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)

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3:30 pm–4:30 pm (Sat)
8:30 am–11:45 am (Every First Friday)
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314.373.8205

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If you are interested in volunteering as a docent, please contact Susie.sirons@cathedralstl.org
FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Parishioners,

The Gospel of the Third Sunday of Easter presents the episode of the disciples of Emmaus (cf. Lk 24:13-35), an account that never ceases to astonish and move us. This episode shows the effects that the Risen Jesus works in two disciples: conversion from despair to hope; conversion from sorrow to joy; and also conversion to community life.

Sometimes, when we speak of conversion we think solely of its demanding aspect of detachment and renunciation. Christian conversion, on the contrary, is also and above all about joy, hope, and love. It is always the work of the Risen Christ, the Lord of life who has obtained this grace for us through his Passion and communicates it to us by virtue of his Resurrection.

It is thus necessary for each and every one of us to let ourselves be taught by Jesus, as the two disciples of Emmaus were: first of all by listening to and loving the word of God read in the light of the Paschal Mystery, so that it may warm our hearts and illumine our minds helping us to interpret the events of life and give them meaning.

Then it is necessary to sit at table with the Lord, to share the banquet with him, so that his humble presence in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood may restore to us the gaze of faith. That we may see everything and everyone with God’s eyes, in the light of his love. The Eucharist is the maximum expression of the gift which Jesus makes of himself and is a constant invitation to live our lives all that the Eucharist is, as a gift to God and to others.

I had a faith moment last week that I would like share with you. As we celebrated the Feast of Divine Mercy, I had the opportunity to visit with a woman in the hospital who was advanced in age. She related her life story to me and shared that she had no family left at all. Her friends, she said, became her adopted family. What I found so impactful was what she then related to me. She wakes up each morning and says: "Thank you, God for this day." Which is followed by: "God, I trust in You." For her, it is that simple and I walked away that day inspired by her faith.

Monsignor Henry Breier
Consider your wonders and signs
The wonderful works we hear about in the readings this week are signs of Jesus working within them.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

A prominent theme in the Scripture readings this week is the “great wonders and signs” that were being done in the early Church.

Stephen “was working great wonders and signs among the people.” People paid attention to the preaching of Philip “when they heard it and saw the signs he was doing.” Peter healed a man (Aeneas) who had been confined to bed for eight years and raised a woman (Tabitha) from the dead.

The main thing we’re supposed to take from all of these, however, is not amazement at the wonders themselves. The main point is to help us see that they happen because the life of Jesus is at work inside His disciples. The wonders are signs of that deeper reality.

We celebrate the feast of St. Mark the Evangelist this week on April 25. Why is that important? Because St. Mark’s contribution to the early Church wasn’t great signs and wonders. He basically recorded and then arranged the preaching of St. Peter. That’s where the Gospel of Mark comes from. (And that’s the reason it’s considered “apostolic” even though Mark himself wasn’t an apostle.)

That can be a consolation when we look at our own lives and think, “No great wonders or signs here. Feels like my contribution to the Church is pretty unglamorous.” Mark’s work probably seemed unglamorous, too. He was just recording and arranging someone else’s material! But that unglamorous work made a lasting contribution to the Church. So can ours.

Let me ask this question: What’s the most precious part of your day — the part you most look forward to, the part that, if you have your choice, is your first priority, and other things get moved to make room for it?

And let me ask this follow-up question: Is your

answer the one you want to give at the moment of your death? Is it the primary thing you would want to be remembered at your funeral? “One thing Tom always made sure of: that he had time to golf.” “One thing Susan always made sure of: that her retirement account was on target.”

You see, great wonders and signs are not required of us. What is required, however, is that we accept and foster the life of Jesus in ourselves. And that’s the other major theme in this week’s readings: Jesus offers us His own life — eternal life — in the Eucharist, and we’re free to accept that life or refuse it.

Jesus says, “Do not work for food that perishes, but for food that endures for eternal life.” That’s a warning: Be careful about what you make your top priority in life! Make sure it’s something that lasts forever.

Jesus also says, “I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever.” That’s an invitation: He offers us something that lasts forever. But He offers it as a marriage proposal; we’re free to turn Him down. Some did in His own day. Some do today.

If we stay with Jesus, we’ll receive the greatest wonder of all: eternal life!

The question is: Do we make that the most precious part of our lives?

Note: This column appeared in the St. Louis Review for April 22 & 23 and may be read in the print edition or at https://it.ly/35q0Xr
Sacrament of Marriage

Congratulations to Ben and Jacqueline Serangeli who were united in the Sacrament of Marriage at the Cathedral Basilica on Saturday, October 29, 2022.

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

The Gospel of the Lord

And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, and broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. They then said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the scriptures to us?”

So they set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered the eleven and those with them were saying, “The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!”

Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in breaking of the bread.

The Institution of the Eucharist

The Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life. The term “Eucharist” originates from the Greek Word eucharista, meaning thanksgiving.

In the celebration of the Eucharist, bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit and the instrumentality of the priest. The whole Christ is truly present—body, blood, soul, and divinity—under the appearance of bread and wine, the glorified Christ who rose from the dead. This is what the Church means when she speaks of the “Real Presence” of Christ in the Eucharist.
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Hope Abounds

If you were to ask my family right now, whether I am a glass-half-full or half-empty type of person, their answer would be clear: I am the latter. By nature, I am just not a very optimistic person. However, I am a hopeful person. I am known for often saying "hope abounds" especially when a situation occurs that can be viewed as negative. This phrase is not unique to me, I borrowed it from Romans 15:13 which beautifully states, "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope."

In Luke's Gospel this week, we hear the story of how two of Jesus' disciples are walking along the road headed to Emmaus, and they are talking with one another about everything that they had just witnessed three days before. As you can imagine, the disciples are probably confused and heartbroken. It's at this point that the two disciples are joined by a stranger who is Jesus himself, they just can't recognize him at the time. When he questions what they are speaking about they are astounded that this stranger had not heard the news of Jesus' crucifixion. The line that strikes me the most is when they say to Jesus, "But we were hoping that he would the one to redeem Israel…" The disciples are filled with hope even after witnessing Jesus' brutal torture and death on the cross. Hope is defined as "the expectation that some desire will be fulfilled." In scripture, hope always focuses forward with confident expectation or firm belief in the fulfillment of God's promises. Hope is not to be confused with wishful thinking. The disciple's hope, much like the hope of all the faithful today, is a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. After Jesus reveals his true self to the two disciples in this story, they can hardly wait to be united with the eleven and all those who knew of the resurrection and were joyfully exclaiming "The Lord has truly been raised and appeared to Simon!"

Interestingly, most of the others had not seen Jesus resurrected, only heard that he had. Therefore, they, too, were filled with the hope of Christ's promises being fulfilled. The expression abound in hope refers to an overflowing measure of hope that is far beyond all human capacity to produce or describe. The original Greek verb translated “abound” means literally “to run over, to be wealthy, to have more than enough.”

The theme of today’s Gospel emphasizes the importance of the Eucharist, and that Jesus is truly present in the bread and wine of the Eucharistic celebration. The disciples were unable to recognize Jesus until he broke the bread with them. As Christians, we are called to recognize Jesus in unexpected places and unexpected ways. Because of the institution of the Eucharist, we are all responsible to share the testimony of faith, to spread the good news of Jesus, and to study and apply the teachings of scripture to our daily lives. We are called to be witnesses to Jesus' resurrection time and time again. Being a disciple of Jesus requires a lifelong journey of learning, service, and devotion.

We come together to share in the Eucharistic celebration, to remember the sacrifice of Jesus, and to be nourished by the Real Presence in the bread and wine. Keeping our eyes trained forward and trusting in the Lord for a prosperous and glorious future requires patient hope, which God supplies to us through the Holy Spirit. We are not called to follow Jesus alone, but to be part of a community of believers who support and encourage one another in our faith. We can abound in hope by living with joyful anticipation of all God has promised to us in His Word.
A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

“Virgin of Guadalupe, Patroness of unborn children, we implore your intercession for every child at risk of abortion. … Guide our public officials to defend each and every human life through just laws. Inspire us all to bring our faith into public life, to speak for those who have no voice. We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, who is Love and Mercy itself. Amen.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, “A Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe”

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

May 3
“Suffered Under Pontius Pilate, Part II”

May 17
“Was Crucified, Died, and was Buried...”

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 23, 2023 through April 30, 2023

Tuesday: 555:1 Pt 5:5b-14 Ps 89: 2-3, 6-7, 16-17 Mk 16:15-20
Wednesday: 275: Acts 8:1b-8 Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a Jn 6:35-40

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
Mary Leah Kovarik
Kelvin Ayala Reyes
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Mary Anne Work
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Sharon Kay Moore
Durie Shiebler
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Eucharistic Revival

The Bishops of the United States are calling for a three-year grassroots revival of devotion and belief in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. They believe that God wants to see a movement of Catholics across the United States, healed, converted, formed, and unified by and encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist—and sent out in mission “for the life of the world”

For more information or to volunteer with the Eucharistic Revival, please visit: www.allthingsnew.archstl.org/Evangelization/Eucharistic–Revival

Catholic Charities

Good Shepherd Children & Family Services is a ministry of Catholic Charities that provides adoption, foster care, and pregnancy and parenting support services throughout the St. Louis area. They act as case managers for children in foster care and provide support to the families who welcome them into their homes.

Good Shepherd sees the incredible work being done by foster families and know there are people in our community who would like to help, even if they are not equipped to provide a home themselves. You can partner with Good Shepherd to support foster children and families in various ways.

To get involved or for more information, please contact Linda Pallmann.

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, April 27th. Our gathering begins with Holy Hour 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 another.

Weekly Thoughts on Giving

“Did not our hearts burn within us while He talked to us on the road, while He opened to us the scriptures?” LUKE 24:32

How often do you take the time to discern what Jesus is calling you to do with your life? Are your prayers always petitions, asking Jesus to do things for you? If so, that’s a one-sided relationship. Living our faith means developing a personal relationship with Jesus. Just like any friendship, there is give and take, each side listening to each other and helping each other out. Take time, in silence, to listen to what Jesus is asking of you today.

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| Holy Land        | $565.00          |
| Cathedral Maintenance | $337.00    |
| Confirmation     | $3,271.65        |
| Easter           | $65.00           |
| Priests Retirement| $1,151.00       |
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 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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