

CATHEDRAL
BASILICA



OF SAINT LOUIS



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY APRIL 27, 2025

MASSSES ON THE LORD'S DAY

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

Live Streaming
Sunday Mass at 10 am
Daily Mass at 8 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)

4431 Lindell Boulevard Saint Louis, Missouri 63108-2403



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 *most weekdays*, call for availability.

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
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TOURS
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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 made online <https://massrequest.cathedralstl.org>

Cathedral Tours

Tours of the Cathedral are available 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.

If you are interested in volunteering as a docent, please contact Susie Irons at sirons@cathedralstl.org

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Apr 27th - Sunday of Divine Mercy

8:00 a.m. For the Parish Family
10:00 a.m. Julie Endraske & Marlene B. Beach
12:00 p.m. Paul & Karlene Feldker
5:00 p.m. Pauline Chester

Mon. Apr 28th - St. Peter Chanel

7:00 a.m. Richelle Weisbrod
8:00 a.m. Zora Edmundson
12:05 p.m. Dr. Salvatore Alatorre

Tues. Apr 29th - St. Catherine of Siena

7:00 a.m. Matthew Welles
8:00 a.m. Lynette Raidt
12:05 p.m. Helen Marie Phillips

Wed. Apr 30th - St. Pius V

7:00 a.m. Beth Metzler
8:00 a.m. Thomas McCarthy
12:05 p.m. Romaine Melchionna

Thur. May 1st - St. Joseph the Worker

7:00 a.m. Lemoine & Grizelda Skinner
8:00 a.m. Jackie & Jamie Ritch
12:05 p.m. Marie Mosher

Fri. May 2nd - St. Athanasius

7:00 a.m. Fred Stetler
8:00 a.m. Alice Hellrung
12:05 p.m. Bill Lyles

Sat. May 3rd - Sts. Philip & James

8:00 a.m. Veronica & Gary Mueller
5:00 p.m. Gerald T. Will

Sun. May 4th - Third Sunday of Easter

8:00 a.m. John Mendel
10:00 a.m. Lynette Raidt
12:00 p.m. Donald E. Fendler
5:00 p.m. Jason Vogel



FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Parishioners,

After the solemn celebrations of Easter, we are still imbued with spiritual joy, as we carry in our hearts that Easter joy. My deepest thanks to everyone who helped to make these liturgies so beautiful this past week. Most importantly I would like to extend a word of thanks to the staff of the Cathedral for their hard work and to the volunteers who helped in many ways. In addition, there are many others who gave so much of their time including our ushers, servers, Eucharistic ministers, and those who helped to clean our church, arrange flowers, and work with those in our RCIA program.

What the Gospel says to us today on the 2nd Sunday of Easter is very important: namely, that Jesus, in his two appearances to the Apostles gathered in the Upper Room, repeats several times the greeting: “Peace be with you.” The traditional greeting used by people at the time of Jesus with which people would greet one another was *shalom*, peace. This greeting becomes something new: it becomes the gift of the peace that Jesus alone can give because it is the fruit of his radical victory over evil. The “peace” that Jesus gives to his friends is the fruit of the love of God which led him to die on the cross, to pour out all his blood, as a meek and humble lamb “full of grace and truth.”

For this reason Saint John Paul II chose to call this Sunday after Easter, Divine Mercy, with a very specific image: that of Jesus’ pierced side from which blood and water flowed, according to the account of an eyewitness, the Apostle John. However Jesus is now risen and the paschal Sacraments of Baptism and the Eucharist flow from him, who is alive: those who receive them with faith receive the gift of eternal life.

Pope Francis I, born Jorge Mario Bergoglio, passed away on Monday, April 21st, marking the end of a papacy that began in 2013. As the first Jesuit pope, the first from the Americas, and the first non-European pope in over 1,200 years, his election signaled a new direction for the Catholic Church. Renowned for his humility, dedication to social justice, and commitment to interfaith dialogue, Pope Francis consistently prioritized the needs of the poor, the marginalized, and the environment. His encyclicals, *Laudato Si’* and *Fratelli Tutti*, reached far beyond religious communities, calling for global responsibility and compassion in response to climate change, economic disparity, and growing political polarization.

The death of Pope Francis has prompted a global outpouring of mourning and reflection, not only among Catholics but also within diverse religious and secular communities. I invite you to pray for the repose of his soul and for the Church, as the College of Cardinals will soon gather to elect our next chief Shepherd.

Monsignor Breier

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ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

God Gives Us His Gifts Freely Even Though We Don't Deserve It

The divine economy of mercy is in contrast to the divine economy found in ancient Judaism, where we get what we deserve

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Much of the ancient Jewish imagination was like the contemporary American imagination when it comes to “the divine economy” — that is, how God deals with humankind: It was thought to be an economy of what we deserve.

Jesus challenged that understanding of the divine economy in ancient Judaism and He challenges it in contemporary America. What Jesus taught, and the Church teaches, is first and foremost a divine economy of mercy.

The bedrock principle in the divine economy of mercy is the truth that we have received benefits we don't deserve! We didn't deserve the Incarnation. We didn't deserve the gift of the Holy Spirit. We don't deserve baptism, the forgiveness of sins or the gift of Christ's body and blood in the Eucharist. But, while it's true that we don't deserve them, it's also true that we have been given them! God doesn't give us what we deserve; He gives us what is His.

This divine economy of mercy has several consequences.

Twice this week, we hear: “The Lord hears the cry of the poor.” (Psalm 34) It's important for us to know that we're poor and how we're poor. We can be financially poor, poor in faith, intellectually poor, emotionally poor, relationally poor, and so on. If we think we have everything we need, we're less likely to cry out for God's help! When we know that we're poor, we can more quickly and deeply ask Him to give what we do not deserve, believing that, because He is generous, He will give.

It's important to ask ourselves whether we pay that generosity forward. Pope Benedict XVI once said that ‘justice’ means giving another their due, while ‘charity’ means giving another what is mine. That's what God does with us. Is that what we do with others, or do we slip back into a personal economy of

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giving people only what they deserve?

But note: God's generosity is no grounds for us to become spiritually lazy. We don't deserve heaven, to be sure. But that's what relying on God brings. When we choose to rely on God in this life we're already on the way to heaven.

But the opposite also holds. It's hard for contemporary Americans to imagine that anyone deserves hell. But no one needs to deserve it, that's simply what life apart from God is. Salvation history, the daily news and our own lives tell us that it's possible to choose a life apart from God. When we choose to live apart from God in this life we're already on the path to hell.

We celebrate the feast day of St. Athanasius this week (May 2). He noted that humanity is subject to the law of corruption, not only morally but also physically. He also noted that Christ Himself is the remedy to that corruption. But that leads to a choice: We can accept the remedy or reject it. God doesn't refuse to offer the remedy to anyone! But He does allow our choice.

In 1 Corinthians 15, St. Paul notes that the risen Jesus appeared to James, and then appeared to Paul himself. James and Paul didn't deserve that! But, having received the gift, they chose to live in it rather than apart from it and to share the gift with others. Let's follow their example and embrace the divine economy of mercy!

Note: This column appeared in the St. Louis Review for Apr 26 & 27 and may be read in the print edition or at <https://it.ly/35ejOXr>



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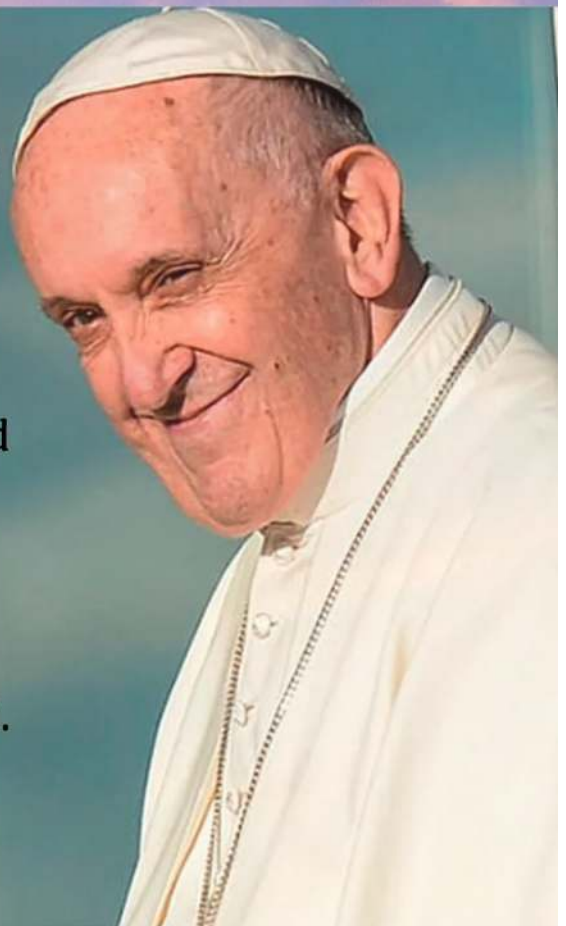
Pope Francis I

December 17, 1936 - April 21, 2025

God, Who, in Thine ineffable providence, didst will that Thy servant Francis ... should be numbered among the high priests; grant, we beseech Thee, that he, who on earth held the place of Thine only-begotten Son, may be joined forevermore to the fellowship of Thy holy pontiffs. Through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end.

Amen.

Source: Roman Missal



**Eternal rest grant unto Francis, O Lord.
And let the perpetual light shine upon him.
And may his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.**



A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

“Like us, Christ entered the world through the womb of a woman. He willingly experienced the fullness of human suffering. He breathed his last on the Cross at Calvary in order that He might save us. Therefore, ‘God is the foundation of hope: not any god, but the God who has a human face and who has loved us to the end’ (*Spe salvi* 31).”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

“Respect Life Reflection: Christ Our Hope in Every Season of Life” (citing Pope Benedict XVI, *Spe salvi* © 2007, Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. All rights reserved.)

Parish Ambassador News

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of St. Louis is dedicated to bringing the healing, help, and hope of Jesus Christ to those in need with a compassionate, caring presence.

Queen of Peace Center, a ministry of Catholic Charities, offers family-centered behavioral health care for women with substance abuse disorders, their children and families. Queen of Peace Center, which serves about 1,000 women each year in addition to their children and families, also offers a variety of treatment options, permanent and recovery-based housing for women and their families and an early intervention and prevention program for children of women in treatment.

Please contact your Parish Ambassador Pat Argotte at playhousehf@yahoo.com for more information.

Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities is seeking Care Coordinator volunteers to assist staff with responding to those who have requested care from Catholic Charities. The Care Coordinator will provide compassionate follow up to individuals and families in need by connecting them with available services. Volunteers will work closely with and receive training from Catholic Charities staff and should be computer savvy. For more information, please contact Vickie Hahn, at victoriahahn@ccstl.org. To apply for this and other volunteer opportunities, please go to ccstl.org/volunteer.

Challenge Coin

As part of the Archdiocese of St. Louis' Year of Hope, Catholic Charities is excited to introduce the Pilgrims of Hope Challenge Coin. This coin is a symbol of hope, meant to be passed on as a reminder of the good happening around us.

Each coin features the message, “Spread Hope,” and a QR code linking to our Coins of Hope webpage. Here's how you can participate:

1. Receive a Coin: If you receive a coin, it means someone noticed your act of kindness and compassion. Now, it's your turn to pay it forward!

2. Pass on a Coin: When you witness someone spreading hope, give them your coin and scan the QR code. This will allow you to log the story of hope and share it with others.

3. Share Your Story: We want to hear your story of Hope, so don't forget to share your story on our landing page. And, if you want, tag us on social media using the hashtag **#PILGRIMSOFOHOPE**.

Visit our website www.spreadhopestl.com for more information and to share your story. Together, we can spread hope across the Archdiocese of St. Louis during this Jubilee Year of Hope!





How to Pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Using a rosary:

- ♦ **Optional Opening Prayers:** You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us.
- ♦ **(Repeat 3 times)** O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fountain of Mercy for us, I trust in You!
- ♦ **Our Father, Hail Mary and the Apostle's Creed**
- ♦ **For each of the five decades** (On each "Our Father" bead of the rosary, pray) 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. (On each of the 10 "Hail Mary" beads, pray) For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
- ♦ **Concluding prayer** (Repeat 3 times) Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
- ♦ **Optional Closing Prayer** 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.

Stewardship Reflection

"Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.'" (JOHN 20:21)

Peace – the first gift of the risen Lord. Just as Jesus sent the apostles out into the world, so too, He sends us. As disciples of Jesus, we are called to be compassionate and merciful; and not with just those who are our friends, but also with our "enemies." Think of someone in your life who you need to reconcile with. Call them right now or better yet, go visit them.

DIVINE MERCY CELEBRATION

ON THE CANONIZATION DAY OF ST. CARLO ACUTIS



Join us at the Cathedral Basilica

On this great day of Divine Mercy we also honor the canonization of Blessed Carlo Acutis to Saint – we will be able to venerate a first class relic of Saint Carlo Acutis and prepare our hearts for His Divine Mercy.




12:00 PM Mass with Archbishop Rozanski

1:00 PM At the conclusion of Mass, Exposition & Adoration, Priests will be available to hear Confessions

Veneration of Saint Carlo Acutis (relics and panels) in the All Saints Chapel

Divine Mercy Chaplet

APRIL | 27 | 12 - 3:30 PM

Cathedral Basilica, 4431 Lindell Blvd, 63108

Eucharistic Exposition

The Blessed Sacrament, the very presence of Christ's body and blood in the Eucharist, is reserved in the tabernacle of the Blessed Sacrament Chapel to the east of the main sanctuary. At all hours the Cathedral is open, people may be found praying there before the Lord "face to face." **Each Saturday afternoon, beginning at 3:30 pm, the Eucharist is displayed for prayer and adoration in public exposition in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel for holy hour.** Following this holy hour, the Evening Prayer of the Church with Benediction is celebrated.

Additionally, the Blessed Sacrament is displayed for public adoration and prayer on the First Friday of the month. First Friday Adoration begins at approximately 8:30 am, following the completion of the 8:00 am Mass, and concludes with Benediction at 11:45 am. Our next First Friday Adoration will be held **Friday, May 2.**



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What Catholics Believe



Join us at the Cathedral Basilica as we explore the nature of the Sacraments as well as their role in the life of the Church.

- 6:30 pm in Boland Hall
- 50 minute presentation followed by social
- Feel free to bring food & drink
- Designed for adults, but all are welcome!

Next Sessions
May 7

Anointing of the Sick
May 21

Holy Orders

Questions? Contact Fr. Povis zacharypovis@archstl.org

Introduction to Catholic Health Care Ethics for Medical Students & Resident Physicians

Meetings will take place in the Gannon Room located in the basement of the rectory of Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis (4431 Lindell Blvd. St. Louis, MO 63108). Each session will begin at 7:00 pm and conclude no later than 8:30 pm.

- **May 7 Open Question Day**

Appointment with Fr. Marco

Fr. Marco is available for confession and spiritual discussion. To make an appointment to meet with Fr. Marco, please call 314.373.8202. Thank you!

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 April 27, 2025 through May 4, 2025

- Sunday:** 45: Acts 5:12-16 Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19 Jn 20:19-31
- Monday:** 267: Acts 4:23-31 Ps 2:1-9 Jn 3:1-8
- Tuesday:** 268: Acts 4:32-37 Ps 93:1-2, 5 Jn 3:7b-15
- Wednesday:** 269: Acts 5:17-26 Ps 34:2-9 Jn 3:16-21
- Thursday:** 270: Acts 5:27-33 Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20 Jn 3:31-36
- Friday:** 271: Acts 5:34-42 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 Jn 6:1-15
- Saturday:** 561: 1 Cor 15:1-8 Ps 19:2-5 Jn 14:6-14
- Sunday:** 48: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41 Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13 Rv 5:11-14 Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14



OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR THE WEEKEND OF 4/19/2025-4/20/2025

Offertory	\$8,810.00
Online Giving	\$6,994.00
Loose	\$13,648.97
Cathedral Candles	\$514.00
Holy Thursday	\$1,562.40
Good Friday	\$3,460.00
Easter	\$1,985.00
Retired Priest	\$1,650.00





STEWARDSHIP ALIVE!

Pilgrimage to Italy with Msgr Breier

October 12-24, 2025

Florence ✚ Assisi ✚ Tuscany

✚ San Giovanni Laterano ✚

Basilica of St. Francis ✚ Orvieto

The Vatican ✚ Venice ✚ Ravenna

St. Paul Outside the Wall

The Colosseum ✚ Rome

✚ Papal Audience ✚

Basilica of St. Peter ✚ Sistine Chapel

✚ The Catacombs ✚

For more information visit:

www.cathedralstl.org/pilgrimage

Travel Tyme - 636.391.1000

Men of the Cathedral

The **Men of the Cathedral** cordially invite *all parishioners and visitors* to attend Adoration of the Holy Eucharist on Tuesday, April 29 at 6pm.

We will have just celebrated the passion, death and rising from the dead of our Lord. What a terrific way to continue to honor the ultimate sacrifice he gave to offer us salvation!

Adoration will begin promptly at 6pm. Confessions will be heard during Adoration.

All men are invited to drinks, dinner and fellowship in Boland Hall immediately after the conclusion of Adoration. In anticipation of Cinco de Mayo, we will have a Mexican feast! A suggested donation of \$20 is appreciated.

Please consider making this prayerful evening a family event. Invite your family and friends to celebrate Christ through Adoration.

For dinner reservations, please contact Michael Weisbrod at michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org or 314.918.2893 by Monday, April 28.

St. Vincent de Paul Membership

The St. Vincent de Paul Society of the Cathedral Basilica is looking for a few new men and women to assist in its mission of providing tangible (rent, utilities, food) and spiritual assistance to the poor of the parish. If you are interested, please leave a message on our hotline 314-373-8288 and we will get in touch with you.

Anima Christi Young Adults

Our next meeting will be **May 1, 2025**. We will follow our normal First Thursday schedule with Holy Hour at 5:30 pm, Mass at 6:30 pm, followed by dinner in Boland Hall.

All young adults aged 18-39 are invited to join us!

Please enter through the door on the west side of the Cathedral, across the parking lot from the playground. Email AnimaChristiStL@gmail.com Or see the Anima Christi Facebook page for more details.

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.

Judy McGrath
Doreen Kelly
Linda Baldwin
Barbara Beckemeyer
Edwin Ayala Padilla
Dorothy Quinn
Mary Leah Kovarik
Shirley Brown
Guy Thomas
Kelvin Ayala Reyes
Wayne Eultgen

Nicole Pace
Resy Sanchez
Mary Anne Work
Betty Ytzaina
Therese Terri Svehla
Deborah Lee
Margaret Aubermann
Chrystal Ray
Paul Raidt
Barbara Garrett
Tronda White

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR MAY 3 & 4, 2025**

Extraordinary	Lectors	Ministers of Care	Servers	Ushers
5:00 p.m. (Sat) No Cup Ministers At Any Mass This Weekend	Mary Ann Cheng David Parr		Doug Weber	Bob Sutter Jerry Pastore Matt Colvin
8:00 am	Mitch Smith Jonathan Klimpel	Smith, Hagen, Campbell, Paul, Harper	Doug Weber Kevin Mattingly	Dave Meyer Frank Snyder Joe Schilli
10:00 am	Rachel de Almeida Oliveira Brian Ragen			Sue Metheny Dan Mangus Roger Willis Vito Alu
12 Noon	Erin Heathman Mark Burmester		TBD	Willie Stevens Skip Batchelor Lawanda Reason Mark Burmester
5:00 pm	David Butler Nancy Butler		TBD	Willie Kelsey Charlie Hapke Pat McCann Don Burns

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, 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.

