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. 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 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

Tours
314.373.8205

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 directed to the rectory by calling 314-373-8202.

Cathedral Tours
Tours of our beautiful church 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 siron@cathedralstl.org
Dear Parishioners,

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
Placing ourselves fully into God’s hands

Surrendering parish life to God may not seem easy, but it’s beautiful

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

When St. Paul first traveled to Ephesus, he asked the people there if they had received the Holy Spirit. They answered: “We have never even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.” The reaction of many people to our recent Evangelization 101 workshops was similar: “We’ve never heard this before!”

Part of people’s surprise is rooted in disappointment: “This isn’t complicated. Why have we never heard it before?” Part of their surprise is rooted in delight: “We can do this!” Part of their surprise is rooted in hope: “This could be a game changer for parish life.”

That’s exactly my hope as we prepare to celebrate Pentecost: that this Pentecost — including the announcement of the parish plans for All Things New — will be the beginning of a renewal of parish life in the Archdiocese of St. Louis.

Here’s another thing about Paul’s visit to Ephesus: The Acts of the Apostles tells us that, when Paul prayed for them and the Holy Spirit fell upon them, “altogether there were about 12 men.” In other words, it’s OK for things to start small! We held 18 Evangelization 101 workshops, which were attended by more than 2,000 people. I pray that this is just a small beginning to something that will blossom in the coming years — as it did for the early Church in Ephesus. In addition to hearing about the beginning of Paul’s visit to Ephesus this week, we also hear about his departure three months later. He left Ephesus for Jerusalem and would eventually leave Jerusalem for Rome, where he would win the martyr’s crown.

Two features of Paul’s departure can be helpful for us this week as we prepare for the announcement of the final plan for parishes.

First is a simple human fact: Saying goodbye is a regular feature of our lives. People graduate. People come and go from work. People die. To grow in wisdom requires that we become skillful at saying goodbye. The Christian conviction that life doesn’t end with death, but changes, can help us acquire this wisdom — not only for individual life, but for parish life.

Second is the pattern of surrender. As St. Paul departed Ephesus for Jerusalem and Rome, he surrendered himself totally to God. He could move on with peace because he knew he was following the pattern of Jesus’ dying and rising.

Many of us, in our individual lives, know what that surrender is like. In one way or another, we’ve placed our lives totally in the hands of God and have experienced some dying and rising ourselves.

But, again, this pattern of surrender is just as applicable to parish life as it is to any individual life. It’s a beautiful thing to follow Jesus and surrender our parish life to God — not easy, but beautiful!

Can we learn to die and rise in parish life, just as many of us have learned to do in our individual lives? That will be a crucial question for us in the coming months.

Note: This column appeared in the St. Louis Review for May 20 & 21 and may be read in the print edition or at https://it.ly/35eIOXr
Sacrament of Baptism

Congratulations to Kyrill Aleksandrovich
Pshichenko son of Aleksandr & Briana
Pshichenko baptized in Christ on Sunday, May 14, 2023 here at the Cathedral Basilica.

May the blessing of the Lord be always upon him, and may God watch over and cherish all children whom He has blessed with the grace of Baptism.

The Gospel of the Lord

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had ordered them. When they saw him they worshipped, but they doubted. Then Jesus approached and said to them,

“All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of age.”

Matthew 28:16-20
The Ascension of the Lord

May 21, 2023

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Men of the Cathedral

May Adoration

The MEN OF THE CATHEDRAL cordially invite all parishioners and visitors to join them with Adoration of the Holy Eucharist on Tuesday, May 30th at 6 PM.

What a great way to draw ourselves closer to Christ and our Eternal Home in Heaven as we prepare for our summer activities. Please consider taking this opportunity for personal prayer and meditation.

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 Holy Hour.

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 by Monday, May 29th.

Women of the Cathedral

Women of the Cathedral– June 10, 2023
(Second Saturday in June)

Dear Ladies of the Cathedral Parish,

Come grow in faith and fellowship with other ladies in the parish at the monthly gatherings of the Women of the Cathedral.

Our next gathering is on Saturday, June 10, 2023. Note: This is the week after our usual first Saturday gathering date due to a scheduling conflict. We will begin with 8am Mass in the Cathedral, and then go to Boland Hall for light breakfast. After brief introductions and social time, an informative program is led by Msgr. Mikesch, our spiritual director, with closing prayer at 10am. An ongoing highlight is “Ask Msgr. Mikesch Time.”

To learn more and RSVP for breakfast, contact Barbara Murray at 314-974-6900 or email murraybj@swbell.net by June 7, 2023. Please send your questions for “Ask Msgr. Time” when you RSVP.

The Great Commission

Go, therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church, states that the Sacrament of Confirmation: “gives us a special strength of the Holy Spirit to spread and defend the faith by word and action as true witnesses of Christ, to confess the name of Christ boldly, and never be ashamed of the Cross” (CCC 1303).

The Great Commission is not restricted to the eleven disciples who were present at Jesus’ Ascension, rather we are all called to share the news of Christ and continue His ministry on earth. In other words, keep the faith but not to yourself!
A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

“The Lord says to us, ‘Do not fear: I am with you’ (Isaiah 41:10). He speaks these words not as one who merely observes our pain, but as one who experienced immense suffering. And the very wounds that bear witness to his suffering indicate the essence of our identity and worth: we are loved by God. Reflecting on the healed wounds of the Risen Christ, we see that even our most difficult trials can be the place where God manifests his victory. He makes all things beautiful. He makes all things new.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, “Be Not Afraid”

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 24
“Suffered Under Pontius Pilate, Part II”

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 21, 2023 through May 28, 2023


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
Jennifer Jaswal
Edwin Ayala Padilla
Pauline Price
David Washington
Dorothy Quinn
Mary Leah Kovarik
Janetta Williams
Kelvin Ayala Reyes

Mary Riley
Vivian Rachel Rossen
Resy Sanchez
Mickey Shears
Mary Anne Work
Betty Ytzaina
Sharon Kay Moore
Duric Shiebler
Therese Terri Svehla
Deborah Lee
Rural Parish Clinic

Rural Parish Clinic of The Archdiocese of St. Louis provides mobile medical and dental care in various locations at no cost for income-qualifying adults with no insurance. The clinics are open to persons of all faiths.

Rural Parish Clinic is in need of everyday items to help serve their clients. Items include: Shampoo, conditioner, hair brushes, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, floss, denture care products, razors, shave cream, chapstick, bandaids, antibiotic ointment, pill splitters, pill reminder boxes, arthritis cream/gel, feminine care products, socks, t-shirts, underwear, etc.

Walmart $10/$20 gift cards are needed to help with the rising costs of prescription medication.

Please mail or drop off gift cards/monetary gifts at the parish rectory. Do not leave them in the collection box.

A marked collection box for personal items is available in the vestibule.

Questions: contact Suzanne Jeffrey at suzbjef@netzero.com or call 314-277-5760.

Catholic Charities

Queen of Peace Center (QOP) is a ministry of Catholic Charities that provides family-centered care for women with substance-use disorders, their families, and at-risk youth through treatment, prevention and education, and housing.

QOP addresses the full continuum of needs for families impacted by substance use and provides services that give women and children the best chance for success.

Volunteers are needed to organize the QOP donation closet and administration help with their upcoming golf tournament on July 17th.

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, May 25th. 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

“I am praying for them…” JOHN 17:9

Prayer is the foundation of our Faith and the foundation of Stewardship. Prayer is always the first best option in any situation - not just our last resort. Pray for friends and family, and especially for those that don’t treat you very well. Pray to give praise, to thank, and to ask God for help. Pray to see what God wants you to do with the gifts He has given you. Teach others how to pray. It has been said that teaching someone how to pray is the best gift you can give someone.
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) 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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