

CATHEDRAL
BASILICA



OF SAINT LOUIS



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 2, 2021

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.

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., May 2– Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00 a.m. - Dennis Bader
10:00 a.m. - For the Parish Family
12:00 p.m. - Charles E. Whitten
5:00 p.m. - Nick Theiss

Mon., May 3– Sts. Philip and James

7:00 a.m. - Fred Stetler
8:00 a.m. - Gerald Marie Phung N. Quan
12:05 p.m. - Rick Mathis

Tues., May 4– Easter Weekday

7:00 a.m. - Teresa and Francis Farrow & Family
8:00 a.m. - Susan MacDonald
12:05 p.m. - Sr. Roswitha Seelig & Sr. Othilia Seelig

Wed., May 5– Easter Weekday

7:00 a.m. - Anne Duval
8:00 a.m. - Debbie Kella
12:05 p.m. - Sr. Isabel Seelig & Sr. Walter Seelig

Thur., May 6– Easter Weekday

7:00 a.m. - Anne Marie Nguyen K. Nhung
8:00 a.m. - Hank Evy
12:05 p.m. - Devon P. Wear, MD

Fri., May 7– Easter Weekday

7:00 a.m. - FSCC - General Administration
8:00 a.m. - Paul Bader
12:05 p.m. - Jim & Alison Marischen

Sat., May 8– Easter Weekday

8:00 p.m. - George J. Noack
5:00 p.m. - Michael Harris III

Sun., May 9– Sixth Sunday of Easter

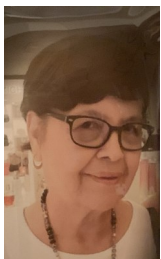
8:00 a.m. - Mathias Mueller
10:00 a.m. - Patricia Adler
12:00 p.m. - For the Parish Family
5:00 p.m. - Nick Theiss



FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Parishioners,

This week we celebrated the funeral for one of our long-time parishioners, Barbara Vital, the wife of Elmer. Barbara was born in Port Arthur, Texas in 1931 and joined in marriage to her beloved husband in 1956. She worked several years as a nurse at Cardinal Glennon Hospital and progressed as an industrial nurse working for Monsanto, where she worked until she retired. Please pray for the repose of her soul and for the family who is mourning this great loss.



On Wednesday, we celebrated the funeral rites for Edith Fortes, also a long-time Cathedral parishioner. Edith's favorite pastime was sitting in her chair reading her bible or sitting on the porch watching her flowers grow while chatting with neighbors. She is survived by her two devoted daughters. I invite you to pray for the repose of her soul and for the family that mourns her loss.

In this week's bulletin, you will find a notice for the Cathedral Men's group, which is planning to resume meeting in person at the end of May. They will begin the evening with a Holy Hour in the main body of the Cathedral and then gather in the Boland Hall following. Masks and social distancing guidelines will be followed. If you are interested, please check the information that follows in the bulletin.

We read in our Gospel this week: "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit." There is no stage in life that does not require change and corrections, that is, pruning. These cuts, at times even very painful, purify our lives and make the sap of the Lord's love run more freshly.

Perhaps some of your branches have begun to grow in the wrong direction. Or maybe your flesh has "sprouted" a branch that, if left unpruned, would drain the strength out of your spirit and your spiritual life. It's an unholy branch that would eventually destroy your effectiveness, causing you to have no beautiful blooms and no fruit.

You don't have to be doing something wrong to be pruned. It's actually when you are doing things right that pruning takes place. So look, you are pruned if you do and pruned if you don't. You might as well deal with it and let God produce His fruit in you. But there is one sure thing: It's better to be cut back than to be cut off.

Monsignor Henry Breier

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ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

Preparing to return to the Eucharist with eager hearts

ARCHBISHOP
MITCHELL
ROZANSKISERVE THE LORD
WITH GLADNESS

Mass is a sharing, through the Eucharist, in the dying and rising of Jesus

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Here's an idea: let's continue to do Thanksgiving, Christmas, and family birthdays by Zoom for the coming year. Even when it becomes safe to gather again, it's more convenient, requires less preparation and avoids family tensions if we do it virtually rather than in person.

Of course, that's a terrible idea! We've made do with virtual gatherings this past year. But we know from experience: it's just not the same. We're all eager, when it's safe for the most vulnerable, to get back to family gatherings.

The question is: are we as eager to get back to Mass in person as we are to return to other family gatherings — even if it's not convenient, requires more preparation and sometimes walks into some tension?

I pose that question because I want to issue an invitation. As we start the month of May we start to look ahead to summer. The best medical information I'm receiving is that I'll be able to lift the dispensation from attending Mass sometime this summer. That requires some preparation on our part, just as any summer plans do. I invite us all to start thinking ahead to that time.

This week we hear St. Paul say: "I handed on to you as of first importance what I also received." He then tells us, in words, what he considers to be the most important thing: the dying and rising of Jesus. St. Paul organized his whole life around sharing the most important thing.

That's what Sunday Mass is for us as Catholics. It's the most important thing because it's a sharing, through the Eucharist, in the dying and rising of Jesus — and that's something we want to participate in physically, not virtually! St. Paul told us in words. We tell the world, with our actions, whether or not we consider that to be the most important thing.

If we're happy to go to the grocery store in person, and happy that our children can go to school in person, and happy to attend athletic events in person, we should be happy to return to Mass in person!

Looking back, it's important to clarify this: we did not suspend public Masses in order to preserve our own health. That would have been understandable fear. It would also, ultimately, have been a public declaration that we considered our physical health to be more important than the spiritual health — indeed, eternal life! — that we receive from the Eucharist. That would have been a counter-witness to the faith. If that was anyone's motivation, it requires repentance.

No, we did it precisely as an act of charity, to care for others, especially the most vulnerable. Like a parent who goes without sleep to nurse a sick child we knew that, for a time, we could subsist on a spiritual communion.

But we can't do that forever. As the threat to the lives of the vulnerable wanes, it's time to return to our normal practices.

When we cut a flower and put it in a vase of water, it lives and blooms beautifully for a short while. But soon enough, and inevitably, it withers and dies. Our souls are like flower, and the Eucharist is their native soil. We can survive on a spiritual communion for a time. But God made us as a composite of body and soul. He feeds us, physically, in the Eucharist. And He wants us to rise, body and soul, with Jesus. It's up to us to say yes to the invitation. Without the Eucharist, our souls will be like the cut flower: living and blooming for a short while but, soon enough and inevitably, withering and dying.

So let's think ahead. When the time is right, I invite everyone to return to the Eucharist with eager hearts.

Note: this column appeared in the St. Louis Review for May 3-May 9 and may be read in the print edition or at <https://bit.ly/35ejOXr>.



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.

Joe Dubuque	Janice Noack
Wayne Eultgen	Dorothy Quinn
Breanna Evans	Richelle Weisbrod
Joel Evans	Mary Anne Work
Lenore Molloy	Betty Ytzaina

A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

“Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God’s creation, made in his own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect.”

*Pope Francis’ “Day for Life Greeting”
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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 with a rosary procession to Planned Parenthood at Boyle and Forest Park. The next Mass is scheduled for **Saturday, May 15**.

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.

A Lasting Gift

Looking for a special gift to memorialize a loved one, or celebrate a birth, wedding, ordination, graduation, anniversary, or other important event? Consider a commemorative brick in the Cathedral Basilica Jubilee Prayer Garden! For more info and order forms, please, contact the parish office at 314-373-8202.

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 May 2, 2021 through May 9, 2021

Sunday:	Acts 9:26-31 Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 1 Jn 3:18-24 Jn 15:1-8
Monday:	1 Cor 15:1-8 Ps 19:2-5 Jn 14:6-14
Tuesday:	Acts 14:19-28 Ps 145:10-13, 21 Jn 14:27-31
Wednesday:	Acts 15:1-6 Ps 122:1-5 Jn 15:1-8
Thursday:	Acts 15:7-21 Ps 96:1-3, 10 Jn 15:9-11
Friday:	Acts 15:22-31 Ps 57:8-10, 12 Jn 15:12-17
Saturday:	Acts 16:1-10 Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5 Jn 15:18-21
Sunday:	Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 Ps 98:1-4 1 Jn 4:7-10 Jn 15:9-17

Eucharistic Exposition

The Blessed Sacrament, the very presence of Christ’s body and blood in the Eucharist, is reserved in the tabernacle of the Blessed Sacrament Chapel to the east of the main sanctuary. At all hours the Cathedral is open, people may be found praying there before the Lord “face to face.” **Each Saturday afternoon, beginning at 3:30 p.m., the Eucharist is displayed for prayer and adoration in public exposition in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel for a holy hour.** Following this holy hour, the Evening Prayer of the Church with Benediction is celebrated.

Additionally, the Blessed Sacrament is displayed for public adoration and prayer on the First Friday of the month. First Friday Adoration begins at approximately 8:30 a.m., following the completion of the 8:00 a.m. Mass, and concludes with Benediction at 11:45 a.m. Our next First Friday Adoration will be held **Friday, May 7**.



Midweek Music Series

On the first Wednesday of each month, the Cathedral presents a "Midweek Music" organ recital. **Our next organ recital is scheduled for Wednesday, May 5, at 4:00 p.m..**

These recitals feature 20-30 minutes of music on our magnificent Cathedral organ. We invite you to join us online or in-person. Please note that the wearing of masks and other social distancing guidelines remain in effect for in-person attendance.

*Cathedral Pro-Life Ministry
presents*

Mother's Day Rose Sale

Single Stem Roses, \$3 each

(Cash or Check Only)

All proceeds to benefit Birthright

*Saturday, May 8
5 pm Mass*

*Sunday, May 9
8am, 10am, and 12noon Masses*

Cathedral Basilica, Front Plaza

Mother's Day Rose Sale

The Cathedral Pro-Life Ministry will be selling roses to benefit Birthright on Mothers' Day weekend, **May 8-9**. Volunteers will be available on the front plaza of the Cathedral before and after the 5pm Mass on Saturday, and for each of the morning Masses on Sunday (8 am, 10am, and noon). Roses will sell for \$3 per stem (cash or check only), with all revenue being donated to Birthright.

Walk-up sales will be available at a table near the front steps of the Cathedral, but if you would like to reserve a rose, please contact the Pro-Life Ministry chairperson at bryankirchoff@att.net.



STEWARDSHIP ALIVE!

For the Poor

Today, and on the first Sunday of every month, the Cathedral Parish collects foodstuffs and canned goods for delivery to local food pantries. Please place donations in the baskets near the sanctuary at the side aisles. Thank you for your generosity!

Eyeglass Drive

Today, and on the first Sunday of every month, "The Respectacle Project", an eyeglass recycling program, is accepting donations of quality used eyeglasses. Please place donations in the baskets near the sanctuary at the side aisles. Thank you!

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, May 6**. Our "First Thursday" gathering begins with a Holy Hour in the church at 5:30 pm (*enter through the west door by the playground*), followed by Mass at 6:30 pm, and concludes with a dinner at 7:00 pm. Please join us, in full or in part, to deepen your relationship with Christ and with one another. For more info, please e-mail AnimaChristiStL@gmail.com.

Men of the Cathedral

It is with joy that the Men of the Cathedral will resume Adoration on **Tuesday, May 25, 2021**.

Due to Covid 19 restrictions, Adoration will be moved from the Blessed Sacrament Chapel to the main nave of the Cathedral and social distancing practices will be followed. Adoration will begin at 6:00 PM and last one hour. Dinner will be served in Boland Hall immediately after Adoration. An offering of \$20 is suggested. Please RSVP to Michael Weisbrod at michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org or call 314-918-2893.

We look forward to welcoming you back and encourage you to invite your friends and family.

Weekly Thoughts on Giving

"Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth." - 1 Jn 3:18

Regarding our Catholic faith, do you "walk the talk?" Do your actions reflect what it means to be a good disciple? Are you an active participant at Sunday Mass? Are you joyful when participating in parish ministry? Do you give gratefully and generously with your financial support to your parish and other Church needs? If not, it's not too late to start!

St. Patrick Casserole Program

Casseroles and other offerings collected by volunteers of the St. Patrick Casserole Program provides one week of dinners for the Women's Shelter, and one night of dinners for the Men's Alumni Club.

Cathedral casserole organizers will host our next "touchless" drop-off in the parish parking lot on Thursday, May 13, from 1:00 –2:00 p.m. Please contact Skip or Nicki Batchelor at 916-834-4843 for additional information.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR THE WEEKEND OF 04/25/2021

Offertory	\$13,568.00
Loose	2,945.00
Landscaping, Maintenance, SVdP	501.00
Holy Land/Good Friday & Easter Offering	115.00
Priest Retirement Fund	30.00
OnLine Giving	4,010.00

You Can Help Carry the Burden

Our Parish is blessed with significant demographic diversity. While many of us live comfortably, a significant number within our Parish boundaries are not nearly so fortunate. **The Poor Box**, located near the main aisle in the rear of the church, is the primary source of funding for the assistance provided by the Cathedral Chapter of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Any help you can give is greatly appreciated.



A Joyful Announcement

Congratulations to **Reverend Mr. Donald Morris**, who was ordained a transitional deacon this weekend by Archbishop Rozanski. Deacon Morris will soon be entering his final year of studies before his ordination to the priesthood next spring.

Please keep him and all of the newly ordained in your prayers.

Catholic Radio

Easter is more than just one day on the calendar. It is an entire season, 50 days of rejoicing in the Resurrection of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. You can always count on Covenant Network to present the very best in Catholic programming to keep you focused with inspirational and devotional programming. Tune in to KHOJ (AM 1460 or 92.7 FM) on the radio, or listen on the Covenant Network app on your phone or on our website: OurCatholicRadio.org.

May is Mary's Month

In a longstanding tradition of the Church, May has been a time for attention to our devotion to Mary, our Blessed Mother. Because of Jesus' words from the Cross, "Son, behold your Mother," we know that it is His intention that we learn faith from the mind, heart, and hands of Mary. You are encouraged to look at the example, intercession, and encouragement Mary offers us in living for Christ. Especially this month, praying the rosary is a particularly appropriate daily devotion.

Cathedral Tours

Small tours of our beautiful church are once again being offered at various times *by appointment* 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.

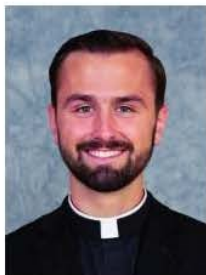
Priesthood Ordination Mass

Archdiocese of St. Louis

Saturday, May 29, 2021



Reverend Mr.
Charles Archer



Reverend Mr.
Mitchell Baer



Reverend Mr.
Joseph Detwiler



Reverend Mr.
Edward Godefroid



Reverend Mr.
Jonathan Ruzicka



Reverend Mr.
Ryan Truss



THY WILL BE DONE

Your generous support of the *Annual Catholic Appeal* will help bring God's abundant love to those we serve every day, as together we proclaim with one voice, *Thy Will Be Done*.

Please consider a gift today.



The True Vine

When God calls us to do His will, we as Catholics eagerly accept. "I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people." (Psalm 116:14) But too often, our eagerness can lead us to seek more than listen. The Good Shepherd leads His flock to where they are best served. Opportunities surround us, but we must open our hearts to His guidance. We also must understand that small acts of mercy and love may seem inconsequential, but when done collectively, we can fill the entire world with God's love by serving as one, united Church.

In John 15:1-8, Jesus said to His disciples: "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so it bears more fruit...Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me." We seek to perform His will, and in doing so we grow within our faith and our collective faith shines upon the world, showing the Lord's mercy to all those who seek it.

And so, united as one Church, eager to follow God's will, our support of the Appeal allows us to provide His love and mercy to so many when they need it most. The outreach and support provided by our ministries has been needed more than ever during the difficult times we've experienced over the last year. But thanks to your generosity, the Appeal was able to bring hope and healing to our entire community by providing funding that helped our parishes reopen for public worship and keep us united with our faith. Through our collective support of the Annual Catholic Appeal, we can proclaim with one voice, **Thy Will Be Done**.

Pledge information for this year's appeal was recently mailed to parishioners. You are asked to prayerfully consider a pledge. If you did not receive a mailing, or if you have questions, you are encouraged to call the parish office at 314-373-8202. Or, if you prefer, take a few minutes and watch the ACA video at www.archstl.org/aca and make a pledge online.

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS MAY 8-9, 2021**

Extraordinary Ministers	Lectors	Ministers of Care	Servers	Ushers
5:00 p.m. (Sat)	No Cup Ministers At Any Mass This Weekend	Sandy Dubuque Barb Murray	Sacristan	Jerry Pastore Matt Colvin Robert Sutter
8:00 am		Patricia Rice Mary Ann Cheng	Doug Weber Kevin Mattingly	Dave Meyer Tom Doyle Frank Snyder
10:00 am		Sr. Marysia Weber Alisa Goessling	Simon Blanner JP Blanner Matthew Brewer Joseph Brewer Michael Brewer	Victor Stuart Barb Murray Susan Metheny Jerry Danekas
12 Noon		Vito Alu Kathleen Schmitz	Henry Foppe Gus Foppe George Foppe	Willie Stevens Vito Alu Lawanda Reason Barb Murray
5:00 pm		Christina Stankey John Stith	Sacristan	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 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 Voegeli 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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