

CATHEDRAL  
BASILICA



OF SAINT LOUIS



## DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

APRIL 12, 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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**TOURS**  
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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. Apr 12 - Sunday of Divine Mercy

8:00 a.m. Wayne Eultgen  
10:00 a.m. Ryan McNair  
12:00 p.m. Jennifer Scalzitti  
5:00 p.m. For the Parish Family

### Mon. Apr 13 - St. Martin I

7:00 a.m. Sherrylee Jane Credo-Javier  
8:00 a.m. Victoria Hulslander  
12:05 p.m. Mark Sheils

### Tues. Apr 14 - Easter Weekday

7:00 a.m. Maria Winkelman  
8:00 a.m. Elaine Tureaud  
12:05 p.m. Peter Duchinsky

### Wed. Apr 15 - Easter Weekday

7:00 a.m. Karin Shacklett  
8:00 a.m. Marie Lopez  
12:05 p.m. Dale Schmuke

### Thur. Apr 16 - Easter Weekday

7:00 a.m. Father Thomas C. Bryon  
8:00 a.m. Marylyn Henderickson  
12:05 p.m. Rosemary Shaughnessy

### Fri. Apr 17 - Easter Weekday

7:00 a.m. Mary Agnes Weber  
8:00 a.m. Mary Arconati  
12:05 p.m. Robert Proost

### Sat. Apr 18 - Easter Weekday

8:00 a.m. Andrew Kruep  
5:00 p.m. Tom Touchette

### Sun. Apr 19 - Third Sunday of Easter

8:00 a.m. U.S. Armed Forces  
10:00 a.m. Ignacio Marquez Mena  
12:00 p.m. Gustavo Ruano Amparan  
5:00 p.m. Laura Pyatt Erler



### FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Parishioners,

Jesus speaks these words on the evening of Easter and repeats them again on this second Sunday: *“Peace be with you.”* In doing so, He links the proclamation of the Resurrection with the gift of peace. This peace is not simply a greeting—it is a mission entrusted to His disciples.

St. John, aware of the urgency of this mission, shows us that immediately after offering His peace, Jesus breathes His Spirit upon the apostles—anticipating Pentecost itself. The Gospel uses the same verb found in Genesis, when God breathed life into Adam. Now, the Risen Lord breathes into His disciples so that they might begin a new story with Him: *“As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”* He entrusts to them the power to forgive or retain sins—to bind and to loose—a power that reaches the heart, changes lives, and gives rise to new ways of living marked by goodness and compassion.

Eight days later, Jesus appears again. This time Thomas is present. The community, once fractured, is now restored. There is something of Thomas in each of us: our pride, our certainties, and at times a self-reliance that can distance us from the heart of the community. Yet this is healed and brought back into unity, especially through the Eucharist, which builds us up as one body.

Jesus again shows His risen body, still bearing the wounds of the cross. It is this sight that touches Thomas’ heart, leading him to profess, *“My Lord and my God!”* In that moment, Thomas understands that there is no resurrection without the cross. It is not enough simply to remember; we must encounter the Risen Jesus—alive, yet still marked by His wounds.

It is this image of the Risen Christ, bearing the wounds of His Passion, that led Pope John Paul II to designate this Sunday as Divine Mercy Sunday. Having witnessed the suffering and violence of the twentieth century, and having experienced firsthand the brutality of totalitarian regimes, he never ceased to call for peace among nations. In proclaiming Divine Mercy, he offered the world a message that spans history and generations: that God’s mercy, revealed in the crucified and risen Christ, is the answer to the wounds of humanity.

On this day, we are invited not only to receive that mercy, but to live it—to allow the peace of Christ to take root in us, and through us, to bring healing and hope to the world. *“Peace be with you.”* May that peace take root in our hearts—and through us, reach the world.

**Monsignor Henry Breier**

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## ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

## What We Do and How We Do It Matters When Working for God's Kingdom

The example of Nicodemus shows that not all interactions with Jesus have an immediate tangible result

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

*With.*

“[They] continued to speak the word of God with boldness.” So says the Acts of the Apostles this week, about the apostles’ response to being imprisoned.

In a follow-up encounter, the high priest and the Sadducees, “filled with jealousy,” put the apostles back in jail.

That “with” is worth our attention. It doesn’t name the action that was carried out. It names how the action was carried out.

We know what it’s like for a statement to be made with arrogance or with humility. We know what it’s like for a question to be asked with belligerence or with real curiosity. We know what it’s like for a donation to be given with a sense of self-importance or with self-forgetfulness. We know what it’s like for an injustice to be held with rage or with trust that God has the last word. We know what it’s like to proclaim the Gospel with timidity or with boldness, or to present Church teaching with impatience or with patience.

So let’s sit, for a moment, with a question: What moves hearts and what moves history toward the kingdom of God?

In physics, force is a combination of mass and acceleration. In our work for the kingdom, our impact comes not only from what we do but from the combination of what we do and how we do it. It’s not only the “what” but also the “with” that matters.

### Nicodemus

This week, we hear the beginning of Jesus’ interaction

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### SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS

with Nicodemus.

It’s an intriguing aspect of the Gospel of John: That opening conversation between them doesn’t have an ending. (Read John 3! It never says, for example, “and then Nicodemus went away.”)

In so many other encounters in the Gospel of John, we see some kind of conclusion. The woman at the well (John 4). The woman caught in adultery (John 8). The man born blind (John 9). The exchange with Pilate (John 18-19). People have an encounter, and it ends with a decision.

With Nicodemus, however, his “encounter” with Jesus spans almost the entirety of the Gospel. Nicodemus shows up in John 3, and then again in John 7. But his decision point doesn’t come until John 19. Contemplating Nicodemus’ slow journey toward that decision point can help us with the sometimes slow process of conversion — both in others and in ourselves!

Everyone has moments in which they can say to Jesus: “I don’t understand.” Often, people make a decision in that moment: either to walk away from Jesus because they don’t understand, or to stay with Him even though they don’t understand. Nicodemus, however, is that occasional person who doesn’t make an immediate decision. The encounter just continues to rattle around in his heart and mind. Jesus continues to work on him, invisibly, throughout the whole Gospel until, finally, Nicodemus decides to go all in.

That’s a worthy place of contemplation for all of us, especially when we have loved ones who are still deciding, or parts of ourselves that are still deciding! Let’s continue to entrust those people and those places in our hearts to Jesus’ invisible work.

*Note: This column appeared in the St. Louis Review for Apr 13 - 20 and may be read in the print edition or <https://www.stlouisreview.com/column/serve-the-lord-with-gladness/>*



## Sacrament of Marriage

Congratulations to **Matt & Amy Silva** (pictured below) who were united in the Sacrament of Marriage at the Cathedral Basilica on Saturday, March 28, 2026 at 1:30 in the afternoon.

Love is patient, love is kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth.

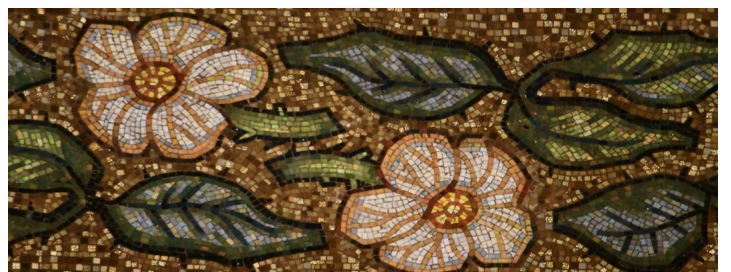
1 Corinthians 13:4-8



## Sacrament of Baptism

Congratulations and God's continued blessings on **Margaux Grace and the Hess Family** (pictured above) She was baptized on October 19, 2025.

“And now why do you wait? Rise and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on his name.” Acts 22:16





# How to Pray The Chaplet of Divine Mercy

1. Make the Sign of the Cross

2. (Optional\*) Pray,

You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelope the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us.

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fountain of Mercy for us, I trust in You!

3. "Our Father,"

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. Amen.

"Hail Mary,"

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

"The Apostles' Creed."

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead....

...I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

4. On the Our Father beads pray,

Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

5. On the Hail Mary Beads pray,

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

6. Pray three times,

4. Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

(Optional\*)

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.

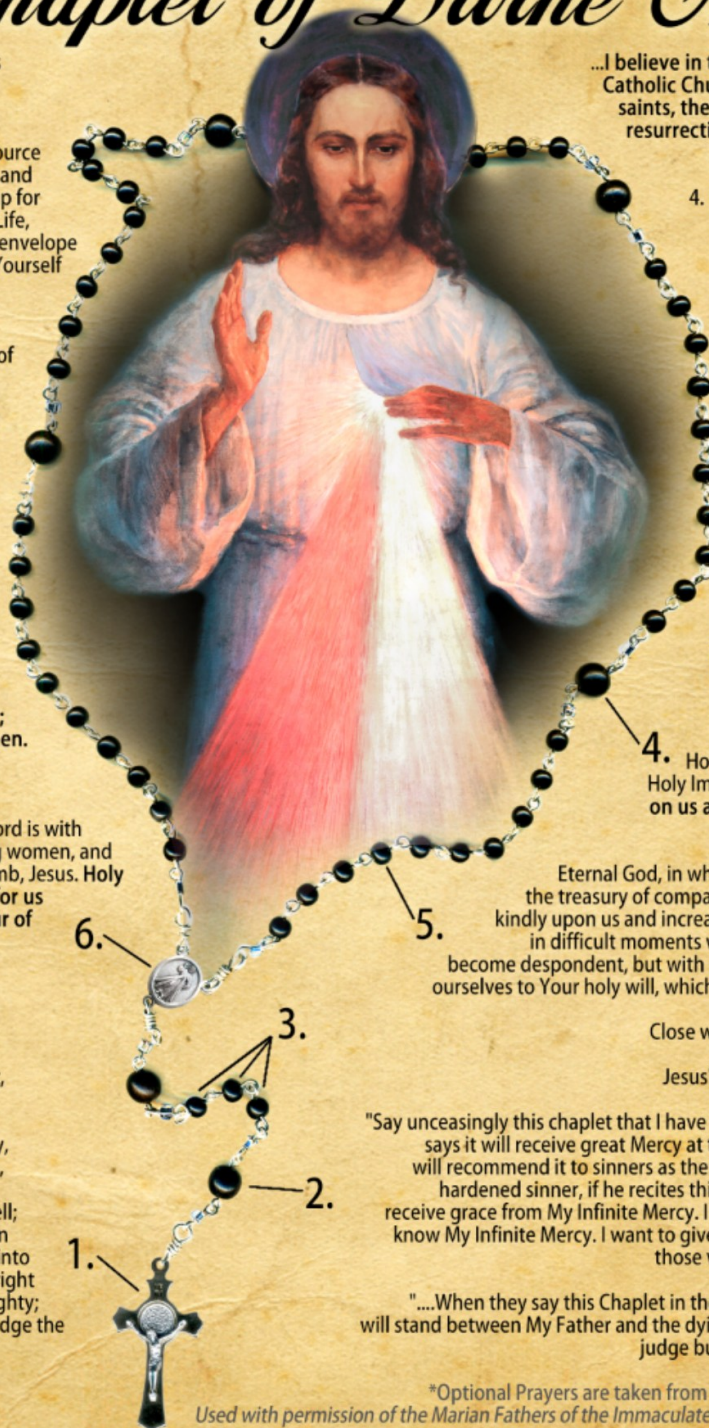
Close with the Sign of the Cross.

Jesus' promise to St. Faustina:

"Say unceasingly this chaplet that I have taught you. Anyone who says it will receive great Mercy at the hour of death. Priests will recommend it to sinners as the last hope. Even the most hardened sinner, if he recites this Chaplet even once, will receive grace from My Infinite Mercy. I want the whole world to know My Infinite Mercy. I want to give unimaginable graces to those who trust in My Mercy...."

"....When they say this Chaplet in the presence of the dying, I will stand between My Father and the dying person not as the just judge but as the Merciful Savior."

\*Optional Prayers are taken from *The Diary of St. Faustina*.  
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## History of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy

The Message of the Divine Mercy that Sr. Faustina received from the Lord was not only directed toward her personal growth in faith but also toward the good of the people. With the command of our Lord to paint an image according to the pattern that Sr. Faustina had seen, came also a request to have this image venerated, first in the Sisters' chapel, and then throughout the world. The same is true with the revelations of the Chaplet. The Lord requested that this Chaplet be said not only by Sr. Faustina, but by others: "Encourage souls to say the Chaplet that I have given you."

The same is true of the revelation of the Feast of Mercy. "The Feast of Mercy emerged from my very depths of tenderness. It is my desire that it solemnly be celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the fount of My Mercy."

These requests of the Lord given to Sr. Faustina between 1931 and 1938 can be considered the beginning of the Divine Mercy Message and Devotion in the new forms.

Through the efforts of Sr. Faustina's spiritual directors, Fr. Michael Sopocko, and Fr. Joseph Andrasz, SJ, and others — including the Marians of the Immaculate Conception — this message began to spread throughout the world.

However, it is important to remember that this message of The Divine Mercy, revealed to St. Faustina and to our present generation is not new. It is a powerful reminder of who God is and has been from the very beginning. This truth that God is in His very nature Love and Mercy Itself, is given to us by our Judeo-Christian faith and God's self-revelation. The veil that has hidden the mystery of God from eternity was lifted by God Himself. In His goodness and love God chose to reveal Himself to us, His creatures, and to make known His eternal plan of salvation. This He had done partly through the Old Testament Patriarchs, Moses and the Prophets, and fully through His only Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. In the person of Jesus Christ, conceived through power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary, the unseen God was made visible.

Sister Faustina (1905-1938) was a young, uneducated nun in a convent of the Congregation of Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy in Poland during the 1930s. She came from a poor family that struggled during the years of World War I. She had only three years of simple education, so hers were the humblest tasks in the convent, usually in the kitchen or garden. However, she received extraordinary revelations — or messages — from our Lord Jesus. Jesus asked Sr. Faustina to record these experiences, which she compiled into notebooks. These notebooks are known today as the *Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska*, and the words contained within are God's loving message of Divine Mercy.

Though the Divine Mercy message is not new to the teachings of the Church, Sr. Faustina's *Diary* sparked a great movement, and a strong and significant focus on the mercy of Christ. Saint John Paul II canonized Sr. Faustina in 2000 making her the "first saint of the new millennium." Speaking of Sr. Faustina and the importance of the message contained in her *Diary*, the Pope called her "the great apostle of Divine Mercy in our time."

Today, we continue to rely on St. Faustina as a constant reminder of the message to trust in Jesus' endless mercy, and to live life mercifully toward others.



*Jesus, I Trust In You!*




# THEOLOGY ON TAP

## April 14

6-10 PM event  
6-7 PM happy hour  
7:15 PM speaker


Speaker - Nick Lee, Director of  
Evangelization - Archdiocese of Saint Louis

Topic - Something Beautiful for God:  
Encountering Christ Daily



## 4 Hands at The District

17081 N Outer 40 Rd, Chesterfield, MO 63005



## 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  
April 12, 2026 to April 19, 2026**

Sunday: 43: Acts 2:42-47 Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 1 Pt 1:3-9 Jn 20:19-31

Monday: 267: Acts 4:23-31 Ps 2:1-9 Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: 268: Acts 4:32-37 Ps 93:1-2, 5 Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: 269: Acts 5:17-26 Ps 34:2-9 Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: 270: Acts 5:27-33 Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20 Jn 3:31-36

Friday: 271: Acts 5:34-42 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: 272: Acts 6:1-7 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 Jn 6:16-21

Sunday: 46: Acts 2:14, 22-33 Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11 1 Pt 1:17-21 Lk 24:13-35



Catholic Charities of St. Louis rejoices in the grace of Divine Mercy Sunday, a reminder of Christ's endless love and compassion for all. Through your support, we can share His mercy by bringing healing, help, and hope to those in need throughout our archdiocese.

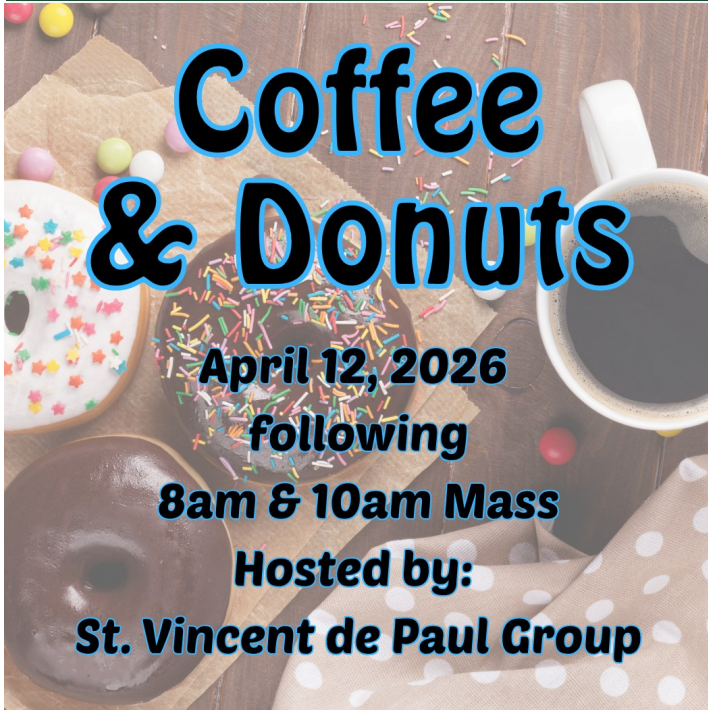
Together with our dedicated Parish Ambassadors, volunteers, and donors, we witness the power of God's mercy in action.

All of us at Catholic Charities wish you and your family a blessed Divine Mercy Sunday.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR THE WEEKEND OF 3/28/2026-3/29/2026	
Offertory	\$21,215.98
Online Giving	\$10,122.00
Loose	\$12,101.01
Cathedral Candles	\$721.44
Cathedral Landscape	\$320.00
Cathedral Maintenance	\$20.00
Catholic Education	\$10.00
Holy Thursday	\$2,034.15
Good Friday - Holy Land	\$4,766.00
Retired Priests	\$2,012.00
Easter	\$3,717.00



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# Coffee & Donuts

**April 12, 2026**

**following**

**8am & 10am Mass**

**Hosted by:**

**St. Vincent de Paul Group**

## Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary invites you to join our weekly meetings on Saturdays at 10 am.

Meetings are held in the outer office of the Cathedral School building. For further information, please call the rectory at 314.373.8202.

## 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.

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|---------------------|-----------------|
| Judy McGrath        | Deborah Lee     |
| Doreen Kelly        | Goldie Wirth    |
| Linda Baldwin       | Barbara Garrett |
| Barbara Beckemeyer  | Tronda White    |
| Edwin Ayala Padilla | Tiffany Pitts   |
| Mary Leah Kovarik   | Shamelia Clark  |
| Guy Thomas          | Mary Anne Work  |
| Kelvin Ayala Reyes  | Juliana Brown   |
| Nicole Pace         | Craig Campbell  |
| Resy Sanchez        | Michael Theiss  |
| Betty Ytzaina       | Ron Pallman     |

## Men of the Cathedral

The **Men of the Cathedral** cordially invite *all parishioners and visitors* to attend Adoration of the Holy Eucharist on Tuesday, April 29<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM.

We will have just celebrated the passion, death and rising from the dead of our Lord. What a terrific way to continue to honor the ultimate sacrifice he gave to offer us salvation!

Adoration will begin promptly at 6 PM. Confessions will be heard during Adoration.

All men are invited to drinks, dinner and fellowship in Boland Hall immediately after the conclusion of Adoration. A suggested donation of \$20 is appreciated.

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](mailto:michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org) by Monday, April 27.

## Appointment with Fr. Marco

Fr. Marco is available for confession and spiritual discussion. To make an appointment to meet with Fr. Marco, please call 314.373.8202. Thank you!

## 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 **April 16, 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 APRIL 18 & 19 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>	David Parr Mary Ann Cheng		Doug Weber	Bob Sutter Jerry Pastore Matt Colvin Pat McCann
<b>8:00 am</b>	Thomas Gregory Jonathan Klimpel	Paul Gregory Klimpel	Doug Weber	Dave Meyer Frank Snyder Joe Schilli
<b>10:00 am</b>	Aaron Hines Rebecca Keeven			Sue Metheny Dan Mangus Roger Willis Vito Alu
<b>12 Noon</b>	Stephen Lebak Kevin Ross		TBD	Willie Stevens Skip Batchelor Lawanda Reason Mark Burmester
<b>5:00 pm</b>	John Stith John Willard		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

