

CATHEDRAL
BASILICA



OF SAINT LOUIS



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 26, 2023

**MASSSES 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)

**EUCCHARISTIC
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. 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 complete a registration card, available at the entrances the church.

All contributions to the Cathedral Basilica parish, ministries, and maintenance are sincerely appreciated.

CATHEDRAL CONCERTS
314.533.7662

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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 directed to the rectory by calling 314-373-8202.

Cathedral Tours

Tours of our beautiful church 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 SusieIrons@cathedralstl.org

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Mar. 26th - Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. Maria del Rosario Rico Bustos
10:00 a.m. Betty Owens Ward & Family
12:00 p.m. Patricia Human
5:00 pm Nick Theiss

Mon. Mar. 27th - St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 a.m. Teresa & Francis Farrow & Family
8:00 a.m. Joseph & Kathryn Darpel
12:05 p.m. Agnes Wambui Maraguri

Tues. Mar. 28th - Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m. Sr. Susan Marie
8:00 a.m. Al Marmino
12:05 p.m. Tom Kubat

Wed. Mar. 29th - Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m. Rosario Rico
8:00 a.m. Paul Linehan
12:05 p.m. John Valene, Sr.

Thur. Mar. 30th - Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m. Sr. Grace Mariam, RSM
8:00 a.m. Stephany Credo
12:05 p.m. Fr. Tim Mason

Fri. Mar. 31st - Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m. Jacquie Shetter
8:00 a.m. Roy Robertson, Jr.
12:05 p.m. Norbert Wegmann

Sat. Apr. 1st - The Annunciation of the Lord

8:00 p.m. Joseph & Kathryn Darpel
5:00 p.m. Lemoine & Grizelda Skinner

Sun. Apr. 2nd - Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. Earl Weisbrod
10:00 a.m. Archbishop Rozanski's Intentions
12:00 p.m. Patricia Human
5:00 p.m. Nick Theiss



FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Parishioners,

The Gospel we read this Sunday shows the power and greatness of Jesus' love. When he receives the news of his friend's death Jesus is far from the village of his friends, Martha, Mary and Lazarus. It was dangerous for Jesus to return to Judea-he had been threatened several times-but he decided to go anyway. We discover that he cannot stay far from suffering and from the drama his friend Lazarus was living. For Jesus, friendship is a deep aspect of life. It is always there.



Jesus teaches us through example that it is not to draw away from the suffering of our friends. How many times, though, do men and women flee from the suffering of others, and doing so add to the drama of evil the bitterness of loneliness? And in a few days, it will happen to Jesus too, when he remains alone in the garden of Gethsemane and sweats drops of blood in his anguish.

The Lord's love knows no boundaries, not even death. He wants the impossible. That tomb is not the final destination for Jesus' friends. This is why he shouts: "Lazarus come out!" His friend hears Jesus' voice and as it was written: "The sheep recognize his voice" and also: the good shepherd "calls his own sheep by name and leads them out" (Jn 10:3). The prophet Ezekiel had already reported God's words: "I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people" (Ez 37:12). Lazarus listens and he comes out. Jesus does not speak to a dead man, but a living one. If anything, one who was asleep and maybe that's why he shouts. He invites the others to take the cloth off Lazarus.

Releasing Lazarus from the tomb, Jesus is actually releasing each of us from our selfishness, our coldness, our indifference, from our dead feelings. An ancient eastern tradition says that, once risen, Lazarus ate only sweets. This is to emphasize that the life given by the Lord is sweet and beautiful; that the feelings the Lord puts on our hearts are strong and tender, robust and loving, and they defeat any bitterness and sourness. "I am the resurrection and the life," said the Lord.

Lastly our Lord calls out: "Lazarus, come out!" Jesus calls each of us by name. Our names mean everything about our lives. He defends our life from evil. His love is personal.

Monsignor Henry Breier

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ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

God's plan can lead to fulfillment in surprising ways

God, who has at work in salvation history, is still at work in our spiritual lives

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

This week's readings contain a series of surprises. I think those surprises contain some wisdom for our spiritual and institutional life.

We hear about Susanna from the Book of Daniel and how she was falsely accused of adultery. God protected her because she was innocent, inspiring the young Daniel to uncover the lie of her accusers. Immediately afterward, in the Gospel, we hear about the woman caught in adultery. Jesus, God in the flesh, protects her, even though she's guilty — and invites her to conversion. What we see in these episodes is continuity in God's saving action, but with a surprising fulfillment in Jesus.

We hear about the serpent mounted on a pole from the Book of Numbers: Whoever looked at it after being bitten by a serpent would be saved from death. But this is just a setup for Jesus mounted on the Cross: Whoever looks upon Him with faith will be saved from eternal death. Again, there's continuity of God's saving action, but with a surprising twist in Jesus.

We hear about Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, and how God kept them unharmed in the midst of the fiery furnace. But — especially as Holy Week draws near — that makes us think of Jesus, and how God allowed Him to suffer the passion and crucifixion before raising Him from the dead. It's another instance of the continuity of God's saving action, but with a surprising fulfillment.

Finally, we hear Ezekiel's vision of the restoration of Israel after the Exile: God's scattered children would be gathered back into the land, in one kingdom, under one shepherd. Then we hear, in John 11, how Jesus will "die for the nation, and not only for the nation, but also to gather into one the dispersed children of God." Yes, God brings about a restoration of His people in one kingdom under one

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shepherd — but with a surprising twist!

When we see a seed grow into a flower, there's continuity but surprise. When we read a good novel, the characters and plot show both continuity and surprise. The same God who made nature and who inspires creative writers is the God at work in salvation history. So, we might have expected to see continuity and surprise. But God's surprises never cease to amaze me!

I think this is helpful in two ways.

First: It's helpful for reflecting on our own lives. The God who was at work in salvation history is still at work in our spiritual lives. How is God building in your life: What are the points of continuity, and what are the points of surprising fulfillment?

Second: I think it's helpful as we reflect on the changes of All Things New. The God who was at work in salvation history is still at work in the institutional life of the Church. Are we facing changes? Yes. But I think it's helpful to approach those changes with the expectation that God's work always shows this pattern of continuity and surprise. Parish life will continue, but it may be fulfilled in surprising new ways. If Jesus is at work, we ought to expect that!

We sometimes act as though change simply means the dying of something. Jesus shows, in a way that the readings this week make abundantly clear, that change can mean the surprising fulfillment of God's plan.

Note: This column appeared in the St. Louis Review for March 25 & 26 and may be read in the print edition or at <https://it.ly/35ejOXr>



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Men of the Cathedral March Adoration

The MEN OF THE CATHEDRAL cordially invite *all* parishioners and visitors to join them for them with Adoration of the Holy Eucharist on Tuesday, March 28th at 6 PM.

What a great way to draw ourselves closer to Christ and our Eternal home in Heaven during this Lenten season. Please consider taking this opportunity for personal prayer and meditation during this holy season.

Adoration will begin promptly at 6 PM. 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 314.918.2893 or michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org by Monday, March 27th.

The Gospel of the Lord

And when He had said this, he cried out in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, tied hand and foot with burial cloth. So Jesus said to them, "Untie him and let him go."

Women of the Cathedral

Women of the Cathedral– April 1, 2023

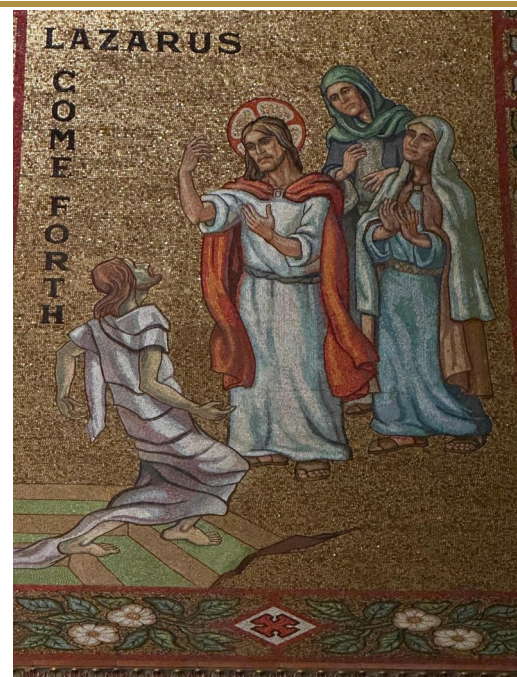
Dear Ladies of the Cathedral Parish,

Come grow in faith and fellowship with other ladies in the parish at the monthly gatherings of the Women of the Cathedral. We gather in the name of Jesus and He promises us the gift of the Holy Spirit.

At our last gathering the ladies shared their awareness of the Holy Spirit in people of other faith traditions who they encountered in their lives. It is the role of the Holy Spirit to unite people in the Divine Presence. It is the desire of God the Father to unite all people in His Son Jesus through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Our next is on **Saturday, April 1, 2023**. We will begin with 8 AM Mass in the Cathedral, and then go to Boland Hall for a light breakfast. After brief introductions and social time, an informative program is led by Msgr. Mikesch, our spiritual director, with closing prayer at 10 AM. An ongoing highlight is "Ask Msgr. Mikesch Time."

To learn more and RSVP for breakfast, contact Barbara Murray at 314-974-6900 or email murraybj@swbell.net by March 29, 2023. Please send your questions for "Ask Msgr. Time" when you RSVP.





A Lenten Retreat with Sacred Art
Week 5: The Passion of the Infant King
 (Located in the All Saint Chapel)

As we enter this final week of our Lenten journey before transitioning into Holy Week –the holiest and most solemn week of the year – we are invited to meditate upon this painting by St. Louis sacred artist Gwyneth Thompson-Briggs. Inspired by the iconography of the Infant of Prague, it presents the Christ child afflicted with the wounds that He would physically suffer later in His life at the time of His Passion.

Devotion to the Christ child is rooted in the testimony of sacred Scripture itself where we hear from the very moment of Jesus' birth that Mary and Joseph are joined by shepherds and the Magi who come to adore and worship the newborn King. Following this example, honoring the Infant King through novenas, liturgical coronation ceremonies, and enthronement of the image in individuals' homes has a long history in the devotional life of the Church. In the image of the Infant King we find represented both the royal splendor of Jesus' divinity and His headship over both the Church and humanity, as well as His sacred humanity which we are called to imitate. In a particular way, when we gaze upon the humble, quiet humanity of the Infant Christ, we are meant to call to mind our own obligation to strive to imitate Him. Christ instructs us that for the sake of our salvation we must imitate His humility, innocence and meekness and that, indeed, "Amen, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will not enter the Kingdom of heaven." (Matthew 18: 3) God the Son, in a real way, makes Himself accessible to us in taking on the full scope of our human nature, even the simplicity and vulnerability of infancy and childhood and He instructs us that we ourselves must not neglect these qualities in our imitation of Him.



In this image, in particular, we are reminded at the same time that the entirety of Jesus' earthly life – from the first moment of His conception, through His infancy and childhood forward – is all ordered toward the Cross. In hidden ways, even during His childhood Jesus had begun His resolute walk toward Jerusalem. The Passion of our Lord Jesus is the definitive act by which He saved us, but it was not an act that stood in isolation. Every free choice which Jesus made by virtue of His sacred humanity was an act of utter obedience to God the Father and therefore was supremely meritorious: meritorious of the graces necessary to save us from our sins.

There are perhaps no ideas for us to ponder here. This saving, human obedience of Jesus is represented to us perhaps most especially when we consider Him in His infancy and childhood. In this painting we find represented the fact that the whole of Jesus' earthly life was a free act of obedience offered in the humanity of God the Son for the sake of our salvation. The entirety of Jesus' earthly life is a matter of His surrendering His human will to the perfect, divine will of God. Again, this is demonstrated perhaps most clearly when we consider the trusting obedience of Christ the child.

At the same time, we cannot neglect the fact that this trusting obedience of Jesus is something which each one of us are called to imitate. God so loves our obedience. Our free will is part of what makes us human, and when we trustingly surrender our own will to the will of God, God is glorified and souls are saved. As our Lenten journey draws near its conclusion, where might God be inviting you to more completely hand your will over to Him? Where is humble obedience to the will of God most difficult for you? Where, specifically, in your own life is God inviting you to more perfectly imitate the Passion of the Infant King?



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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 _____

Order Deadline: Monday, April 1st



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A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

“There is an everyday heroism, made up of gestures of sharing, big or small, which build up an authentic culture of life... Part of this daily heroism is also the silent but effective and eloquent witness of all those ‘brave mothers who devote themselves to their own family without reserve, who suffer in giving birth to their children and who are ready to make any effort, to face any sacrifice, in order to pass on to them the best of themselves’... We thank you, heroic mothers, for your invincible love! We thank you for your intrepid trust in God and in his love. We thank you for the sacrifice of your life”

What Catholics Believe



Join us at the Cathedral Basilica two Wednesdays a month, when Fr. Povis will present an in-depth theological reflection on the articles of the Apostles' Creed.

-6:30pm in Boland Hall

-50 minute presentation followed by social

-Feel free to bring food and drink

-Designed for adults, but all are welcome!

Next Session

April 5

“Suffered Under Pontius Pilate, Part I”

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 26, 2023 through April 2, 2023

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
Monday: 251: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or
13:41c-62 Ps 23:1-6 Jn 8:1-11
Tuesday: 252: Nm 21:4-9 Ps 102:2-3, 16-21 Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday: 253: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 (Ps) Dn 3:52-56
Jn 8:31-42
Thursday: 254: Gn 17:3-9 Ps 105:4-9 Jn 8:51-59
Friday: 255: Jer 20:10-13 Ps 18:2-7 Jn 10:31-42
Saturday: 256: Ez 37:21-28 (Ps) Jer 31:10-13 Jn 11:45-56
Sunday: 37 Mt 21:1-11 (procession) 38: Is 50:4-7
Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 Phil 2:6-11 Mt 26:14—27:66 or 27:11-54



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.

Linda Baldwin
Janice Bashford
Barbara Beckemeyer
Ben Janson
Jennifer Jaswal
Edwin Ayala Padilla
Pauline Price
David Washington
Dorothy Quinn

Kelvin Ayala Reyes
Mary Riley
Vivian Rachel Rossen
Resy Sanchez
Mickey Shears
Mary Anne Work
Betty Ytzaina
Sharon Kay Moore
Durie Shiebler



STEWARDSHIP ALIVE!

Lenten Message from Pope Francis

“Let us not grow tired of doing good in active charity towards our neighbors. During this Lent, may we practice almsgiving by giving joyfully (cf. 2 Cor 9:7). God who “supplies seed to the sower and bread for food” (2 Cor 9:10) enables each of us not only to have food to eat, but also to be generous in doing good to others. Lent is a favorable time to seek out – and not to avoid – those in need; to reach out – and not to ignore – those who need a sympathetic ear and a good word; to visit – and not to abandon – those who are lonely.”

Let's Keep in Touch

Don't miss out on the latest parish news. Flocknotes is a fast and easy email distribution platform used by the Cathedral Basilica to keep in touch with our parishioners. Text *CATHEDRALSTL* to 84576, logon to cathedralstl.flocknote.com or call the parish office to sign up today!

Catholic Charities— St. Patrick Center

St. Patrick Center is a ministry of Catholic Charities and needs breakfast items to help their unhoused clients this winter. Please help by dropping off any of the following items during February:

Instant oatmeal cups, toaster pastries, granola/protein bars, bottled water, and coffee, creamer, and sugar.

A box marked St Patrick Center Breakfast Donations will be in the back of the Cathedral Basilica.

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 on **Thursday, March 30th**. Our gathering begins with a Holy Hour in the church at 6:30pm (enter through the west door, by the playground). Followed by dinner in Boland Hall. Please join us, in full or in part, to deepen your relationship with Christ and with one

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR
THE WEEKEND OF 3/18/2023-3/19/2023

Offertory	\$8,052.30
Loose	\$2,507.30
Online Giving	\$5,866.000
Cathedral Candles	\$860.37
Cathedral Landscaping	\$50.00
Cathedral Maintenance	\$5.00
Catholic Education	\$64.00
Easter Flowers	\$731.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$826.00

Weekly Thoughts on Giving

“Jesus said to her, ‘Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?’” JOHN 11:40

Many of us say that we believe in God. We attend Sunday Mass and participate in parish events. But when life gets hard and the pressure is on, when things aren't going our way, do we really believe? Do we really put our trust in the Lord? When we live a life of gratitude, recognizing all that we have been given, we really do see that God is providing for our needs. Living a grateful and generous life allows us to see God's active presence in our daily lives and we become “partakers of the divine nature.”



LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR MARCH 25 & 26, 2023

Extraordinary	Lectors	Ministers of Care	Servers	Ushers
5:00 p.m. (Sat) No Cup Ministers At Any Mass This Weekend	Barb Murray Mitch Smith		Doug Weber	Bob Sutter Jerry Pastore Matt Colvin Chris Newgent
8:00 am	Mark Burmester Jonathan Klimpel	Robinson, Ragen, Harper	Doug Weber Kevin Mattingly	Dave Meyer Frank Snyder
10:00 am	Sr. Marysia Weber Sr. Maria Howell		TBD	Barb Murray Susan Metheny Jerry Danekas
12 Noon	Barb Murray Doug Weber		TBD	Willie Stevens Vito Alu Lawanda Reason Barb Murray
5:00 pm	Phoebe del Castillo John Willard		Brak Welby	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 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 or register for baptismal preparation classes for parents or godparents, 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.

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