



SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT FEBRUARY 28, 2021

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.

Small public tours of the Cathedral led by volunteer guides are available *by appointment*, as is access to the Cathedral Gift Shop. Large public tours are not currently available, due to the difficulty of being able to adequately social distance larger groups.

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.

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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 28– Second Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. - Justin Maciekowicz

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

12:00 p.m. - Alfred Rozanski

5:00 p.m. - Nick Theiss

Mon., March 1- Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m. - Anne Marie Nguyen K. Nhuong

8:00 a.m. - Timothy & Donna Gamma

12:05 p.m. - Nancy Ralston

Tues., March 2- Lenten Weekday

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

8:00 a.m. - Gerald Marie Phung N. Quan

12:05 p.m. - Hamid Alikhan

Wed., March 3-St. Katharine Drexel

7:00 a.m. - Frieda Weber

8:00 a.m. - Richelle Weisbrod

12:05 p.m. - Emiliana Lobo

Thur., March 4- St. Casimir

7:00 a.m. - Anne Duval

8:00 a.m. - Charles E. Whitten

12:05 p.m. - Matthew Abraham

Fri., March 5- Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m. - Kathy Kelly

8:00 a.m. - Michael Tate

12:05 p.m. - Ben & Angie Geis

Sat., March 6- Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. - Bernice Wojcicki

5:00 p.m. - Betsy Ann Schapp

Sun., March 7- Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. - Marcie Touchette

10:00 a.m. - Dr. Philip LeFevre, MD

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

5:00 p.m. - Nick Theiss



FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Parishioners.

Each year on the 1st Sunday of Lent, our Gospel presents to us the scene of the Temptation of the Lord. Matthew, Mark, and Luke each have their way of telling the story, some with more details than the other. The story of the Temptation of the Lord reminds us that we, especially during the season of Lent, will do battle with temptation. The truth is the more we seek to remove sin from our life, the more the evil one likes to up his game with us.

I would like to share with you a passage from Gregory the Great that helped me to understand the temptations that come to us. This is taken from Homily 16 on the Gospels:

"There are some who ask themselves by what spirit Jesus was led to the desert, because of what follows in the text: 'The devil carried him into the holy city', and again: 'He carried him to a very high mountain.' But in truth, and without hesitation, one must logically accept that Jesus was led to the desert by the Holy Spirit, so that his own Spirit would lead him to where the evil spirit was to find him.

However, when we are told that the God-Man was transported by the devil on a very high mountain or in the holy city, the human spirit has difficulty in accepting it, and the ears are frightened of the hear. This, however, will seem less impossible to believe if we consider other events concerning the Savior. The devil is undoubtedly the leader of all the wicked, and all the wicked are the members of this leader. Was not Pilate a member of the devil? The Jews who persecuted Christ, and the soldiers who crucified him, were they not members of the devil? Why, then, be surprised that the Savior allowed the devil to lead him to a mountain, since he also endured being crucified by the members of such a leader? It was not unworthy of our Redeemer to want to be tempted, he who had come to be killed. On the contrary, it was right for him to triumph over our temptations with his own, just as he had come to overcome our death by his death (2: 18).

Let us know, however, that temptation acts in three ways: by suggestion, by delectation and by consent. When we are tempted ourselves, we usually glide into delectation, or even consent; for, spread from the flesh of sin, we bear in us the very origin of the struggles to endure. But the God who had incarnated in the womb of a Virgin and who had come to the world without sin bore no contradiction in him. He may have been tempted by suggestion, but the delectation of sin did not have a hold on his mind. All this diabolical temptation was for him external, without anything inside."

Monsignor Henry Breier

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ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

Move forward with integrity and hope

We're called to acknowledge a legacy of sin, and to build upon a legacy of fidelity ARCHBISHOP MITCHELL ROZANSKI



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

The biblical readings for this week draw our attention to two legacies.

On Monday, we hear the prophet Daniel reflecting on the legacy of sin of Israel. That legacy of sin stands in stark contrast to the courageous fidelity of Daniel. Standing between the two legacies — sin and courageous fidelity — Daniel calls on the compassion and forgiveness of God, which offers Israel hope for a way forward.

On Tuesday, we hear the prophet Isaiah frankly acknowledge the legacy of sin among the people, and exhorting them to goodness with hope in the mercy of God. Isaiah, and all the prophets, constantly called on Israel to beware the legacy of sin, and build on the legacy of fidelity.

On Wednesday, the prophet Jeremiah points out the stubborn refusal of the people to heed the voice of God. That stubborn refusal stands in stark contrast to Jeremiah's own courageous submission to God's message. On Thursday, Jeremiah summarizes the legacies of sin and fidelity succinctly: "Cursed is the man who trusts in human beings...Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord."

The calendar for this week also calls our attention to two legacies.

On March 6, we observe the anniversary of the Supreme Court's 1857 Dred Scott decision. That decision testifies to a legacy of racism in our country. Like the legacy of sin in Israel, racism is not only a reality of the past — it continues to live today. Whether we look back to the life of Venerable Augustus Tolton 100 years ago, or look around through the research of Dr. Jason Purnell in the last decade, there's plenty of evidence that this legacy still lives in the city of St. Louis. As the prophets told ancient Israel, there's no way forward for us unless we frankly acknowledge and come to grips with this legacy of sin.

On March 3, we observe the feast day of St. Katharine Drexel. Mother Drexel's life testifies to a legacy of courageous fidelity to the Gospel truth of the full human dignity of African American and Native American people, and generous service to the full realization of that dignity. This is our legacy, too — and the way forward is to acknowledge and build on it.

Katharine was raised in the highest circles of East Coast social life. When her father died in the late 1800s, she and her sisters became the heirs of the Drexel fortune. This inheritance provided Katharine with an income of \$1,000 a day – which, in today's terms, would be well over \$25,000 a day. She spent this fortune freely, building schools for Native and African American people. One of those schools is Xavier University in New Orleans, the only historically Black Catholic university in the nation.

The lesson of the two legacies in Scripture very much applies to the two legacies of race and culture today. If we don't acknowledge the legacy of sin, and how it still lives in us and affects us, we can't move forward with integrity. If we don't acknowledge the legacy of courageous fidelity and generous service, we have no hope for moving forward. If we acknowledge and come to grips with the first, and build on the second, we can move forward as the prophets called Israel to move forward: with integrity and hope.

Note: this column appeared in the St. Louis Review for March 1-7 and may be read in the print edition or at https://bit.ly/35ejOXr.



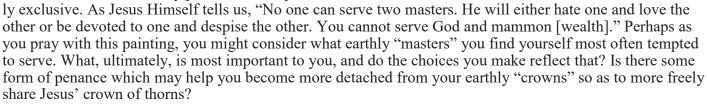
A Lenten Retreat with Sacred Art

Week 3: Louis XV in the Guise of Saint Louis Receiving the Crown of Thorns

(On display in the All Saints Chapel)

We continue our Lenten retreat by looking to the example of the saints. We turn from St. Therese of Lisieux to the patron of our archdiocese: St. Louis, the King of France. This 18th century painting by artist Charles-Antoine Coypel depicts the saint casting down his crown of gold in exchange and reverence for the Lord Jesus' crown of thorns. The crown of thorns is encased in a reliquary where it emits rays of celestial light and is surrounded by a host of adoring angels. This reminds us that our Lord's definitive victory over sin, death and the forces of evil was achieved precisely though His act of suffering. As we noted in last week's painting, the sufferings which Jesus freely embraced during His earthly life are now glorified in heaven. So too, during this season of Lent will the sufferings we patiently accept and the penances we freely take on be the means of our greater sanctification.

Like St. Louis, however, we must be willing to hand over whatever earthly crowns we wear if we are to accept the glorious crown of thorns. Devotion to God and devotion to earthly power, wealth, pleasure, and success are mutual-



On the edges of this painting, we notice another significant detail. In the bottom left corner, we see St. Louis' shield and directly behind his back we can just make out his military helmet. Still wearing his armor, it is almost as if the exhausted St. Louis has come straight off the battlefield to cast down his crown before His Lord. "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." To live our faith in this day and age can often feel like a battle. Day after day we are surrounded by temptation. Sometimes we even face ridicule or outright persecution for bearing the name of Christian. Jesus invites to come to Him – and Him alone – as the source of our strength.

In doing so, however we must set all of our earthly defenses aside. There is no need for a shield or a helmet before Jesus. We never have to defend or protect ourselves from Jesus. Instead, like St. Louis, when we come before Jesus, we should set our shields aside and let Him see us as we are. There is no aspect of our lives – either exterior or interior – which we need hide from Him: He wants all of it. All of it is redeemable. All of it is loved by Him. Perhaps during this Lent, you can talk to Jesus about those areas of your life which you've tended to try to hide from Him in the past. Put down your shield and talk to Him about something you've never talked to Him about before. May the example of St. Louis, our patron, inspire us and strengthen our resolve in the midst of our Lenten journey.

St. Louis, King of France, pray for us!



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. Universal Lenten directions are printed here in order that we may be reminded of what is expected of all Catholics for all the days of Lent.

- 1. **Abstinence from meat** (totally meatless days) is observed by all Catholics 14 years of age and older (no upper age limit) on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent.
- 2. **Fasting** is observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics between 18 and 59. Those who are bound by this eat only one full meal; two smaller meals are taken to maintain strength according to each one's needs.
- 3. **Fasting** on other weekdays of Lent is not obligatory but recommended most strongly; if fasting is not observed, some other form of **self-denial is obligatory**, not from Church direction but from Christ's command.
- 4. **Prayer** is especially necessary to maintain the perspective of penance and to keep the motivation spiritual. Some substantial time should be given to prayer each day.
- 5. **Almsgiving** or charity is necessary to maintain and intensify the movement of the soul away from self-centeredness. A substantial donation of monetary funds and/or time and/or personal effort should be given to those in need.

Operation Rice Bowl

The effort known as **Operation Rice Bowl** is a regular feature of Lent in Catholic homes, whereby 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 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.

Lenten Resources

Following is a list of resources available to enhance your prayer life this Lenten season:

- 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

Finally, the Lenten Day of Recollection with our new Archbishop, is scheduled for Saturday, March 13.

Stations of the Cross

A privileged devotion frequently prayed in a public service during Lent is the **Stations of the Cross.** For centuries, pilgrimage to the holy places in Jerusalem and a walking the path of Christ's carrying the cross to Calvary has been an esteemed devotion and penitential practice. In similar fashion, the faithful have prayed at fourteen "stations of the Cross" erected on the walls of their parish churches. Join us for this powerful devotional prayer **every Friday evening of Lent at 7:00 p.m., live or via livestream!**

Lent and Confession

All Catholics associate Lent with the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Sometimes we put off going to Confession until the last minute depriving ourselves of a much richer Lent; indeed, a much richer life. Everyone is urged to make their Lenten confession early, allowing the richness of God's mercy to "take root" in Lent and then blossom into a hardy Easter joy.

Weekly Thoughts on Giving

"'Here I am!' he answered."- Gn 22:11

It is easy to say, "Here I am, Lord," when we are kneeling in church. But how easy is it to say "Here I am, Lord," when a neighbor needs our help, when we are invited to join a parish ministry, or when we are asked to provide financial support? Often times we are called when it isn't convenient for us. Discipleship is not always easy, most of the time it will make us uncomfortable and vulnerable.







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 Janice Noack Vivian Chemelekov **Dorothy Quinn** Joe Dubuque Myra Richardson Sidney Edwards-Cole Teresita Sanchez Wayne Eultgen Darlene Throop Breanna Evans Richelle Weisbrod Alvin Griffin Mary Anne Work Donald Lang Betty Ytzaina Lenore Molloy

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."

Respect Life Reflection: Cherished, Chosen, Sent usccb.org/cherished-chosen-sent-reflection

40 Days For Life

The Cathedral Basilica Parish has adopted **Sunday**, **March 21**, as its day for the 40 Days for Life vigil of quiet prayer outside of Planned Parenthood.

To sign up for your preferred hour to stand vigil between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m, or for additional information, please contact Bryan with the Cathedral Pro-Life Ministry at **bryankirchoff@att.net**. Join us in peaceful prayer for all life!

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**, **March 4.** We begin with a Holy Hour in the church at 5:30 pm (enter through the west door by the playground), followed by Mass at 6:30 pm, and conclude with a dinner at 7:00 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**.

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 28, 2021 through March 7, 2021

Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9, 10-13, 15-18 Ps 116:10,

15-19 Rom 8:31-34 Mk 9:2-10

Monday: Dn 9:4-10 Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13 Lk 6:36-38 Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20 Ps 50:8-9, 16-17, 21, 23

Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20 Ps 31:5-6, 14-16

Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10 Ps 1:1-4, 6 Lk 16:19-31 Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13, 17-28 Ps 105:16-21

Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20 Ps 103:1-4, 9-12

Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 **or** 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17

Ps 19:8-11 1 Cor 1:22-25 Jn 2:13-25

Help for the Homeless

One of the many services provided by St. Patrick Center includes a mobile outreach unit that goes around the city providing for the homeless still on the street, offering shelter, sandwiches, water, snacks, and miscellaneous items. Items particularly needed this time of year are stocking caps, hand warmers, mittens, and gloves for adults, for both men and women. Donations may be dropped off in the designated receptacle located in the vestibule of the Cathedral, or brought to the parish office during regular business hours.

St. Patrick Casserole Program

Casseroles and other offerings collected by volunteers of the St. Patrick Casserole Program provides one week of dinners for the Women's Shelter, and one night of dinners for the Men's Alumni Club.

Cathedral casserole organizers will host our next "touchless" drop-off in the parish parking lot on Thursday, March 11, from 1:00 –2:00 p.m. Please contact Skip or Nicki Batchelor at 916-834-4843 for additional information.



Easter Memorial Flowers

The beautiful Easter lilies and spring flowers that adorn our church are a special part of the celebration of Easter at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis. We invite parishioners to share in the experience through a memorial or thanksgiving gift - to remember loved ones, honor friends, and offer thanksgiving to God for prayers answered and blessings received. The suggested donation is \$10.00 per remembrance. The names of all those being remembered will be printed in the parish bulletin on Easter Sunday and the week following Easter.

Please indicate in whose memory, or in whose honor, you wish the flowers to be dedicated. Completed forms and payment may be placed in an envelope and dropped into the weekend offertory baskets, OR mailed to: Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis, c/o Memorial Lilies, 4431 Lindell Blvd, Saint Louis, MO, 63108.

Please check one: In memory of OR In honor of (those still living):						
Name of person/family being honored:						
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Total number of remembrances X \$10 each = Total Payment of \$						
Please make checks payable to the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis						
Given by: Your Email Address Phone						



Liturgical Ministers March 6-7, 2021						
	Extraordinary Ministers	Lectors	Ministers of Care	Servers	Ushers	
5:00 p.m. (Sat)	No Cup Ministers At Any Mass This Weekend	Sandy Dubuque Barb Murray		Sacristan	Jerry Pastore Matt Colvin Robert Sutter	
8:00 am		Barb Murray Brian Ragen		Doug Weber Kevin Mattingly	Dave Meyer Tom Doyle Frank Snyder	
10:00 am		Sr. Marie Paul Alisa Goessling		Thomas Jackson Matthew Brewer Joseph Brewer Michael Brewer	Victor Stuart Barb Murray Susan Metheny	
12 Noon		Sal Alatorre Mary Ann Cheng		Henry Foppe Gus Foppe George Foppe	Kenneth Brandl Rebecca Brandl Jerry Danekas	
5:00 pm		Barb Murray David Parr		Sacristan	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 contact the office 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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