



THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD MAY 16, 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.

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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 16– The Ascension of the Lord

8:00 a.m. - For the Parish Family

10:00 a.m. - Mark Wiskow

12:00 p.m. - Jean Gorham

5:00 p.m. - Nick Theiss

Mon., May 17– Easter Weekday

7:00 a.m. - Teresa and Francis Farrow & Family

8:00 a.m. - Gerald Marie Phung N. Quan

12:05 p.m. - Charles E. Whitten

Tues., May 18-St. John I

7:00 a.m. - Anne Duval

8:00 a.m. - Tim & Christy Millsap

12:05 p.m. - Andrew Edwards Rice

Wed., May 19- Easter Weekday

7:00 a.m. - Ada Banks

8:00 a.m. - Mike Harris III

12:05 p.m. - Kathy McLaughlin

Thur., May 20-St. Bernardine of Siena

7:00 a.m. - Anne Marie Nguyen K. Nhuong

8:00 a.m. - Ann Marchibroda

12:05 p.m. - Emily Schaper

Fri., May 21–St. Christopher Magallanes & Companions

7:00 a.m. - Susan Shea

8:00 a.m. - Betty Banstetter

12:05 p.m. - Donn & Kelli Mitchell

Sat., May 22-St. Rita of Cascia

8:00 p.m. - Ann Szabo

5:00 p.m. - Denise Trumper Hayes

Sun., May 23– Pentecost Sunday

8:00 a.m. - Maximo Alacar

10:00 a.m. - For the Parish Family

12:00 p.m. - Clare Cribbin

5:00 p.m. - Nick Theiss



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FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Parishioners,

This past week we hosted the funeral for Office Rashard Lovelace of the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department. Rashard died too young at the age of 31. He is survived by his wife of 2 years and three very young children, and a large extended family. I would kindly ask you to remember him and his family in your prayers as they endure this great loss.

In scripture, as Jesus was about to die, he speaks to Mary and his beloved disciple John: "Woman, behold your son." Then he says to John, "Behold your Mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his home. (John 19:26-27). St. John takes Mary into his home, or into his care, as some translations put it, and from this time Jesus gives Mary to us as our mother and us to her as her children.

Mary is a great model and example for us and especially for parents who are watched by their children as their behavior is observed. Certainly, through her "yes" to the angel consenting God's plan, Mary is a great model of faith and trust in God. She believed and allowed God to work through her to change the course of human history. Mary said "yes" to the unknown and opened her very being to God's work in her life.

This was a life not free of pain and sorrow, as the seven sorrows of Mary attest. Woman of faith and courage that she was, she was able to face and persevere through these trials. Fr. Bertran Buby, SM, refers to Mary's "listening heart" in his writings. This is a great description of Mary's openness to God and how she reflected on the challenges of life in the context of discerning God's will.

So often in our lives, we feel the need to respond and react immediately without following the model Mary has given us through her "listening heart." All we have to do is take a look at various social media postings that display negative and destructive use of language, and we see us at our worst.

As we continue through the month of May and celebrate and honor Mary and her role in our faith history, we can also take time to reflect on how she is a model for us. Mary gives us a great example and witness of how to reflect upon and act on the movement of God in our lives

Monsignor Henry Breier

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ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

The Holy Spirit is like an internal compass that orients us to God's grace

When we navigate by the invisible but real grace of the Holy Spirit, we become most truly ourselves in Christ

ARCHBISHOP MITCHELL ROZANSKI

SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

"We have never even heard that there is a Holy Spirit."

This is what the disciples in Ephesus told St. Paul, when he asked them whether they had received the Holy Spirit. They believed in Jesus, but they only knew the baptism of John. Something important was missing in their lives!

I sometimes wonder if that describes a lot of us — not in terms of what we believe, but in terms of how we act. Do we conduct our daily lives as though "we have never even heard that there is a Holy Spirit"?

All week long, as we prepare for Pentecost, we hear the "farewell discourse" of Jesus. During His earthly life, the disciples navigated their daily lives by the external, physical presence of Jesus. At the Ascension, He will stop being present to them that way. When He sends the Holy Spirit, they'll have to learn to navigate their daily lives by the internal, invisible presence of the Spirit.

That's true for us as well. And it's worth pondering how that internal navigation works.

Most of us have become so used to navigating by the GPS on our phones and in our cars that we've forgotten what it means to navigate by a compass — to have an instrument that, through an invisible but real force, can point us to true north. Navigating by a compass is very like what happens when we navigate our daily lives by the invisible but real grace of the Holy Spirit.

This is where our knowledge of the gifts and fruits of the Spirit becomes really important. The gifts and fruits are not just an abstract list to memorize — a hoop to jump through on the way to Confirmation. We memorize them because they're meant to be a diagnostic and navigational tool, an internal compass that orients our daily lives according to God's invisible grace.

Think of the works of the flesh that are listed by St. Paul in Galatians 5:19-21: "immorality, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, hatreds, rivalry, jealousy, outbursts of fury, acts of selfishness, dissensions, factions, occasions of envy, drinking bouts, orgies, and the like." Just on a human level, those are a good navigational and diagnostic tool. If our life is characterized by these, we're off course.

The fruits of the Holy Spirit, which he lists next (Galatians 5:22-23), are also a good diagnostic and navigational tool: "love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control." When we learn to orient our lives by these fruits, we're stepping beyond simple human wisdom. We're beginning to navigate by the invisible and interior grace of the Holy Spirit. We can — and we need to — do that more deliberately.

St. Cyril of Jerusalem says that the Holy Spirit's work in each person is like the work of water in different plants: it helps each to become itself more fully and beautifully. When we learn to navigate our daily lives by the invisible but real grace of the Holy Spirit, we become most truly ourselves in Christ, fulfill God's designs for our lives, and enrich the lives of others. If, instead, we conduct our daily lives as though "we have never even heard that there is a Holy Spirit" we're left to navigate by our own powers — which always has, and always will, make a mess of things.

Come, Holy Spirit!

Note: this column appeared in the St. Louis Review for May 17-May 23 and may be read in the print edition or at https://bit.ly/35ejOXr.



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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 Dorothy Quinn
Wayne Eultgen Resy Sanchez
Breanna Evans Mickey Shears
Joel Evans Richelle Weisbrod
Lenore Molloy Mary Anne Work
Janice Noack Betty Ytzaina

A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

"Everyone is in need of reassurance, and if we, who have touched 'the Word of life' (1 Jn 1:1) do not give it, who will? How beautiful it is to be Christians who offer consolation, who bear the burdens of others and who offer encouragement: messengers of life in a time of death!"

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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**, **June 19**.

Catholic Radio

Covenant Network offers informative and inspiring Catholic radio programming. In addition to daily Mass, we also pray the Rosary, the Regina Caeli, the Divine Mercy Chaplet and other prayers. You will find live call-in shows, question and answer programs about Catholic teaching, music, as well as faith-nourishing programs on Scripture, saints, and Church history. You can listen on the radio, the Covenant Network app on your phone or on our website Our-Catholic Radio.org. Tune in on AM 1460 or 92.7 FM and find out how Catholic radio will change your life.

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 16, 2021 through May 23, 2021

Sunday: Acts 1:1-11 Ps 47:2-3, 6-9 Eph 1:17-23

(or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13)

Mk 16:15-20

Monday: Acts 19:1-8 Ps 68:2-5, 6-7 Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27 Ps 68:10-11, 20-21

Jn 17:1-11

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38 Ps 68:29-30, 33-36

Jn 17:11-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11 Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11

Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13-21 Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20

Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31 Ps 11:4-5, 7

Jn 21:20-25

Sunday: Acts 2:1-11 Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34

1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13 **or** Gal 5:16-25 Jn 20:19-23 **or** Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

The Ascension Evangelization

All of the Christian faithful, by virtue of their Baptism, are called by God to spread the Good News. Evangelization is not some exclusive mission that God has entrusted to a select few. Today we celebrate Christ's Ascension to the right hand of the Father; Christ has made captive our captivity (Ephesians 4:8). He calls us to walk in the freedom of the children of God, who joyfully announce to others the salvation He has won for us. Evangelization does not have to entail mission trips to foreign lands. It starts within our own minds and hearts. We can seek to learn more about our Catholic Faith and seek opportunities for catechesis and instruction. We can pray for guidance from the Holy Spirit each day. We can share the beautiful encounter we have had with the Lord with others through simple acts of charity and kindness. God is with us always!

Visit archstl.org/dynamic for more info.

The First Real Novena

The days between Ascension Thursday and Pentecost Sunday form the original novena in the life of the Church. The Scriptures state: "the apostles and the Lord's own Mother with them" (Acts 1:14) waited in prayer and vigil for the promised gift of the Holy Spirit. In the liturgical calendar of the Church the days between Ascension and Pentecost are a time of special prayer for the gifts of the Spirit. The Gospel begins with the description of the Holy Spirit overshadowing Mary and so she conceives Christ Himself within her very flesh. Jesus begins His public ministry when at His baptism the Holy Spirit descends upon Him. On the first Easter Jesus breathes on His apostles, empowering them to do what only God can do: forgive sin. And the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles at Pentecost inaugurates the Church and our God-given mission: everyone has a personal vocation from God. All are encouraged to attend daily Mass from the traditional date of the feast of the Ascension (May 13, 2021) until the feast of Pentecost (May 23, 2021).

Infant Baptism

According to the mind of the Church, parents are obliged to see that infants are baptized within the first weeks after birth. As soon as possible after the birth, or even before it, parents should request the sacrament for their child and are to be properly instructed in preparation for it. Godparents are also encouraged to attend baptismal preparation before the child is born. If you are a **registered parishioner** who is or is about to become a parent or godparent, contact Laura Voegelie at 314-373-8202 to schedule a baptism or to register for baptismal preparation class.

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.

Catholic Communications Campaign

The special collection for the 2021 Catholic Communications Campaign is this weekend, May 15-16, and coincides with World Communications Day. Half of all proceeds from this collection stays right here in our home diocese, providing much-needed support for the archdiocesan Office of Communications and Planning. The Office of Communications and Planning is made up of industry professionals offering a wide array of services to the various offices, ministries, parishes and schools of the archdiocese, helping our Church tell the stories of our vibrant faith communities--and of the dedicated individuals who shepherd and serve us.

Help the Office of Communications evolve and keep sharing the "good news" in the constantly changing digital world. Thank you in advance for your generosity to the Catholic Communications Campaign. You can give by using the envelopes in your monthly packet or online at archstl.org/CCC, where you can see examples of the work the Communications office has done.

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.

Early Alert for the Holiday

On Monday, May 31, our nation honors all men and women who have given their lives in the defense of our national freedoms. It seems appropriate for Catholics to remember these men and women by joining together in the celebration of the Lord, "who laid down His life that we may be free from sin & death."

Join us for Mass at **8:00 a.m.** on Memorial Day.

STEWARDSHIP ALIVE!

St. Vincent de Paul Membership

Members of the Cathedral St. Vincent de Paul Society meet in the Rectory every Monday evening at 7:30 p.m. Members are committed to aiding fellow parishioners and neighbors with necessities such as food, clothing, utilities, and rent—all in the context of the Christian imperative. If interested in becoming a member or in learning more about the Society and our Conference, please leave a message on the SVDP HotLine at 314-373-8288.

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 20**. 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 additional information, please e-mail the group at **AnimaChristiStL@gmail.com**.

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.

Offertory Collection for The Weekend of 05/09/2021					
Offertory	\$11,502.00				
Loose	3,105.00				
Landscaping, Maintenance, Education	383.00				
Holy Land & Easter Offering	23.00				
Priest Retirement Fund	66.00				
Home Missions, Communications	100.00				
OnLine Giving	3,840.00				

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.

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, June 4.

Weekly Thoughts on Giving

"Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God." – 1 Jn 4:15

How strong is your faith? When you have an opportunity to either defend or clarify a question about our Catholic faith, do you do it? Or, do you remain silent so that others don't think you are weird? Pray for the courage to be strong in all circumstances and to joyfully share your witness with others.

Hearing His Call

Every baptized person has a call directly from the Lord to His service. Our discipleship is a vocation to holiness and service of the Lord. Some of the baptized receive another call, one to the specific vocation of ordained priesthood or vowed religious life. Their response to that vocational invitation requires generosity and a life long commitment. Many young people are stepping forward to respond positively to that invitation; and many more are needed. For all of them, the support of family, friends, and fellow Catholics is needed. Prayer in support of young people's vocational response is an integral and necessary component of the daily regimen of prayer for each and every Catholic, a major part of discipleship for all.

Please pray our young people hear their call!

Welcome to FORMED

Parishioners of the Cathedral Basilica have access to an exciting and educational online platform: **FORMED.org**. With FORMED, parishioners have 24/7 access to the truth, beauty, and meaning of the Catholic Faith anytime, anywhere - on your computer, tablet, or smartphone. Find books, movies, and audio from inspiring teaching from renowned speakers, info on Marriage Prep and Enrichment, RCIA, Scripture Study, Sacrament Preparation, Small Group Teen Discipleship, and much more! And it's so easy:

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- Create a personal account with your own unique user name/email and password, then simply enjoy the best Catholic content... all in one place!



Livestream the Ordination Mass from our website: cathedralstl.org/livestream, from the Cathedral Facebook Page, or on the Cathedral Basilica's YouTube channel.



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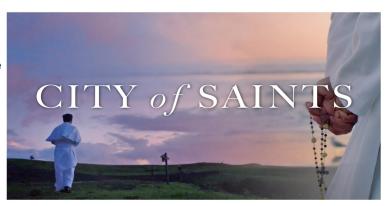
PICK OF THE WEEK

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MATCH

CITY OF SAINTS

In this series, award-winning director Charles Francis Kinnane tells the true stories of God's grace through the ministries of the Norbertine Fathers of St. Michael's Abbey. This influential Catholic film series has inspired over 1.2 million people worldwide.





LECTIO: EUCHARIST WITH DR. BRANT PITRE

"The Lamb of God," "The Bread of Life," "The Body and the Blood of Christ"—these are phrases we know from the Mass. But do we understand what they mean in the greater context of Church teaching? In this program, discover firsthand how Christ's Body and Blood are an integral part of God's plan for our salvation.

LEARN

ISTEN

THE FOUR LAST THINGS: DEATH, JUDGEMENT, HEAVEN, HELL BY FR. MIKE SCHMITZ

In this exceptional presentation, Fr. Mike tackles four topics that many of us understandably struggle with: death, judgement, Heaven, and Hell. As you listen to this talk, you'll be reminded that God wants to welcome you into Heaven, your true home!



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Liturgical Ministers May 22-23, 2021						
	Extraordinary Ministers	Lectors	Ministers of Care	Servers	Ushers	
5:00 p.m. (Sat)	No Cup Ministers At Any Mass This Weekend	George Capps Rachel Kondro		Sacristan	Jerry Pastore Matt Colvin Robert Sutter	
8:00 am		Pat Harper Sandy Doyle		Doug Weber Kevin Mattingly	Dave Meyer Tom Doyle Frank Snyder	
10:00 am		Alisa Goessling Sr. Maria Howell		George Lawrence Simon Blanner JP Blanner	Victor Stuart Barb Murray Susan Metheny Jerry Danekas	
12 Noon		Sandy Dubuque Vito Alu		Matthew Brewer Joseph Brewer Michael Brewer	Willie Stevens Vito Alu Lawanda Reason Barb Murray	
5:00 pm		Mary Ann Cheng David Parr		Brak Welby Luke 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 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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