**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**February 7, 2021**

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**Eucharistic 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.

Small public tours of the Cathedral led by volunteer guides are available by appointment, as is access to the Cathedral Gift Shop. Large public tours are not currently available, due to the difficulty of being able to adequately social distance larger groups.

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

GIFT SHOP & TOURS (by appointment only)
314.373.8205

Mass Intentions
Specific Mass intentions for each scheduled Mass listed regularly in this bulletin are made by individual request. Every effort is made to accommodate times or dates as requested but when not possible, the intention will be kept as soon as there is an available opportunity. Requests for Mass intentions should be directed to the rectory by calling 314-373-8202.
Dear Parishioners,

This past week St. Louis University honored one of our own parishioners, Mary Elizabeth Grimes, with the Martin Luther King Memorial Tribute 2021 Educational Leadership Award. Mary Elizabeth Grimes is president of Marian Middle School, which is an all girls, family focused, and faith-based school.

Prior to becoming the president at Marian in 2013, Mary Elizabeth served as State Director at the Greater Missouri Chapter of March of Dimes where she transformed the declining chapter into a sustainable and operationally efficient organization. Please join me in extending congratulations to her.

"They shall look on him whom they have pierced" (Jn 19: 37).

As we draw near to the Season of Lent, I would like to propose to you this scripture passage to guide your reflection this coming Lenten season. Lent is a favourable time to learn to stay with Mary and John, the beloved disciple, close to him who on the Cross, consummated for all mankind the sacrifice of his life (cf. Jn 19: 25). With a more fervent participation let us direct our gaze, therefore, in this time of penance and prayer, at Christ Crucified who, dying on Calvary, revealed fully for us the love of God.

On Thursday of last week, Bishop Rivituso installed three men from our parish as Acolytes: Michael Roth, Michael Albers, and Dan Mangus. It is the duty of the acolyte to attend to the service of the altar and to assist the deacon and the priest in liturgical celebrations, especially in the celebration of Mass. They also assist in the purification of vessels and helping with distribution of Holy Communion and communion to the sick. The acolyte is called to participate in the holy Eucharist with increasingly fervent devotion, receive nourishment from it, and deepen their knowledge about it.

Monsignor Breier
May our lives be more fully immersed in the Word of God

By letting the Word of God live in us, positive things will happen and people will be drawn to the Christ in us.

We’re entering the last full week of Ordinary Time until late May! Lent starts next week with Ash Wednesday Feb. 17, followed by the Easter season, concluding with Pentecost on May 23. It’s a period of 96 days and, interestingly, experts say it takes 90 days to establish a new habit. What do we hope for the coming Lent and Easter — what new habit do we want to re-enter Ordinary Time with on May 24?

If we listen carefully, the readings this week make a suggestion. We’re hearing the creation accounts from Genesis. One of their principal refrains is: “Then God said … And so it happened.” God’s word, in the Hebrew conception, isn’t just informative. It doesn’t simply tell us about things. Instead, God’s word is performative — it makes things happen.

We see that same pattern in Jesus’ life. “Jesus said: I will it. Be made clean. And the leper was cleansed immediately.” “Jesus said: Quiet. Be still. And the storm disappeared, and the sea was calm.” It’s a clear echo of the creation account: “Then Jesus said … And so it happened.”

In fact, because Jesus is the Word made flesh, He doesn’t even need to speak! His very presence makes things happen. And so people are drawn to Him.

Catholic piety would say that’s why people are drawn to Mary, as well: her presence makes things happen. But if Catholic piety knows that from experience, Catholic theology is able to explain why. Mary makes things happen because her life is fully immersed in the Word of God, her Son. She makes things happen because He lives in her.

And that, I propose, is something we might hope for — and work on — in the coming days of Lent and Easter: letting our lives be more fully immersed in the Word of God. Ninety-six days spread out before us. It takes 90 days to create a new habit. There are 89 chapters in the four Gospels. What if we took 5 to 10 minutes each day to read one chapter of the Gospel — either silently, or even out loud?

On one level, it’s not that big a deal. You might be looking for a bigger penance! On another level, think about what we would be doing: letting the Word of God enter our eyes, our minds, and our hearts. Letting the Word of God become the measure of our words. In other words: letting the Word of God live in us. Might we make things happen, and might people be drawn to Christ in us, if we did so?

We could do it first thing in the morning, instead of turning on the news. Then the Word of God would be the first thing we encounter, and could set the tone for our entire day.

We could do it last thing at night, instead of watching a video. Then the Word of God would be the capstone of our day, and set the tone for our rest.

The Word of God is still performative — it makes things happen. We might spend the coming days of Lent and Easter inviting the Word to live in us. Then, when we re-enter Ordinary Time in late May, people might be drawn to Christ in us, and the Word of God might make things happen through us.

Note: this column appeared in the St. Louis Review for February 8-14 and may be read in the print edition or at https://bit.ly/35ejOXr.
Lenten Companion
The Cathedral parish is offering a Lenten gift to all parishioners. Beginning on Ash Wednesday, free copies of the Magnificat Lenten Companion will be available in the vestibule. This Companion – a resource for the Forty Days of Lent – is designed in a convenient, easy-to-use format:

- Inspiring daily reflections from some of the most gifted Catholic writers
- Faith-filled essays
- Prayers, poetry, and devotions
- Meditations for the Way of the Cross
- A treasury of spiritual insights

By spending a few moments meditating on the inspiring daily reflections and the short prayers that follow them, you will accompany Jesus through his Passion and Death, emerging on Easter Sunday to the overflowing joy of his Resurrection.

Alert for Ash Wednesday
Wednesday, February 17, is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the Lenten Season. Masses will be celebrated here at the Cathedral Basilica at 7:00 AM, 8:00 AM, 12:05 PM, and 5:30 PM. Ashes will be distributed at each of the Masses on Ash Wednesday.

Blessed Palm Disposal
You are invited to bring your blessed palm from last year to be burned into ashes. Drop them off any time prior to Ash Wednesday. Baskets are located at the doors of the church.

Operation Rice Bowl
The effort known as Operation Rice Bowl has become a regular feature of Lent in Catholic homes throughout the United States. Families reduce substantially one meal eaten together to a very simple fare like soup and bread, then donate the money saved to the "rice bowl". At the end of Lent, all the "rice bowl" funds are collected through the parish and forwarded to the poor through Catholic Relief Services. “Rice bowls”, instructions, and a Lenten Calendar are available on the tables at each entrance. Please consider taking one and using it to fulfill the Universal Lenten Direction toward almsgiving or charity this Lenten season.
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.

William H. Bachmann  Janice Noack
Vivian Chemelekov  Dorothy Quinn
Joe Dubuque  Myra Richardson
Sidney Edwards-Cole  Teresita Sanchez
Breanna Evans  Darlene Throop
Alvin Griffin  Richelle Weisbrod
Donald Lang  Mary Anne Work
Paula Littleton  Betty Ytzaina
Lenore Molloy

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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Parish Pro-Life Ministry

The Cathedral Pro-Life Ministry is seeking new members to assist with a variety of projects in the upcoming year, including a Mothers’ Day rose sale, attendance at the RLA Convention, a 30-Minute Speaker Series, and annual Epiphany Supply Drive.

To get involved or for more information, contact Bryan, the parish’s pro-life ministry coordinator, at bryankirchhoff@att.net.

Catholic Radio

Don’t put your Faith on the shelf along with the Christmas decorations! Faith is part of our daily lives and, in this secular world, it is vital to have encouragement for the journey throughout the year. Let Covenant Network help you with your daily dose of Truth with our inspiring programming. Tune into KHOJ radio AM 1460 or 92.7 FM, listen on our free app or at ourcatholicradio.org.

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 7, 2021 through February 14, 2021

Sunday:  Jb 7:1-4, 6-7 Ps 147:1-6
          1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23 Mk 1:29-39
Monday:   Gn 1:1-19
          Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35
          Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday:  Gn 1:1-20–2:4 Ps 8:4-9 Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday: Gn 2:4-9, 15-17 (or Sg 8:6-7)
          Ps 104:1-2, 27-28, 29-30
          Mk 7:14-23 (or Lk 10:38-42)
Thursday: Gn 2:18-25 Ps 128:1-5 Mk 7:24-30
Friday:   Gn 3:1-8 Ps 32:1-2, 5-7 Mk 7:31-37
Saturday: Gn 3:9-24 Ps 90:2-4, 5-6, 12-13
          Mk 8:1-10
          1 Cor 10:31–11:1 Mk 1:40-45

Pro-Life Mass

Remember to join us at the Cathedral Basilica on the third Saturday of each month for a pro-life Mass at 8:00 a.m., followed with a rosary procession to Planned Parenthood at Boyle and Forest Park. The next Mass is scheduled for Saturday, February 20.

Perserverance

One can sense from the readings today that a real need exists for the preaching of the Gospel. Jesus is so resolved to preach the Gospel to as many people as possible even though he certainly must have felt fatigue and the desire for more time in solitude as he prayed in the early hours of the morning. These readings teach us the blessing we have to proclaim the Gospel to others in word and deed. Seize the opportunities you have to speak of Jesus Christ to others! The time is always ripe to share the Good News. God can work through our simple “yes” to chances we have each day to bring Jesus Christ to the lives of others.

For more info, visit archstl.org/live-the-faith.
Stewardship Alive!

For the Poor
Today, and on the first Sunday of every month, the Cathedral Parish collects foodstuffs and canned goods for delivery to local food pantries. Please place donations in the baskets near the sanctuary at the side aisles. Thank you for your generosity!

Eyeglass Drive
Today, and on the first Sunday of every month, "The Respectacle Project", an eyeglass recycling program, is accepting donations of quality used eyeglasses. Please place donations in the baskets near the sanctuary at the side aisles. Thank you!

Weekly Thoughts on Giving
“Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed...He told them, ‘Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come.’”
-Mk 1:35, 38

In today’s Gospel reading we see a perfect example of stewardship. Jesus gives His time to do all that God wishes - healing the sick and preaching. But before He begins, Jesus makes time to be alone with God in prayer. It is through prayer, spending time with God, that we find the strength to do what He wishes us to do. Be sure to find time every day to be with God.

Anima Christi Young Adults
All young adults interested in growing the fellowship of our young adult community are invited to the next young adult gathering scheduled for Thursday, February 11. We begin with Adoration and confessions in the church at 6:30 pm (enter through the west door by the playground), followed by dinner in Boland Hall at 7:30 p.m. Please join us, in full or in part, to deepen your relationship with Christ and with one another. For additional information, please e-mail the group at AnimaChristiStL@gmail.com.

St. Patrick Casserole Program
Casseroles and other offerings collected by volunteers of the St. Patrick Casserole Program provides one week of dinners for the Women’s Shelter, and one night of dinners for the Men’s Alumni Club.
Cathedral casserole organizers will host our next "touchless" drop-off in the parish parking lot on Thursday, February 11, from 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. Please call Skip or Nicki Batchelor at 916-834-4843 for additional information.

Giving Tree Thank You
Staff and residents of Father Dempsey’s Charities, Bernard Health Care Center, and St. Elizabeth’s Hall, as well as the members of the Cathedral’s Ministry of Care, would like to thank everyone who so generously made donations toward the Cathedral’s Christmas Giving Tree. This year was particularly difficult for residents of these three homes, as each faced unprecedented lockdowns and seclusion, with many residents unable to fully grasp why the seclusion was even necessary. Because of your generous gifts, each charity received over $2,225 in cash and gift cards, a huge boost in the continuing effort to provide assistance to those less fortunate. But more importantly, your gifts remind residents of these homes that they have not been forgotten.
Thank you Cathedral Parish!

Offertory Collection for The Weekend of 01/31/2021

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Did You Remember Your Gift?

It is only natural when you are invited to a party – whether it is birthday, anniversary, homecoming or any other celebration – to think about the gift that you will bring. Even when the invitation says, “No gifts, please,” most of us still show up with a bottle of wine or a box of candy or some other token of our affection. We bring gifts to show our gratitude for being invited and to show our love for the one being honored and celebrated. So, when God Himself invites you to the greatest celebration of all – the celebration of the Eucharist – do you bring a gift? Do you take time to wrap it in an envelope? Do you select a gift that truly reflects your gratitude for being invited to be a part of God’s family? Do you bring a gift that shows your love for the crucified Jesus, who we remember at every Mass? The invitation to the Mass does not say “No gifts, please.” In fact, since God first called the Israelites to be His people He taught them, “No one shall appear before the Lord empty-handed, but each of you with as much as he can give, in proportion to the blessings which the Lord, your God has bestowed on you.” - Dt 16:16-17

Did you remember your gift?

Annual Statements

Individual contribution statements were recently mailed. These statements reflect parish records of each individual parishioner’s financial contributions over the past calendar year, and are intended for tax information. Any parishioner who has not received a statement is urged to contact the parish office at 314-373-8202 to request a record of their contributions.

PLEASE NOTE: An omission was detected in some statements, specifically regarding online donations received in the month of December. Corrected statements were sent out this past week to anyone who made online donation in December. Please notify the parish office if you do not receive your corrected statement, or if you have any other concerns.

Infant Baptism

According to the mind of the Church, parents are obliged to see that infants are baptized within the first weeks after birth. As soon as possible after the birth, or even before it, parents should request the sacrament for their child and arrange to be properly instructed in preparation for it. If you are a registered parishioner who is or is about to become a parent or godparent, please contact the rectory at 314-373-8202 to schedule a baptism.

Matthew 25 Come Alive

Often we find ourselves approached on the street with requests for assistance for food or a bus pass. In order to live Matthew 25, parishioners should considering carrying fast food gift cards and a book of bus tickets. That way, you can provide substantive assistance when asked, without resorting to cash. Also, encourage those seeking assistance to call 2-1-1, United Way's assistance hotline, or the Cathedral’s SVDP HotLine at 314-373-8288.

Have You Considered Online Giving

On Line Giving is a secure and convenient web-based service to make your weekly or monthly contributions to Cathedral Parish from your computer, or lap top, or tablet. Simply access the Cathedral website (www.cathedralstl.org) and click on the bright red DONATE button on the home page. Watch the 5 minute “Watch Help Video” and 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. All of information is encrypted and stored securely.

Let’s Keep in Touch

Don’t miss out on the latest parish news! Flocknotes is a fast and easy email distribution platform utilized by the Cathedral Basilica to keep in touch with our parishioners.

Text, logon, or simply call the parish office at 314-373-8202 at to sign up today!
A LENTEN RETREAT WITH SACRED ART

Sacred art is meant to assist in the raising of the mind and heart to God. As Pope Benedict XVI wrote, "Images of beauty, in which the mystery of the invisible God becomes visible, are an essential part of Christian worship... The image of Christ and the images of the saints are not photographs. Their whole point is to lead us beyond what can be apprehended at the merely material level, to awaken new senses in us, and to teach us a new kind of seeing, which perceives the Invisible in the visible." (The Spirit of the Liturgy).

To assist in our Lenten journey, a different piece of sacred art will be displayed each week in the All Saints chapel of the Cathedral Basilica. Please feel free to visit and pray with these images along with the reflections provided in the bulletin as we journey toward the celebration of our Lord’s Resurrection.

Week 1
February 17-21
Our Lady of Perpetual Help
by Unknown
14th century

Midweek Music Series

On the first Wednesday of each month, the Cathedral presents a "Midweek Music" organ recital. Please note a slight schedule change: our next organ recital is scheduled for Wednesday, February 10, at 4:00 p.m..

These recitals feature 20-30 minutes of music on our magnificent Cathedral organ. We invite you to join us online or in-person Please note that the wearing of masks and other social distancing guidelines remain in effect for in-person attendance.
## Liturgical Ministers February 13-14, 2021

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**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 Laura Voegelie at 314-373-8202.

**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults**
For persons interested in becoming Catholic, contact the parish 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.