CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF SAINT LOUIS

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
March 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.

Cathedral Concerts
314.533.7662

Gift Shop & Tours (by appointment only)
314.373.8205

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 28– Palm Sunday
8:00 a.m. - Vi Phung
10:00 a.m. - Archbishop’s Intentions
12:00 p.m. - For the Parish Family
5:00 p.m. - Nick Theiss

Mon., March 29– Monday of Holy Week
7:00 a.m. - Anne Marie Nguyen K. Nhuong
8:00 a.m. - Helenmary Judge
12:05 p.m. - Marjorie Siebert

Tues., March 30– Tuesday of Holy Week
7:00 a.m. - Teresa and Francis Farrow & Family
8:00 a.m. - Gerald Marie Phung N. Quan
12:05 p.m. - Lloyd Logan

Wed., March 31– Wednesday of Holy Week
7:00 a.m. - Anne Duval
8:00 a.m. - Mike & Phyllis Heck
12:05 p.m. - Michael Narducci

Thur., April 1– Holy Thursday
10:00 a.m. - Chrism Mass
7:30 p.m. - Mass of the Lord’s Supper

Fri., April 2– Good Friday
3:00 p.m. - Service of the Lord’s Passion

Sat., April 3– Holy Saturday
8:00 p.m. - Easter Vigil

Sun., April 4– Easter Sunday
8:00 a.m. - For the Parish Family
10:00 a.m. - Archbishop’s Intentions
12:00 p.m. - Nick Theiss

There will be no 5:00 PM Mass on Easter Sunday
Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday, Palm Sunday, we enter into our celebration of Holy Week. While we have been experiencing increasing numbers, I realize that many may still not feel comfortable in attending Mass in person. Thus, I invite you to join us via our Live-Stream to take part in our Holy Week and Easter liturgies.

On Palm Sunday, we go up the mountain with Jesus towards the Temple, accompanying Him on His ascent. The procession which normally takes place before the Mass is meant, then, to be an image of something deeper: to reflect the fact that, together with Jesus, we are setting out on a pilgrimage along the high road that leads to the living God. This is the ascent that matters. This is the journey which Jesus invites us to make as we enter Holy Week. Through the various liturgies of this coming week, we are invited to enter more deeply into the paschal mystery of our savior’s suffering, death, and resurrection.

On Holy Thursday morning, the priests of the Archdiocese gather for the annual celebration of the Chrism Mass. In the Chrism Mass, the holy oils are at the center of the liturgical action. They are consecrated in the bishop’s cathedral for the whole year. They thus serve also as an expression of the Church’s unity, guaranteed by the episcopate, and they point to Christ, the true ‘shepherd and guardian’ of our souls. Another dimension to this Mass is how in the biblical narrative of Holy Week Jesus visits his friends at Bethany and Mary anoints him with precious oil, preparing him for his burial. In this way, the Chrism Mass points to what will happen later in the week.

On Holy Thursday evening, at the Mass of the Lord’s Supper, we recall that moment when Jesus began the celebration of His final meal with His disciples and instituted the Holy Eucharist. The words Jesus spoke to his disciples: “I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you,” remind us that Jesus desires to share Himself with us and to be one with us.

On Good Friday we are taken to the mount of Calvary. "Christus factus est pro nobis obediens usque ad mortem, mortem autem crucis." - "For us Christ became obedient unto death, even death on a cross." Through Christ’s death on the cross, He opens for us the way to salvation and eternal life. The Cross of Christ, which we will venerate on Good Friday, is the cause of hope and reminds us constantly of God’s love for us.

Our celebration of Holy Week comes to an end on Holy Saturday evening. The story of our salvation history is recalled for us through the readings at the vigil and culminates in the proclamation of the account of the resurrection. In the resurrection of Jesus, love has been shown to be stronger than death, stronger than evil. Love made Christ descend, and love is also the power by which He ascends.

Monsignor Henry Breier
Triduum is a special way of entering into the dying and rising of Jesus

This year, let’s consider how we are called to ‘breathe God’s life’ into the things we do

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This week I celebrate my first Chrism Mass and my first Triduum with you.

The Chrism Mass — at which I consecrate the holy oils for the coming year — includes a powerful symbolic moment during which I breathe on the oils. It’s a recollection of Genesis, when God blew into man the breath of life.

If not properly understood, this moment can seem awkward or odd. Properly understood, however, it can be a moment of holy fear. One aspect of that holy fear is rooted in humility toward myself: who am I, after all, to “breathe life” into these oils — oils that will reach out and bring God’s grace to people across the archdiocese in tender moments of life and death? By breathing on the oils, I’m meant to give my life to and for all those moments. Surely, no human being is equal to that task!

But the other aspect of that holy fear is rooted in utter confidence toward God: ultimately it’s God’s gift, which He asks me to bestow. And God is pre-eminently able to breathe life into the oils, and reach out and touch people and be present to them in those tender moments of life and death. It would betray a lack of faith in God to turn away from the task because of my limits.

In some ways, that same holy fear is meant to be what every priest experiences when he says: “Take this, all of you, and eat of it, for this is my body, which will be given up for you.” We could never say those words on our own! But, by the grace of priesthood, the words of Jesus become our own. Each priest can only say these words with utter humility toward himself and utter confidence in the Lord. When I breathe on the oils, it’s no more and no less bold than what every priest does at every Mass.

That connection is important because the Chrism Mass is when we celebrate and rededicate ourselves to the ordained priesthood. So I ask you to pray for me, and for all priests, that we can carry that holy fear — made up of equal parts humility and confidence — into every aspect of our ministry. And I ask you to consider, too, how all the baptized are called to “breathe God’s life” into the things of ours days — family life, work, household chores, leisure, and so on — with a similar humility and confidence.

The Triduum is, of course, a special way of entering into the dying and rising of Jesus. In some ways it seems like we’ve been doing that all year! But it’s fitting that we should carry the events and trials of the last year into the Triduum in a special way this year. We’re more aware than ever of how much we need the power of Jesus’ dying and rising in our lives and in our world.

We’re all eager to leave the past year behind us. But in some ways I hope we won’t. The dying and rising of Jesus is meant to be the permanent pattern of Christian life. We would be best served not simply to leave the past year behind, but to learn from it and carry its lessons forward. How can we better enter into the dying and rising of Jesus on a daily basis, and not just once a year? Perhaps that’s something we could all reflect on as we celebrate the Triduum together for the first time.

Note: this column appeared in the St. Louis Review for March 29-April 4 and may be read in the print edition or at https://bit.ly/35cjOXR.
A Lenten Retreat with Sacred Art

*Week 7: The Glance of Love*
*(displayed in the All Saints Chapel)*

Local artist Evelyn Astegno offers the following reflection on her painting:

*Jesus’ crucifixion, as supreme sacrifice for humanity, is in itself the highest manifestation of love. I wanted to channel Jesus’ love for us in His direct and compelling last glance to the viewer. He loved us to the extreme, not despite but through the different and all comprehensive types of sufferings. Personally, I think that Jesus underwent all types of sufferings-physical, psychological and spiritual- on His way to the cross and on the cross, in order to support each of our trials, which are individually tailored and that nobody but He can fully understand.*

*I based my interpretation on the analogies between the historical descriptions of the capital punishment in Jesus’ times and geographical area, the details of the Passion in the gospels, the conclusions of studies on the traumas of the man in the holy shroud and the words of Jesus in His apparitions to saints. Although it remains an interpretation, I wanted to give it some consistency, in order to connect the viewer to the reality of the event and the truth and depth of the sacrifice. Still, I refrained from displaying the whole brutality of the scene. For example, Jesus must have been covered in sweat and blood; the over 100 whips (according to the shroud) might have been tearing out chunks of flesh exposing the bone beneath.*

*There are also some aspects of the physical sufferings of Jesus most of us don’t know about. The dislocation of the right shoulder (because of which his right arm appears bent) is the most pivotal. It caused perhaps the most unbearable pain (according to Jesus’ words in apparitions to Father Pio and to St Bernard of Clairvaux). Findings on the holy shroud reveal a dislocation of the humerus and suggest a paralysis of the right arm and neck, perhaps as an effect of one of His falls. It seems that He suffered an ankle dislocation too.*

*Other pains included cuttings and nerve damage through the nails and the thorns, the feeling of asphyxiation and the cramps from the unbelievably unnatural position on the cross. I also decided to reveal the truthfulness of His nudity, as it reflects the reality of crucifixions in that era and there is no documentation nor suggestion that He was treated differently. The imposition to strip the crucified of all their garments was a further method to inflict humiliation. However, I chose a position of the body that would preserve the entire dignity of the figure.*

*Aside from this type of humiliation, Jesus suffered all kind of moral/psychological pains. Abandonment, rejection (even by his closest friends), belittling, dishonor, mockery, hate, misunderstanding and other afflictions. On top of such human physical and moral pains, He also had to suffer a spiritual pain. He felt our pain, as sinners, of the detachment from God. During His last hours, He suffered the dark night of the spirit, feeling abandoned by God while still praying for us. Such darkness of the spirit well matches the darkness that swept over the land at the same time. However, the constant presence of God, though imperceptible to Jesus in His humanity, appears just above the horizon as an abstract golden metaphorical cloud.*

*During this most solemn week of the liturgical year, receive this glance of love from the Lord Jesus and know that He willingly endured His extreme and numerous sufferings for you by name.*

*Jesus, remember me when you come into Your Kingdom.*
Archdiocesan Lenten Regulations
"Whoever wishes to be my follower must deny his very self, take up his cross each day, and follow in my steps" (Lk 9:23).

The Church has always helped us fulfill these words of Jesus by prescribing very definite penance for all Catholics:

• Good Friday (April 2) is a day of abstinence for all Catholics over the age of 14. On this day, fast as well as abstinence is also obligatory for those from the ages of 18 to 59. Abstinence means abstinence 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.

Humility

While Jesus was experiencing crucifixion, suffering the death of one who was a criminal, people reviled Him saying, “You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself, if you are the Son of God, [and] come down from the cross!” St. Thomas Aquinas once wrote that the cross exemplifies every virtue. Humility was certainly among those virtues. Just as Jesus experienced a most humble birth in a manger surrounded by animals, He also suffered a most humble death. The King of Kings and Lord of Lords is judged by a governor and suffers the death of a criminal. He could have come down from the cross and freed Himself of the pain. Instead, He humbled Himself and died for you, for me, for all people. One of the best responses we can have as we gaze upon the Crucified One is silence and contemplation. We adore You, O Christ, and we praise You, because, by Your holy cross, You have redeemed the world.

Visit archstl.org/dynamic for more info.

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.

Remember Your Rice Bowls

The Lenten effort known as Operation Rice Bowl comes to an end upon the completion of the Lenten season. Please place collected funds into an envelope clearly marked “RICE BOWL”, and place in the collection basket during the Mass of the Lord’s Supper on Holy Thursday, April 1. If you are unable to attend Mass on Holy Thursday, you may drop your envelope into the collection baskets at any Holy Week or Easter Sunday Mass. Collected funds will be forwarded to the poor through Catholic Relief Services.
Stewardship Alive!

Sacrament of Baptism
Congratulations to our recently baptized parishioner, Isabel Teresa, daughter of Joel and Jenny, who was baptized in Christ last Sunday at the Cathedral Basilica. May the blessing of the Lord be always upon Izzy, and may God watch over & cherish all children whom God has blessed with the grace of Baptism.

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, April 8. We begin with Adoration and confessions in the church at 6:30 pm (enter through the west door by the playground), followed by dinner in Boland Hall at 7:30 p.m. 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.

Weekly Thoughts on Giving
“Pilate again said to them, ‘Then what shall I do with the man whom you call the King of the Jews?’ And they cried out again, ‘Crucify him.’” — Mk 15:12-13
Jesus told us “whatever you do for the least of my brothers, you do for me.” Every day we are presented opportunities to help someone. Every day we have the opportunity to see the face of Jesus in others and be the face of Jesus to others. Every day we pass by someone in need. Pray for the strength and courage to be the answer to someone’s prayer.

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, April 4 (Easter Sunday).

Offering Collection for the Week of 03/21/2021

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Eyeglass Drive
"The Respectacle Project”, an eyeglass recycling program, will be accepting donations of quality used eyeglasses next Sunday, April 4 (Easter Sunday), in the baskets near the sanctuary at the side aisles.
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.

Vivian Chemelekov  Dorothy Quinn
Joe Dubuque        Richelle Weisbrod
Breanna Evans      Mary Anne Work
Lenore Molloy      Betty Ytzaina

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”

The Gospel of Life 86

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 by a rosary procession to Planned Parenthood at Boyle and Forest Park. The next Mass is scheduled for Saturday, April 17.

Infant Baptism

According to the mind of the Church, parents are obliged to see that infants are baptized within the first weeks after birth. If you are a registered parishioner who is or is about to become a parent, please contact the rectory at 314-373-8202 to schedule your infant’s baptism and arrange for your own instruction in preparation for the sacrament.

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 28, 2021 through April 4, 2021

Sunday: Mk 11:1-10, or Jn 12:12-16 (procession)
Is 50:4-7 Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24
Phil 2:6-11 Mk 14:1—15:47 or 15:1-39


Tuesday: Is 49:1-6 Ps 71:1-4, 5-6, 15, 17
Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9 Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34
Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: Chirism Mass:
Is 61:1-3, 6, 8-9 Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27
Rv 1:5-8 Lk 4:16-21

Mass of the Lord’s Supper:
Ex 12:1-8, 11-14
Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18
1 Cor 11:23-26 Jn 13:1-15

Friday: Is 52:13--53:12
Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25
Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9 Jn 18:1--19:42

Saturday:
Gn 1:1--2:2 or 1:1, 26-31
Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12-14, 24, 35 or
Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20, 22
Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9, 10-13, 15-18
Ps 16:5, 8-11
Ex 14:15--15:1 Ex 15:1-6, 17-18
Is 54:5-14 Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-12, 13
Is 55:1-11 Is 12:2-3, 4-6
Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4 Ps 19:8-11
Ez 36:16-17, 18-28 Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4
or Is 12:2-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19
Rom 6:3-11 Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23
Mk 16:1-7

Sunday:
Acts 10:34, 37-43
Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23
Col 3:1-4 (or 1 Cor 5:6-8)
Jn 20:1-9 (or Mk 16:1-7 or Lk 24:13-35)
2021 Holy Week and Easter

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of Holy Week
March 29-31
Masses: 7:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m., and 12:05 p.m. (daily)
Confessions: 7:30 a.m. (daily)

Holy Thursday, April 1
Chrism Mass: 10:00 a.m.
Mass of the Lord’s Supper: 7:30 p.m.
(Holy Thursday Masses will be livestreamed)
NOTE: Blessed Sacrament Chapel will be open for Adoration until Midnight

Good Friday, April 2
Confessions: 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Service of the Lord’s Passion: 3:00 p.m.
(Service will be livestreamed)
Stations of the Cross: 7:00 p.m.

Holy Saturday, April 3
Confessions: 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Easter Vigil: 8:00 p.m.
(Easter Vigil will be livestreamed)

Easter Sunday, April 4
Masses: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 12:00 Noon
(8am & 10am Masses will be livestreamed)

Reservations will NOT be required for Holy Week or Easter Masses
For LiveStreams, go to www.cathedralstl.org
**Liturgical Ministers April 3-4, 2021**

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<td><strong>10:00 am</strong></td>
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**Parish Information**

**Registration in Parish**
To join our parish, please register online at [https://cathedralstl.org/about-basilica/parish-life](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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