





# SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME FEBRUARY 20, 2022

# MASSES ON THE LORD'S DAY

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

LiveStreaming 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

#### 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 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.

#### MASS INTENTIONS

#### Sun., February 20 - 7th Sunday Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. - For the Parish Family

10:00 a.m. - Jerry & Theresa Carter

12:00 p.m. - Franklin Huyett

5:00 p.m. - Nick Theiss

#### Mon., February 21 - St. Peter Damian

7:00 a.m. - Teresa and Francis Farrow & Family

8:00 a.m. - Jerry & Theresa Carter

12:05 p.m. - Joyce Olson

#### Tues., February 22 - Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

7:00 a.m. - For Vocations

8:00 a.m. - Jerry & Theresa Carter

12:05 p.m. - Jean Kendrick Horan

#### Wed., February 23 - St. Polycarp

7:00 a.m. - Sr. Carol Steifvater

8:00 a.m. - Jerry & Theresa Carter

12:05 p.m. - Fr. Brian Resesler

#### Thur., February 24 - Weekday Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. - Special Intention

8:00 a.m. - Jerry & Theresa Carter

12:05 p.m. - Victor Stuart

#### Fri., February 25 - Weekday Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. - Charles E. Whitten

8:00 a.m. - Jerry & Theresa Carter

12:05 p.m. - Paul McArthur

#### Sat., February 26 - Weekday Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. - Robert "Bob" Gutjahr

5:00 p.m. - Ardell Becherer

#### Sun., February 27 - 8th Sunday Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. - Phil Kosta

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

12:00 p.m. - Joseph L. Stegall, Jr.

5:00 p.m. - Nick Theiss



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#### FROM OUR RECTOR

#### TROM OUR RECTOR

#### Dear Parishioners,

A few weeks ago, the Archdiocese of St. Louis announced the launch of a multi-year strategic planning effort called "All Things New" to address the demographic changes throughout the Archdiocese. In his letter on the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, Archbishop Rozanski presented the need for a unified plan to address problems that touch all parishes, "an institutional and personal spiritual renewal is what is needed."

The first stage of this process will be to elicit feedback from every Catholic in the Archdiocese of St. Louis. Beginning on Ash Wednesday, March 2, every parishioner will be asked to fill out the "Disciple Maker Index." The survey responses will provide valuable data to shape the strategic plan. Throughout the process, the Archdiocese will be transparent and provide the results to each parish.

The most important step in this process is prayer. The phrase "All Things New" comes from the Book of Revelation. "The one who sat on the throne said, 'Behold, I make all things new.' " The passage speaks of the old order passing away and Christ renewing the earth. It is a passage about Christ transforming the world through the church. First, we must be renewed in prayer.

Progress on our lighting upgrade is moving forward but very slowly. Over the past few months, the electricians have spent most of their time installing the control system, which means removing much of the old wiring and re-utilizing the old conduits. The darkness you experience in the Cathedral is a result of this process as the team first had to remove the old wiring in order to replace it with new. The interior of the central dome is 143 feet from the floor to the top. This is the equivalent to a 12 story building, which gives a bit of understanding of the scale of the project.

This project has been impacted by the supply chain issues felt throughout our country. The installation company has informed us that we must once again push back the installation of the lighting for the central dome as the product is once again delayed in shipping. The lighting fixtures that were scheduled to arrive the last week of February are now scheduled for the last week of March. Thank you for being so patient as we continue to improve the lighting of the Basilica.

**Monsignor Breier** 

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#### **ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN**

## Ways to find meaning in the ordinary

In this last week of Ordinary Time, let's find ways to seek God in the everyday events of life

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

ARCHBISHOP MITCHELL ROZANSKI

SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS



The Super Bowl is over. The Olympics close Feb. 20. And many of us are asking ourselves: "What do we look forward to next?"

Actually, can I suggest that we push the pause button? We've developed, in our culture, a tendency and even a need to go from one celebration to the next. We find ordinary time boring, so we keep running from celebration to celebration to overcome the boredom. Then the running wears us out — it leads to 'celebration fatigue.' But we don't know what else to do. How do we stop this merry-go-round?

Let me suggest that the remedy for all of this is to find meaning in the ordinary. And, interestingly, we're entering the last full week of Ordinary Time before Lent. Once we hit Ash Wednesday next week (March 2), we won't see Ordinary Time again until June 6! It would be good to take this week to practice the art and the discipline of finding meaning in the ordinary. How can we do that?

Church documents on priestly formation talk about forming seminarians to become men of intimate and unceasing union with the Trinity. That's actually a pretty good goal for all of us! And, in fact, seminarians are formed in this habit precisely so that they can become priests who can teach everyone how to do it.

Building on this idea, the Catechism of the Catholic Church says that: "The life of prayer is the habit of being in the presence of God and in communion with Him." Notice the word "habit." How do you experience moments of being in the presence of God? And what would it take to make that occasional experience into a regular habit — a pattern that shapes every day no less than the habit of drinking coffee? If we can find that habit, then the ordinary won't be boring and we won't need to escape it. If we can find that habit, we'll see how the ordinary is filled with the presence of God.

The Catholic spiritual tradition speaks of the "sacrament of the present moment" or the "practice of the presence of God." But what exactly does that mean? The spiritual writer Father Jacques Philippe sheds light on it when he says: "God is present in His creation, and we can contemplate Him there; He is present in the Eucharist, and we can adore Him there; He is present in the Word, and we can find God by meditating on Scripture ... There is, however, another mode of God's presence of the greatest importance for the life of prayer: God's presence in our own heart."

Following this tradition, there are some people who are only ever doing one thing: they're paying attention to the presence of God in whatever they're doing. Contemplative prayer, making breakfast, reading a book, washing dishes, driving somewhere, paying bills. They pay attention to God's presence in the midst of whatever's right in front of them, and the ordinary becomes rich.

When we learn to do that we don't need to rush from celebration to celebration because the ordinary isn't boring — it becomes a place where we find God! And when we find Him there, we can be refreshed there. And when we're refreshed by the ordinary our lives become less frantic and our celebrations more free.

So in this last week of Ordinary Time let's lean into the ordinary, and work on finding God in the midst of it.

Note: this column appeared in the St. Louis Review for Feb 14-Feb. 21st and may be read in the print edition or at https://bit.ly/35ejOXr.





**Photo above:** Picture from our first 2022 wedding: Shannon Root and Jake Bast Saturday, February 5, 2022

## Weddings at the Cathedral Basilica

There are 35 weddings scheduled so far to be held this year in 2022. Last year we had a total of 40 weddings. To inquire about having a wedding at the Cathedral Basilica, please contact our Events Manager, Mary Ann Fox at 314-373-8208.



"Made New: Becoming the woman God has called you to be"

The event will be held at the Si Commons at St. Louis University High School on **Saturday March 12th**, giving us a capacity to welcome over 1000 ladies to the conference.



# National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows—Visitors Center

Religions in America

Presenter: Mark Etling, Ph.D. Saturdays, March 12, 19, 26, April 2 & 9

Time: 10 a.m.—12 Noon

The saga of the religions of America is like a complicated and unfinished jigsaw puzzle. It includes many colorful, overlapping images. As we work to connect the pieces of the puzzle, we know that the religious influences of the past continue to shape our religious, political and social life today. In this series we will examine the major events, movements, ideas and persons who have helped to shape the religions of America.

Cost: \$50 for series; \$10 per session

For more information call 618-394-6281 https://snows.org/ministries/spiritual-programs/





Marygrove provides a safe home, compassionate care, and high-quality mental health services to children who have experienced significant trauma,

restore their childhood, and equip them for their future. Through a broad spectrum of residential and community-based programming, Marygrove enriches the lives of over 1,100 children, teens and young adults each year at their home in Florissant.

Queen of Peace Center provides family centered care for women with substance abuse disorders, their families, and at-risk youth through treatment, prevention and education, and housing. As demonstrated by the life of Jesus Christ, Queen of Peace Center works to build a future of peace for families.

For more information, please contact your Parish Ambassador Mary Ann Cheng at Machengmd@gmail.com.







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## Archdiocesan Lenten Regulations

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him."

The Church has always helped us fulfill these words of Jesus by prescribing very definite penance forall Catholics so that we too might have Eternal life. Accordingly, the Pope and the American Bishops have outlined obligatory fast and abstinence as follows:

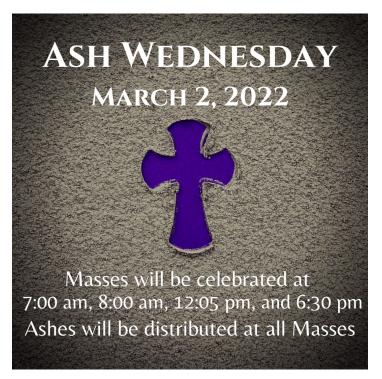
Ash Wednesday (March 2, 2022), all Fridays of Lent and Good Friday (April 15, 2022) are days of abstinence (refraining from meat) for all Catholics from age 14 onwards. On these two days, fast, as well as abstinence, is also obligatory for those from the ages of 18-59. Abstinence means refraining from meat. Fast means one full meal a day, with two smaller meals and nothing between meals (liquidsare permitted). No Catholic will lightly excuse himself or herself from this obligation.

We should strive to make all days of Lent a time of prayer and penance.

#### Lenten Resources

There are many excellent resources for the Season of Lent you might wish to use or share with your parishioners. Following are also a list of some resources available for Lent this year:

Augustine Institute Formed: <a href="https://formed.org/">https://formed.org/</a>
Best Lent Ever daily reflections: <a href="https://dynamiccatholic.com/best-lent-ever">https://dynamiccatholic.com/best-lent-ever</a>
Bishop Barron Word on Fire Lenten Reflections: <a href="https://www.lentreflections.com/">https://www.lentreflections.com/</a>



### **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.

Janice Bashford Kelvin Ayala Reyes Barbara Beckemeyer Mary Riley

Joe Dubuque Vivian Rachel Rossen

Deborah Harlan
Jennifer Jaswal
Lenore Molloy
Edwin Ayala Padilla
Pauline Price
Vivian Rachel Ross
Resy Sanchez
Mickey Shears
Victor Stuart
Mary Anne Work
Betty Ytzaina

Dorothy Quinn

Keith & Terri Reason

# A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

"We often assume parenthood happens easily after 'I do,' but for many married couples, it does not. For some, the joy of conception never happens. Others suffer repeated miscarriages. Still others experience secondary infertility... If you experience difficulty bringing a child into your family, know that you are not alone. God is with you, and his Church desires to walk with you... God has a beautiful plan for your life as a married couple."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Seven Considerations While Navigating Infertility" respectlife.org/navigating-infertility

# St. Louis Catholic Resident Physicians and Medical Students

Interested in joining a community of Catholic resident physicians and medical students? Scan the QR Code to sign-up



### 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 20, 2022 through February 27, 2022

Sunday: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 Ps 103:1-

4, 8, 10, 12-13 1 Cor 15:45-49

Lk 6:27-38

Monday: Jas 3:13-18 Ps 19:8-10, 15 Mk 9:14-29 Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:1-4 Ps 23:1-6 Mt 16:13-19

Wednesday: Jas 4:13-17 Ps 49:2-3, 6-11

Mk 9:38-40

Thursday: Jas 5:1-6 Ps 49:14-20 Mk 9:41-50 Friday: Jas 5:9-12 Ps 103:1-4, 8-9, 11-12

Mk 10:1-12

Saturday: Jas 5:13-20 Ps 141:1-3, 8 Mk 10:13-16

Sunday: 1 Sir 27:4-7 Ps 92:2-3, 13-16 1 Cor 15:54-58 Lk 6:39-45

# Lent Days of Prayer at White House Retreat

#### **LENT DAYS OF PRAYER:**

Ash Wednesday March 2 Wednesday April 6 Monday April 11 Tuesday April 12

**COST**: \$25 per person (per event) **DESCRIPTION**: It's like a mini-retreat. Perfect for people who don't have time to make a full 3-day retreat at White House but want to experience some of what we have to offer.

Each day will include two morning conferences, lunch, an afternoon conference and the Eucharist. Priests will be available to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation as well. The event should conclude by 3:00pm.

**REGISTER**: call (314) 416-6400

https://whitehouseretreat.org/day-of-prayer



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#### 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**, **February 24th.** Our gathering begins with a Holy Mass at 6:30pm (enter through the west door, by the playground). After Mass we will gather for dinner around 7:30pm in Boland Hall. Please join us, in full or in part, to deepen your relationship with Christ and with one another. For additional information, please email us at

AnimaChristiStL@gmail.com.

#### Women of the Cathedral

The next gathering of the Women of the Cathedral will be **Saturday**, **March 5th**, for 8 am Mass at the Cathedral. All women of the parish are invited for the celebration of Mass. Due to the continuing heightened cases of COVID, we will not gather in Boland Hall after Mass.

#### **Assistance for Parishioners**

The St. Vincent de Paul Society reminds us that emergency assistance is available to parishioners and others living within the parish boundaries by calling the SVDP Hotline at 314-373-8288.

Offertory Collection for The Weekend of 2/13/2022					
Offertory	8,583.50				
Loose	3,280.55				
Landscaping	65.00				
Maintenance	15.00				
St. Louis Review	40.00				
Catholic Schools	161.00				
World Missions	5.00				
Solemity of Mary	20.00				
OnLine Giving	4,486.00				

#### Men of the Cathedral

#### FEBRUARY ADORATION

The MEN OF THE CATHEDRAL cordially invite all men and women (parishioners and visitors) to join them in the February Adoration scheduled for **February 22<sup>nd</sup> 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 21<sup>st</sup> to Michael Weisbrod at <a href="michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org">michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org</a> to reserve your dinner spot!



# Weekly Thoughts on Giving

"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit." (LUKE 6:43)

Are you using your gifts in the way God intended? Have you asked God how He would like you to use them? Do you compare yourself to others and complain about what you don't have instead of being thankful for what you do have? God gives each of us unique gifts and a unique plan. Listen to how God is calling you to use your gifts, to bear good fruit, for the glory of His name.



Liturgical Ministers For February 26-27, 2022							
	Extraordinary	Lectors	Ministers of Care	Servers	Ushers		
5:00 p.m. (Sat)	No Cup Ministers At Any Mass This Weekend	Kevin Reese Elizabeth Abraham		Doug Weber	Bob Sutter Jerry Pastore Matt Colvin Chris Newgent		
8:00 am		Pat Harper Mitch Smith	Thomas Gregory Broussard/Watt B. Ragen M. Weisbrod	Doug Weber Kevin Mattingly	Dave Meyer Frank Snyder		
10:00 am		Patricia Rice Rachel Kondro		JP Blanner Simon Blanner Brewers (2) Brewers (2)	Barb Murray Susan Metheny Jerry Danekas		
12 Noon		Vito Alu Sandy Dubuque		TBD	Willie Stevens Vito Alu Lawanda Reason Barb Murray		
5:00 pm		Erin Heathman John Willard		TBD	Willie Kelsey Charlie Hapke Pat McCann		

#### **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.

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