

CATHEDRAL  
BASILICA



OF SAINT LOUIS



## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

### APRIL 19, 2026

#### 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 – 6:00 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 go register at <https://cathedralstl.org/new-parishioner-registration>

All contributions to the Cathedral Basilica parish, ministries, and maintenance are sincerely appreciated.

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314.373.8205

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Sun. Apr 19 - Third Sunday of Easter

8:00 a.m. U.S. Armed Forces  
10:00 a.m. Ignacio Marquez Mena  
12:00 p.m. Gustavo Ruano Amparan  
5:00 p.m. Laura Pyatt Erler

### Mon. Apr 20 - Easter Weekday

7:00 a.m. Wayne Eultgen  
8:00 a.m. Marie Lopez  
12:05 p.m. Ben Janson

### Tues. Apr 21 - St. Anselm

7:00 a.m. Eleanor Watts  
8:00 a.m. Dennis Bader  
12:05 p.m. Peter Duchinsky

### Wed. Apr 22 - Easter Weekday

7:00 a.m. Tim Lane  
8:00 a.m. Jennifer Scalzitti  
12:05 p.m. Bernard Heit

### Thur. Apr 23 - St. George, St. Adalbert

7:00 a.m. Betty Owens Ward & Family  
8:00 a.m. Gilbert Chapman  
12:05 p.m. Dick Young

### Fri. Apr 24 - St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen

7:00 a.m. Claire Lane  
8:00 a.m. Father Thomas C. Bryon  
12:05 p.m. Darren Young

### Sat. Apr 25 - St. Mark

8:00 a.m. Jean M. Esch  
5:00 p.m. Margot Carr

### Sun. Apr 26 - Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:00 a.m. Father Thomas C. Bryon  
10:00 a.m. Joseph Leritz  
12:00 p.m. Deceased Members of the Driscoll  
And Kennebeck Families  
5:00 p.m. Maria Lien Nguyen

## 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.

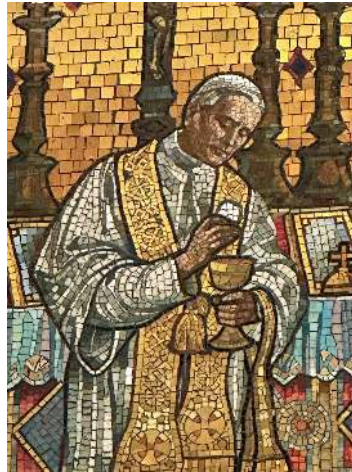
If you are interested in volunteering as a docent, please contact Susie Irons at [sirons@cathedralstl.org](mailto:sirons@cathedralstl.org)



## FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Parishioners,

On this Sunday of Easter, the Gospel according to Gospel of Luke brings us back to that first Easter day. Remarkably, the evangelist has Jesus spend much of that day walking with just two disciples on the road to Emmaus. One of them is named, but the other remains anonymous—as if to suggest that the unnamed disciple is each of us.



These two disciples are leaving Jerusalem with heavy hearts. They are sad, discouraged, and resigned. The one in whom they had placed all their hopes—Jesus of Nazareth—has been crucified. As they say with deep disappointment: *"We had hoped..."* Those words echo not only their sorrow, but the quiet resignation that can so often take hold in our own lives.

How familiar this sounds. How many today look at the world and feel that same discouragement? Faced with the persistence of war, the suffering of so many, the isolation of the elderly, and the many choices in our world that seem to lead not to life but to loss. It is easy to feel that nothing can really change. Like those disciples, we can begin to walk away—quietly, perhaps even unconsciously—from hope itself. Yet it is precisely into this sadness that the Gospel of Easter breaks in.

Then it is necessary to sit at table with the Lord, to share the banquet with him, so that his humble presence in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood may restore to us the gaze of faith. That we may see everything and everyone with God's eyes, in the light of his love. The Eucharist is the maximum expression of the gift which Jesus makes of himself and is a constant invitation to live our lives all that the Eucharist is, as a gift to God and to others.

Each Divine Mercy Sunday, I remember a woman in the hospital I visited a number of years ago who was advanced in age. She related her life story to me and shared that she had no family left at all. Her friends, she said, became her adopted family. What I found so impactful was what she then related to me. She wakes up each morning and says: "Thank you, God for this day." Which is followed by: "God, I trust in You." For her, it is that simple and I walked away that day inspired by her faith.

**Monsignor Henry Breier**

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## ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

## The Church's Teaching on Transubstantiation Can Transform Our Work in the World

We face the same choice of those who heard Jesus talk about His flesh being the Bread of Life

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

There's no way around it: We're reading the "Bread of Life" discourse from John 6 this week, and Jesus insistently draws our attention to His Body and Blood in the Eucharist.

What Jesus says in John 6 matches the accounts of the Last Supper in Matthew 26, Mark 14 and Luke 22. Jesus says of the bread, "this is my Body," and He says of the wine, "this is my Blood." St. Paul recounts this same thing in 1 Corinthians 11. This is the teaching handed on to him by the earliest believers.

Jesus had the opportunity to qualify what He said about His flesh being the Bread of Life. He could have said: "I was just speaking metaphorically." He didn't. Instead, He doubled down on the literal meaning, shifting from a general term for "eating" (which might have been interpreted symbolically) to a graphic term — more like "chewing" or "gnawing" — which left no doubt about his point.

That, fundamentally, is why we talk about the "Real Presence" of Christ in the Eucharist: because He said it and clearly meant it. And it was shocking to those who first heard it. The common response is captured well in John 6:66: "After this many of His disciples drew back and no longer walked with Him." We face the same choice.

The Church developed her teaching on the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist even more precisely in the doctrine of transubstantiation (see Catechism of the Catholic Church 1373-1376). In simple terms, this means that the outward appearance

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WITH GLADNESS**



(in technical language, the "species") remains what it was — bread and wine — while the inward reality (in technical language, the "substance") really becomes the Body and Blood of Christ. These terms translate, into precise philosophical language, what Jesus said: this is my Body, this is my Blood, and unless you eat my Flesh and drink my Blood, you have no life in you.

Though not exactly the same, this teaching is related to the pledge of transformation that Jesus makes to us. Our outward reality can remain the same, even while the inner reality of our lives is radically transformed by faith in Jesus. We see this every time a person is baptized: They look the same before and after, but — in their deepest reality — they have become something different. St. Paul echoes this when he says: "I live now, no longer I, but Christ lives in me" (Galatians 2:20).

Again, though not exactly the same, this teaching is related to how as Christians we're called to interact with the world. Being a Christian doesn't mean we have to leave our secular occupation. In that sense, the "outward reality" can remain the same. But the deepest reality is that, whatever work we do, we're working to transform the world, drawing it more and more closely to the kingdom of God.

The Church's teaching on transubstantiation, then, is not some abstract doctrine with little practical import. It's grounded in Jesus' own words. It has deep implications for our identity. And it can transform our work in the world.

*Note: This column appeared in the St. Louis Review for Apr 20 - 27 and may be read in the print edition or <https://www.stlouisreview.com/column/serve-the-lord-with-gladness/>*



## Sacrament of Marriage

Congratulations to **Fil & Saige Ananta** (pictured below) who were united in the Sacrament of Marriage at the Cathedral Basilica on Saturday, March 28, 2026 at 11:00 in the morning.

Love is patient, love is kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth.

1 Corinthians 13:4-8

## Why A Registered Parishioner

Due to the number of requests for baptisms and weddings, the Cathedral Parish adopted a policy years ago that generally requires parents to be registered parishioners of the parish before their infant may be baptized here, or for an engaged person to be a registered parishioner and practicing Catholic for a minimum of one year for preferred dates and for a more modest stipend. Non-parishioners must be registered in a Catholic parish somewhere and will need to secure their pastor's permission to be baptized or married outside of their proper parish before we can schedule any ceremony. If you attend Mass at the Cathedral regularly but have not yet registered, register online at <https://cathedralstl.org/about-basilica/parish-life> or call the parish office for more info!





# SPIRITUALITY CLASS

with Brother Benedict Johnson, O.P.

## Preach the Gospel: Dominican Spirituality for the Whole Church

Join Brother Benedict along  
with 3 other Dominicans  
discussing Dominican life and  
how the laity can live it out.

Tuesday, April 21

7:00 pm

Boland Hall



APRIL 19, 2026



## Silent Summer Directed Retreat

**BE STILL  
AND KNOW THAT  
I AM GOD.**

Step away from the busyness of life and enter the deep well of stillness and silence. Give yourself the gift of time away from the everyday to listen for the still, small voice of God. Group contemplative practices and individual Spiritual Direction (Spiritual Companionship) will be offered daily. You are free to choose what best aligns with your needs during these sacred silent days.

**Two possible retreat options:**  
 6 full days for \$700  
 Saturday, July 25 arriving 9am through Thursday, July 30 at 4pm  
 4 full days for \$425  
 Saturday, July 25 arriving 9am through Tuesday, July 28 at 4pm

This is an all inclusive retreat with private bedroom and bath. All meals are included.

**Spiritual Directors:**  
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Register on our website: [www.mercycenterstl.org](http://www.mercycenterstl.org)

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Scan to register  
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**The Run for Life and Learning is June 6!**

**Benefiting Birthright Counseling, St. Louis**

Join us at Creve Coeur Lake on June 6 for a chip-timed 6K Run/Walk, 1 Mile Fun Walk/Run, and ¼ Mile Kids Run with Louie® of the St. Louis Blues. Register or donate at [runsignup.com/run4lifeandlearning](http://runsignup.com/run4lifeandlearning). Proceeds enable women who are financially stressed by an unplanned pregnancy to continue their education and secure better lives for themselves and their families. For sponsorship opportunities, email [run4lifeandlearning@gmail.com](mailto:run4lifeandlearning@gmail.com).



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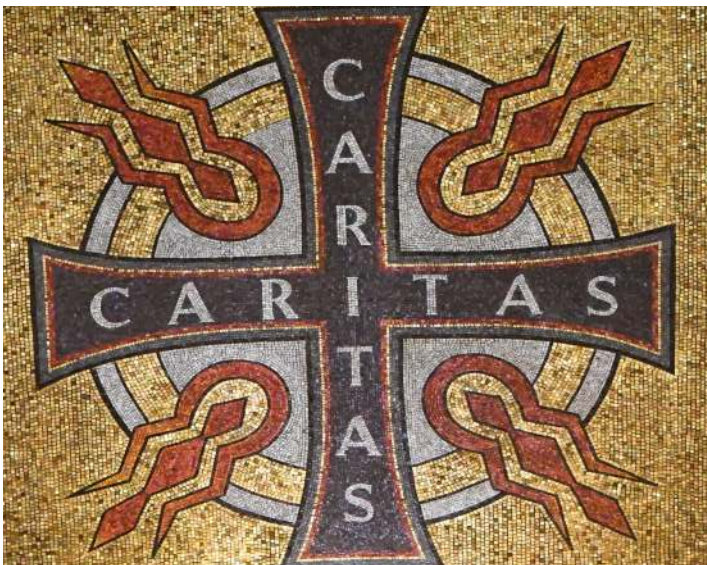
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## Parish Ambassador News

Catholic Charities of St. Louis is deeply grateful for our volunteers, whose generosity and compassion bring Christ's love to life each day. Through their service, we are able to offer healing, help, and hope to those in need across our archdiocese. Their dedication makes a lasting difference, and we celebrate them with heartfelt appreciation.

Whether you can serve once or on an ongoing basis, your time and talents can make a meaningful impact throughout our community. Consider volunteering with Catholic Charities.



To learn more and view current volunteer opportunities, please scan the QR code. For more information or to get involved, contact your Parish Ambassadors Michael, [pajor.michal@mailbox.org](mailto:pajor.michal@mailbox.org) and Pat, [playhousehf@yahoo.com](mailto:playhousehf@yahoo.com)

## Anima Christi Young Adults

### Service Saturdays



Join us for 8:00am Mass at the New Cathedral. After, we'll break into teams and head to different service sites. At 11:30am, we'll reconvene for lunch at Tacos4Life.



## 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 19, 2026 to April 26, 2026

- Sunday: 46: Acts 2:14, 22-33 Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11  
1 Pt 1:17-21 Lk 24:13-35
- Monday: 273: Acts 6:8-15 Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 Jn 6:22-29
- Tuesday: 274: Acts 7:51-8:1a Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab Jn 6:30-35
- Wednesday: 275: Acts 8:1b-8 Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a  
Jn 6:35-40
- Thursday: 276: Acts 8:26-40 Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20  
Jn 6:44-51
- Friday: 277: Acts 9:1-20 Ps 117:1bc, 2  
Jn 6:52-59
- Saturday: 555: 1 Pt 5:5b-14 Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17  
Mk 16:15-20
- Sunday: 49: Acts 2:14a, 36-41 Ps 23:1-6  
1 Pt 2:20b-25 Jn 10:1-10

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR THE WEEKEND OF 3/28/2026-3/29/2026

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|-----------------------|-------------|
| Offertory             | \$16,778.00 |
| Online Giving         | \$5,965.00  |
| Loose                 | \$4,534.84  |
| Cathedral Candles     | \$622.51    |
| Cathedral Landscape   | \$7.00      |
| Cathedral Maintenance | \$5.00      |
| Catholic Education    | \$6.00      |
| Retired Priests       | \$324.00    |
| Easter                | \$94.00     |



## STEWARDSHIP ALIVE!

## WITNESS TO LOVE

Do you love your marriage, your faith, and helping young couples grow into a strong marriage?

We are launching a new program, Witness to Love, that will provide our engaged couples with one-on-one couples mentoring to give the best foundation for their marriage.

Criteria to be a mentor:

1. 5+ years sacramentally married
2. Actively practicing the Catholic faith
3. Loving your marriage
4. Willingness to "be real" about the graces & challenges of married life!

If you have interest in being a mentor, please email Father Archer  
[archer@cathedralstl.org](mailto:archer@cathedralstl.org)

## 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<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM.

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 6 PM. Confessions will be heard during Adoration.

All men are invited to drinks, dinner and fellowship in Boland Hall immediately after the conclusion of Adoration. 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 314.918.2893 or [michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org](mailto:michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org) by Monday, April 27.

## 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!

## 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.

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|---------------------|-----------------|
| Judy McGrath        | Deborah Lee     |
| Doreen Kelly        | Goldie Wirth    |
| Linda Baldwin       | Barbara Garrett |
| Barbara Beckemeyer  | Tronda White    |
| Edwin Ayala Padilla | Tiffany Pitts   |
| Mary Leah Kovarik   | Shamelia Clark  |
| Guy Thomas          | Mary Anne Work  |
| Kelvin Ayala Reyes  | Juliana Brown   |
| Nicole Pace         | Craig Campbell  |
| Resy Sanchez        | Michael Theiss  |
| Betty Ytzaina       | Ron Pallman     |

## Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary invites you to join our weekly meetings on Saturdays at 10 am.

Meetings are held in the outer office of the Cathedral School building. For further information, please call the rectory at 314.373.8202.

## Anima Christi Young Adults

Anyone between the ages of 18 and 39 is invited to join in prayer and fellowship with the young adult community of the Cathedral Basilica. Our next meeting will be **April 23, 2026**. We will begin with Holy Hour at 6:30 pm followed by dinner in Boland Hall.

Please enter the Cathedral across the parking lot from the playground on the west side of the Church.

Email [AnimaChristiStL@gmail.com](mailto:AnimaChristiStL@gmail.com) or see the Anima Christi Facebook page for more details.



## LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR APRIL 25 &amp; 26 2026

| Extraordinary                                                                              | Lectors                           | Ministers of Care           | Servers    | Ushers                                                               |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>5:00 p.m.<br/>(Sat)</b><br><b>No Cup<br/>Ministers At<br/>Any Mass This<br/>Weekend</b> | Phoebe Del Castillo<br>Kevin Ross |                             | Doug Weber | Bob Sutter<br>Jerry Pastore<br>Matt Colvin<br>Pat McCann             |
| <b>8:00 am</b>                                                                             | Brian Ragen<br>Mary Ann Cheng     | Cheng<br>Weisbrod<br>Harper | Doug Weber | Dave Meyer<br>Frank Snyder<br>Joe Schilli                            |
| <b>10:00 am</b>                                                                            | Stephen Lebak<br>Patricia Rice    |                             |            | Sue Metheny<br>Dan Mangus<br>Roger Willis<br>Vito Alu                |
| <b>12 Noon</b>                                                                             | David Butler<br>Michael Murphy    |                             | TBD        | Willie Stevens<br>Skip Batchelor<br>Lawanda Reason<br>Mark Burmester |
| <b>5:00 pm</b>                                                                             | David Parr<br>Claire Sommers      |                             | TBD        | Willie Kelsey<br>Charlie Hapke<br>Pat McCann<br>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](http://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

