



THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 1, 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)

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.

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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., 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

Mon., March 2- Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m. - Stephen Michael Murray

8:00 a.m. - Teresa and Francis Farrow & Family

12:05 p.m. - Joseph Buxton

Tues., March 3-St. Katherine Drexel

7:00 a.m. - Frieda Weber

8:00 a.m. - Jeff Smith

12:05 p.m. - Marie and Gene Moore

Wed., March 4- St. Casimir

7:00 a.m. - Rosemary Farrow

8:00 a.m. - Ray and Jane Eisterhold

12:05 p.m. - Lillian Johnson

Thurs., March 5- Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m. - Charles E Whitten

8:00 a.m. - In Memory of Lloyd Taaffe III

12:05 p.m. - Carol Chipley

Fri., March 6– Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m. - Rosemary Farrow

8:00 a.m. - Priest's Intention

12:05 p.m. - Helen Klunk

Sat., March 7– Sts. Perpetua and Felicity

8:00 a.m. - Priest's Intention

5:00 p.m. - John Donovan

Sun., March 8-2nd Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. - Peter Dwyer

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

12:00 p.m. - Louis "Sonny" Seger

5:00 p.m. - Nick Theiss



FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday we welcome to the Cathedral members of parishes throughout the Archdiocese for the Annual Rite of Election, which is part of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. Those preparing to become full members of the church are greeted by the Archbishop and are called to a more intense preparation to receive the Sacraments at the Easter Vigil.

Here at the Cathedral parish we currently have about 26 men and women who are preparing to enter fully into the Catholic Church at Easter. This is a great response and speaks volumes to the spirit of welcome at the Cathedral and the work of Christ speaking to their hearts.

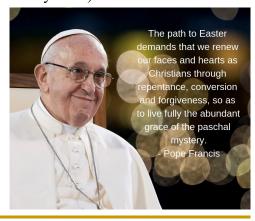
Once a month, the men and women of the Cathedral are invited to come spend some time in prayer and fellowship. On the third Tuesday of the month the Women of the Cathedral meet and on the last Tuesday of the month the Men of the Cathedral meet. For both, there is time spent in Eucharistic Adoration. If you have not been, I highly recommend you take part in one of the upcoming meetings. You can find more details in the bulletin in the week prior to upcoming meetings.

This past Wednesday, we entered into the Season of Lent. I would like to take this opportunity to share with you a few thoughts from our Holy Father Francis I.

"Lent is a new beginning, a path leading to the certain goal of Easter, Christ's victory over death. This season urgently calls us to conversion. Christians are asked to return to God 'with all their hearts' (Joel 2:12), to refuse to settle for mediocrity, and to grow in friendship with the Lord. Jesus is the faithful friend who never abandons us. Even when we sin, he patiently awaits our return; by that patient expectation, he shows us his readiness to forgive." (cf. Homily, 8 January 2016)

Lent is a favorable season for deepening our spiritual life through the means of sanctification offered us by the Church: fasting, prayer, and almsgiving. At the basis of everything is the word of God, which during this season we are invited to hear and ponder more deeply.

Monsignor Henry Breier



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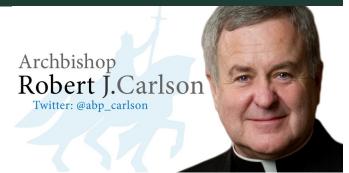
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ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

BEFORE THE CROSS | God's holiness is the proper measure of our action

A time of prayer, fasting is necessary to shape ourselves after the Lord's own heart and obtain His help



The first line of the first reading and the last line of the last reading this week, the first week of Lent, form a natural pair. On March 2, in Leviticus, God speaks to the Israelites: "Be holy, for I, the Lord, your God, am holy." Then on March 7, in the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus speaks to us: "So be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect." In the first full week of Lent, the Church wants to make sure we can't escape this theme: God's holiness is the proper measure of our action.

The reading from Leviticus goes through a series of commandments, each concluding with the emphatic statement: "I am the Lord." The message is pretty clear: We need to orient our thoughts, desires and actions to be in accord with the Lord's heart and mind. Because of our fallen condition, that's not automatic; it takes work. Lent is about that work.

Likewise, in readings from the Sermon on the Mount Jesus repeatedly makes the point: "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall act this way and not that way.' But I say to you: It's not enough that you stay clean on the outside; you have to be cleansed on the inside as well."

That interior purification also takes work, and Lent provides an occasion to do the work.

Speaking of purifying ourselves, there's a relationship between Lent and the upcoming election (Missouri's primary election is March 10). I'm not going to tell anyone how to vote! I just want to point out that we need — and should be deliberate about taking — an extended time of spiritual preparation, asking for God's guidance. Providentially, this week's readings highlight the role of prayer and fasting in obtaining God's help.

Jonah is sent to Nineveh. The whole city is threatened with destruction. In response, the people declare a time of prayer and fasting. And it works. God sees their repentance and has mercy on them. The city is saved.

Esther was queen in a time when the entire Jewish population was threatened with destruction. In response, she gets ready to petition the king for their protection. But before making her petition, she undertakes a time of prayer and fasting. And, again, it works. By God's grace, the king's heart is well disposed toward her: He grants her request, the plot against the Jewish people unravels, and they are saved.

Today, some people think the country is threatened by the tyranny of a conservative majority. Others think the country is threatened by the tyranny of a liberal majority. Still others are looking for a savior from both.

What's clear to me is that we all need to undertake a time of prayer and fasting. We need to purify our own hearts, help purify the hearts of others, and petition God's help for the whole election cycle.

The readings for this week contain a lesson for us. We would do well to heed that lesson. A time of prayer and fasting is essential if we want to shape our thoughts, feelings, and actions after the Lord's own heart and obtain His help. The Lent that precedes an election is a precious opportunity. Let's not miss our chance.

Note: this column appeared in the St. Louis Review for March 2-8 and may be read in the print edition or at https://bit.ly/35ejOXr.



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.

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
- Archbishop's Lenten Day of Recollection on Saturday, April 4 (details forthcoming).

Lenten Message from Pope Francis

The 2020 Message of His Holiness Pope Francis for Lent is available for your prayerful consideration and response. Please visit the parish website at http://cathedralstl.org/special-events. During Lent, we pray with renewed fervor for ourselves, our families, and the Church; we hope this message provides inspiration in your spiritual preparation. Through the grace of Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit, may we all be agents of the Father's mercy!

Stations of the Cross

A privileged devotion most 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 home 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.**

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 Lenten Calendars are available on the tables at each entrance.

Lent and Confession

All Catholics associate Lent with the Sacrament of Penance, Reconciliation, and Confession. 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, during the first weeks of Lent. In that way, the richness of God's mercy may develop the full root and stem in Lent to blossom into a hardy and brilliant Easter joy.



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

"[The Gospel of Life] is therefore meant to be a precise and vigorous reaffirmation of the value of human life and its inviolability, and at the same time a pressing appeal addressed to each and every person, in the name of God: respect, protect, love and serve life, every human life! Only in this direction will you find justice, development, true freedom, peace and happiness!"

The Gospel of Life 5, Pope Saint John Paul II, Evangelium vitae. © 1995 Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission.

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.**

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.

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 March 1, 2020 through March 8, 2020

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

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18 Ps 19:8-10, 15

Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11 Ps 34:4-7, 16-19 Mt 6:7-15 Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10 Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19

Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25 Ps 138:1-3, 7-8

Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28 Ps 130:1-8 Mt 5:20-26 Saturday: Dt 26:16-19 Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8

Mt 5:43-48

Sunday: Gn 12:1-4 Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22

2 Tm 1:8-10 Mt 17:1-9

AHC Lecture Series Begins

The Association of Hebrew Catholics is hosting a new lecture series by Dr. Larry Feingold entitled: **Touched by Christ: The Sacramental Economy**. Lectures will generally take place on the 2nd and 4th Sundays in the Cathedral Rectory. The first lecture, "Why Do We Need Sacraments" is **next Sunday**, **March 8, at 3 pm**. If you are unable to attend one or more lectures, you may participate in live interactive video communications using your computer, tablet, or smart phone. Go to **www.hebrewcatholic.net** to register and for more info. You may also contact us at **ahc@hebrewcatholic.org** or 314-535-4242.

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!



STEWARDSHIP ALIVE!

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

Today, and on the first Sunday of every month, the Cathedral Parish collects foodstuffs and canned goods for delivery to local food pantries. Please place donations in the baskets near the sanctuary at the side aisles. Thank you for your generosity!

Eyeglass Drive

Today, and on the first Sunday of every month, "The Respectacle Project", an eyeglass recycling program, is accepting donations of quality used eyeglasses. Please place donations in the baskets near the sanctuary at the side aisles. Thank you!

Giving Tree Thank You

Staff and residents of Father Dempsey's Charities, Bernard Health Care Center, and St. Elizabeth's Hall, as well as the members of the Cathedral's Ministry of Care, would like to thank everyone who so generously made donations toward the Cathedral's Christmas Giving Tree. Each charity received over \$1,200 in cash and gift cards, a huge boost in their continued efforts to provide assistance to those less fortunate.

Weekly Thoughts on Giving

"It is written: The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve." (Mt 4:10)

Tempted between the riches and power of this world and service to God, Jesus chose service to His Father. If we wish to truly follow Jesus, we, too, must decide to turn away from worldly power and riches and put God at the center of our lives. Lent is our time to prune ourselves of earthly things. Ask God how he is calling you to serve.

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. The next collection will be **Thursday, March 12, at Boland Hall, from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.** For more information, please call Skip or Nicky Batchelor at 916-834-4843 or the rectory office at 314-373-8202.

Welcome New Parishioners

A very special welcome to our newest parishioners! The Cathedral clergy, rectory staff, and your fellow parishioners joyfully welcome you and pray for you and your families.

Mr. Martin Huynh, Mr. Lucas Whitehead, Mr. George Lawrence, Ms. Mariah Small, Mr. Joseph Solis, Ms. Amanda Thrasher, Mr. Scott Moore, Ms. Caroline Cyr, Mr. and Mrs. John & Carolyn Odom, and Dr. Teresa Kilborn.

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.

Offertory					
Sunday Collection	02/16/2020				
Offertory	\$7,514.00				
Loose	3,665.00				
Landscape and Maintenance	438.00				
Catholic Education	5.00				
Ash Wednesday	30.00				
Other Misc. Collections	15.00				









Dr. Lynn Trapp

Sunday, March 8, 2020 2:30pm Welcomed by Gateway Music Group
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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

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.

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

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

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The Power of Fasting

Jesus provides a marvelous example for us as we continue the beginning of our Lenten journey. Many of us have forgotten the great blessing and strengthening that fasting provides for us. When we fast from food, we understand more vividly how each meal is a blessing from God and God shows us our need to rely on Him for sustenance. Fasting must not simply pertain to food however. We can fast from false gods like our Lord did in the desert. We can fast from overuse of social media, technology, desire for power or recognition, sloth, or selfish use of our material resources. As we enter into the desert with the Lord for the next 40 days, let us pray for the gift of generosity and the grace to lead more simple lives, lives that radiate joy and hope in the most important thing: salvation in Christ. Pope Benedict XVI stated that "through fasting and praying, we allow Him (God) to come and satisfy the deepest hunger that we experience in the depths of our being: the hunger and thirst for God." For more, visit archstl.org/live-the-faith.

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 5**. We will 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 concluding in Boland Hall with dessert and fellowship beginning at 7:15 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**.

Eucharistic Exposition

The Blessed Sacrament, the very presence of Christ's body and blood in the Eucharist, is reserved in the tabernacle of the Blessed Sacrament Chapel to the east of the main sanctuary. At all hours the Cathedral is open, people may be found praying there before the Lord "face to face." Each Saturday afternoon, beginning at 3:30 p.m., the Eucharist is displayed for prayer and adoration in public exposition in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel for a holy hour. Following this holy hour, the Evening Prayer of the Church with Benediction is celebrated.

Additionally, the Blessed Sacrament is displayed for public adoration and prayer on the First Friday of the month. First Friday Adoration begins at approximately 8:30 a.m., following the completion of the 8:00 a.m. Mass, and concludes with Benediction at 11:45 a.m. Our next First Friday Adoration will be held on Friday, March 6.

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 March 7-8, 2020							
	Extraordinary Ministers	Lectors	Ministers of Care	Servers	Ushers			
5:00 p.m. (Sat)		David Parr Tracy Marklein		Doug Weber	Jerry Pastore Matt Colvin Robert Sutter Luke Koebbe			
8:00 am	No Cup Ministers This Weekend	Brian Ragen Mitch Smith	Michael Weisbrod Latonja Taylor Willies Stevens Thomas Gregory	Doug Weber Kevin Mattingly Pat McAllister	Dave Meyer Michael Held Tom Doyle Frank Snyder			
10:00 am	No Cup Ministers This Weekend	Sr. Marysia George Capps		Thomas Jackson Joseph Brewer Matthew Brewer	Victor Stuart Barb Murray Ana Anita Atok Liz Ballman Susan Metheny			
12 Noon	No Cup Ministers This Weekend	TBD TBD		Simon Blanner John-Paul Blanner	Kenneth Brandl Rebecca Brandl LaWanda Reason Jerry Danekas			
5:00 pm	Barb Murray Myra Ball	Barb Murray Myra Ball		Nicholas Kenneback	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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