Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 12, 2023

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 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)

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. Public tours of the Cathedral led by volunteer guides are available by appointment.

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

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**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.

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**Cathedral Tours**

Tours of our beautiful church are once again being offered at various times by appointment 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.
Dear Parishioners,

Next Wednesday, February 22nd, we enter into the Season of Lent. But what does “entering Lent” mean? It means we enter a season of special commitment in the spiritual battle to oppose the evil present in the world, in each one of us and around us. It means looking evil in the face and being ready to fight its effect and especially its causes, even if it primary cause which is Satan.

It means not off-loading the problem of evil onto others, onto society, or onto God, but rather recognizing one’s own responsibility and assuming it with awareness. In this regard Jesus’ invitation to each one of us Christians to take up our “cross” and follow him with humility and trust is particularly pressing. Although the “cross” may be heavy, it is no synonymous with misfortune, or with disgrace. Thus, the “cross” is not be avoided at any cost.

This provides for us the opportunity to follow Jesus and there by acquire strength in the fight against sin and evil. Therefore, entering Lent means renewing the personal and community decision to face evil together with Christ. The way of the Cross is in fact the only way that leads to the victory of love over hatred, of sharing over selfishness, or peace over violence. Seen in this light, Lent is truly an opportunity for a strong spiritual commitment based upon Christ’s grace.

Make plans during this Lenten Season to join your fellow parishioners for the Stations of the Cross on the Friday’s of Lent at 7:00 pm. Perhaps God is calling you to attend daily Mass at 7:00 am, 8:00 am or 12:05 pm. Don’t forget that even if you only 5 minutes, stop by and pray with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

Please join me in extending congratulations to our parishioners Gregoire and Pascaline Kone who were recently married in Burkina Faso in December. May the Lord continue to grant them both with faith and trust. May they always bear with one another's weaknesses and grow from each others strengths.

Monsignor Henry Breier
Think deeper about our Lenten sacrifices

Jesus showed us that sacrifice matters and how to make our lives a complete gift to God

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

It’s the week before Lent, and the readings for the week focus our attention on sacrifice. We hear about the sacrifices of Cain and Abel. The Letter to the Hebrews gives us the ancient understanding of this episode: “By faith Abel offered to God a sacrifice greater than Cain’s.” Psalm 50 follows this up with this encouragement: “Offer to God a sacrifice of praise.”

We hear about Noah. After the flood subsided, the first thing he did upon leaving the ark was to offer sacrifice to the Lord. Psalm 116 draws us into the moment with the refrain: “To you, Lord, I will offer a sacrifice of praise.”

Jesus makes His first prediction of the Passion. He’s trying to help His disciples understand that for Him to be “the Christ” means to be a man of sacrifice. Jesus also speaks to us about what it means to follow Him: “Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.”

What a fitting theme, as Lent draws near! Ancient pagans knew that our relationship with the divine calls for sacrifice: They were constantly making sacrifices to the gods. They missed the mark! But they weren’t entirely wrong. What should be sacrificed, and to whom, are matters that were refined in ancient Judaism. For example, Israel rejected human sacrifice: That’s not what God wants! But it continued a system of sacrifice in the Temple, showing that humanity’s relation with the one true God does involve sacrifice.

The prophets also mounted a serious critique: They rejected any sacrifice that was a mere outward show. Through them, God said something along these lines: “The external offering is important, but it’s not the primary thing. The primary thing is your heart. The external reality takes its true value from the internal reality. The largest external offering means little if your heart isn’t in it; the smallest external offering is precious if it comes from the heart.”

All of this was summed up and perfected in Jesus. He showed us that sacrifice matters, what God truly wants, and how to make our lives a complete gift to God.

In light of all that, how should we prepare for Lent? Let me suggest that we take any potential Lenten sacrifice we’re considering and subject it to a test. Perhaps the thing is chocolate; perhaps it’s a nightly beer; perhaps it’s the morning paper. Whatever it is, what is its fruit? Does this thing lead me to greater peace, generosity and patience, or does it lead me to greater anxiety, selfishness and anger?

If its fruit is greater peace, generosity and patience, then it’s probably something we should keep or continue. But if the fruit is greater anxiety, selfishness and anger, then it’s a good candidate for Lenten sacrifice.

Here in St. Louis, we know about the postseason! A successful postseason run in any sport requires a new and deeper kind of energy. Lent is like that, too. To tap into the new and deeper energy we need for a successful Lent, we need to think more deeply about sacrifice. Let’s begin our preparations this week.

Note: This column appeared in the St. Louis Review for February 11 & 12 and may be read in the print edition or at https://it.ly/35ejOXr
Women of the Cathedral

Women of the Cathedral – February 4, 2023

Dear Ladies of the Cathedral Parish,

Come grow in faith and fellowship with other ladies in the parish at the monthly gatherings of the Women of the Cathedral. It’s been a delight to have new ladies join each time.

We will gather next on Saturday, March 4, 2023.

We will begin with 8am Mass in the Cathedral, and then move over to Boland Hall for a light breakfast. After brief introductions and social time, an informative program is led by Msgr. Mikesch, our spiritual director, with closing prayer at 10am. A popular highlight is “Ask Msgr. Mikesch Time.”

At our last gathering the ladies shared their own stories of being light to others often with great personal sacrifice. Some also shared when an unknown person unexpectedly became alight uplifting them from grief and sorrow.

To learn more, and RSV for breakfast, please contact Barbara Murray at 314-974-6900 or email murraybj@swbell.net by March 1, 2023. Please send your questions for “Ask Msgr. Time” when you RSVP.

Found in the Mosaics

From Monday’s reading, Abel’s murder testifies to a regressive human history, forever reversed in Jesus, the sign of the Father. The mosaic of Abel can be found on the underside of the Arch of Sanctification.
Welcome New Parishioners

A very special welcome to our new parishioners! The following family has recently joined the Cathedral. The Cathedral clergy, rectory staff, and your fellow parishioners joyfully welcome you and pray for you and your families.

Jake Garcia
Kaitlin Graham
Chioma Onyekere

The Gospel of the Lord

Jesus said to his disciples: “Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets. I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. Amen, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or the smallest part of the letter will pass from the law, until all things have taken place. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do so will be called least in the kingdom of heaven.

But whoever obeys and teaches these commandments will be called greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoever says to his brother ‘Raqa,’ will be answerable to the Sanhedrin; and whoever says, ‘You fool,’ will be liable to fiery Gehenna. Therefore, if you bring your gift to the altar, and there recall that your brother has anything against you, leave your gift there at the altar, go first and be reconciled with your brother, and then come and offer your gift. Settle with your opponent quickly while on the way to court. Otherwise your opponent will hand you over to the judge, and the judge will hand you over to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. Amen, I say to you, you will not be released until you have paid the last penny. If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one of your members than to have your whole body thrown into Gehenna. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for your to lose one of your members than to have your whole body go into Gehenna. “It was also said, whoever divorces his wife must give her a bill of divorce. But I say to you, whoever divorces his wife-unless the marriage is unlawful-causes her to commit adultery, and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

-Matthew 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-24a, 37

Sacrament of Marriage

Congratulations to David & Bernadette McCarty who were united in the Sacrament of Marriage at the Cathedral Basilica on Friday, December 2, 2022.

Love is patient, love is kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its’ own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth.

1 Corinthians 13:4-8

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 12, 2023
CATHEDRAL CONCERTS

Experience Great Music in a Great Space
during the second half of our
2022 - 2023 Season

$10 Student Rush tickets available at the door for each concert with valid student I.D.

Septura
Brass Septet
Tuesday, February 21, 2023 8:00pm
Tickets: $42, $29, & $19

Tenebrae
Tuesday, March 7, 2023 8:00pm
Tickets: $42, $29, & $19
Welcomed by Coldwell Banker Realty - Gundaker and Paul & Amy Mittelstadt

Msgr. James Telthorst Memorial Concert
with Scott Kennebeck, tenor;
John Powel Walsh, organ;
& Madeline Moylan, flute
RESCHEDULED DATE Sunday, March 19, 2023 2:30pm
Tickets: $25 & $17
Welcomed by Michael Davlsik & Kathleen Skelly

The Tallis Scholars
Wednesday, April 19, 2023 8:00pm
Tickets: $42, $29, & $19
Welcomed by Melanie & Anthony Rathman, MD

CathedralConcerts.org  314-533-7662

Dates and Artists Subject to Change
A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life
“Married love differs from any other love in the world. By its nature, the love of husband and wife is so complete, so ordered to a lifetime of communion with God and each other, that it is open to creating a new human being they will love and care for together.”

USCCB, Married Love and the Gift of Life

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 15
“Who was conceived by 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
February 12, 2023 through February 19, 2023

Sunday: 76: Sir 15:15-20 Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34 1 Cor 2:6-10 Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 33-34a, 37
Monday: 335: Gn 4:1-15, 25 Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21 Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday: 336 Gn: 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10 Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 9c-10 Mk 8:14-21
Friday: 339: Gn 11:1-9 Ps 33:10-15 Mk 8:34-9:1

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.

Linda Baldwin  Resy Sanchez
Janice Bashford  Mickey Shears
Barbara Beckemeyer  Mary Anne Work
Ben Janson  Betty Ytzaina
Jennifer Jaswal  Sharon Kay Moore
Edwin Ayala Padilla
Pauline Price
David Washington
Dorothy Quinn
Kelvin Ayala Reyes
Mary Riley

Vivian Rachel Rossen
Resy Sanchez
Mickey Shears
Mary Anne Work
Betty Ytzaina
Sharon Kay Moore
Have You Considered Online Giving

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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, February 16. Our gathering begins with a Holy Hour in the church at 5:30pm (enter through the west door, by the playground). Please join us, in full or in part, to deepen your relationship with Christ and with one another.

Permanent Diaconate Information Night

Do you feel called to serve the church in a special way? Is so, a vocation to the Permanent Diaconate might be something that God is calling you to. The Office of the Permanent Diaconate is asking that interested men attend one of the upcoming information nights on either Monday, March 13, 2023 or Monday, March 20, 2023 at the Cardinal Rigali Center. Meetings will begin at 6:30 p.m. Wives of interested men are strongly encouraged to attend. For more information or to reserve a spot in the meeting, please contact the Office of the Permanent Diaconate at 314.792.7433

Let’s Keep in Touch

Don’t miss out on the latest parish news this summer! Flocknotes is a fast and easy email distribution platform used by the Cathedral Basilica to keep in touch with our parishioners. Text CATHEDRALSTL to 84576, logon to cathedralstl.flocknote.com, or call the parish office to sign up today!

Offertory Collection for the Weekend of 2/4/2023-2/5/2023

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Weekly Thoughts on Giving

“For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.” [MATTHEW 5:20]

The Pharisees lived according to the letter of the law and they used this to elevate themselves above the other people. Jesus is clear – it’s the love that you have in your heart, for God and others, that will get you to heaven. Simply following church rules to the letter and not out of love, does not necessarily put you on the path to heaven. Attending Sunday Mass and then gossiping about a fellow parishioner on the parking lot is an example of being a modern day Pharisee.
LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR FEBRUARY 18–19, 2023

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Parish Information

Registration in Parish
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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 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.

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