

CATHEDRAL
BASILICA



OF SAINT LOUIS



FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT FEBRUARY 22, 2026

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 – 6:00 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 go register at <https://cathedralstl.org/new-parishioner-registration>

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 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 22 - First Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. Robert Edward Anthony
10:00 a.m. Danielle Singleton
12:00 p.m. Tim O'Connell
5:00 p.m. Keith Mosberger

Mon. Feb 23 - St. Polycarp

7:00 a.m. Dorothy Quinn
8:00 a.m. Meghan Hoyer
12:05 p.m. Nelson & Dolores Kleyer

Tues. Feb 24 - Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m. Victor Stuart
8:00 a.m. Victor Buot
12:05 p.m. Rebecca Hill

Wed. Feb 25 - Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m. Maria Winkelman
8:00 a.m. MaryLynn Talboy & Family
12:05 p.m. Cathy Kiser Cummiskey & Family

Thur. Feb 26 - Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m. David Becker
8:00 a.m. James Arend
12:05 p.m. Stephen Notestine

Fri. Feb 27 - St. Gregory of Narek

7:00 a.m. Jean & Todd
8:00 a.m. Joseph L. Stegall Jr & Family
12:05 p.m. Eliseo M. Blancaflor

Sat. Feb 28 - Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. Sr. Barbara Greenwell, VHM
5:00 p.m. Joseph Weinkopf

Sun. Mar 1 - Second Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. William DuMeyer
10:00 a.m. Julie Marie Endraske
12:00 p.m. Jody Mayer
5:00 p.m. Phyllis Wheat



FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Parishioners,

The Gospel this First Sunday of Lent shows us that Jesus enters into this very struggle. He is led by the Spirit into the desert. For forty days He fasts. For forty days He confronts temptation. He does not avoid the desert; He enters it willingly. In doing so, He shares in the many deserts of our world—the deserts of loneliness, confusion, suffering, and doubt.

The tempter approaches when Jesus is weak with hunger. “Turn these stones into bread.” What could be more reasonable? Shouldn’t we first satisfy our own needs? Yet Jesus refuses to reduce life to mere survival or comfort. He answers with the strength that flows from the Word of God: *“One does not live on bread alone.”*

The second temptation invites Him to stand at the pinnacle of the Temple and test God. It is the temptation of self-centeredness—of putting oneself at the center and expecting even angels to serve you. But the Lord shows us that true freedom is not found in self-assertion, but in trust and responsibility toward others.

Finally comes the temptation of power. From the heights of a mountain, all the kingdoms of the world are displayed before Him. “All these I shall give to you.” How often in history have wars, injustices, and human suffering been the price paid for the idol of power? Jesus rejects it decisively: *“You shall worship the Lord your God, and Him alone shall you serve.”*

In the desert, Jesus proclaims again the primacy of God and the kingdom of love. And notice how the Gospel ends: angels come and minister to Him. The desert does not have the last word. Faithfulness does. When we live Lent as Jesus lived those forty days—rooted in the Word, humble before the Father, steadfast in temptation—the desert within us begins to bloom.

May these forty days be a time of real struggle, yes—but also of real transformation. As we draw near to the Lord in prayer, fasting, and works of charity, may we find ourselves strengthened by His Word and renewed in His love. And may we, like those angels in the Gospel, become ministers of consolation and hope to the weak and the poor.

This is the season to remain close to the Lord, to imitate Him in the battle against evil, and to allow Him to transform our desert into a garden of love

Monsignor Henry Breier

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ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

Begin Lent with the End in Mind

God draws us to become more like Him on step at a time

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Let's start Lent with one of the "seven habits of highly effective people" — begin with the end in mind.

The end we should keep in mind is indicated to us in this week's readings. They begin with the admonition, "Be holy, for I, the Lord your God, am holy" (Leviticus 19:2). They end with the admonition, "Be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect" (Matthew 5:48).

Leviticus 19 explores this in a way that can be really helpful to our sense of beginning with the end in mind. It articulates a series of commands, and each of them concludes with: "I am the Lord." If we understand that the right way, it's a huge compliment! God is saying, "Look, I made you to be like me. And when you do these things, you become less like me. So, if you want to become more like me, don't do these things!"

Let's explore that for a moment. All lies are, by nature, foreign to God — because God is truth itself. Therefore: "You shall not lie or speak falsely to one another" (Leviticus 19:11).

All stealing is, by nature, foreign to God — because God is generosity itself. Therefore: "You shall not defraud or rob your neighbor" (Leviticus 19:13).

I think we might add some other things to this list — things like cynicism, which you never encounter in Jesus.

So, first: Think about what might be added to the list of "things that are, by nature, foreign to God." What are some characteristics of God that are important measuring sticks for our own growth?

And, second, in light of that list, think about how

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SERVE THE LORD
WITH GLADNESS

many parts of your heart need conversion!

Now, it would be easy to consider all of that and despair: "I'll never get there!" It's not entirely wrong to feel that way. As Psalm 130 says: If the Lord marked our iniquities, none of us could stand.

But, on a merely human level, let's cite the traditional saying: "How do you eat an elephant? One bite at a time!"

And, on a deeper level, let's reflect on the characteristics of that same God who is our measure. God is merciful — so we know He wants sinners to do it. God is just — so we know it has to be done. And God is patient — so we know He's willing to take us one step at a time.

We hear all of that in the story of Jonah's interaction with the city of Nineveh this week. Nineveh is headed toward destruction because of its sinful ways. But, in response to Jonah's preaching, Nineveh repents — and God is pleased!

There are many parts of our hearts that need to turn more deeply to God! But the turning is the thing for Lent. The joy of our relationship with God is also the challenge of our relationship with God: He won't stop until every part of our heart is turned toward Him and cleansed from sin. That requires some deep cleaning.

That's the end we need to keep in mind.

So, let's start one bite at a time: What's one part of your heart that could be turned more toward God this week?

Note: This column appeared in the St. Louis Review for Feb 23 - Mar 1 and may be read in the print edition or <https://www.stlouisreview.com/column/serve-the-lord-with-gladness/>



CATHEDRAL CONCERTS

Experience Great Music in a Great Space!
2025 - 2026 Season

Estonian Philharmonic Chamber Choir
Tuesday, February 10, 2026, 7:30pm

VOCES8

Monday, February 23, 2026 7:30pm
Welcomed by Bruce & Linda Ryder

Vox Una with St. Louis
Area High School Choirs
Sunday, March 8, 2026 2:30pm (FREE CONCERT - TICKETS NOT REQUIRED)

Three Italian Tenors
Friday, March 27, 2026 7:30pm

St. Louis Area Collegiate Choirs
Tuesday, April 7, 2026 7:30pm (FREE CONCERT - TICKETS NOT REQUIRED)

The Tallis Scholars
Friday, April 17, 2026 7:30pm

Cappella Romana
Sunday, April 26, 2026 7:30pm

Artists & Dates subject to change



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BEGIN HEALING HERE

The Healing the Whole Person Video Series is coming to St. Louis this Lent! This teaching, presented by Dr. Bob Schuchts & Sr. Miriam James Heidland, is for anyone desiring wholeness, freedom, and an encounter with a loving Creator. If you're looking for a deeper understanding of God's love and the healing of your own story, join fellow Cathedral parishioners on this journey to restoration.

Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm from February 25 - April 15

SERIES DETAILS

The weekly meetings will include:
1-hour video teachings, reflections, and opportunities for journaling and prayer

REGISTRATION

Cost: \$50 (scholarships readily available)

Register Here:

<https://forms.gle/HptrYn9jsFep3M4U8>



Questions: stlyoungadults@archstl.org

LOCATION DETAILS

Cardinal Rigali Center
20 Archbishop May Dr, St. Louis, MO 63119
Meeting in the Fleur-de-Lis Room
Please use the front entrance of the building

Please note: This is a licensed video series used with the permission of the JPIL Healing Center. This is not a JPIL Healing Center event.



Archbishop's Afternoon of Recollection

SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2026

Schedule

- 1:00 pm Reflection by Archbishop Mitchell Rozanski
- 1:45 pm Stations of the Cross — Monsignor Henry Breier
- 2:30 pm Reflection by Father Ambrose Criste, O.Praem.
- Following Reflection: Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions
- 4:15 pm Evening Prayer and Benediction — Led by Deacon Dean Mandis
- 5:00 pm Mass — Archbishop Mitchell Rozanski



Scott Kennebeck and Emily Kennebeck
with John Powel Walsh

Irish Songs and
Stories for
St. Patrick's Day

March 15
7:00pm

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Sacrament of Marriage

Congratulations to **Alex & Anna England** (pictured below) who were united in the Sacrament of Marriage at the Cathedral Basilica on Saturday, February 7, 2026 at 1:30 in the afternoon.

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



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 22, 2026 to March 1, 2026

- Sunday: 22: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7 Ps 51:3-6, 12-13, 17
Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19 Mt 4:1-11
- Monday: 224: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18 Ps 19:8-10, 15
Mt 25:31-46
- Tuesday: 225: Is 55:10-11 Ps 34:4-7, 16-19
Mt 25:31-46
- Wednesday: 226: Jon 3:1-10 Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19
Lk 11:29-32
- Thursday: 227: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25 Ps 138:1-3,
7c-8 Mt 7:7-12
- Friday: 228: Ez 18:21-28 Ps 130:1-8 Mt 5:20-26
- Saturday: 229: Dt 26:16-19 Ps 119:1-2, 4-5 7-8
Mt 5:43-48
- Sunday: 25: Gn 12:1-4a Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22
2 Tm 1:8b-10 Mt 17:1-9

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR THE WEEKEND OF 2/14/2026-2/15/2026

Offertory	\$6,710.00
Online Giving	\$6,737.00
Loose	\$4,129.00
Cathedral Candles	\$398.76
Cathedral Landscape	\$56.00
Cathedral Maintenance	\$55.00
Catholic Education	\$167.00
St. Louis Review	\$35.00
Ash Wednesday	\$40.00



STEWARDSHIP ALIVE!

Cathedral Basilica Blood Drive

Sunday, March 22

9 am - 2 pm

4430 Maryland Ave - Classroom 3

DONATE BLOOD



To Schedule: Scan or
Call (800) RED-CROSS



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.

Judy McGrath
Doreen Kelly
Linda Baldwin
Barbara Beckemeyer
Edwin Ayala Padilla
Mary Leah Kovarik
Guy Thomas
Kelvin Ayala Reyes
Wayne Eultgen
Nicole Pace
Resy Sanchez
Betty Ytzaina

Deborah Lee
Margaret Aubermann
Goldie Wirth
Barbara Garrett
Tronda White
Tiffany Pitts
Shamelia Clark
Mary Anne Work
Juliana Brown
Craig Campbell
Michael Theiss

Men of the Cathedral

Winter doldrums can be easily alleviated by joining the Men of the Cathedral for Adoration and Dinner. Join the Men of the Cathedral in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel on **February 26** to find your inner joy and comfort through your ability to visit with our Lord.

The evening begins at 6pm with Adoration. Confessions will be heard during this time. After Adoration, we will move to Boland Hall for fellowship and dinner. The cost is \$20 and reservations can be made by contacting Michael Weisbrod at michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org before **February 20**.

Stations of the Cross

During Lent we have Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 7 pm.

March 27, Stations of the Cross will be at 6 pm. Join us for Stations before attending Cathedral Concerts: Three Italian Tenors Concert at 7:30pm

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!

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. Our next meeting will be **February 26, 2026**. We will begin with Holy Hour at 6:30 pm followed by dinner in Boland Hall.

Please enter the Cathedral across the parking lot from the playground on the west side of the Church. Email AnimaChristiStL@gmail.com or see the Anima Christi Facebook page for more details.



LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR FEBRUARY 28 & MARCH 1, 2026

Extraordinary	Lectors	Ministers of Care	Servers	Ushers
5:00 p.m. (Sat) No Cup Ministers At Any Mass This Weekend	David Parr Mary Ann Cheng		Doug Weber	Bob Sutter Jerry Pastore Matt Colvin Pat McCann
8:00 am	Rebecca Keeven Phoebe Del Castillo	Hagen Cheng Gregory	Doug Weber	Dave Meyer Frank Snyder Joe Schilli
10:00 am	Brian Ragen Denise Murphy			Sue Metheny Dan Mangus Roger Willis Vito Alu
12 Noon	David Parr Lucas Blatter		TBD	Willie Stevens Skip Batchelor Lawanda Reason Mark Burmester
5:00 pm	Claire Sommers 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, 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

