

CATHEDRAL
BASILICA



OF SAINT LOUIS



SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 20, 2025

MASSSES ON THE LORD'S DAY

5:00 pm Sat (vigil)
8:00 am, 10:00 am,
12:00 noon, 5:00 pm

Live Streaming
Sunday Mass at 10 am
Daily Mass at 8 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 – 6:00 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)

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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.

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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 made online <https://massrequest.cathedralstl.org>

Cathedral Tours

Tours of the Cathedral 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 sirons@cathedralstl.org](mailto:Susie_sirons@cathedralstl.org)

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Jul 20 - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Peggy McAuliffe
10:00 a.m. Tony Svec
12:00 p.m. Mary Rubano Gorman
5:00 p.m. Shirley Mae Schmidt

Mon. Jul 21 - St. Lawrence of Brindisi

7:00 a.m. Richard Gimblett
8:00 a.m. Michael Koomar
12:05 p.m. Dr. Salvador Alatorre

Tues. Jul 22 - St. Mary Magdalene

7:00 a.m. Ann T. O'Toole
8:00 a.m. Susan O'Connor
12:05 p.m. Audrey Naumann

Wed. Jul 23 - St. Bridget

7:00 a.m. Mary Arconati
8:00 a.m. Lynette Raidt
12:05 p.m. Denny O'Leary

Thur. Jul 24 - St. Sharbel Makhluf

7:00 a.m. Tom Fasl
8:00 a.m. Brock Hemmesch
12:05 p.m. Alice & Eugene Owens Sr & Family

Fri. Jul 25 - St. James, Apostle

7:00 a.m. Beatriz Cabrera Ramos
8:00 a.m. Marvin Harness
12:05 p.m. Mark Bruno

Sat. Jul 26 - Sts. Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 a.m. Gregory Gross
5:00 p.m. King McElroy

Sun. Jul 27 - 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Robert Harr
10:00 a.m. Bob Rector
12:00 p.m. Dr. William S. Sly
5:00 p.m. Arnulfo Mario C. Lucena

**FROM OUR RECTOR**

Dear Parishioners,

The Gospel takes us to Bethany, to the home of Martha and Mary. According to John's Gospel, Bethany was a place especially dear to Jesus. He often stayed there, particularly when tensions with the Pharisees increased and hostility toward him grew. The friendship and hospitality he found in that home offered him comfort and support. Every home and community of Jesus' disciples is called to offer the same welcome.

This message is especially relevant today, as we face growing mistrust, rejection, conflict, and war—both near and far, so frequent that we often forget how many there are. The house in Bethany reminds us of how urgent and essential it is to welcome others. This theme runs throughout Scripture. Consider, for example, the scene at Mamre—paired with today's Gospel in the liturgy—where Abraham sees three visitors, runs to greet them, bows to the ground, and welcomes them with a meal.

The Gospel invites us to understand the deep meaning and style of Christian hospitality and encounter. Luke is the only Evangelist who tells this story, and he notes that it was Martha who welcomed Jesus into her home and began preparing a meal for him. Her sister Mary was there too, sitting at Jesus' feet, listening to his words.

Martha becomes anxious and distracted by the many preparations. But Jesus does not criticize her service. Rather, he gently reminds her of the importance of listening—of placing the Word of God first. What Mary does is remarkable: at a time when women were excluded from the reading and study of the Torah, she takes the posture of a disciple, seated at the feet of the Teacher. Luke presents this as a bold and meaningful teaching—Mary, a woman, is welcomed by Jesus as a true disciple, just like the apostles.

It's a powerful scene—one to contemplate and treasure. The disciple is first and foremost one who listens. As Paul later wrote, "Faith comes from hearing." Listening to the Word of God is the disciple's first task and essential attitude: to sit at the feet of the Master and take in every word.

Martha's service is not rejected, but Jesus lovingly reminds her of what must come first: the one thing truly necessary—listening.

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ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

Natural Family Planning Trains Us in the Connection Between Body & Soul

NFP teaches couples how to make generosity & sacrifice the heart of their marriage

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

“It’s not what he said, it’s how he said it.”

Anyone who’s ever heard an apology (or a non-apology!) knows the importance of how we say something. Anyone who’s ever watched an anxious or gracious host knows the importance of how we do things.

And that’s a good introduction to Natural Family Planning (NFP) Awareness Week, which the Church observes from July 20-26. How we hold our sexuality has become a major problem in the world; NFP can play a key role in getting us back on track.

In terms of the details of how NFP works, I’ll leave things to the professionals, whom you can contact through the archdiocesan Office of Natural Family Planning. But let me say a few things about the role that NFP can play in shaping culture. It’s clear that something’s wrong in the world today — many things, in fact! The relationship between soul and body, the relationship between women and men, and the way we interact with our desires are persistent “hot spots” in history and prominent themes in our difficulties today. One of the powerful things about NFP is that it gives us tools to address all of those “hot spots.”

NFP is a practical expression of the Theology of the Body, which tells us that the soul and the body are intimately linked. Tears and hugs show us that traffic moves in both directions between the soul and the body! NFP is a school of training in the connection in the midst of a culture that tries to divide the soul and the body.

NFP requires husbands and wives to communicate

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about the intimate details of their life and to share in the project of putting their priorities into action together. Every marriage is supposed to do that! But culture assumes that this will happen and is surprised when it doesn’t. NFP trains and helps couples to do it on a daily basis.

It doesn’t take any training to be aware of our immediate desires. However, where the culture encourages people to simply follow their desires, NFP requires that we weigh our immediate desires against our long-term goals. Think of how many things in the world would be different if everyone learned and followed that kind of discipline!

Friends, virtue is not the easier path; it’s the better path. We know that when it comes to so many other areas of our lives: exercise is not easier than sitting on the couch, and cooking fresh meals is not easier than fast food. Similarly, what NFP offers is not to make marriage easier, but to make marriage better.

NFP teaches couples how to make generosity and sacrifice the heart of their marriage. By doing that it helps couples follow Jesus more closely. The more closely spouses follow the generosity and sacrifice of Jesus, the more convincing they can be in inviting others — starting with their children, but extending beyond them, too — to do the same.

That’s a lesson we could all heed.

To learn more about NFP, visit the Office of Natural Family Planning website: www.archstl.org/natural-family-planning.

Note: This column appeared in the St. Louis Review for July 14 - July 27 and may be read in the print edition or at <https://it.ly/35ejOXr>



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Sacrament of Marriage

Congratulations to **Chase & Kayla Behmdt** (pictured below) who were united in the Sacrament of Marriage at the Cathedral Basilica on Friday, July 11, 2025 at 4:30 in the afternoon.

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



Sacrament of Baptism

Congratulations and God's continued blessings on **Reese James and the Strehl Family** (pictured above) She was baptized on July 13, 2025.

"And now why do you wait? Rise and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on his name."

Acts 22:16





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A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

"Married love differs from any other love in the world. By its nature, the love of husband and wife is so complete, so ordered to a lifetime of communion with God and each other, that it is open to creating a new human being they will love and care for together."

*United States Conference of Catholic Bishops
"Married Love and the Gift of Life"*



Parish Ambassador News

Catholic Charities helps change the lives through the work of nine ministries which are: Cardinal Ritter Senior Services, Good Shepherd Children & Family Services, LAMP, Marygrove, Queen of Peace Center, Saint Louis Counseling, Saint Martha's, St. Francis Community Services, and St. Patrick Center.

The Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis has earned a special designation as a Catholic Charities Ambassador Parish. Ambassadors are generous volunteers who share their knowledge and passion for Catholic Charities mission. They help parishioners understand how to access our services and help coordinate service projects, donation drives, speaker events, and other support opportunities.

If you are interested in learning more about the program or getting involved with Catholic Charities, please contact your Parish Ambassador, Pat at playhousehf@yahoo.com

St. Vincent de Paul Membership

The St. Vincent de Paul Society of the Cathedral Basilica is looking for a few new men and women to assist in its mission of providing tangible (rent, utilities, food) and spiritual assistance to the poor of the parish. If you are interested, please leave a message on our hotline 314.373.8288 and we will get in touch with you.

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Drawing from the richness of our Catholic heritage, we seek to teach, equip and activate disciples to demonstrate the love of God through the power of the Holy Spirit in their sphere of influence.

1 IDENTITY TRANSFORMATION

2 HEARING GOD'S VOICE & THE PROPHETIC GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

3 POWER HEALING

4 INNER HEALING

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Stewardship Reflection

"...I am a minister in accordance with God's stewardship given to me to bring to completion for you the word of God." COL 1:25

We are all called to evangelize – to convert individuals and society by the divine power of the Gospel. Our faith is more attractive to others by our actions than by our words alone. We may not be called to evangelize like St. Paul, but we should look for opportunities to share our faith through our actions and words, especially with those closest to us, like our family, friends, and neighbors. Pray for the courage to joyfully express your faith the next time the opportunity arises.



Did You Remember Your Gift?

It is only natural when you are invited to a party – whether it is birthday, anniversary, homecoming or any other celebration – to think about the gift that you will bring. Even when the invitation says, “No gifts, please,” most of us still show up with a bottle of wine or a box of candy or some other token of our affection. We bring gifts to show our gratitude for being invited and to show our love for the one being honored and celebrated. So, when God Himself invites you to the greatest celebration of all – the celebration of the Eucharist – do you bring a gift? Do you take time to wrap it in an envelope? Do you select a gift that truly reflects your gratitude for being invited to be a part of God’s family? Do you bring a gift that shows your love for the crucified Jesus, who we remember at every Mass? The invitation to the Mass does not say “No gifts, please.” In fact, since God first called the Israelites to be His people He taught them, *“No one shall appear before the Lord empty-handed, but each of you with as much as he can give, in proportion to the blessings which the Lord, your God has bestowed on you.”* - Dt 16:16-17

Did you remember your gift?

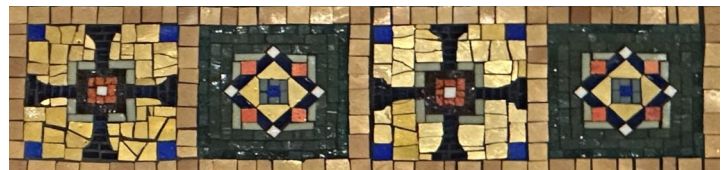


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Found in the Mosaics

St. James, the apostle (Feast Day July 25) was a fisherman who, with his brother John, worked in their father Zebedee’s business. Together they were among the first disciples of Jesus (Matthew 4:21-22). This James is distinguished from the Apostle James the Lesser, or Less, either due to his taller stature or his greater age. James the Greater is also one of the three Apostles who with Peter and John were invited by the Lord to come apart with Him on at least three occasions—the raising from the dead of Jairus’ daughter, the Transfiguration on Mount Tabor and in the Garden of Gethsemane after the Last Supper.

St. James is the patron saint of Spain, Galicia, Nicaragua, Guatemala, Seattle (whose cathedral is named for him), veterinarians, and pharmacists.

The mosaic is found in the Dome of the Apostles, the stain glass window has his symbol, a scallop shell.



Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities has been helping collect and distribute aid to those in the greatest need since the tornado on May 16 hit our city. They have been helping feed more than 400 people a day. They are collecting the following items at **Catholic Charities 4445 Lindell Blvd from 8:30am to 4pm Monday-Friday**. This will be an ongoing project as this recovery will be long term. Thank you for continuous generosity!

To go plates or carry out containers for food
Napkins, Paper towels
Plastic silver ware
Sternos for keeping food warm
Aluminum pans

Soda/pop/juices: they are good on water
Snacks of any kind **individually wrapped**
Peanut butter & Jelly
Bread for PB&J sandwiches
Meat; Burgers, hot dogs, sausage, chicken
Mustard, ketchup
Soup, with pop-tops
Laundry detergent
Dish washing detergent
Toilet paper, Tissue/Kleenex
Feminine products
Baby food, Baby kits, Diapers, Baby wipes

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 July 20, 2025 through July 27, 2025

Sunday: 108: Gn 18:1-10a Ps 15:2-5 Col 1:24-28
Lk 10:38-42
Monday: 395: Ex 14:5-18 (Ps) Ex 15:1b-6
Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday: 603: Sg 3:1-4a or 2 Cor 5:14-17
Ps 63:2-6, 8-9 Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Wednesday: 397: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15 Ps 78:18-19, 23-28
Mt 13:1-9
Thursday: 398: Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b
(Ps) Dn 3:52-56 Mt 13:10-17
Friday: 605: 2 Cor 4:7-15 Ps 126:1b-6
Mt 20:20-28
Saturday: 400: Ex 24:3-8 Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15
Mt 13:24-30
Sunday: 111: Gn 18:20-32 Ps 138:1-3, 6-8
Col 2:12-14 Lk 11:1-13



OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR THE WEEKEND OF 7/12/2025-7/13/2025

Offertory	\$11,106.00
Online Giving	\$4,205.00
Loose	\$4,299.47
Cathedral Candles	\$672.53
Cathedral Landscape	\$41.00
Cathedral Maintenance	\$55.00
Catholic Education	\$25.00
SVDP	\$10.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$300.00



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Pilgrimage to Italy with Msgr Breier

October 12-24, 2025

Florence ✚ Assisi ✚ Tuscany
✚ San Giovanni Laterano ✚
Basilica of St. Francis ✚ Orvieto
The Vatican ✚ Venice ✚ Ravenna
St. Paul Outside the Wall
The Colosseum ✚ Rome
✚ Papal Audience ✚
Basilica of St. Peter ✚ Sistine Chapel
✚ The Catacombs ✚

For more information visit:
www.cathedralstl.org/pilgrimage
Travel Tyme - 636.391.1000

Men of the Cathedral

The **Men of the Cathedral** cordially invite all parishioners and visitors to join them with Adoration of the Holy Eucharist on Tuesday, July 29 at 6 pm.

As we begin the second half of 2025, please take this opportunity to join other men and women in personal prayer at Adoration. Please ask God to intercede and aid those who are experiencing personal difficulties and for our city, state, country, and world that good will prevail over evil and all will find their way to God.

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 Adoration. A suggested donation of \$20 is appreciated.

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 at 314.918.2893 or michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org by Monday, July 28.

Appointment with Fr. Marco

Fr. Marco is available for confession and spiritual discussion. To make an appointment to meet with Fr. Marco, please call 314.373.8202. Thank you!

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. Our next meeting will be **July 24, 2025**. We will begin with Holy Hour at 6:30 pm, followed by dinner in Boland Hall.

Please enter the Cathedral across the parking lot from the playground on the west side of the Church. Email AnimaChristiStL@gmail.com or see the Anima Christi Facebook page for more details.

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.

Judy McGrath	Nicole Pace
Doreen Kelly	Resy Sanchez
Linda Baldwin	Mary Anne Work
Barbara Beckemeyer	Betty Ytzaina
Edwin Ayala Padilla	Therese Terri Svehla
Dorothy Quinn	Deborah Lee
Mary Leah Kovarik	Margaret Aubermann
Shirley Brown	Chrystal Ray
Guy Thomas	Barbara Garrett
Kelvin Ayala Reyes	Tronda White
Wayne Eultgen	Nancy Butler



LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR JULY 26 & 27, 2025

Extraordinary	Lectors	Ministers of Care	Servers	Ushers
5:00 p.m. (Sat) No Cup Ministers At Any Mass This Weekend	David Parr Phoebe Del Castillo		Doug Weber	Bob Sutter Jerry Pastore Matt Colvin Pat McCann
8:00 am	Jonathan Klimpel Mary Ann Cheng	Hagen Klimpel Ragen	Doug Weber Kevin Mattingly	Dave Meyer Frank Snyder Joe Schilli
10:00 am	Aaron Hines Patricia Rice			Sue Metheny Dan Mangus Roger Willis Vito Alu
12 Noon	Michael Murphy Erin Heathman		TBD	Willie Stevens Skip Batchelor Lawanda Reason Mark Burmester
5:00 pm	David Butler Nancy Butler		TBD	Willie Kelsey Charlie Hapke Pat McCann Don Burns

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, 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

