

CATHEDRAL
BASILICA



OF SAINT LOUIS



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 4, 2022

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. Public tours of the Cathedral led by volunteer guides are available *by appointment*.

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

TOURS
314.373.8205

Mass Intentions

Specific Mass intentions for each scheduled Mass listed regularly in this bulletin are made by individual request. Requests for Mass intentions may be directed to the rectory by calling 314-373-8202.

Cathedral Tours

Tours of our beautiful church are once again being offered at various times *by appointment* during the week (pending other events). To book a tour, please visit our website to submit a "tour inquiry" form (<https://cathedralstl.org/tour-info>) or contact Susie Irons at 314-373-8205.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. December 4th– Second Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. - Jancie Noack
10:00 a.m. - Dottie Ostermueller
12:00 p.m. - Rebecca Romonez
5:00 p.m. - Nick Theiss

Mon. December 5th– Weekday

7:00 a.m. - Jamica Noack
8:00 a.m. - Amalia Harris
12:05 p.m. - Msgr. Gregory Mikesch

Tues. December 6th– St. Nicholas

7:00 a.m. - The Religious Sisters of Mercy
8:00 a.m. - Bertha Bader
12:05 p.m. - Msgr. Gregory Mikesch

Wed. December 7th– St. Ambrose

7:00 a.m. - Teresa & Francis Farrow & Family
8:00 a.m. - Jessica Lauren Kozlen
12:05 p.m. - Stephen Engelmeyer

Thur. December 8th– The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 a.m. - Margot Carr
8:00 a.m. - Joseph & Kathryn Darpel
12:05 p.m. - Salvador & Joy Alatorre

Fri. December 9th– St. Juan Diego

7:00 a.m. - Gladys Tyrrell
8:00 a.m. - Joseph & Kathryn Darpel
12:05 p.m. - Nora Molloy

Sat. December 10th– Our Lady of Loreto

8:00 p.m. - Joe W. Willey & Family
5:00 p.m. - Archbishop Rozanski's Intentions

Sun. Dec 11th– Third Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. - Bella Rea
10:00 a.m. - Lillian Ventimiglia
12:00 p.m. - Barb Murray
5:00 p.m. - Nick Theiss



FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Parishioners,

John the Baptist is the last prophet before Jesus. On this **Second Sunday of Advent**, the Church turns to the Gospel of Matthew, which first introduced John in its Infancy Narrative that reports on the early life of John and Jesus. John is the herald of the Good News; he points out the Lamb of God, the Savior. He is the Precursor to the Messiah.

In this Sunday's gospel passage, Matthew presents John as the one fulfilling one of the prophecies of Second Isaiah. He is a voice crying out in the desert, *'A voice of one crying out in the desert, Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.'*

The Baptist's message was clear: repent of your sins and prepare to meet the Lord. He himself was not the Messiah but he proclaimed the Messiah's immanent arrival. The Advent season is all about **the coming of the Lord**. During December, prepare for the coming of the Lord by making a worthy confession of your sins and by living a virtuous life. Come Lord Jesus, come!

This coming Thursday, December 8, we will celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, which is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses for the holy day will be celebrated at 7:00 am, 8:00 am, 12:05 pm, and 5:30 pm.

Mary Immaculate helps us to rediscover and defend what lies within people, for in her is a perfect transparency of the soul in the body. She is purity in person, in the sense the spirit, soul and body are fully consistent with one another and with God's will. Our Lady teaches us to be open to God's action and to see others as He sees them, starting with the heart, by looking at them with compassion, love and infinite tenderness, especially those who are lonely, despised or exploited.

This feast finds its origin in a moment in time when Our Lady appeared to Saint Catherine Laboure in the year 1830. The message of the Blessed Mother was to have a medal made with the words: "O Mary conceived without sin pray for us who have recourse to thee." The wearing of this medal quickly spread and led to a great devotion to Our Lady as the Immaculate Conception, which was declared to be a teaching of the church in 1854.

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ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

Taking a journey means preparation for an unknown future

**ARCHBISHOP
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ROZANSKI**

SERVE THE LORD
WITH GLADNESS



We can face uncertainty with fear or with patience that's rooted in the Lord's promise

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

The readings this week are filled with the image of a journey. There are three journeys that I'd like to focus on. First is the journey of Advent.

The Church makes the journey of Advent as a collective and external sign that invites each of us to make an individual and internal journey. How's that individual journey going?

Every external journey requires preparation. The same is true for the spiritual journey that each of us is invited to make during Advent. What spiritual preparations are you making to make room for Christ in your life? Is there something in your heart, attitude, mind or schedule that could change to make more room for Christ?

I encourage you to take up some deliberate preparations during Advent, just as you would for any journey.

Second is the journey of Mary.

This week on Dec. 8, we celebrate the fact that Mary was conceived without original sin (the Immaculate Conception). But the fact that Mary was conceived without original sin, and lived her entire life without sin, doesn't mean that everything was easy for her! She wasn't omniscient and no Church tradition or doctrine declares her clairvoyant. She had to walk into the future, as we all do.

Let's think, for a moment, about how we walk into the future. I think we all have the experience of looking back on things we did during a journey and thinking: "Anxiety about the future made me act badly. Knowing how things turned out, I wish I had done that differently."

We see that same pattern in the way the apostles act all through the Gospels — knowing how things turn out, they would have acted differently! And if we look back even further, we can see that same pattern throughout all of salvation history.

That's where, I suspect, Mary was different. In the face of uncertainty and anxiety, being without sin, she would have been able to move forward with trust in God's plan. That would have given her a certain kind of gentleness and patience in the face of the future that we could all use.

And that leads me to the third and last journey: All Things New.

As with Advent, so with All Things New: the collective and external journey of the Church is also an invitation to make an individual and interior journey. How's that interior journey going? We're putting the structures of the archdiocese under closer inspection and considering some changes. Are you going through the same process with your own life? It might be fruitful to do so.

And, as with Mary, so with All Things New: there is uncertainty as we move into the future. We can face that uncertainty with fear, or we can face it with gentleness and patience that's rooted in the promise the Lord holds out to us: "Behold, I am with you always." Asking Mary to help us grow in trust in the face of uncertainty and anxiety would be a great way to spend Advent.

Note: This column appeared in the St. Louis Review for December 3 & 4 and may be read in the print edition or at <https://it.ly/35ejOXr>



ST. LOUIS CATHEDRAL CONCERTS

Christmas at the Cathedral

Featuring the St. Louis Archdiocesan Choirs & Orchestra
Sunday, December 11, 2022 2:30 PM
Experience the joy of the music of Christmas
in the sonic splendor of the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis!



Tickets: \$47, \$32, or \$20
Open seating in each section.

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or call: 314-533-7662 GROUP RATES AVAILABLE

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Christmas Mass Schedule

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24TH

8:00 A.M.

5:00 P.M. CHRISTMAS VIGIL

11:00 P.M. MUSIC PROGRAM

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25TH

12:00 A.M. MIDNIGHT MASS

8:00 A.M.

10:00 A.M.

12:00 P.M.



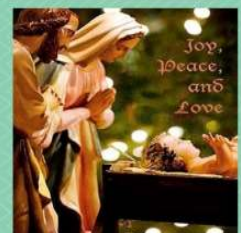
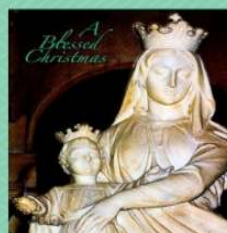
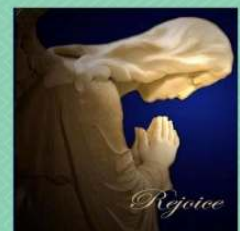
Cathedral Inspired Christmas Cards

The Cathedral Basilica Christmas cards are back again this year! The four card designs below are available for purchase on the Cathedral website under the SHOP tab.

The cost is 12 cards/envelopes for \$5.

We are happy to ship them to you for a flat rate of \$12 or you can order online and pick up in the Parish Office Monday-Friday, during regular business hours.

If you have any questions, please contact Chrissy Chapo at 314-373-8220 or cchapo@cathedralstl.org.



Did You Know?

Catholic Charities of St. Louis serves people in need throughout the archdiocese. Here is a look at two of our eight agencies.....

Saint Louis Counseling provides professional counseling and psychiatric services for individuals and families at seven offices and in over 100 schools through its School Partnership Program. Saint Louis Counseling offers compassionate care to people with mental-health conditions or a mental illness can so they can live full and happy lives.

Saint Martha's Hall serves women and their children impacted by domestic violence by providing shelter and resources. SMH offers a residential emergency shelter as well as a new drop-in resource center that offers information and referrals with compassionate support.

For more information or to get involved, please contact your Parish Ambassadors Linda Pallmann at llopez18@hotmail.com.



Men of the Cathedral December Adoration

Men of the Cathedral typically meet on the last Tuesday of the month for Adoration and dinner. In December, that falls between Christmas and the New Year. May of our members will either be out of town or will have family in for the holidays. Therefore, we will *cancel* the December 27th Adoration and accept the kind invitation from our neighbor, **Our Lady of Sorrows Parish** to join the **Men of the South City Deanery** for “ADVENT BY TAILGATE”.

The “Advent by Tailgate” event will be held on December 11th beginning at 6:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish located at 5020 Rhodes Ave, St. Louis, MO 63109. Food will be provided, BYOB and chair. Donations will be accepted to offset the cost of the evening.

All men from the South City Deanery and their guests are invited to participate in this terrific event. Reservations are not required.

We will resume our regularly scheduled Adoration on January 31st.

It has been a wonderful year with many new men as well as many “veterans” attending our monthly events. Lets how our faith by making a great showing at the Advent by Tailgate event!

Women of the Cathedral

Women of the Cathedral– January 7, 2023

Dear Ladies of the Cathedral Parish,

Come welcome a new year together and grow in faith and fellowship with other ladies in the parish at the monthly gatherings of the Women of the Cathedral.

We will gather next on Saturday, January 7, 2023. We will begin with 8:00 a.m. Mass in the Cathedral, and then ove to Boland hall for a light breakfast. After brief introductions and social time, an informative program is led by Msgr. Mikesch, our spiritual director, with closing prayer at 10:00 a.m. A popular highlight is “Ask Msgr. Mikesch Time.”

To learn more about this event, please contact Barbara Murray at 314-974-6900 or email murraybj@swbell.net. Please send your questions for “Ask Msgr. Time” when you RSVP.

ADVENT BY TAILGATE

A REGIONAL EVENT FOR MEN

FOOD PROVIDED
BYOB, DRINKS, & CHAIR

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11
OUR LADY OF SORROWS
5020 RHODES AVE
6PM

Cost: donation appreciated



DECEMBER 4, 2022

Christmas Memorial Poinsettias

The beautiful poinsettias and greenery that adorn our Cathedral are a special part of the celebration of Christmas at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis. This year, we invite all parishioners and visitors to share in the experience through a memorial or thanksgiving gift by purchasing one or more of the poinsettias decorating the Nativity Scene or the Baptismal Font. Memorial Poinsettias are \$10.00 each. In addition, names of person(s) being honored will appear in the weekend and Christmas bulletins.

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 Poinsettias, 4431 Lindell Blvd, St. Louis, MO, 63108

Please Check one: ___ in memory of OR in honor of ____
Name of person/ family _____

Please Check one: ___ in memory of OR in honor of ____
Name of person/ family _____

Please Check one: ___ in memory of OR in honor of ____
Name of person/ family _____

Given by _____

Phone _____

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

Order by Monday, December 19



A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

“Jesus calls each of us to ‘care for the other as a person for whom God has made us responsible’ (EV 87). ...The encyclical The Gospel of Life recognizes the full range of threats against human life, from poverty and malnutrition to murder and war. Particular emphasis, however, is placed on threats to life at its beginning and end—precisely when it is most in need of protection. In modern times, children in their mothers’ wombs and those approaching the end of their lives are certainly among the ‘least of these’ in our world’s estimation.” .

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What Catholics Believe



Join us at the Cathedral Basilica two Wednesdays a month, when Fr. Povis will present an in-depth theological reflection on the articles of the Apostles’ Creed.

-6:30pm in Boland Hall

-50 minute presentation followed by social

-Feel free to bring food and drink

-Designed for adults, but all are welcome!

Next Sessions

December 7

“Creator of Heaven and Earth”

December 21

“And in Jesus Christ His only Son, Our Lord”
(part I)

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 December 4, 2022 through December 11, 2022

Sunday: Is 11:1-10 Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17
Rom 15:4-9 Mt 3:1-12

Monday: Is 35:1-10 Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11 Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12 Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31 Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10 Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 Eph 1:3-6, 11-12 Lk 1:26-38

Friday: Is 48:17-19 Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11 Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19 Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10 Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 Jas 5:7-10 Mt 11:2-11

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.

Linda Baldwin
Janice Bashford
Barbara Beckemeyer
Joe Dubuque
Deborah Harlan
Jennifer Jaswal
Joaquinta Jones
Edwin Ayala Padilla
Pauline Price
David Washington

Willow Washington
Dorothy Quinn
Keith & Terri Reason
Kelvin Ayala Reyes
Mary Riley
Vivian Rachel Rossen
Resy Sanchez
Mickey Shears
Mary Anne Work
Betty Ytzaina
Sharon Kay Moore



STEWARDSHIP ALIVE!

Advent Giving Tree

- Take an envelope from the tree
- Insert your monetary donation or Gift Card (Schnucks, Walgreens, Walmart, and Visa gift cards are very welcome)
- Drop sealed envelopes into the Sunday offertory collection baskets

Donations to benefit
Fr. Dempsey Charities
and residents of
Bernard Nursing Home and
St. Elizabeth Hall

Thank you for your generosity!

St. Patrick Casserole Program Pick up on Thursdays

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 "touchless" drop-off in the Portico of Boland Hall December 8 from 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.

Please contact Skip or Nicki Batchelor at 916-834-4843 for additional information.



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STEADFAST IN FAITH
FORWARD IN HOPE



Learn more about the
Strategic Pastoral
Planning Initiative
allthingsnew.archstl.org



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Weekly Thoughts on Giving

"Therefore, every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire." Matthew 3:10

Do you bear good fruit for Jesus? Do you spend time in prayer or do you waste it with mindless activity? Do you use your talent to help others or are you too busy? Do you use your treasure to support the Church or do you buy more things that go unused. Our time, talent and treasure are gifts from God. What we do with these gifts is our gift back to Him. What gifts are you planning to give to the Lord during this upcoming Christmas season?



LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER 10-11, 2022					
	Extraordinary	Lectors	Ministers of Care	Servers	Ushers
5:00 p.m. (Sat)	No Cup Ministers At Any Mass This Weekend	John Willard Barb Murray		Doug Weber	Bob Sutter Jerry Pastore Matt Colvin Chris Newgent
8:00 am		Brian Ragen Jonathan Klimpel	Klimpel, Robinson, McGrath, Harper	Doug Weber Kevin Mattingly	Dave Meyer Frank Snyder
10:00 am		Rachel de Almeida Oliveira George Capps		TBD	Barb Murray Susan Metheny Jerry Danekas
12 Noon		David Parr Phoebe Del Castillo		TBD	Willie Stevens Vito Alu Lawanda Reason Barb Murray
5:00 pm		David Parr John Stith		Brak Welby	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 call the rectory at 314-373-8202.

Online Giving is a secure and convenient web-based service to make your weekly or monthly contributions to Cathedral Parish from your computer, or laptop, or tablet. Simply access the Cathedral website (www.cathedralstl.org) and go to **Parish Online Giving** under the "GIVE" tab. Then 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 the rectory at 314-373-8202.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

For persons interested in becoming Catholic, contact the 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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