

CATHEDRAL  
BASILICA



OF SAINT LOUIS



## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 15, 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.

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## 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](mailto:sirons@cathedralstl.org)

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Sun. Mar 15 - Fourth Sunday of Lent

- 8:00 a.m. Phylis Smith
- 10:00 a.m. Cathy Kiser Cummiskey & Family
- 12:00 p.m. Maria Winkelman
- 5:00 p.m. James & Pat Peurrung

### Mon. Mar 16 - Lenten Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. Rizalino C. Lucena
- 8:00 a.m. Henry Daniel Downey-Lemmon
- 12:05 p.m. Carmen Alatorre-Martin

### Tues. Mar 17 - St. Patrick

- 7:00 a.m. Alice & Eugene Owens Sr & Family
- 8:00 a.m. Mary Arconati
- 12:05 p.m. Trish Alatorre-Ridings

### Wed. Mar 18 - St. Cyril of Jerusalem

- 7:00 a.m. Brenda Rodgers
- 8:00 a.m. Patrick Henneman
- 12:05 p.m. Gerardo & Ilda Ventura

### Thur. Mar 19 - St. Joseph

- 7:00 a.m. Craig Weber
- 8:00 a.m. Bertha Bader
- 12:05 p.m. Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet

### Fri. Mar 20 - Lenten Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. Mr. & Mrs. CJ Venneman
- 8:00 a.m. Howard Bunch
- 12:05 p.m. Michael Extra

### Sat. Mar 21 - Lenten Weekday

- 8:00 a.m. Whitney Axelson
- 5:00 p.m. Keith Mosberger

### Sun. Mar 22 - Fourth Sunday of Lent

- 8:00 a.m. Theodore Joseph Gieske
- 10:00 a.m. James & Pat Peurrung
- 12:00 p.m. Henry Daniel Downey-Lemmon
- 5:00 p.m. For the Parish Family



### FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Parishioners,

From the first word of the entrance antiphon of the liturgy we gain an insight into what this Sunday is to be about, which is called Laetare (Rejoice) Sunday. It is an invitation to interrupt for a moment the severity of Lent.



The joy suggested to us does not come from the conditions of the world. It is difficult to find reasons to rejoice: how many conflicts still fill the earth with blood! How many poor are abandoned! The reason for joy does not come from the world but the getting close to Easter, which transforms death into victory, and sadness into joy.

The joy of the man born blind whom we encounter in our Gospel this Sunday sees again. We find in him the joy for which the liturgy asks of us. He was blind from birth and stayed on the margins of the street to ask for alms. It was a fixed destiny, as people say. Jesus stopped as soon as he saw him. The disciples asked him: "Rabbi, who sinned, him or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus looks at the blind man with eyes of the heart and answers: "Neither he nor his parents sinned." Jesus shows how we need to look at that blind man, at all the poor, the suffering, and the sick: look at them with compassion.

Jesus looks at him, is moved and he gets close, and touches him with a thoughtful gesture, not a distracted one. He bends and takes the dust and after wetting it with his saliva he spreads it on the man's eyes. Remember that it is the hand of God that formed man and woman from creation, and which continues to renew us. In this reading I see a connection with the those ashes, that dust with which we began Lent.

The Lord loves us because we are weak, because we are dust. And when Jesus tells the blind man to wash in the pool of Shiloh without hesitation, he goes to the pool to wash. With very quick summary, the evangelist writes: "he went, he washed himself and when he returned he could see." The miracle was not a magical act: it was done through that gesture of tenderness of Jesus' hand together with the obedience of that blind man to the word which was uttered to him.

**Monsignor Henry Breier**

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## ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

## Joseph Quietly Puts His Strength to Work for God's Plan

God invites us, as He did to Joseph, to play a role in His plan to build new heavens and a new earth

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

“Lo, I am about to create new heavens and a new earth.” (Isaiah 65)

We celebrate the feast of St. Joseph this week on March 19. St. Joseph is a living lesson in some of the ways the Lord works to bring about the new heavens and new earth. Let's focus on him for just a few minutes.

In 2 Samuel 7, the Lord says to David that it will not be David himself, but David's heir, who “shall build a house for my name.” I propose that we read that in reference to Joseph. (It is, after all, the first reading for the feast day!)

Yes, the promise is immediately about Solomon, who would build the great temple of ancient Israel. And yes, it's ultimately about Jesus, whose royal throne would endure forever. But, just for a moment, let's look at Joseph through the eyes of that promise. It was, after all, Joseph who built a home for the holy family. And that's the home in which Jesus — God in the flesh — came to dwell.

Back it up. When Joseph is pondering how to handle Mary's pregnancy — a pregnancy in which Joseph knows he played no part — he plans to “divorce her quietly.” Then an angel comes to him, and how does the angel address him? “Joseph, son of David.” Yes, in one very important and completely unexpected way — this is the “son of David” who will build a house for the Lord.

And let's not miss this crucial detail from the Gospel of Matthew: The angel tells Joseph to name the child. To name the child was to claim Him, legally, as one's own. The angel named Joseph's strength — that he

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### SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS

was a son of David — then called him to use that strength as a service: to “build a house: that would protect a vulnerable mother and child.

Psalm 89 — the Psalm for the feast — tells us: “In heaven you have confirmed your faithfulness.” Yes, that is immediately about David and David's throne. But, for the feast, we can read it in regard to Joseph. As St. Bernardine of Siena says: “Obviously, Christ does not now deny to Joseph that intimacy, reverence and very high honor which He gave him on earth, as a son to his father. Rather, we must say that in heaven Christ completes and perfects all that He gave at Nazareth.” In Nazareth, Joseph built a house for the Lord. But, truly, it was Joseph who lived in Jesus' house in Nazareth — and now Joseph lives in Jesus' house in heaven. In heaven, He confirms his faithfulness.

Finally, we read from Romans on the feast day. St. Paul extols the faith of Abraham. Let's ask ourselves: How did Joseph exhibit the same kind of faith as Abraham? Like Abraham, he obeyed a call to go somewhere he didn't entirely know. Like Abraham, he trusted in promises that he did not live to see fulfilled before he died, and spent his life's energy in service of those promises.

What Joseph did not do was go about thumping his chest at his great achievements. In a quiet corner of the world, he quietly put his trust in the Lord's call, and quietly put his strength to work in service of his wife and child. In these quiet ways, God invited Joseph to play a role in His plan to build new heavens and a new earth. He does the same with us.

*Note: This column appeared in the St. Louis Review for Mar 16 - Mar 22 and may be read in the print edition or <https://www.stlouisreview.com/column/serve-the-lord-with-gladness/>*



# Easter Memorial Flowers

The flowers that adorn our Cathedral are a special part of the celebration of Easter at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis. We invite you to share in the experience through a memorial or thanksgiving gift - to remember loved ones or honor family or friends still with us. The suggested donation is \$10 per remembrance. The names of those being remembered will be printed in the bulletin and on a poster.

Please indicate in whose memory or in whose honor you wish the flowers to be dedicated.

Please PRINT names clearly. Completed forms and payment may be placed in an envelope and dropped into the weekend offertory baskets, OR mailed to:

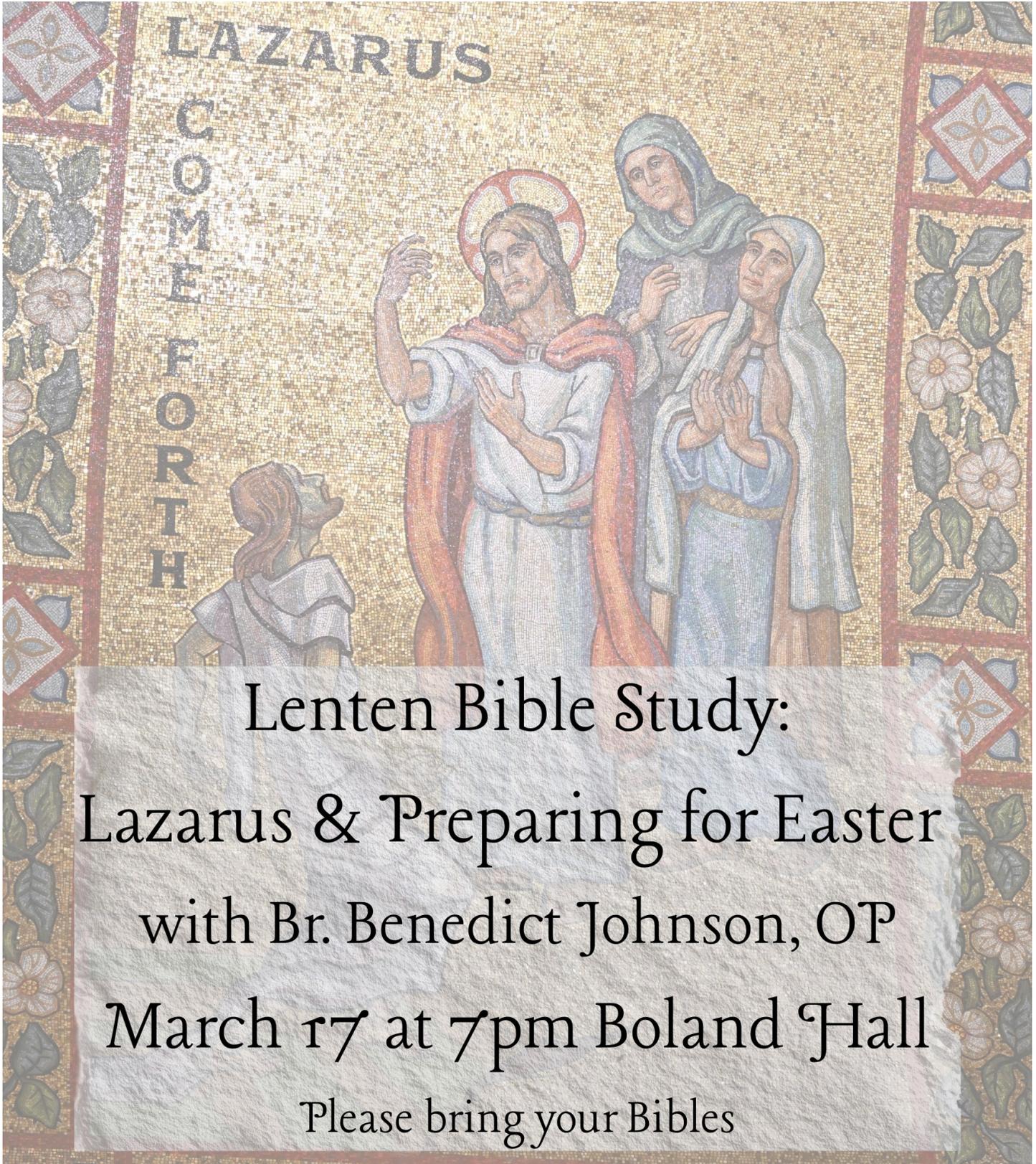
Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis, c/o Easter Memorial Flowers, 4431 Lindell Blvd, St. Louis, MO, 63108  
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Lenten Bible Study:  
Lazarus & Preparing for Easter  
with Br. Benedict Johnson, OP  
March 17 at 7pm Boland Hall  
Please bring your Bibles



*Holy Week Schedule*

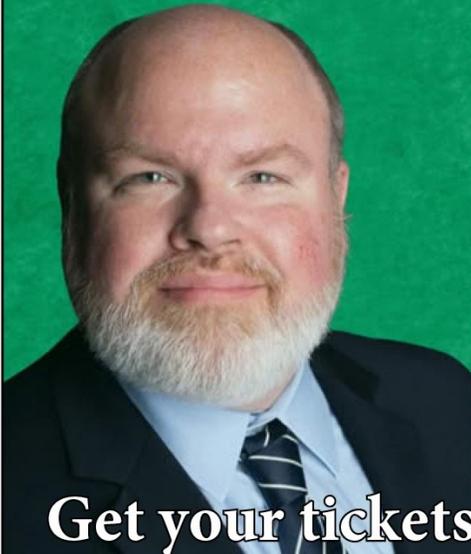
**Holy Thursday**  
April 2  
ChrisM Mass 10 am  
Mass of the Lord's Supper 7 pm

**Good Friday**  
April 3  
The Lord's Passion 3 pm

**Holy Saturday**  
April 4  
Easter Vigil 8 pm

**Easter Sunday**  
April 5  
8 am, 10 am & Noon  
\*No 5 pm Mass on Easter\*

Scott Kennebeck and Emily Kennebeck  
with John Powel Walsh



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Stories for  
St. Patrick's Day

March 15  
7:00pm

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# CONFESSION TIMES FOR HOLY WEEK

**Monday 3/30 7:30-8am**

**Tuesday 3/31 7:30-8am**

**Wednesday 4/1 7:30-8am**

**Holy Thursday 4/2**

**No Confessions**

**Good Friday 4/3**

**Noon-2pm**

**Holy Saturday 4/4**

**3:30-5pm**

**Easter Sunday 4/5**

**No Confessions**

## 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 15, 2026 to March 22, 2026

- Sunday: 31: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a Ps 23:1-6  
Eph 5:8-14 Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38
- Monday: 244: Is 65:17-21 Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-12a, 13b Jn 4:43-54
- Tuesday: 245: Ez 47:1-9, 12 Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9  
Jn 5:1-16
- Wednesday: 246: Is 49:8-15 Ps 145:8-9, 13c-14, 17-18 Jn 5:17-30
- Thursday: 543: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29 Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22 Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
- Friday: 248: Wis 2:1a, 12-22 Ps 34:17-21, 23  
Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
- Saturday: 249: Jer 11:18-20 Ps 7:2-3, 9b-12  
Jn 7:40-53
- Sunday: 34: Ez 37:12-14 Ps 130:1-8 Rom 8:8-11  
Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

## Stewardship Reflection

*“Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance, but the Lord looks into the heart.” 1 Samuel 16:7*

How often do we invest our time, talent and treasure in creating an appearance that does not matter at all to God? We strive to impress with our clothing, home, career, possessions, car and other marks of distinction. But none of these illusions of greatness will impress God. Instead, He will look into our hearts to see how much we loved Him, how much we loved others and how we showed that love by the way we used our time, talent and treasure here on earth.

## OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR THE WEEKEND OF 3/7/2026-3/8/2026

Offertory	\$6,195.00
Online Giving	\$4,692.00
Loose	\$4,333.78
Cathedral Candles	\$588.02
Cathedral Landscape	\$16.00
Cathedral Maintenance	\$5.00
Catholic Education	\$5.00
Ash Wednesday	\$12.00
Central & Eastern Europe	\$11.00



## STEWARDSHIP ALIVE!

# Cathedral Basilica Blood Drive

Sunday, March 22

9 am - 2 pm

4430 Maryland Ave - Classroom 3

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## 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

The Men of the Cathedral cordially invite all parishioners and visitors to join them with Adoration of the Holy Eucharist on **Tuesday, March 31 at 6pm.**

What a great way to draw ourselves closer to Christ and our Eternal Home in Heaven as we prepare close out our Lenten worship and preparation activities. Please consider taking this opportunity for personal prayer and meditation. Adoration will begin promptly at 6pm. Confessions will be heard during Adoration.

The men are invited to drinks, dinner and fellowship in Boland Hall immediately after the conclusion of Adoration. Please consider making this prayerful evening a family event. Invite your family and friends to celebrate Christ through Adoration.

For dinner reservations, please contact Michael Weisbrod at [michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org](mailto:michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org) by **Monday, March 30.**

## 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**

## 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 **March 19, 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](mailto:AnimaChristiStL@gmail.com) or see the Anima Christi Facebook page for more details.



## LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR MARCH 21 &amp; MARCH 22, 2026

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

