

CATHEDRAL
BASILICA



OF SAINT LOUIS



THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD FEBRUARY 2, 2025

MASSES 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)

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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.

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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 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 sirons@cathedralstl.org

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Feb 2nd - The Presentation of the Lord

8:00 a.m. Terry & Cheryl Callahan
10:00 a.m. Lynette Raidt
12:00 p.m. Mario Marchione
5:00 p.m. Paul Leible

Mon. Feb 3rd - St. Blaise, St. Ansgar

7:00 a.m. Alice & Eugene Owens Sr. & Family
8:00 a.m. John Mosher
12:05 p.m. Hazel Borowiak

Tues. Feb 4th - Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. Christian Marquez
8:00 a.m. Suzanne Jeffrey
12:05 p.m. Charles Whitten

Wed. Feb 5th - St. Agatha

7:00 a.m. Linus Pottebaum
8:00 a.m. Colleen Lischwe
12:05 p.m. Daniel Sullivan

Thur. Feb 6th - St. Paul Miki & Companions

7:00 a.m. Ed Alexander
8:00 a.m. Jane Williams
12:05 p.m. Olga Risch

Fri. Feb 7th - Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. Ron Aylward & Family
8:00 a.m. Jason Vogel
12:05 p.m. Charles Larry Bradford

Sat. Feb 8th - St. Jerome Emilani

8:00 a.m. Alice & Eugene Owens Sr. & Family
5:00 p.m. Dean & Kitty Mandis

Sun. Feb 9th - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

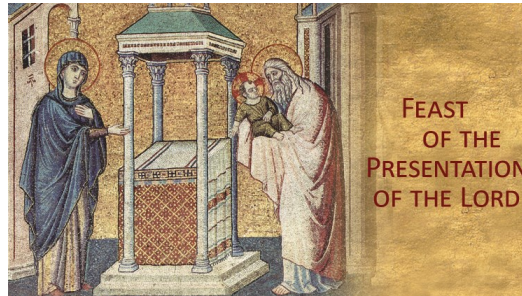
8:00 a.m. Jane Williams
10:00 a.m. Stella Buffa
12:00 p.m. Margaret Johnson
5:00 p.m. For the Parish Family



FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday, we celebrate the Feast of Jesus' Presentation at the temple 40 days after his birth. It places before our eyes a special moment in the life of the Holy Family: Mary and Joseph, in accordance with



Mosaic law, took the tiny Jesus to the temple of Jerusalem to offer him to the Lord (*Lk 2: 22*). Simeon and Anna, inspired by God, recognized that Child as the long-awaited Messiah and prophesied about him.

A tradition that occurs on the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord is the blessing of candles; hence, it is also called Candlemas. We will bless the candles prior to the beginning of the Saturday Evening Mass and Sunday 10 am Mass. for use in the Cathedral for the following year.

Not by chance has the church chosen the wax candle as a type of her Lord and Master. St. Anslem of Canterbury, tells us the reasons: "The was product of the virginal bee, represents Christ's most spotless body; the wick enclosed in the wax, and forming one with it, images His human soul, while the fame, crowning and completing the union of wax and wick, typifies the divine nature, subsisting with the human nature in one divine person."

In addition to the candles we will bless for the Cathedral will bless extra candles that each family may take home with them. These candles are for your private use in the home to burn before a crucifix or an image of the Blessed Virgin Mary, to remind us that our souls, like it, ought to the consuming earthly affections in the pure heaven-aspiring flame of love.

Bringing her Son to Jerusalem, the Virgin Mother offered him to God as a true Lamb who takes away the sins of the world. She held him out to Simeon and Anna as the proclamation of redemption; she presented him to all as a light for a safe journey on the path of truth and love.

This past Friday we celebrated the funeral for Larry Bradford who was a beloved parishioner of the Cathedral. As the family mourns this loss, I would kindly ask you to pray for the repose of Larry's soul and for the family in this most difficult time. May they find comfort and strength in the love and support of our faith community.

Monsignor Breier

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ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

Jesus Offers Us Immunity from Eternal Death

In order to live the life Jesus offers us, we need to embrace the daily disciplines of Christian life

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

We celebrate the feast of St. Blaise this week (Feb. 3). He's the patron saint of protection from every illness of the throat — a fitting feast for cold and flu season!

If you could pick a patron saint for some cultural illness of the world today, what would it be? Personally, I think we could use a patron saint for making the best — rather than the worst — of other people's statements and actions. What would our news shows, talk shows and conversations be like if our first step was to put the best interpretation on the actions and intentions of others?

Speaking of illnesses, we're coming up on the fifth anniversary of the "COVID shutdown." I mention that not only because it's a fact of the calendar but also because of something St. Irenaeus says in the Office of Readings this week: "Only by being united to one who is Himself immune could we be preserved from corruption and death." Interesting: The notion of immunity is not only a modern medical concept, it was also a theological concept in the ancient world.

I wonder if that provides an avenue for presenting the Gospel today. Our culture seeks vaccination against a great variety of illnesses. That's fine. Vaccination is a great blessing of modern medicine, even if it's not an unmixed blessing.

What's interesting is that a culture rightly interested in preventing earthly illness doesn't seek vaccination against the ultimate illness of eternal death. Jesus wants to share His life with us — a life that allows us to pass through death into heaven. Why does a culture that seeks temporal vaccination turn away from this eternal vaccination?

Remember, too, that "saving from death" isn't a new feature of God's relationship with His people. St. Augustine, reflecting on the connection between

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SERVE THE LORD
WITH GLADNESS

Passover and baptism, said: "The doorposts of the Jews were sealed with the blood of the slaughtered animal; with the blood of Christ our foreheads are sealed. And that [ancient] sealing — for it had a real significance — was said to keep away the destroyer from the houses that were sealed; Christ's seal drives away the destroyer from us, if we receive the Savior into our hearts." God offers the most powerful immunization ever!

Christ's life was paradoxical. As Hebrews 12 says, God appeared to ancient Israel in thunder and lightning on the mountain. Though scary, that made a certain amount of human sense! But in Jesus, God comes to us quietly — in the flesh, on the cross, in the Eucharist and in the poor. That takes some getting used to!

So, too, Christ's life in us is paradoxical. We receive His life in what appears to be bread and wine but is really Him. We receive His instruction in what appears to be simple words but are really the Word. We meet Him in what appear to be beggars and the sick, but are really Him in disguise. Maybe that's why people turn away.

Hebrews 12 also tells us: "For the sake of the joy that lay before Him Jesus endured the Cross." That's not so foreign to us: We see athletes who endure the discipline of training for the sake of some victory.

The question becomes: What are the daily disciplines of the Christian life, and how do we embrace them to stay with the life that Jesus offers us? That's key, because here's the thing: When we stay with His life, He offers us immunity from eternal death.

Note: This column appeared in the St. Louis Review for Feb 1 & 2 and may be read in the print edition or at <https://it.ly/35ejOXr>



FEBRUARY 2, 2025

CATHEDRAL CONCERTS

Experience Great Music in a Great Space in 2025!

~~The Legend Singers
Friday, January 31, 2025 7:30pm
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Vox Una with
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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
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Artists & Dates subject to change



BLOOD DRIVE CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF ST. LOUIS

**SUNDAY
MARCH 9
9AM - 2PM**



Save a Life this Lent: Donate Blood

Please consider signing up to donate blood. Sunday, March 9 from 9am until 2pm.

- Every 2 seconds someone in the US needs blood or platelets
- The average red blood cell transfusion is 3 units
- Most requested blood type is Type O
- Blood and platelets can not be manufactured, they only come from volunteer donors
- Approximately 29,000 units of red blood cells are needed daily in the US
- One donation can help save more than one life

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Pilgrimage to Italy with Msgr Breier

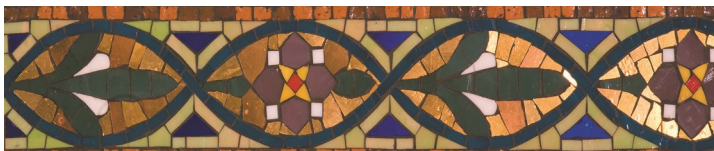
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 The Colosseum † Rome
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 Basilica of St. Peter † Sistine Chapel
 † The Catacombs †

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A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

“A society is all the more human to the degree that it cares effectively for its most frail and suffering members, in a spirit of fraternal love. Let us strive to achieve this goal, so that no one will feel alone, excluded or abandoned.”

Pope Francis, Message for the 29th World Day of the Sick 2021
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Blessing of the Throats

Monday, February 3 we will celebrate the Feast of St. Blaise. We will have the Blessing of the Throats during Mass at 7, 8 and 12:05.

Blaise was a hard-working bishop dedicated to encouraging the spiritual and physical health of his people in Sebastea, Armenia.

Although the Edict of Toleration which granted freedom of worship in the Roman empire had been signed five years prior, religious persecution still raged in the country.

According to a legend, a mother came to him with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Bishop Blaise's command, the child coughed up the bone.

Our Lady of the Snows Day of Reflection

**The Mirror of Consciousness:
 Seeing the Divine in All Things**

Wednesday, February 12, 2025 9am – 3pm

Cost: \$60

Embark on a transformative journey to uncover the profound connection between Ultimate Reality and daily life. Through this exploration, discover how to see God reflected in all creation and embrace a deeper sense of divine connection in daily living. Experience the beauty of the sacred in every moment and learn to live a life rooted in divine awareness. Step into the mirror of consciousness and embrace the infinite presence of the Divine in all things.

Paul Coutinho is a recognized international scholar, speaker, and spiritual guide who blends spirituality with psychology and Eastern wisdom with Western spirituality. He regularly conducts workshops, retreats, and spiritual direction sessions, addressing the heart's relentless quest for the Divine and the desire to live life to its fullest.

For more information call 618-397-0584 or register online.

<https://kh.snows.org/events/coutinho2025/>



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. We provide services through all stages of life, from the beginning of life to senior care.

The Cathedral Basilica has earned a special designation as a Catholic Charities Ambassador Parish. Ambassadors are generous volunteers who share their knowledge and passion for Catholic Charities mission. They help parishioners understand how to access our services and help coordinate service projects, donation drives, speaker events, and other support opportunities.

To learn more or to get involved with Catholic Charities, please contact your Parish Ambassador Pat playhousehf@yahoo.com



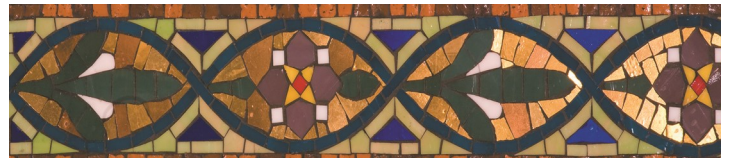
Saturday morning talks, prayer, and community with the Daughters of St. Paul to explore God's will for your life!

Open to single Catholic women ages 16-33. Sessions run from 8:30-1:00 and include Mass, a talk, discussion, Eucharistic adoration, and lunch.

FEB	MAR	APR	MAY
15	15	12	10
Finding Your Place in the Christian Community	Live in Continual Conversion	Habits for Discernment	The Art of Decision-Making

To Register: Email Sr. Amanda Marie at stlouisvocations@paulinemediacom

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Join us for "Art for the People: Laura James will share her work from The Book of the Gospels, which beautifully blends Ethiopian Christian art traditions with contemporary perspectives.

February 22 at 10 am

Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet Motherhouse (6400 Minnesota Ave., St. Louis, MO 63111).

Free event

RSVP by Feb. 11: <https://bit.ly/laura-james-2025> or Contact Stephanie Betts at 314-678-0328



Art for the People

LAURA JAMES & THE BOOK OF THE GOSPELS

SATURDAY, FEB 22 | 10 AM
CARONDELET MOTHERHOUSE

IN-PERSON & LIVESTREAM EVENT

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 TO 84576

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cathedralstl.flocknote.com

St. Patrick Center Casserole Program

Home-cooked casseroles and non-perishable foods provided by volunteers of the St. Louis Basilica Casserole Program provide one week of nutritious dinners for St. Patrick's Women's Shelter and/or canned goods for the community pantry. Volunteer coordinators will hold the next "drop off" of casseroles and pantry food on **Thursday, February 13, 2025 from 1-2pm** in the St. Louis Cathedral Basilica parking lot.

For anyone interested in joining our efforts, please call Skip or Nicki Batchelor at 916-834-4843 for more information. All volunteers are welcomed. Thanks for your interest.



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

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 February 2, 2025 through February 9, 2025

- Sunday: 524: Mal 3:1-4 Ps 24:7-10 Heb 2:14-18 Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
- Monday: 323: Heb 11:32-40 Ps 31:20-24 Mk 5:1-20
- Tuesday: 324: Heb 12:1-4 Ps 22:26b-28, 30-32 Mk 5:21-43
- Wednesday: 325: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15 Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a Mk 6:1-6
- Thursday: 326: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24 Ps 48:2-4, 9-11 Mk 6:7-13
- Friday: 327: Heb 13:1-8 Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9c Mk 6:14-29
- Saturday: 328: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21 Ps 23:1-6 Mk 6:30-34
- Sunday: 75: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8 Ps 138:1-5, 7-8 1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8 Lk 5:1-11

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
February 5
 The Eucharist, Part II
February 19
 The Eucharist, Part III

Questions? Contact Fr. Povis zacharypovis@archstl.org



OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR THE WEEKEND OF 1/25/2025-1/26/2025	
Offertory	\$6,623.00
Online Giving	\$7,402.82
Loose	\$4,507.15
Cathedral Candles	\$496.96
Cathedral Landscaping	\$382.00
Cathedral Maintenance	\$25.00
St. Louis Review	\$150.00



STEWARDSHIP ALIVE!

Anima Christi Young Adults

Our next meeting will be **February 6, 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.

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

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

The MEN OF THE CATHEDRAL cordially invite *all* men and women (parishioners and visitors) to join them in the February Adoration scheduled for February 25th at 6 PM in the nave 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.

This is the last Adoration before we enter the Season of Lent. What a terrific way to begin preparing for the Season!

Confessions will be heard during Adoration.

Please plan to attend and invite your friends and family, as it is a tremendous way to come closer to Christ!

Following Adoration, all men are invited in Boland Hall for fellowship and dinner. An offering of \$20 is suggested. Please RSVP by Monday, February 24th to Michael Weisbrod at michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org to reserve your dinner spot!

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!

Stewardship Reflection

“Because he himself was tested through what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.” – Hebrews 2:18

When we join a support group, there is comfort in sharing our pain with people who have experienced the same thing; they understand what we are going through. The next time you experience suffering, talk to Jesus. He has experienced more suffering than most of us, He understands. Plus, Jesus knows us better than we know ourselves. Only He can fill the hole you feel in your heart.



LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR FEBRUARY 8 & 9, 2025

Extraordinary	Lectors	Ministers of Care	Servers	Ushers
5:00 p.m. (Sat) No Cup Ministers At Any Mass This Weekend	Phoebe Del Castillo Brian Davies		Doug Weber	Bob Sutter Jerry Pastore Matt Colvin
8:00 am	Brian Ragen Mary Ann Cheng	Campbell, Ragen Cheng, Smith, Robinson	Doug Weber Kevin Mattingly	Dave Meyer Frank Snyder Joe Schilli
10:00 am	Aaron Hines Sr. Mary Kathleen Ronan			Sue Metheny Dan Mangus Roger Willis Vito Alu
12 Noon	Guest Lectors		TBD	Willie Stevens Skip Batchelor Lawanda Reason Mark Burmester
5:00 pm	Thomas Gregory John Stith		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 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.

