

CATHEDRAL
BASILICA



OF SAINT LOUIS



THE SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
FEBRUARY 23, 2020

**MASSSES 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)

**EUCCHARISTIC
ADORATION**

3:30 pm–4:30 pm (Sat)
8:30 am–11:45 am
(Every First Friday)



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

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GIFT SHOP

314.373.8243

MASS INTENTIONS

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

Mon., February 24– Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. - T.E.J.F.
8:00 a.m. - Julie Gerwitz
12:05 p.m. - Linus Pottebaum

Tues., February 25– Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. - George Anstey
8:00 a.m. - Lemoine and Grizelda Skinner
12:05 p.m. - Helen Klunk

Wed., February 26– Ash Wednesday

7:00 a.m. - David Clewell
8:00 a.m. - In Memory of Lloyd Taaffe III
12:05 p.m. - James Muckadan
5:00 p.m. - Archbishop's Intention

Thurs., February 27– Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m. - Priest's Intention
8:00 a.m. - Joseph L. Stegall, Jr.
12:05 p.m. - Rita White & Kathy DiJoseph

Fri., February 28– Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m. - Steve Anstey
8:00 a.m. - Priest's Intention
12:05 p.m. - Priest's Intention

Sat., February 29– Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. - Susan Wells-Souza
5:00 p.m. - Samuel Lloyd Peterson

Sun., March 1– 1st Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. - For the Parish Family
10:00 a.m. - Linus Pottebaum
12:00 p.m. - James O'Toole
5:00 p.m. - Nick Theiss

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.

**FROM OUR RECTOR**

Dear Parishioners,

I would like to take this opportunity to extend thanks to all those who helped with the luncheon following Linus Pottebaum's funeral. The members of the family were so appreciative of the food that was served and the many people who came together to make it so very special for them. A special shout out to the Women of the Cathedral group who in a special way helped with the luncheon.

You will begin to see more of our new Parochial Vicar, Father Zachary Povis, around the Cathedral in the coming months. Father Povis is in the process of making the transition from working directly with the Archbishop to his assignment here at the Cathedral Basilica. You will see him working with the young adults in Anima Christi, the Men of the Cathedral, and helping to coordinate the Archdiocesan Ceremonies held in the Basilica.



Please join me in extending a warm Cathedral welcome to Father Povis.

This past Sunday, we welcomed to the Cathedral Basilica Rectory a few members of the parish who are celebrating their 25th and 50th Wedding Anniversaries for a special dinner. Invited to the dinner was also parishioners Ben and Kristen, who have only been married 6 months. During the evening, our guests shared stories of their married life, the challenges they faced and how they overcame those challenges. The evening was a wonderful testament to the enduring power of love.

This coming Wednesday, 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 effects and especially its causes, even its 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 (cf. Mt 16: 24) is particularly pressing. Although the "cross" may be heavy, it is not synonymous with misfortune, with disgrace, or to be avoided on all accounts.

Monsignor Henry Breier

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ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

BEFORE THE CROSS | Reaching our goals requires making the journey of Lent

Whatever we make of our Lent, our Easter will follow suit

“Then.” Over and over this week, as we begin Lent, the Scriptures repeat this word.

We hear it from the prophet Joel. The people called an assembly and proclaimed a fast throughout all the land: “Then the Lord was stirred to concern for His land, and took pity on His people.”

We hear it from the prophet Isaiah. He tells the people that if they fast properly — not just in ritual observances but with their hearts, and through deeds of mercy and justice: “Then your light shall break forth like the dawn ... Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer... Then light shall arise for you in the darkness ... Then the Lord will guide you always ... Then you shall delight in the Lord.”

We hear it from Moses in the Book of Deuteronomy. He tells the Israelites: If you obey the commandments of the Lord, then you will live and grow numerous; if you turn away your hearts and serve other gods, then you will perish.

We hear it from the apostle James, who tells us: If you resist the devil, then he will flee from you. If you draw near to God, then He will draw near to you.

So often, however, we take “then” the wrong way. We reason, in our hearts: “If I’m a sinner, then the Lord won’t call me.”

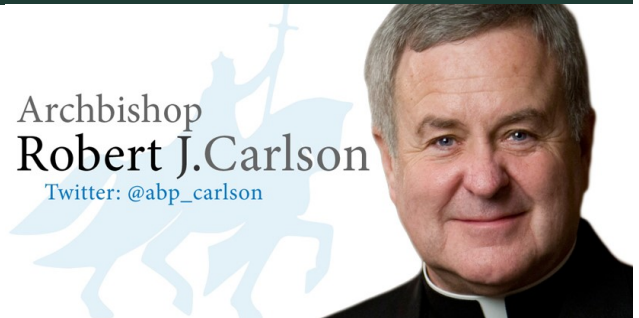
As if in response, the Church has us read the call of Levi (Matthew) the tax collector during the first week of Lent. “Jesus saw a tax collector named Levi sitting at the customs post. He said to him: Follow me. And leaving everything behind, he got up and followed Him.

The Church wants us to hear with crystal clarity: Being a sinner does not prevent the Lord from calling us! No, the real question is, when He calls, how will we respond? Levi responded by following immediately. Through his example, he speaks to us: “You’re probably like me — not worthy. Don’t worry. When He calls, just follow. He wants to make you worthy; He doesn’t require that you start out that way.”

In the Gospel for Ash Wednesday, Jesus tells us, in effect, that we will receive what we want. If we fast and pray and give alms because, in our hearts of hearts, we want to be seen, then we will receive what we want. Being seen will be our reward. If we fast and pray and give alms because, in our heart of hearts, we want to give glory to God, then God’s glory will be our reward.

On Thursday, Jesus tells us that His journey to the Resurrection passes through the Cross. The lesson, on the day after Ash Wednesday, is pretty clear — our journey to Easter passes through Lent. If we want the goal, then we have to make the journey. And the measure of our participation in the rigors of the journey will determine the measure of our participation in the joy of the goal.

“Then.” It’s amazing how one little word can contain a big lesson for us. Whatever we make of our Lent, our Easter will follow suit. If that’s the case, then what do we want our Lent to look like?



Note: this column appeared in the St. Louis Review for Feb. 24-March 1 and may be read in the print edition or at <https://bit.ly/35ejOXr>.



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.

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.” (Jn 3:16-17)

The Church has always helped us fulfill these words of Jesus by prescribing very definite penance for all Catholics. Accordingly, the Pope and the American Bishops have outlined obligatory fast and abstinence as follows:

- Ash Wednesday (February 26) and Good Friday (April 10) are days of **abstinence** 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 (liquids are permitted). No Catholic will lightly excuse himself or herself from this obligation.
- All Fridays in Lent are days of **abstinence** from meat. Here again Catholics will not hold themselves lightly excused, but if there is a serious health problem, this obligation would not apply.

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

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.

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.

Lenten Resources

Following are also a list of some resources available for Lent this year:

- Augustine Institute Formed: <https://formed.org/>
- Best Lent Ever daily reflections: <https://dynamiccatholic.com/best-lent-ever>
- Bishop Barron Word on Fire Lenten Reflections: <https://www.lentreflections.com/>
- USCCB: <http://usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year/lent/index.cfm>

And don't forget about the **Archbishop's Lenten Day of Recollection coming on Saturday, April 4** (watch for details in the coming weeks).

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.

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.



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

A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

“The essence of our identity is that we are created in God's image and likeness and loved by Him. Nothing can diminish the priceless worth of any human life. Every person is cherished.”

*USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
2018-19 Respect Life Reflection*

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.

The House for Life

For the 40 Days for Life Campaign, the Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity invite you to celebrate Mass at their convent, Our Lady of Guadalupe, at **7:00 am every Monday in March**. Mass will be followed by Exposition until 11:00 am. Our Lady of Guadalupe is located directly across the street from Planned Parenthood. Please join them for Mass if you are able. You never know how much influence your prayers could have, so PRAY!

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 23, 2020 through March 1, 2020

Sunday:	Lv 19:1-2, 17-18 Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13 1 Cor 3:16-23 Mt 5:38-48
Monday:	Jas 3:13-18 Ps 19:8-10, 15 Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday:	Jas 4:1-10 Ps 55:7-11, 23 Mk 9:30-37
Wednesday:	Jl 2:12-18 Ps 51:3-6, 12-14, 17 2 Cor 5:20--6:2 Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday:	Dt 30:15-20 Ps 1:1-4, 6 Lk 9:22-25
Friday:	Is 58:1-9 Ps 51:3-6, 18-19 Mt 9:14-15
Saturday:	Is 58:9-14 Ps 86:1-6 Lk 5:27-32
Sunday:	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

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.

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.



STEWARDSHIP ALIVE!

Happy St. Valentine!

Msgr. Breier welcomed members of the parish to the rectory last weekend for a very special “Valentine Dinner”. Each of our guests have recently or will soon be celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary. We also welcomed one parish couple who were married at the Cathedral just six months ago. What a lovely evening and a wonderful testament to the enduring power of love!



Cathedral Tours

Tours of our beautiful church are offered following the noon Mass on Sunday, and at various times during the week (pending other events). To book your group tour, please call 314-373-8242.

Eyeglass Drive

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

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!

Weekly Thoughts on Giving

“But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you...” (Mt 5:44)

Love your enemies, easier said than done, no doubt. But, remember, the foundation of stewardship is prayer. When we are in close communication with God, it opens our heart and it turns our attention away from “me” and moves it towards God and others. It allows us to have a little more empathy for “our enemy.” When we pray for others, even “our enemies,” maybe it softens their hearts as well.

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.

For the Poor

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

OFFERTORY

Sunday Collection	02/16/2020
Offertory	\$10,641.00
Loose	3,837.00
Landscape and Maintenance	6.00
Catholic Education	25.00
St. Louis Review Subscription	15.00
Other Misc. Collections	10.00




CATHEDRAL CONCERTS

Remaining concerts of our 2019 - 2020 Season



Dr. Lynn Trapp

Organist

Sunday, March 8, 2020 2:30pm

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*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

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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 tri-fecta 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.

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 27**. 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.

Forgiveness

We should never stop showing mercy to our neighbor. Jesus teaches us the radical nature of the Christian message in loving our enemies and praying for those who persecute us. The Church has made herself many enemies throughout the last 20 centuries. We must continue to pray for these enemies and forgive those who trespass against us. We are told to be perfect as our heavenly Father is perfect. It is fascinating to note that the Gospel according to Luke replaces the word "perfect" with merciful. Experts can argue about the linguistic dimensions of the passage, but it is clear that we become like God in a deep way and participate to some degree in His perfection when we are merciful to others as He is merciful.

For more, visit archstl.org/live-the-faith.

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 web site (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.

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS FEBRUARY 29-MARCH 1, 2020**

Extraordinary Ministers		Lectors	Ministers of Care	Servers	Ushers
5:00 p.m. (Sat)		Kevin Reese Elizabeth Abraham		Doug Weber Cameron Ackerman	Jerry Pastore Matt Colvin Robert Sutter Luke Koebbe
8:00 am	No Cup Ministers This Weekend	Pat Harper Luke Koebbe	Luke Koebbe Al Rheinneck Craig McGrath	Doug Weber Kevin Mattingly Pat McAllister	Dave Meyer Michael Held Tom Doyle Frank Snyder
10:00 am	No Cup Ministers This Weekend	Alisa Goessling Mary Elizabeth Grimes		Joseph Brewer Matthew Brewer Jack Ryan Thomas Jackson	Victor Stuart Barb Murray Ana Anita Atok Liz Ballman Susan Metheny
12 Noon	No Cup Ministers This Weekend	Mary Ann Cheng David Parr		Simon Blanner John-Paul Blanner	Kenneth Brandl Rebecca Brandl LaWanda Reason Jerry Danekas
5:00 pm	John Stith Phoebe Del Castillo	Phoebe Del Castillo John Stith		Henry Foppe George Foppe August Foppe	Willie Kelsey Charlie Hapke Pat McCann

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 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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