiphany Supply Drive.

To get involved or for more information, contact Bryan, the parish's pro-life ministry coordinator, at bryankirchoff@att.net.

Catholic Radio

As you journey through Lent, Covenant Network can help you stay the course during this season of self-denial with inspirational and devotional programming including the daily Mass, the Rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet and other prayers. You can also hear faith-nourishing programs on Scripture, the saints and Church history. Tune into AM 1460 or 92.7 FM this Lent to help prepare your heart for Easter.



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.

Vivian Chemelekov	Janice Noack
Joe Dubuque	Dorothy Quinn
Wayne Eultgen	Richelle Weisbrod
Breanna Evans	Mary Anne Work
Lenore Molloy	Betty Ytzaina

A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

“[The Gospel of Life] is therefore meant to be a precise and vigorous reaffirmation of the value of human life and its inviolability, and at the same time a pressing appeal addressed to each and every person, in the name of God: respect, protect, love and serve life, every human life! Only in this direction will you find justice, development, true freedom, peace and happiness!”

The Gospel of Life 5

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40 Days For Life

The Cathedral Basilica Parish has adopted **Sunday, March 21**, as its day for the 40 Days for Life vigil of quiet prayer outside of Planned Parenthood.

To sign up for your preferred hour to stand vigil between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., or for additional information, please contact Bryan with the Cathedral Pro-Life Ministry at bryankirchoff@att.net.

St. Patrick Casserole Program

Casseroles and other offerings collected by volunteers of the St. Patrick Casserole Program provides one week of dinners for the Women's Shelter, and one night of dinners for the Men's Alumni Club.

Cathedral casserole organizers will host our next "touchless" drop-off in the parish parking lot on Thursday, March 11, from 1:00 –2:00 p.m. Please contact Skip or Nicki Batchelor at 916-834-4843 for additional information.

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 7, 2021 through March 14, 2021

Sunday:	Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17 Ps 19:8-11 1 Cor 1:22-25 Jn 2:13-25
Monday:	2 Kgs 5:1-15 Ps 42:2-3; 43:3-4 Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday:	Dn 3:25, 34-43 Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday:	Dt 4:1, 5-9 Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20 Mt 5:17-19
Thursday:	Jer 7:23-28 Ps 95:1-2, 6-9 Lk 11:14-23
Friday:	Hos 14:2-10 Ps 81:6-11, 14, 17 Mk 12:28-34
Saturday:	Hos 6:1-6 Ps 51:3-4, 18-21 Lk 18:9-14
Sunday:	2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23 Ps 137:1-6 Eph 2:4-10 Jn 3:14-21

Pro-Life Mass

Remember to join us at the Cathedral Basilica on the third Saturday of each month for a pro-life Mass at 8:00 a.m., followed with a rosary procession to Planned Parenthood at Boyle and Forest Park. The next Mass is scheduled for **Saturday, March 20**.

Light & Darkness

Every single day of our lives, we have a great number of choices to make. We can choose God in various situations, making the conscious decision to choose goodness and light. On the other hand, we can choose to reject God as the ancient Israelites did before going into exile. The lay faithful have the beautiful blessing of sanctifying the world. While priests and religious sanctify the Church, the lay faithful can sanctify the world in its increasing secularity. What does this mean for us? It means choosing prayer, silence, patience, compassion, and selfless love over unnecessary noise, anger, self-gratification, and individualism. Choose wisely in each situation and help lead people to encounter God through you.

Visit archstl.org/dynamic for more info.



Easter Memorial Flowers

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 - 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:

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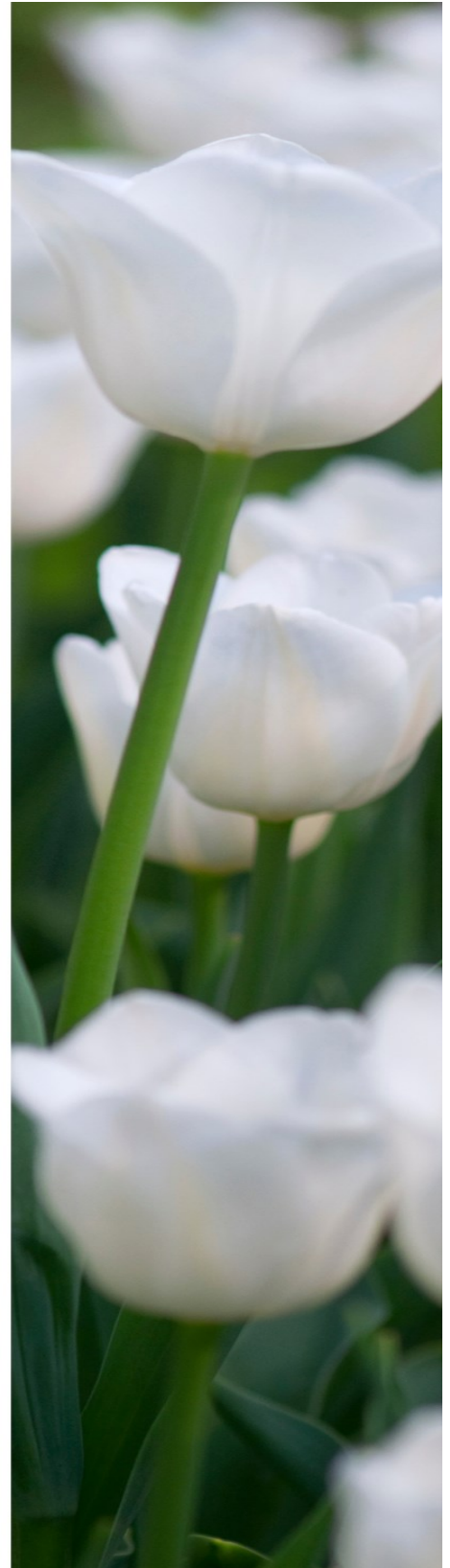
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Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis*

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Phone _____

Order Deadline: Wednesday, March 24





LITURGICAL MINISTERS MARCH 13-14, 2021

Extraordinary Ministers	Lectors	Ministers of Care	Servers	Ushers
5:00 p.m. (Sat)	No Cup Ministers At Any Mass This Weekend	Mary Ann Cheng Rachel Kondro	Matthew Brewer Joseph Brewer Michael Brewer	Jerry Pastore Matt Colvin Robert Sutter
8:00 am		Christina Stankey Mitch Smith	Doug Weber Kevin Mattingly	Dave Meyer Tom Doyle Frank Snyder
10:00 am		Vito Alu Sr. Maria Howell	Nathaniel Schetter Will Leidig Simon Blanner JP Blanner Thomas Jackson	Victor Stuart Barb Murray Susan Metheny
12 Noon		Kathleen Schmitz Jessica Lobo	TBD	Kenneth Brandl Rebecca Brandl Jerry Danekas
5:00 pm		Thomas Gregory Tracy Marklein	Sacristan	Willie Kelsey Charlie Hapke Pat McCann

Parish Information

Registration in Parish

To join our parish, please register online at <https://cathedralstl.org/about-basilica/parish-life> or contact the office at 314-373-8202.

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), click on the bright red DONATE button, 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.

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 Voegelin 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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