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THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME FEBRUARY 16, 2020

MASSES ON THE LORD'S DAY

5:00 pm Sat (vigil) 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 noon, 5:00 pm

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)



OF SAINT LOUIS

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

Archbishop Robert J. Carlson 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 are available with volunteer guides Monday through Friday. Tours are also available Sundays after 1:00 pm, unless pre-empted by an afternoon event.

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 ministries and maintenance are sincerely appreciated. Gift Shop and Museum open 10:00 am – 4:00 pm.

> CATHEDRAL CONCERTS 314.533.7662

> > **GIFT Shop** 314.373.8243

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun., February 16–6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. - Bernard L. Lewandowski

10:00 a.m. - For the Parish Family

12:00 p.m. - Mary C. Dahm

5:00 p.m. - Nick Theiss

Mon., February 17– Seven Holy Founders

7:00 a.m. - Rita Sheftall 8:00 a.m. - Richard Vierod 12:05 p.m. - Charles E. Whitten

Tues., February 18– Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. - Teresa and Francis Farrow & Family 8:00 a.m. - Alan and Carmela Roth 12:05 p.m. - Jennifer Janson

Wed., February 19– Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. - Evelyn Marriott 8:00 a.m. - Priest's Intention 12:05 p.m. - Helen Klunk

Thurs., February 20– Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. - Catherine Anstey 8:00 a.m. - In Memory of Lloyd Taaffe III 12:05 p.m. - Linus Pottebaum

Fri., February 21- St. Peter Damian

- 7:00 a.m. Teresa Farrow
- 8:00 a.m. Priest's Intention
- 12:05 p.m. Barbara Ferretti

Sat., February 22– The Chair of St. Peter

8:00 a.m. - Metro Cremo 5:00 p.m. - Thomas Henning

Sun., February 23–7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. - Jennifer Janson

10:00 a.m. - Donald Harry Mullen

12:00 p.m. - For the Parish Family

5:00 p.m. - Nick Theiss



February 16, 2020

FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Parishioners,

On this past Friday, we celebrated the funeral for Linus Pottebaum, a long -time parishioner of the Cathedral Basilica. At the age of 17 he enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1941 and retired after a distinguished career in 1964. While he was successful in many areas of his life from the marines to the business realm, you could tell from his life that what was most important to him was faith and his relationship with Our Lord. If you were to ask him how he was he would answer: "I am in a state of grace." If only we all could have that same response. Please do pray for the repose of his soul and for the family that is mourning this loss.

Next Wednesday, February 26th, 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 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.

Monsignor Henry Breier

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ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

BEFORE THE CROSS | In Lent, turn your weaknesses and failures over to Jesus

The apostles are examples of transformation that we seek to emulate

Lent starts next week (Ash Wednesday is Feb. 26), and the readings for this week can help us think ahead and make our Lenten plans.

The apostle James urges us not to be like "a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed about by the wind." If we simply follow our desires we'll be pushed all over the place. We need to be more stable in the life of faith than that.

Every Lenten resolution makes some contribution to the life of faith, and that's good. But last-minute Lenten resolutions often lack deep insight into where we most need to grow — to pull up weeds and put down deeper roots. So now is a good time to begin thinking: How might Lent help us be less like a wave?

The characterization of the apostles in the Gospel of Mark offers a great encouragement.

On Tuesday, we hear about the time when they forgot to bring bread on a journey. Jesus warns them to guard against the "leaven" of the Pharisees. He's talking about hypocrisy, but they think He's talking about the lack of bread! He reminds them about the times He multiplied loaves for the 5,000 and the 4,000, to make it clear: He's perfectly capable of producing bread. Then He chastises them: "Do you not understand?" But one of Mark's key points is just that: They don't!

On Thursday, we hear about the time when Peter confessed that Jesus was the Christ, showing his great insight into Jesus' identity and mission. Immediately after, however, he rebuked Jesus for talking about the cross, showing his deep confusion and misunderstanding about Jesus' identity and mission.

Time and again, Mark paints a portrait of the disciples that's easy for us to identify with! Like them, there are times when we show great faith and times when we show deep confusion, times when we share the mission and times when we're an obstacle to the Lord's work.

But that's precisely one of Mark's points. The apostles start out just like us. Then something happens: Their repeated failures are followed by a transformation, and they become great heroes of the faith. Maybe, if they started out just like us, we can end up just like them. But we have to go through a transformation, too.

Lent can help with that. And it will if we take the places of our weakness and failure and turn them over to Jesus. St. Augustine once put it this way: "God means to fill each of you with what is good; so cast out what is bad! If He wishes to fill you with honey and you are full of sour wine, where is the honey to go? The vessel must be emptied of its contents and then be cleansed. Yes, it must be cleansed even if you have to work hard and scour it. It must be made fit for the new thing."

That's good advice for Lent.

Where is it that you most need to be purified? Maybe there's something that's present in your life that needs to be absent or diminished; maybe there's something that's missing in your life that needs to be present or strengthened. Think and pray about it. Then, next week, your Lent can address it right from the start.

Note: this column appeared in the St. Louis Review for Feb. 17-23 and may be read in the print edition or at <u>https://bit.ly/35ejOXr</u>.



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STEWARDSHIP ALIVE!

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.

Offertory	
Sunday Collection	02/09/2020
Offertory	\$7,615.00
Loose	3,124.00
Landscape and Maintenance	36.00
Catholic Education	90.00
St. Louis Review Subscription	105.00
Other Misc. Collections	41.00

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." (Mt 5:20)

The scribes and 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 that will get you to heaven. Simply following church rules out of obligation, not love, does not put you on the path to heaven. Attending Mass on Sunday and then gossiping about a fellow parishioner on the parking lot is an example of a modern day Pharisee.

Congratulations

Congratulations to parishioner Nicholas K., for being selected one of this year's Annual Catholic Appeal essay contest winners!

In the essays, he and fellow winners and Bishop Dubourg classmates, Eli M. and Ben R, . reflected on

the value of stewardship and the ACA. Each winner will receive a scholarship toward next year's tuition.

Nicholas was also recently named to the **Bishop DuBourg High** School 2019-20 first semester Honor Roll with First Honors (3.5+ GPA).



Good job, Nicholas!

Coffee and Donuts

The Cathedral Parish Coffee and Donuts gathering is held each Sunday in Boland Hall following the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Please join us for refreshments and fellowship today!

For the Poor

On the first Sunday of every month, the Cathedral Parish collects foodstuffs and canned goods (nonperishable items only, please!) for delivery to food pantries in the area. Our next parish food drive will be held Sunday, March 1.

Eyeglass Drive

"The Respectacle Project", an eyeglass recycling program, will be accepting donations of quality used eyeglasses Sunday, March 1, in the baskets near the sanctuary at the side aisles.



OF SAINT LOUIS

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 Sandy Dubuque Alvin Griffin Alexander Hacker Carmen R. Jackson Linda McGinnis Lenore Molloy Janice Noack
- Dorothy Quinn Teresita Sanchez Sr. Patricia Sevik Rose Teran Willa Washington Richelle Weisbrod Mary Anne Work

A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

"Prayer is the foundation of all that we do in defense of human life. Our efforts—whether educational, pastoral, or legislative—will be less than fully fruitful if we do not change hearts and if we do not ourselves overcome our own spiritual blindness. Only with prayer—prayer that storms the heavens for justice and mercy, prayer that cleanses our hearts and our souls—will the culture of death that surrounds us today be replaced with a culture of life."

"Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life Activities" United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

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, March 21**.

40 Days For Life

The Cathedral Basilica Parish has adopted **Sunday**, **March 1**, as its day for the 40 Days for Life vigil of quiet prayer outside of Planned Parenthood.

To sign up, just visit **www.coalitionforlifestl.com/ vigil-calendar-2**/, go to March 1, and select your preferred hour to stand vigil between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Alternatively, you can also email **bryankirchoff@att.net** to request a time.

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 16, 2020 through February 23, 2020

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Sunday:	Sir 15:15-20 Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34
	1 Cor 2:6-10
	Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22, 27-28, 33-34, 37
Monday:	Jas 1:1-11 Ps 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76
	Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday:	Jas 1:12-18 Ps 94:12-15, 18-19
	Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday:	Jas 1:19-27 Ps 15:2-5 Mk 8:22-26
Thursday:	Jas 2:1-9 Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7
	Mk 8:27-33
Friday:	Jas 2:14-24, 26 Ps 112:1-6
•	Mk 8:349:1
Saturday:	1 Pt 5:1-4 Ps 23:1-6 Mt 16:13-19
Sunday:	Lv 19:1-2, 17-18
	Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13
	1 Cor 3:16-23 Mt 5:38-48

You Can Help Carry the Burden

Our Parish is blessed with significant demographic diversity. While many of us live comfortably, a significant number within our Parish boundaries are not nearly so fortunate. **The Poor Box**, located near the main aisle in the rear of the church, is the primary source of funding for the assistance provided by the Cathedral Chapter of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Any help you can give is greatly appreciated.

30-Minute Speaker Series

The Pro-Life Ministry's "30-Minute Speaker Series" continues on **Sunday, March 8.** Whether you want to simply speak more knowledgeably on the topic or are interested personally in the prospect of adoption, our next talk is for you! Good Shepherd Family & Children Services will present on the adoption process and common myths. The presentation will occur in the gym above Boland Hall from 11:25 -11:55 a.m. (between the 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Masses). No cost or RSVP for entry.



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.

Alert for Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, February 26, 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.

Baptismal Preparation

The next baptismal preparation class will be held **Tuesday, February 25, at 7:00 p.m.** in the rectory. If you are a registered parishioner who is or who is about to become a parent or godparent, please call Laura in the rectory at 314-373-8202 to register.

Catholic Radio

Are you looking for a simple way to make this your best Lent ever? Try setting your radio on our local Catholic station in the car, at work and at home. Listen to the Holy Mass, the Divine Mercy Chaplet and the Rosary daily, or participate in live call-in shows such as Call to Communion, Open Line and Catholic Answers Live. Tune in to AM 1460 or listen on our free Covenant Network app on your mobile device or on our website: **ourcatholicradio.org**.

Assistance for Parishioners

The St. Vincent de Paul Society reminds us that emergency assistance is available to parishioners and others living within parish boundaries by calling the **SVDP HotLine at 314-373-8288**. Vouchers for food, clothing, and medicine, as well as assistance with utilities and rent, may be provided by the Vincentians; they may even be able to assist with home repairs or funeral arrangements provided they are contacted **before** any arrangements are made. Private meetings are set up to discuss individual needs and available resources to preserve the privacy of those they help.



Reconciliation

With whom do you need to be reconciled in life? Maybe you have sinned against the law of God through anger, lust, dishonesty, gossip, or other evil actions. Jesus reminds us that the Christian life calls for higher standards. It is essential to keep in mind that we can live up to these standards by cooperating with the grace God gives to us in the sacraments, especially the Eucharist and Reconciliation. These sacraments give us sanctifying grace and bring us back to life when we are dead in our sin. As we approach the altar each Sunday, let us examine our consciences and seek the Lord's mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation if we are guilty of mortal sin. Let us heed the Lord's wisdom to seek perfection by listening to His voice and responding to the graces He grants us. The Eucharist and Reconciliation are two extraordinary blessings we have as Catholics! "Confession is an act of honesty and courage – an act of entrusting ourselves, beyond sin, to the mercy of a loving and forgiving God." ~Pope Saint John Paul II For more, visit archstl.org/live-the-faith.



OF SAINT LOUIS



Remaining concerts of our 2019 - 2020 Season



VOCES8

with special guest Crossroads Quartet Friday, February 21, 2020 8:00pm Welcomed by USI Insurance Services

Dr. Lynn Trapp, organist Sunday, March 8, 2020 2:30pm

Welcomed by Gateway Music Group The Midwest's certified dealer for Viscount North America

Organ Plus

Andrew Peters, organ; Hannah Frey, violin; Jennifer Gartley, flute; Megan Stout, harp Sunday, March 29, 2020 2:30pm Welcomed by Kopytek, Inc.

Stile Antico

Tuesday, April 21, 2020 8:00pm Welcomed by Dr. Joseph G. & Sara R. Beck In Memory of James Walter Beck

Annual Gala Sunday, May 3, 2020 6:00 PM

The Grand Hall at Union Station

Supporting Cathedral Concerts' mission of presenting affordable live concerts in the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis featuring world-class musicians and the finest repertoire of sacred and classical music for the cultural enrichment, education, and enjoyment of the entire region.

We are pleased to honor Dr. J. Michael Pressimone, President of Fontbonne University with our "Great Music Award" for his support and dedication to the arts in St. Louis!

Joan Buxton Falk and Dr. Brian Abel Ragen are Honorary Chairs of the event.

> Gala Tickets: \$195 VIP Tickets: \$295



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St. Vincent de Paul Membership

Members of the Cathedral St. Vincent de Paul Society meet in the Rectory every Monday evening at 7:30 p.m. Members are committed to aiding fellow parishioners and neighbors with necessities such as food, clothing, utilities, and rent—all in the context of the Christian imperative. If interested in becoming a member or in learning more about the Society and our Conference, please leave a message on the SVDP HotLine at 314-373-8288.

Women of the Cathedral

The next meeting of the Women of the Cathedral will be **Wednesday, February 19**. We begin at 6 pm (note early start) with Adoration in the Blessed Mother Chapel led by Msgr. Mikesch (confession will also be available at this time). At 6:30 pm, we move to Boland Hall for fellowship with an opening meditation by Msgr. Mikesch, a light meal and dessert, a short meeting, and conclude with closing prayer at 7:30 pm. All women are invited. Please RSVP to Barbara Murray at **murraybj@swbell.net** or call 314-974-6900 if you will attend.

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 20**. We begin with dinner at 6 pm in Boland Hall, followed by Holy Hour and confessions in the church at 7 pm *(enter through the west door by the playground)*, and concluding back in Boland Hall with dessert and fellowship at 8 pm. Please join us, in full or in part, to deepen your relationship with Christ and with one another. For more information, please e-mail **AnimaChristiStL@gmail.com**.

Men of the Cathedral

Our February Adoration falls on Mardi Gras and all men are cordially invited to Adoration followed by dinner and a special guest speaker. That's right, a trifecta of Catholicism! Please join the Men of the Cathedral at 6 PM on **Tuesday, February 25**, in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel for 30 minutes of Adoration. Confessions will also be available during this time. Following Adoration, we will move to Boland Hall for a Mardi Gras dinner celebration with New Orleans themed food. Our special guest, Msgr. Gregory Mikesch, Senior Associate Pastor and Spiritual Director of the Cathedral and Theological Historian, will speak to us on the Spirituality of Lent.

Don't miss this opportunity to enter the Lenten season with the perfect way to come closer to God. Plan to attend and bring your friends and family. RSVP to Michael Weisbrod at **Michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org** by Monday, February 24, to reserve your place. Your offering of \$20 covers dinner and drinks.



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Liturgical Ministers February 22-23, 2020									
	Extraordinary Ministers	Lectors	Ministers of Care	Servers	Ushers				
5:00 p.m. (Sat)		George Capps Rachel Kondro		Doug Weber	Jerry Pastore Matt Colvin Robert Sutter Luke Koebbe				
8:00 am	Laura Robinson Craig McGrath Myra Ball Tim Hirzel	Myra Ball Tim Hirzel	Louise Campbell Laura Robinson Craig McGrath	Doug Weber Kevin Mattingly Pat McAllister	Dave Meyer Michael Held Tom Doyle Frank Snyder				
10:00 am	Sr. Mary Kathleen Patricia Rice TBD TBD	Sr. Marie Paul Patricia Rice		Joseph Brewer Matthew Brewer Simon Blanner John-Paul Blanner Thomas Jackson	Victor Stuart Barb Murray Ana Anita Atok Liz Ballman Susan Metheny				
12 Noon	Thomas Gregory Latonja Taylor Sal Alatorre Doug Weber	Thomas Gregory Sal Alatorre		Henry Foppe George Foppe August Foppe	Kenneth Brandl Rebecca Brandl LaWanda Reason Jerry Danekas				
5:00 pm	Tracy Marklein David Parr	David Parr Tracy Marklein		David Froelke Peter Froelke Nicholas Kennebeck	Willie Kelsey Charlie Hapke Pat McCann				

Parish Information

Registration in Parish

To join our parish, please fill out a registration card (found at entrances to church) or contact the parish rectory at 314-373-8202.

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 web site (www.cathedralstl.org), click on the bright red DONATE button, 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.

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.

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