

CATHEDRAL  
BASILICA



OF SAINT LOUIS



## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD JANUARY 7, 2024

### 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 *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**  
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 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 [SusieIrons@cathedralstl.org](mailto:SusieIrons@cathedralstl.org)

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Sun. Jan. 7th - The Epiphany of the Lord

- 8:00 a.m. Bob Austermann
- 10:00 a.m. The Whitman Family
- 12:00 p.m. Marie De L'Assomption Phung Van Khahn
- 5:00 p.m. Tristan Vandemark

### Mon. Jan. 8th - The Baptism of the Lord

- 7:00 a.m. John William Partridge
- 8:00 a.m. Charles E. Whitten
- 12:05 p.m. Paul Leible

### Tues. Jan. 9th - Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. Lola Pottebaum
- 8:00 a.m. Ceciro Librando
- 12:05 p.m. Karen Demko

### Wed. Jan. 10th - Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. Sr. Joan Miriam, RSM
- 8:00 a.m. Raphael Jonathan Reese
- 12:05 p.m. Ferd Potthast

### Thur. Jan. 11th - Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. Sr. Mary Helena, RSM
- 8:00 a.m. Bill & Susan O'Neill
- 12:05 p.m. Mark O'Neill

### Fri. Jan. 12th - Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. Pamela Bruce
- 8:00 a.m. Wilma Jean Christianson
- 12:05 p.m. Llilda Marie Barata

### Sat. Jan 13th - Saint Hilary, Doctor of the Church

- 8:00 a.m. Raphael Jonathan Reese
- 5:00 p.m. The Breier Family

### Sun. Jan. 14th - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 a.m. Craig McGrath
- 10:00 a.m. Theresa Quirion
- 12:00 p.m. Diane Wyse Jackson
- 5:00 p.m. Nick Theiss





## FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Parishioners,

One of our long-time parishioners, Ann Skiba, passed away on December 30th at the age of 106. It was the death of one of her daughters in 1988, when she was 72 that brought her to St. Louis with her husband to assist in caring for her two young grandchildren. At the same time, Ann and her husband, Paul, became parishioners of the Cathedral and would be seen assisting in the decoration for Easter and Christmas and volunteering for the Cathedral Fete.



She enjoyed gifting boxes of intricate homemade Christmas cookies to family and friends. She remained fit throughout her life and was often seen walking through the Central West End or swimming laps in the pool at her condo. With her gregarious personality, she played a significant role in the lives of her family members. A Memorial Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral on Saturday, January 20th at 10:00 am. I kindly ask you to pray for the repose of her soul and for the family that mourns this loss.

On this Monday that follows the Solemnity of the Epiphany, we are celebrating the Baptism of the Lord. This was the first act of his public life, recounted in all four Gospels. Having reached the age of about 30, Jesus left Nazareth, went to the River Jordan and, in the midst of a great crowd of people, had himself baptized by John.

Mark the Evangelist writes: "And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opened and the Spirit descending upon him like a dove; and a voice came down from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; in you I am well pleased"" (Mk 1: 10-11). These words, "You are my beloved Son" reveal what eternal life is: it is the filial relationship with God, just as Jesus lived it and gave it to us.

Now our celebration of Christmas concludes. The Child, who the Magi came to adore at Bethlehem offering their gifts, and our attention now will be drawn away from this scene to discover Christ among us. The eternal truth of Christmas we take with us: That God so loved the world that he gave us his only begotten Son.

**Monsignor Henry Breier**

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## ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

## Working to show a better version of freedom

The efforts to enshrine abortion in the state's constitution are calling for a cheap form of freedom

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

This week marks the first week of Ordinary Time in the Church's calendar. As we look ahead to the coming year — a year in which it seems we will be asked whether we want to make abortion part of the state constitution — how fitting it is that the readings begin by focusing on the conception of a child! (The conception of Samuel in 1 Samuel 1.)

In the spirit of St. Mark, whose Gospel we read this year, let's get right to the point: We're going to be asked whether we as a society want to protect the "right" to kill our children. And by raising the issue to the level of the state constitution we would be saying: "This is essential to our state — this is what makes us who we are."

In response to that prospect, I simply want to say two things.

First, this is going to be presented to us under the guise of defending freedom. But we need to ask: Freedom for what? Freedom for parents to kill their children, rather than help them grow. Freedom for the powerful to eliminate the vulnerable, rather than lift them up. Freedom to offer women a short-term solution and ask them to bear the long-term physical, psychological and spiritual consequences alone, rather than supporting women as the ones through whom all life flows into our communities. My friends, that's a cheap freedom. Is that the freedom the "Show Me State" wants to show to the world?

Second, if we enshrine that version of freedom into our constitution, we will not be able to object to anything — not in principle. Our calls that women, children and the vulnerable deserve better from society will all ring hollow. I say: Women and children and the vulnerable deserve a better version of freedom, and a better version of freedom is what Missouri wants to show the world. I ask you to consider

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### SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS

joining me in saying that, too.

This week we also hear about the call of Samuel to serve the Lord. In the midst of Samuel's vocation story we hear this curious point: "At that time Samuel was not familiar with the Lord." It's curious because Samuel was living in the Temple, sleeping next to the Ark of the Covenant! But the point is this: While Samuel knew many things about the Lord, he did not know the living voice of God in his life.

I think we could all join Samuel in coming to a deeper knowledge of the living voice of God in our lives!

In the Gospel this week we hear: "When Jesus returned to Capernaum ... it became known that He was at home." We sometimes miss the personalization and intimacy of that: Jesus had a home!

I want to encourage all of us to grow in the personalization and intimacy hidden in that passage. Read the Scriptures, especially the New Testament. Read a chapter a day. If possible, find a place where you can read it out loud!

When the words of the Bible find a place in our minds and on our lips, the Word of God increasingly finds a home in our hearts. He will come to be "at home" in us spiritually, as He was once at home in

Capernaum physically. Then, as the manger held Christ at Christmas, we can carry Him in our hearts through the whole year.

God bless you this coming year.

*Note: This column appeared in the St. Louis Review for January 6-7 and may be read in the print edition or at <https://it.ly/35ejOXr>*





JANUARY 7, 2024



# CATHEDRAL CONCERTS

*Experience Great Music in a Great Space!*  
Join us for the second half of our  
2023 - 2024 Season

## Missouri State University Chorale

*Cameron LaBarr, Director*

**Friday, January 12, 2024 8:00pm**  
**Tickets: \$20**

## Chanticleer

**Monday, April 8, 2024 8:00pm**

*"The world's reigning male chorus"*

**– New Yorker**

*Welcomed by Melanie & Anthony Fathman, MD*

**Tickets: \$45, \$30, \$20**

## North City Deanery Choir

*Simeon A. Layne, Jr., Director*

**Friday, February 2, 2024 8:00pm**

*Welcomed by Coldwell Banker Realty - Gundaker  
and Paul & Amy Mittelstadt*

**FREE No Tickets Required**

## The Boston Camerata

**Friday, April 19, 2024 8:00pm**

*Les Miracles de Notre Dame*

Medieval Paris was not only a center of learning, debate, art, and architecture: it was also a capital of musical creation and innovation, the most important in Europe. You will hear the magnificent vocal music sung within the walls of the great cathedral, as well as miracle tales, student songs, and minstrel turns performed in Notre Dame's shadow, on either bank of the steadily flowing Seine. A feast!

A commission of the French Consulate in Boston and premiered a few months after the 2019 fire which destroyed in part the Notre Dame cathedral, it was again performed in 2022, to public and critical acclaim.

**Tickets: \$45, \$30, \$20**

## St. Louis Symphony Orchestra & Chorus

**Wednesday, February 28, 2024 8:00pm**

*Presented by BSI Constructors*

*Stéphane Denève, conductor*

*Brenda Rae, soprano*

*Davóne Tines, bass-baritone*

*St. Louis Symphony Chorus – Erin Freeman, Guest Chorus Director*

*GABRIEL FAURÉ Pavane, op. 50*

*CHARLES KOECHLIN Choral sur le nom de Fauré*

*LILI BOULANGER Pie Jesu*

*MAURICE RAVEL Pavane pour une infante défunte (Pavane for a Dead Princess)*

*GABRIEL FAURÉ Requiem, op. 48*

**Tickets: \$60, \$45, \$30**

Artists & Dates subject to change



**CathedralConcerts.org 314-533-7662**





## Announcement of Easter and the Moveable Feasts

The proclamation of the date of Easter and the other moveable feasts on Epiphany dates from a time when calendars were not readily available. It was necessary to make known the date of Easter in advance, since many celebrations of the liturgical year depend on its date. The number of Sundays that follow Epiphany, the date of Ash Wednesday, and the number of Sundays that follow Pentecost are all computed in relation to Easter.

Although calendars now give the date of Easter and the other feasts in the liturgical year for many years in advance, the Epiphany proclamation still has value. It is a reminder of the centrality of the resurrection of the Lord in the liturgical year and the importance of the great mysteries of faith which are celebrated each year.

Each year the proper dates for Ash Wednesday, Easter, Ascension, Pentecost, the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, and the First Sunday of Advent must be inserted into the text. Those dates are found in the table which is included with the introductory documents of the *Roman Missal*. The form to be used for announcing each date is: the *date of month*, e.g., "the seventh day of April."

On the Epiphany of the Lord, after the singing of the Gospel, a Deacon or cantor, in keeping with an ancient practice of Holy Church, announces from the ambo the moveable feasts of the current year according to the following text.

Know, dear brethren (brothers and sisters),  
that, as we have rejoiced at the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
so by leave of God's mercy  
we announce to you also the joy of his Resurrection,  
who is our Savior.

On the **fourteenth** day of **February** will fall Ash Wednesday,  
and the beginning of the fast of the most sacred Lenten season.

On the **thirty-first** day of **March** you will celebrate with joy Easter Day,  
the Paschal feast of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the **ninth** day of **May** will be the Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ.

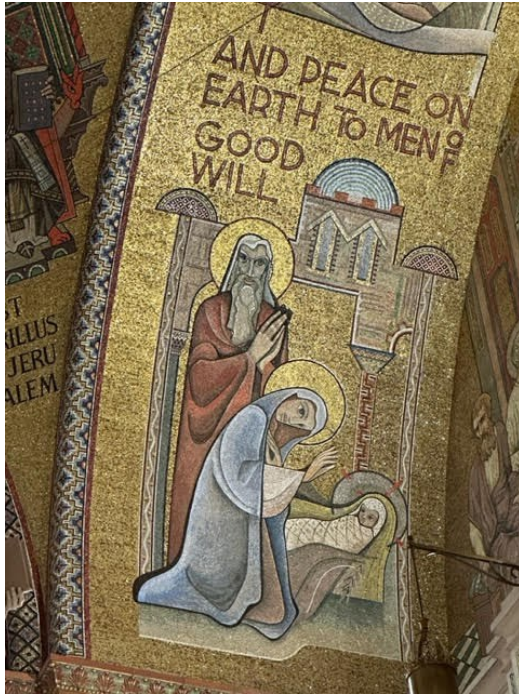
On the **nineteenth** day of **May**, the feast of Pentecost.

On the **second** day of **June**, the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.

On the **first** day of **December**, the First Sunday of the Advent of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
to whom is honor and glory for ever and ever.

Amen.





## The Revelation of God's Son

Today, we celebrate The Epiphany of the Lord. A significant feast day in which we celebrate the revelation of God in His Son as human in Jesus Christ. The Epiphany not only signifies the calling of the chosen few, like the Wise Men, but it also serves as an open invitation to everyone around the entire world to open their hearts and follow Jesus Christ. For the first time in history, God became physically present to the people on earth in human form through His Son, He was no longer just a voice calling out in the wilderness.

The Wise Men were taking a risk in following the star to Bethlehem, but they trusted God and knew that He was leading them to something far greater than they could ever imagine. The three Wise Men are a wonderful example of how we as Christians are called to live our own lives. Trusting that God knows what is best for us and that His plan, no matter how random and difficult it might seem on the journey, will lead us to exactly where we need to be. The Wise Men recognized God in an unexpected form, through the baby Jesus, and we too must find the strength to see Jesus in our lives in unexpected ways. And when we do, we can worship and adore Him.

## Women of the Cathedral

The Women of the Cathedral (WOC) meet monthly and invite the ladies of the parish to join them. Nursing babies are always welcome. Coming this month is a Bible study to enrich and grow our faith, and a service project to feed the homeless. For more information on these upcoming activities or to be added to the email list, please contact Sarah Schimpf at [sarah.schimpf@icloud.com](mailto:sarah.schimpf@icloud.com)



## Men of the Cathedral

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is a joy beyond words, as we can come close to our Lord in a very special and personal way. That joy and fulfillment is greatly enhanced when you share the experience of Adoration with others.

Begin your 2024 spiritual life by joining Men of the Cathedral for the January Adoration scheduled for January 30th at 6 PM. All (men, women, parishioners and visitors) are welcome for Adoration! Invite your friends and family. Several MOC include their sons (or fathers) and find it to be a great way to come closer to one-another and to Christ!

Confessions will be heard during Adoration.

Following Adoration, all men are invited to Boland Hall for fellowship and dinners. An offering of \$20 is suggested. Please RSVP by Monday, January 29th to Michael Weisbrod at [michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org](mailto:michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org) to reserve your dinner spot!



## A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

“Through the Incarnation and birth of Christ, God reveals to us the dignity of all human life. Human life, as a gift of God, is sacred and inviolable. The Son of God has united himself with every human being and desires for us to share eternal life with him... Each of us is made in the image and likeness of God, and we reflect his glory in the world.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities “The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary”

## 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 Session

January 17

From There He Will Come to Judge the Living and the Dead

## 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 January 7, 2024 through January 14, 2024

Sunday: 20: Is 60:1-6 Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13 Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 Mt 2:1-12  
Monday: 21: Is 42: 1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38 Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9b-10 Mk 1:7-11  
Tuesday: 306: 1 Sm 1:9-20 (Ps) 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8 Mk 1:21-28  
Wednesday: 307: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20 Ps 40:2, 5, 7-10 Mk 1:29-39  
Thursday: 308: 1 Sm 4:1-11 Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 25-26 Mk 1:40-45  
Friday: 309: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a Ps 89:16-19 Mk 2:1-12  
Saturday: 310: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a Ps 21:2-7 Mk 2:13-17  
Sunday: 65: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19 Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20 Jn 1:35-42

## 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.

Roxanne Ali  
Linda Baldwin  
Janice Bashford  
Barbara Beckemeyer  
Edwin Ayala Padilla  
Pauline Price  
David Washington  
Dorothy Quinn  
Mary Leah Kovarik  
Janetta Williams

Guy Thomas  
Kelvin Ayala Reyes  
Mary Riley  
Nicole Pace  
Resy Sanchez  
Mickey Shears  
Mary Anne Work  
Betty Ytzaina  
Sharon Kay Moore  
Therese Terri Svehla





## STEWARDSHIP ALIVE!

## 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 on **Thursday, January 11th**. Our gathering begins with Holy Hour at 6:30pm (enter through the west door, by the playground). Afterward there will be dinner in Boland Hall. Please join us, in full or in part, to deepen your relationship with Christ and with one another.

## Welcome New Parishioners

A very special welcome to our new parishioners! We have been blessed with many families joining the Cathedral Basilica parish this month. The Cathedral clergy, rectory staff, and your fellow parishioners joyfully welcome you and pray for you and your families.

If you are interested in ways that you can become involved at the Cathedral, please contact Andrew at 314-373-8202.

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR THE WEEKEND OF 12/30/2023-12/31/2023

Offertory	\$4,045.00
Loose	\$6,365.00
Online Giving	\$13,989.17
Cathedral Candles	\$761.20
Cathedral Landscape	\$347.00
Cathedral Maintenance	\$30.00
Catholic Education	\$15.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$5.00
Christmas	\$500.00
Year End Gift	\$14,300.00

## Catholic Charities

**Catholic Charities of St. Louis** brings the healing, help, and hope of Jesus Christ to those in need with a compassionate and caring presence.

**St. Patrick Center** is a ministry of catholic Charities that transforms lives by helping those who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless access to sustainable housing, employment, and healthcare. St. Patrick Center has volunteer opportunities and ways to get involved.

To learn more or to volunteer, please contact your Parish Ambassador Alisa Goessling at 314-256-5904.

## Appointment with Fr. Marco

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## Weekly Thoughts on Giving

*"They fell down and worshipped him. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." - Matthew 2:11*

Notice the order of events in the Magi's visit. First, they knelt before Jesus and prayed to Him. Then they presented Him with their gifts. We, too, must take time to pray before we present our gifts to the Lord. We never know what God may be asking us to share!



## LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR JANUARY 13 &amp; 14, 2024

	Extraordinary	Lectors	Ministers of Care	Servers	Ushers
<b>5:00 p.m. (Sat)</b>	<b>No Cup Ministers At Any Mass This Weekend</b>	Mary Ann Cheng Michael Pajor		Doug Weber	Bob Sutter Jerry Pastore Matt Colvin
<b>8:00 am</b>		Pat Harper Brian Ragen	Weisbrod, Brumester, Rage, Robinson, Harper	Doug Weber Kevin Mattingly	Dave Meyer Frank Snyder Joe Schilli
<b>10:00 am</b>		Jonathan Klimpel Patricia Rice		Carl Florentin Gideon Schimpf Dean Willis	Susan Metheny William Kasalko Dan Mangus
<b>12 Noon</b>		Kevin Ross Erin Heathman		TBD	Willie Stevens Vito Alu Lawanda Reason
<b>5:00 pm</b>		Rachel de Almeida Oliveira Phoebe del Castillo		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](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 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

