

CATHEDRAL  
BASILICA



OF SAINT LOUIS



THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
JANUARY 21, 2024

**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)



## 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 [Susie sirons@cathedralstl.org](mailto:Susie_sirons@cathedralstl.org)

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Sun. Jan. 21st - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Gregory Larm  
10:00 a.m. Raphael Jonathan Reese  
12:00 p.m. Joyce Reilly  
5:00 p.m. Nick Theiss

### Mon. Jan. 22nd - Day of Prayer for the Unborn

7:00 a.m. Paul Leible  
8:00 a.m. Charles E. Whitten  
12:05 p.m. Mary Baros & Bill Reitz

### Tues. Jan. 23rd - St. Vincent Deacon & Martyr

7:00 a.m. Justin LaVictoire  
8:00 a.m. Richard Nemanick  
12:05 p.m. Charles Mier

### Wed. Jan. 24th - St. Francis de Sales

7:00 a.m. Christopher Silvers  
8:00 a.m. Catherine Leisure  
12:05 p.m. Irene LaVictoire

### Thur. Jan. 25th - The Conversion of St. Paul

7:00 a.m. Msgr. Gerad McCarren  
8:00 a.m. Jim Carr  
12:05 p.m. Gilbert Bickel

### Fri. Jan. 26th - St. Timothy & St. Titus

7:00 a.m. Teresa & Francis Farrow & Family  
8:00 a.m. Dena Westerfield  
12:05 p.m. Lorraine Bath

### Sat. Jan 27th - St. Angela Merici

8:00 a.m. Raphael Jonathan Reese  
5:00 p.m. Richard Campbell

### Sun. Jan. 28th - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Mason Crooks  
10:00 a.m. Raphael Jonathan Reese  
12:00 p.m. Annie Ruth Givens  
5:00 p.m. Nick Theiss





## FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Parishioners,

During my time as a college Seminarian, we would attend classes at St. Louis University and on the Feast of Saint Thomas Aquinas, there would be a group of students in the College of Philosophy and Letters who would spend the feast day reading aloud the *Summa Theologica*. The Summa is the best known work of St. Thomas and is a compendium of all the main theological teachings of the Catholic Church. It was intended to be an instructional guide for theology students.

With his charism as a philosopher and theologian, he offered an effective model of harmony between faith and reason, dimensions of the human spirit that are completely fulfilled in the encounter and dialogue with one another.

According to St Thomas' thought, human reason, as it were, "breathes": it moves within a vast open horizon in which it can express the best of itself. When, instead, man reduces himself to thinking only of material objects or those that can be proven, he closes himself to the great questions about life, himself, and God and is thereby impoverished. The relationship between faith and reason is a serious challenge to the culture we find ourselves in today. Saint John Paul II wrote an Encyclical entitled *Fides et Ratio* - "Faith and Reason" - to address this topic.

I raise this topic because the state of our world seems to indicate we have left faith and reason behind. Instead of seeing "faith and reason as two wings on which the human spirit rises to the contemplation of truth" (*Fides et Ratio*), many have turned to the self as the center of truth, and see reason as being separate from faith. It is necessary to admit that the tendency to consider "true" only that which can be experienced constitutes a limitation of human reason, and that this tendency has led to the coexistence of rationalism and materialism, hyper-technology and unbridled instinct.

Faith presupposes reason and perfects it, and reason, enlightened by faith, finds the strength to rise to the knowledge of God and spiritual realities. Human reason loses nothing by opening itself to the content of faith, which, indeed, requires its free and conscious adherence.

Saint Thomas Aquinas, pray for us.

**Monsignor Henry Breier**

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## ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

## We delight in being recognized and known

This delight can also be one small way that we can shape how we approach the Eucharist and parish life

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Two weeks ago we held the SEEK24 conference in downtown St. Louis. Almost 20,000 people — mostly young adults — came to grow in both following and proclaiming Christ. It was an extraordinary experience of the vibrancy of the young Church.

As we start to think and pray and talk more deeply about parish vibrancy in the Archdiocese of St. Louis, I'd like to recall something that happened repeatedly as the conference unfolded.

Any time one of the main stage speakers would mention a particular school the students from that school would cheer wildly. They were delighted to be recognized and known.

What happened on a group level also played out over and over on an individual level. One person would recognize another and call out. You could see the joy it brought that individual to be recognized and known.

Perhaps it's a law of human nature: We delight in being recognized and known. That law was on full display at SEEK24, and I wonder if it might help with parish vibrancy in two ways.

First: Do we approach Jesus in the Eucharist this way? My point is not that we come forward to recognize Jesus, though that's also true and essential. My point is: Do we approach Him with the intention of letting Him recognize and know us — do we approach and receive the Eucharist with that kind of delight? "Jesus looked at me — He recognized me, He knows me, He gave Himself to me!" Do we cheer, at least internally, when this happens?

As we prepare for the National Eucharistic Congress this summer in Indianapolis and focus on the revival of our own eucharistic devotion, perhaps we could learn something from the experience of SEEK24.

## ARCHBISHOP MITCHELL ROZANSKI

### SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS



Here's a second element of how that delight pertains to parish vibrancy: Do we provide that same experience for others when they enter the parish? Do we look at them with recognition and delight and let them be delighted at being recognized? (Or, if we don't recognize them, are we at least genuinely delighted to meet them?) That small experience could transform people's experience of parish life.

Friends, we live in a tired world. Spirituality without religion, the (empty) promise of salvation by technology and conversations made shallow by relativism make it tired. We have an opportunity to bring a tremendous source of energy to a tired world: the delight of being recognized, known and loved by Jesus.

What if we asked ourselves, at the end of every day: What opportunities did I have today to let someone know that Jesus recognizes and delights in them? How did I do with those opportunities?

If we ask those questions every day, we might begin to make quicker and deeper responses to the opportunities that present themselves.

Does that seem small? Maybe. But Jesus tells the parable of the mustard seed this week: Though "it is the smallest of seeds, it becomes the largest of plants." This experience of recognition and delight is a small seed we could begin to plant more deliberately and more abundantly in our daily interactions. It could make a large contribution to parish vibrancy.

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# 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**





## Open House for St. Roch Elementary School

You are invited to the St. Roch School Open House (<http://gostroch.com>) on Sunday, January 28, 2024, from 12 noon until 2:00 pm. St. Roch is a vibrant, urban and diverse school that offers an academically challenging education for children in pre-school through eighth grade.



See for yourselves what St. Roch has to offer you and your children.

- **Strong Academic Preparedness:** Graduating eighth grade students excel in public, private, and magnet High Schools (and beyond). Students are challenged with above grade level coursework that is taught through a range of traditional and non-traditional approaches.
- **Diverse Student Body:** St. Roch benefits from a diverse, dynamic and dedicated student body. Our students come from more than 30 different zip codes throughout the St. Louis metropolitan area and 45% of our population in Non Catholic.
- **Engaged Community:** St. Roch is about more than just test scores and academics. We strive to develop the whole person. We offer a caring learning environment with a strong community that promotes service, personal accountability and awareness beyond oneself.

Listen to what one family has to say about St. Roch. “St. Roch is unlike any other Catholic School in the diocese. Its academic reputation precedes it, and in the six years we have had children there, we have been most pleased with the academics. The community of parents and students at St. Roch is beautifully diverse, and this sets it apart from all other schools in the diocese.”

## What is in a name?

Last Sunday’s story is from the Gospel of John, we don’t know the exact sequence of that text with this one from Mark, but the theme is the same. We continue the story from last Sunday, that is, the beginning of Jesus’ ministry as he calls his first disciples. In today’s story he calls four fishermen at the Sea of Galilee — Simon Peter, Andrew, James and John.

Once again we don’t know what there was about Jesus that led Simon, Andrew, James, John, and others to leave their homes and families to follow Jesus. Did they know him already? Or was this their first contact with him? In any case there was something remarkably compelling about Jesus to cause these and others to follow him into an uncertain future. The astonishing feature of the story is that they followed Jesus with no idea of where it would lead.

We know very little of the background of any of the disciples whom Jesus calls. The four in today’s story were fishermen. Matthew was a tax collector (Matthew 9:9). What had the other seven done before Jesus came into their lives? We don’t know.

As far as we can tell, the twelve persons Jesus called to be his companions were ordinary men. As far as we can tell, He picked people probably much like you and me. Furthermore, his disciples were anything but perfect. Many times they misunderstood him. They often hesitated to follow him. Judas betrayed him and Peter denied him. But these would be the persons who would continue Jesus’ work on earth after he left — ordinary people, like you and me. They were called.





## Found in the Mosaics

Saint Louis is known as the Gateway to the West because of exploration and settlement of the West originated here. It was also a gateway to the evangelization of the Native Americans of the West and later of the settlers who displaced the Native Americans. In this mosaic Father Jacques Marquette, SJ is shown in a canoe preaching. He preached to the Illinois Native Americans. He traveled the Wisconsin River south to its point of confluence with the Mississippi and then explored Saint Louis and beyond. He had learned the language of the Illinois Native Americans while evangelizing there.

This mosaic is on the west wall of the south dome, the Local History Dome.

## 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!





## Weekly Thoughts on Giving

*"Follow me and I will make you fishers of men." - Mark 1:17*

Jesus' call to "*follow me*" is a call to all Christians! The call is in the here and now, in our present circumstances, not when we think we are "ready" or have everything in order. Good stewardship of our God-given gifts means that things aren't always going to go according to our schedule, but that God has a much better plan in store for each of us.

## 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

**February 7**

**I Believe in the Holy Spirit**

## 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 21, 2024 through January 28, 2024

Sunday: 68: Jon 3:1-5, 10 Ps 25:4-9 1 Cor 7:29-31 Mk 1:14-20  
Monday: 317: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10 Ps 89:20-22, 25-26 Mk 3:22-30  
Tuesday: 318: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19 Ps 24:7-10 Mk 3:31-35  
Wednesday: 319: 2 Sm 7:4-17 Ps 89:4-5, 27-30 Mk 4:1-20  
Thursday: 519: Acts 22:3-16 Ps 117:1-2 Mk 16:15-18  
Friday: 520: 2 Tm 1:1-8 Ps 96:1-3, 7-8, 10 Mk 4:26-34  
Saturday: 322: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17 Ps 51:12-17 Mk 4:35-41  
Sunday: 71: Dt 18:15-20 Ps 95:1-2, 6-9 1 Cor 7:32-35 Mk 1:21-28

## 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 25th**. 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.

## 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.

**Cardinal Ritter Senior Services (CRSS)** is a ministry of Catholic Charities that provides compassionate care for senior adults through quality residential communities which include independent and assisted living, skilled nursing, and memory care. CRSS also provides seniors in need who are aging at home access to extensive support services, information, and referrals.

Foster Grandparents is a volunteer program that offers seniors the ability to serve as role models, mentors, and friends to children with special and exceptional needs. This program was established to provide a loving relationship a child needs to achieve a successful future.

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

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR THE WEEKEND OF 1/13/2023-1/14/2023

Offertory	\$6,836.00
Loose	\$1,607.25
Cathedral Candles	\$336.31
Cathedral Landscape	\$0.00
Cathedral Maintenance	\$57.00
SVDP	\$10.00
St. Louis Review	\$40.00
Seminary	\$101.00
Year End Gift	\$100.00

## A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

“There is such a wide spectrum of issues involving the protection of human life and the promotion of human dignity. Good people frequently disagree on which problems to address, which policies to adopt and how best to apply them. But for citizens and elected officials alike, the basic principle is simple: *We must begin with a commitment never to intentionally kill, or collude in the killing, of any innocent human life, no matter how broken, unformed, disabled or desperate that life may seem.* In other words, the choice of certain ways of acting is *always and radically incompatible* with the love of God and the dignity of the human person created in His image.”

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops  
“Living the Gospel of Life,” © 1998 USCCB



## LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR JANUARY 27 &amp; 28, 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>	MaryAnn Cheng Kevin Ross		Doug Weber	Bob Sutter Jerry Pastore Matt Colvin
<b>8:00 am</b>	Pat Harper Phoebe Del Castillo	Godwin, Weisbrod, Blatter, Harper	Doug Weber Kevin Mattingly	Dave Meyer Frank Snyder Joe Schilli
<b>10:00 am</b>	Brian Ragen Patricia Rice		Carl Florentin Gideon Schimpf Dean Willis	Susan Metheny William Kasalko Dan Mangus
<b>12 Noon</b>	Erin Heathman Mark Burmester		TBD	Willie Stevens Vito Alu Lawanda Reason
<b>5:00 pm</b>	John Stith Rachel de Almeida Oliveira		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

