

CATHEDRAL  
BASILICA



OF SAINT LOUIS



## BAPTISM OF THE LORD JANUARY 12, 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**  
314.533.7662

**TOURS**  
314.373.8205

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Sun. Jan 12th - Baptism of the Lord

8:00 a.m. Jeanne Carney Hagan Family  
10:00 a.m. Pat McBride  
12:00 p.m. Margaret Johnson  
5:00 p.m. Carolina Ventura

### Mon. Jan 13th - St. Hilary

7:00 a.m. Jean & Steve Toeniskoetter  
8:00 a.m. Lynette Raidt  
12:05 p.m. John & Heather Hewitt

### Tues. Jan 14th - Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. Lisa McAleenan  
8:00 a.m. Joseph Mulhall  
12:05 p.m. Jeanne Carney Hagan Family

### Wed. Jan 15th - Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. Paul Leible  
8:00 a.m. Jason Vogel  
12:05 p.m. Elizabeth Hodapp

### Thur. Jan 16th - Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. Charles Whitten  
8:00 a.m. Emmanuel Idoko  
12:05 p.m. John & Heather Hewitt

### Fri. Jan 17th - St. Anthony, Abbot

7:00 a.m. Patrick McAleenan  
8:00 a.m. Paul Atamewan  
12:05 p.m. Jeanne Carney Hagan Family

### Sat. Jan 18th - Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Herb Gallego  
5:00 p.m. Daniel Martegani

### Sun. Jan 19th - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Joseph Mulhall  
10:00 a.m. Lynette Raidt  
12:00 p.m. Herb Gallego  
5:00 p.m. Catherine Farinelli

## 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,

In his encyclical, [Caritas In Veritate](#), Pope Benedict the XVI addressed issues related to life:

“When a society moves towards the denial or suppression of life, it ends up no longer finding the necessary motivation and energy to strive for man's true good. If personal and social sensitivity towards the acceptance of a new life is lost, then other forms of acceptance that are valuable for society also wither away. The acceptance of life strengthens moral fiber and makes people capable of mutual help. By cultivating openness to life, wealthy peoples can better understand the needs of poor ones, they can avoid employing huge economic and intellectual resources to satisfy the selfish desires of their own citizens, and instead, they can promote virtuous action within the perspective of production that is morally sound and marked by solidarity, respecting the fundamental right to life of every people and every individual (no. 28, 4).”

Let us renew our prayer and efforts to support the dignity of human life. We are saddened by losing more than 60 million children to procured abortions. You are invited to take part in the Annual Pro-Life Memorial Mass on Saturday, January 18, 2025, at 8:00 am at the Cathedral Basilica. Following Mass, the Rosary will be prayed and a reception will follow in Boland Hall.

On this Sunday 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 Breier**

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## ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

## Let Jesus Challenge Our Assumed Scales of Value

Obstacles are not hindrances to spiritual growth but the very things that help us grow

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

We leave the Christmas season and enter Ordinary Time this week, and we begin a long stretch of readings from the Letter to the Hebrews.

Hebrews is concerned with overturning a key assumption of ancient Greek culture: that anything in the spiritual realm was greater than everything in the physical realm. If that were true, then Jesus, because He came in the flesh, must be lesser than the angels. But Jesus is God in the flesh and is exalted above the angels! That overturned an assumed scale of values in the ancient world. And that should get us thinking: Are there any assumed scales of values in our culture that need to be challenged by Jesus?

Hebrews also tells us that Jesus was made perfect through suffering. That not only challenged ancient assumptions; it challenges us today! Why should Jesus be perfected by suffering rather than by having everything go right? Shouldn't He "rise through the corporate ladder" of the spiritual life in an unbroken line of success?

But the fact that it strikes us as odd is the measure of how far we've departed from God's way of doing things! Deeper reflection on our own experience confirms this truth: Obstacles are often not hindrances to spiritual growth but the very things that help us grow. Still, we manage to run from those crosses rather than embrace them and surrender to God through them.

Finally, remember that Jesus is specifically known as "Jesus of Nazareth." Not Athens; not Rome; not Alexandria; not Jerusalem. Jesus didn't hail from any of the centers of ancient worldly power. In today's terms, we might say: He didn't go to an Ivy League school, and He didn't work for a Fortune 500 company. If there was an ancient bias for what power looks like and where it comes from, we share it!

**ARCHBISHOP  
MITCHELL  
ROZANSKI**



**SERVE THE LORD  
WITH GLADNESS**

So when we hear in the Gospel of Mark this week that Jesus chose fishermen as His first disciples and that He was eating with tax collectors and sinners, we ought to say: "We might have guessed it! Choosing the small and the lowly — that's His way."

We have our own assumed categories today. I think we need to let Jesus challenge them.

We act surprised when Jesus calls us to evangelize, because we don't have theology degrees. We have a hard time believing that Jesus wants to work through our weaknesses, not only our strengths. We're surprised when we find that programs are less effective for spreading the Gospel than individual invitations. We struggle to accept that depth of interaction can be a more important measure of success than number of attendees. We get impatient when an evangelizing culture takes years to develop. But aren't those all rooted in how Jesus has always acted?

The Letter to the Hebrews says that Jesus "had to become like His brothers and sisters in every way." That meant, contrary to all ancient expectation, that He took on flesh and blood. It meant, contrary to all expectation, that He became small.

I think the same Jesus is at work in the Church today. Maybe, as a New Year's resolution, we could be more patient with His continued choice to be small and more confident in the power of His smallness.

*Note: This column appeared in the St. Louis Review for Jan 11 & 12 and may be read in the print edition or at <https://it.ly/35ejOXr>*





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# COFFEE & DONUTS

Hosted by: Cathedral Parish Council

Sunday January 12

after 8 & 10 am Mass



## CATHEDRAL CONCERTS

*Experience Great Music in a Great Space in 2025!*

The Legend Singers  
Friday, January 31, 2025 7:30pm  
FREE: Tickets not Required

Vox Una with  
St. Louis Area High School Choirs  
Sunday, February 23, 2025 2:30pm  
FREE: Tickets not Required

American Spiritual Ensemble  
Sunday, March 23, 2025 7:30pm

Westminster Cathedral Choir,  
London  
Monday, March 31, 2025 7:30pm

VOCES8  
Friday, April 4, 2025 7:30pm  
Welcomed by  
Bruce & Linda Ryder and  
Melanie & Anthony Fathman, MD

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

Artists & Dates subject to change



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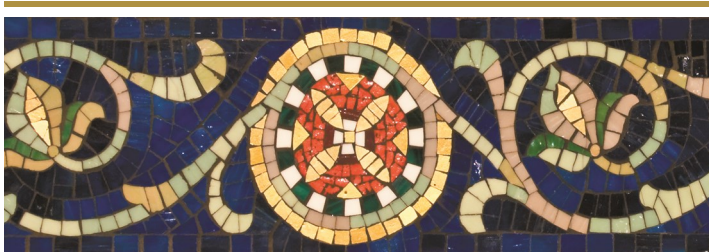


## Sacrament of Baptism

Congratulations and God's Blessings on **Brigid Clare and the Kenney Family** who is one of the newest members of the Church. She was baptized on December 29, 2024.

And now why do you wait? Rise and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on his name.

Acts 22:16



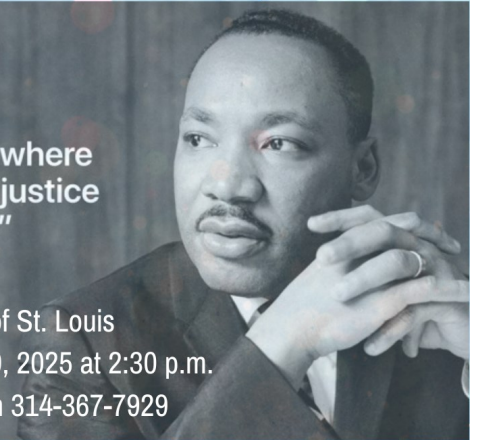
## Peace & Justice Mass

**49th Annual Celebration  
Honoring the Legacy of  
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr**

"Injustice anywhere  
is a threat to justice  
everywhere."

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis  
Sunday, January 19, 2025 at 2:30 p.m.  
for more information 314-367-7929



## 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

**January 15**

The Eucharist, Part I

**February 5**

The Eucharist, Part II

Questions? Contact Fr. Povis zacharypovis@archstl.org





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# 2025 Archdiocesan Young Adult Pro-Life Holy Hour

**Thursday January 23**

**6:30 pm**

**Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis**

**Sponsored by Anima Christi,**

**Salt + Light & Respect Life**

**Apostolate**

**Pro-Life  
Witness Talk**



**Jamie LaBelle: Catholic Wife, Adoptive  
Mother, & Archdiocesan Staff- Respect  
Life Apostolate & Office of Peace &  
Justice**

**Eucharistic Adoration**

**Holy Rosary**

**Confession**

**Dessert Social (Boland Hall)**



**For more information, contact  
[prolife@archstl.org](mailto:prolife@archstl.org) or 314.792.7555**



## 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.

- **Feb 12** Discerning Ordinary v Extraordinary Care (including Nutrition & Hydration)
- **Mar 12** Caring at the End of Life (Palliative Care, Physician Assisted Suicide)
- **April 9** Determining Death & Organ Transplantation
- **May 7** Open Question Day

## 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](http://www.cathedralstl.org/pilgrimage)  
 Travel Tyme - 636.391.1000

## 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 12, 2025 through January 19, 2025

Sunday: 21: Is 40:1-5, 9-11 Ps 104:1b-4, 24-25, 27-30 Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7 Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday: 305: Heb 1:1-6 Ps 97:1, 2b, 6, 7c, 9 Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: 306: Heb 2:5-12 Ps 8:2a, 5-9 Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 307: Heb 2:14-18 Ps 105:1-4, 6-9 Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 308: Heb 3:7-14 Ps 95:6-11 Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 309: Heb 4:1-5, 11 Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8 Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 310: Heb 4:12-16 Ps 19:8-10, 15 Mk 2:13-17

Sunday: 66: Is 62:1-5 Ps 96:1-3, 7-10 1 Cor 12:4-11 Jn 2:1-11

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR THE WEEKEND OF 1/4/2025-1/5/2025

Offertory	\$6,890.00
Online Giving	\$10,724.00
Loose	\$1,755.49
Solemnity of Mary	\$5,704.27
Cathedral Landscaping	\$12.00
Cathedral Maintenance	\$200.00
Review	\$35.00





## 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. Our next meeting will be **January 16, 2025**. 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.

## Women of the Cathedral

Join the **Women of the Cathedral** the 1st Tuesday of the month for Benediction, Adoration & fellowship. We meet monthly from September through May, along with Bible Studies, Blood Drives, Sunday Suppers, Advent & Lent Evening of Reflection, a Christmas party and other fun activities.

To be added to our email list, please contact Sarah Schimpf [sarah.schimpf@icloud.com](mailto:sarah.schimpf@icloud.com)

You are invited to join us on **Tuesday, February 4** beginning with Adoration & Benediction at 6:30 pm then moving to Boland Hall for food & fellowship. Bring an appetizer or drink to share.

## 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	Kelvin Ayala Reyes
Doreen Kelly	Nicole Pace
Linda Baldwin	Resy Sanchez
Barbara Beckemeyer	Mary Anne Work
Edwin Ayala Padilla	Betty Ytzaina
Dorothy Quinn	Therese Terri Svehla
Mary Leah Kovarik	Deborah Lee
Janetta Williams	Margaret Aubermann
Aisha Mitchell	Chrystal Ray
Shirley Brown	Barbara Garrett
Guy Thomas	

## Men of the Cathedral

Greetings to all as we enter the season of Advent.

Due to the Christmas holidays, Men of the Cathedral will not meet in December for Adoration. We will resume on **January 28, 2025**. Same time, same location!

Since we will not be meeting, you are encouraged to attend Adoration on Saturday from 3:30 to 4:40 pm or simply spend some personal time in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

As we approach the new year, I would like to explore your interest in scheduling a quarterly visit to volunteer at the St. Pius V Parish Food Pantry. Several of the MOC volunteered there recently and expressed their desire to return. Others have subsequently asked to participate. If you are interested, please send an email to: [Michael.Weisbrod@rcfstl.org](mailto:Michael.Weisbrod@rcfstl.org) and we can determine a convenient Saturday each quarter to volunteer.

Blessings to you and your family this Christmas season.

## 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!

## Weekly Thoughts on Giving

*"John answered them all, 'I baptize you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming...he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit...' - Luke 3:16"*

The Catholic Catechism states that *"Jesus' immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God's will."* In other words, as baptized Catholics there is only one gift that we need to give to Jesus – the gift of ourselves. Surrender yourself to God, place your trust in Him and allow the Holy Spirit to work through you for the greater glory of God.



## LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR JANUARY 18 &amp; 19, 2025

Extraordinary	Lectors	Ministers of Care	Servers	Ushers
<b>5:00 p.m. (Sat)</b> <b>No Cup Ministers At Any Mass This Weekend</b>	Phoebe Del Castillo Mitch Smith		Doug Weber	Bob Sutter Jerry Pastore Matt Colvin
<b>8:00 am</b>	Jonathan Klimpel Thomas Gregory	Gregory, Hagen, Austermann, Weisbrod, Campbell	Doug Weber Kevin Mattingly	Dave Meyer Frank Snyder Joe Schilli
<b>10:00 am</b>	Rachel de Almeida Oliveira Patricia Rice			Sue Metheny Dan Mangus Roger Willis Vito Alu
<b>12 Noon</b>	Erin Heathman Mark Burmester		TBD	Willie Stevens Skip Batchelor Lawanda Reason Mark Burmester
<b>5:00 pm</b>	Mary Ann Cheng David Parr		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 at 314-792-6460.

