**CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF SAINT LOUIS**

**Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
**June 25, 2023**

- **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

Sun. June 25th - Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. Ben Janson
10:00 a.m. Peter Montovani
12:00 p.m. Charles Roy Wagner
5:00 p.m. Nick Theiss

Mon. June 26th - Weekday
7:00 a.m. Teresa & Francis Farrow & Family
8:00 a.m. Joseph & Kathryn Darpel
12:05 p.m. Ella Guven

Tues. June 27th - St. Cyril of Alexandria
7:00 a.m. Lewis Smith
8:00 a.m. Marcella Leskanich
12:05 p.m. Sean Patrick Flachs

Wed. June 28th - St. Irenaeus
7:00 a.m. Ellen Erdahl
8:00 a.m. James Joseph Walther
12:05 p.m. Randy Brown

Thur. June 29th - Sts. Peter & Paul
7:00 a.m. Natalia Mahlay
8:00 p.m. Ben
12:05 p.m. Zoe Dust’s Intentions

Fri. June 30th - The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church
7:00 a.m. Timothy W. Fox, Sr.
8:00 a.m. Joseph & Kathryn Darpel
12:05 p.m. Mary Frace Guyol

Sat. July 1st - St. Junipero Serra
8:00 a.m. Rev. Msgr. Daruisz Zielonka
5:00 p.m. Kit Martiny

Sun. July 2nd - Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. Karen Dietz
10:00 a.m. Clayton Wasenius
12:00 p.m. Sr. John Antonito Miller
5:00 p.m. Nick Theiss
Dear Parishioners,

The crew of the John Tiedemann company is making great progress on the cleaning of the Baldachino. The large life apparatus has now been moved to the congregation of the sanctuary to begin the cleaning of the font side of the Baldachino. Their work is impressive, and I hope that you were able to see the Fox 2 News report from this past Tuesday. If not just visit our website and click on communications.

Today’s gospel is a continuation of the instructions that Jesus gave to the twelve apostles as he sent them out to go and proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom of God. The values of the Kingdom are different from the values of the world, so much so that people tend to reject the message and turn against the messengers. Tradition has it that almost all the apostles died the violent death of martyrdom.

Some of them ended up being crucified on the cross, like Peter and Andrew; beheaded, like James and Paul; flayed alive, like Bartholomew; or thrown into a cauldron of boiling oil, like John. It was natural, therefore, for the apostles to fear as Jesus sent them out to evangelize a hostile world. Yielding this fear would make them abandon the dangerous mission to save their skin. So Jesus instructs them in today’s gospel on how to overcome this crippling fear. The key is to look unto Jesus as their hero and model. As Jesus said earlier in this discourse, “A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master” (Matthew 10:24).

The gospel identifies two fears that the apostles had: fear of false accusation and conviction, and fear of bodily harm and death. In either case Jesus teaches them that the way to overcome the fear is by keeping one’s mind focused not on the here-and-now but on the coming kingdom of God. “So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known” (verse 26).

Monsignor Henry Breier
Like Abraham, we have faith in God even when we can’t see the outcomes

Abraham, who was well established when God called him, can be an example for us in All Things New

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Seventy-five. Ninety-nine. One hundred.

No, I’m not developing a new form of counting. I’m marking key points in the life of Abraham.

At the age of 75, Abram was called by God to set off for a new land. And, as Scripture notes: “Abram was very rich in livestock, silver and gold.” In other words, he was living comfortably at the time and could have gone on that way!

At 99, Abram was given two things: 1) a new name, Abraham, meaning “the father of many nations,” and 2) circumcision, as a sign of the covenant with God.

At 100, Abraham’s son Isaac was born.

Make what you want of biblical chronologies, this much is clear: Abraham was well established in life when he was asked to make some major changes. Thankfully, for us, he didn’t consider himself too old to set off on a new adventure.

I think there’s wisdom in that for us as we implement parish changes. Some parishes are merging. Some, like Abram, might be taking on a new name. Some are remaining as they were, but need to find a new sense of vitality. Whatever our situation, all of us can look to Abraham and find inspiration for what it means to set off on a new adventure of faith when we thought we were already well established.

Here’s another important point: Abraham couldn’t possibly have known, on a human level, how the promises God made to him would be fulfilled. God promised that his descendants would be a great nation; the Davidic kingship wouldn’t come until 800 years later. Point by point, Abraham didn’t see the promises fulfilled in his own lifetime, and he could scarcely have guessed how they would come about. But, in the “not seeing” and “not knowing,” he trusted that God could and would bring about the fulfillment in His own time and in His own way. As Scripture says: “Abraham put his faith in the Lord, who credited it to him as an act of righteousness.”

I think that’s a good lesson for us as we embark on a new evangelization. We can’t tell what the new evangelization will bring. But we do know that the Holy Spirit is calling for it. The question is: Will we put our faith in the Lord, even when we can’t see the outcomes?

Think of it this way: A flower doesn’t look like a seed. But we can plant the seed, water it and patiently wait for it to grow. That’s what we’re asked to do these days: plant the seed, and count on God to give the growth.

We celebrate the feast day of Sts. Peter and Paul this week (June 29). Like Abraham, they were well established in life when they were called to embark on a new adventure of faith. Like Abraham, they couldn’t have foreseen all that this new adventure would involve. Thankfully, for us, they trusted the Lord who called them. Great things happened for us because of their faith. Let’s pay that forward.

Note: This column appeared in the St. Louis Review for June 24 & 25 and may be read in the print edition or at https://it.ly/35qjOXr
The Gospel of the Lord

Jesus said to the Twelve:
“Fear no one.
Nothing has been concealed that will not be 
revealed, nor secret that will not be known.
What I say to you in the darkness, speak in the 
light;
And do not be afraid of those who kill the body
But cannot kill the soul;
rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy Both soul and body in Gehenna.
Are not two sparrows sold for one small coin?
Yet not one of them falls to the ground
without your Father’s knowledge.
Even all the hairs of your head are counted.
So do not be afraid; you are worth more than 
many sparrows.
Everyone who acknowledges me before others
I will acknowledge before my heavenly 
Father.
But whoever denies me before others,
I will deny before my heavenly Father.

Matthew 10:26-33

Courage in the face of fear

The Gospel reading from Matthew addresses fear and courage in the context of proclaiming the message of Christ. Jesus reassures His Disciples not to fear those who oppose them but to trust in God’s providence and protection. This theme encourages believers to overcome fear and rely on the courage that comes from faith in God.

The Gospel reading further emphasizes the values that God places on each individual. Jesus affirms that God’s care extends even to the smallest details of His creation. This theme reminds believers of their worth in God’s eyes and reassures them of His intimate knowledge and care for them.

Cleaning of the Baldachino

As we conclude the third week of the cleaning project, the workers of John Tiedemann company have begun the cleaning of the four evangelists that adorn the top of the baldachino above each arch. The above photo shows the striking difference between the two statues. The statue of Matthew on the left is complete and shows the beautiful light colored Trani marble, while the statue of Mark on the right remains a much darker and discolored shade.

Questions have been raised about the cleaning method. The crew of John Tiedemann uses a gentle vacuum to remove as much dust as possible before employing the use of a very mild cleaning solution, that was tested thoroughly before beginning work on the baldachino, and a sponge or brush. All of the cleaning is done by hand.
God’s Care for Individuals

We read today’s Gospel in the context of last week’s Gospel in which Jesus sent the twelve disciples to proclaim the kingdom of heaven. In between last week’s reading and today’s reading, Jesus has predicted that the disciples will face difficulties in their mission. Many people will not receive them well, even within the land of Israel. Even family members will turn away from the disciples because of the disciples’ commitment to Jesus and the kingdom. Today’s Gospel offers the disciples consolation against this difficult truth.

This section of Matthew’s Gospel should be read in the context of Matthew’s intended audience, a Jewish-Christian community. The Gospel alludes to the dangers and persecutions that this community has most likely already faced and will continue to face. To reassure this community, Matthew recalls for them the encouraging words of Jesus that we read today.

In this Gospel passage, Jesus might be understood as putting suffering in perspective. The disciples of Jesus are called upon to keep their focus on God. Those who can harm the body do not have ultimate power; God does. Still persecution and suffering can not be avoided or prevented. But Jesus reassures his disciples that God knows and cares about what happens to his children.

We might not face the same type of persecution, but we do experience difficulties as we endeavor to live a Christian life. Sometimes we let the opinions of others prevent us from doing what we know to be right. We need the reminder that what God thinks about us is more important. We are reassured by the promise that God cares for us and protects us.

Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tomorrow, June 26th the Church celebrates the Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We believe that Jesus is truly God and truly human, and this feast of his grandparents is a testimony to that faith.

Joachim and Anne were the parents of Jesus’ mother, Mary. We don’t know many details about their lives because they are never mentioned in the New Testament. Everything we know about them comes down through tradition—the stories people told about them.

This is the “feast of grandparents.” It reminds grandparents of their responsibility to establish a tone for generations to come: They must make the traditions live and offer them as a promise to little children. But the feast has a message for the younger generation as well. It reminds the young that older people’s greater perspective, depth of experience, and appreciation of life’s profound rhythms are all part of a wisdom not to be taken lightly or ignored.

We honor Mary’s parents, Joachim and Anne, as saints. We celebrate their love for one another and for Mary which serves as an example to us of how God calls us to live. They also remind us to honor our own grandparents and to thank them for the blessings they have passed down to us in love.
Men of the Cathedral

The **Men of the Cathedral** invite you to join them for monthly adoration and dinner. The next meeting will be Tuesday, June 27th at 6 PM in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

The evening is a terrific way to thank God for all the blessings He has bestowed upon us and to enjoy the friendship and fellowship of other Cathedral parishioners and guests who are also seeking religious fulfillment.

Adoration begins at 6 PM, followed by dinner which will be a special treat! Gary Saettele has offered to provide a mid-summer BBQ! He will smoke the meat and sides will be provided. This wonderful dinner will be served at Boland Hall. All men are invited to attend the dinner.

Please RSVP to Michael Weisbrod at michael.weisbrod@rcfsstl.org or 314.918.2893 no later than Friday, June 23rd to ensure Gary has a good count for his treat! The suggested contribution is $20 per person at the door and includes dinner and beverages.

Everyone is invited and welcome to attend—men, women, parishioners, and guests! This is a joyous way to meet others and acknowledge the goodness of the Lord!

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Women of the Cathedral

**July 1, 2023**

Dear Ladies of the Cathedral Parish,

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

Our next gathering is on Saturday, **July 1, 2023**. We will begin with 8am Mass in the Cathedral, and then go to Boland Hall for a light breakfast. After brief introductions and social time, an informative program is led by Msgr. Mikesch, our spiritual director, with closing prayer at 10am. A highlight is “Ask Msgr. Mikesch Time.”

To learn more and to RSVP for breakfast, contact Barbara Murray at 314-974-6900 or email murraybj@swbell.net by June 28, 2023. Please send your questions for “Ask Msgr. Mikesch Time” when you RSVP.

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**June: The Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus**

June has traditionally been the month devoted to a special attention to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Every Cathedral household is encouraged to develop a familial devotion to the Sacred Heart. This is a significant effort to instill in each member of the parish a deeper devotion to the “love of the Son of God” who has embraced His cross for our salvation.
A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

“O God our Creator... we ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened; give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith.”

USCCB “Prayer for the Protection of Religious Liberty”

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
June 25, 2023 through July 2, 2023

Sunday: 94: Jer 20:10-13 Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35 Rom 5:12-15 Mt 10:26-33
Tuesday: 372: Gn 13:2, 5-18 Ps 15:2-4b, 5 My 7:6, 12-14
Wednesday: 373: Gn 15:1-12, 17-18 Ps 105:1-4, 6-9 Mt 7:15-20
Friday: 375: Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22 Ps 128:1-5 Mt 8:1-4
Saturday: 378: Gn 18:1-15(Ps) Lk 1:46-50, 53-55 Mt 8:5-17
Sunday: 97: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a Ps 89:2-3, 16-19 Rom 6:3-4, 8-11 Mt 10:37-42

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.

Roxanne Ali         Mary Riley
Linda Baldwin       Vivian Rachel Rossen
Janice Bashford     Resy Sanchez
Barbara Beckemeyer  Mickey Shears
Edwin Ayala Padilla Mary Anne Work
Pauline Price       Betty Ytzaina
David Washington    Sharon Kay Moore
Dorothy Quinn       Duric Shiebler
Mary Leah Kovarik   Therese Terri Svehla
Janetta Williams    Deborah Lee
Kelvin Ayala Reyes

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

Sessions will resume in September
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, June 29th. 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.

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

Weekday Mass in St. Cecilia Chapel

Reminder that all weekday Masses will be celebrated in the St. Cecilia Chapel due to the cleaning of the baldachino. The Chapel opens at 6:30 a.m.

The Cathedral Basilica will remain open for private prayer; however your caution, while in the space, is requested.

Offertory Collection for the Weekend of 6/17/2023-6/18/2023

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Weekly Thoughts on Giving

“Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father.”
MATTHEW 10:32

Would others know that you are Catholic by the way you act and speak? Do you share your Catholic faith with others? Do you defend your Catholic faith when the situation arises or do you remain silent? Do you pray in public before meals? Pray for the strength and courage to be a joyful witness of our Catholic faith when the opportunity presents itself. Let us become the radiant light and bold witness that we are called to be!
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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