CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF SAINT LOUIS

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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 pm (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)
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.
Dear Parishioners,

In today’s liturgy, the Old Testament reading presents to us the figure of
King Solomon, the son and successor of David. It presents him at the
beginning of his reign, when he was still very young. Solomon inherited a
very demanding task and the responsibility that lay heavily on his
shoulders was great for a young king. He first of all offered God a solemn
sacrifice, “a thousand burnt offerings”, as the Bible says. Then the Lord
appeared to Solomon in a dream by night and promised to grant him what
he asked in prayer. And here we see the greatness of Solomon’s soul. He
did not ask for a long life, nor wealth, nor the elimination of his enemies;
instead he said to the Lord: “Give your servant, therefore, an
understanding heart to judge your people and to distinguish right from
wrong” (1 Kings 3:9). And the Lord heard him, so that Solomon became
famous throughout the world for his wisdom and his right judgements.

Therefore he prayed God to grant him “an understanding heart”. What do
these words mean? We know that the “heart” in the Bible does not only
indicate a part of the body, but also the centre of the person, the seat of his
intentions and opinions. We might say: the conscience. Thus, an
“understanding heart” means a conscience that knows how to listen, one
that is sensitive to the voice of truth and for this reason can discern right
from wrong.

In Solomon’s case, the request was motivated by the responsibility of
leading a nation, Israel, the people whom God chose to show the world
his plan of salvation. The King of Israel, therefore, had to try always to be
in tune with God, listening to his word, in order to guide the people on the
paths of the Lord, the path of justice and of peace.

However, Solomon’s example is valid for every person. Each one of us
has a conscience so as to be, in a certain way, “king”, that is, to exercise
the great human dignity of acting in accordance with an upright
conscience, doing what is right and avoiding wrong.

The moral conscience presupposes the ability to hear the voice of truth
and to be docile to its indications. People who are called to the task of
government naturally have a further responsibility and therefore — as
Solomon teaches — are in even greater need of God’s help. Yet each one
has his own part to play in the concrete situation in which he finds
himself.

Let us ask the Virgin Mary, Seat of Wisdom, for help in this. May the
Blessed Virgin help us to form in ourselves, with God’s grace, a
conscience ever open to the truth and sensitive to justice, to serve the
Kingdom of God.

Monsignor Henry Breier
Archbishop’s Column

BEFORE THE CROSS | The world needs images of faith in action

Images of faith can move the heart in a way that words can’t

It’s as if God said: “Let’s do something that speaks to the imagination!”

God has the prophet Jeremiah put on a loincloth that has rotted, to symbolize the rotten state of Israel’s faith. Then, when Jeremiah fears that people will oppose his prophetic message, God doesn’t just tell him not to worry. He says: I will make you “a solid wall of brass” against the people. God sends Jeremiah to the potter’s house. There he sees that, when a piece of work doesn’t turn out the way the potter wants, he throws it back and starts over — symbolizing what God is about to do with Israel.

Alongside the prophetic images of Jeremiah, Jesus tells a series of parables. The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, like yeast, like a net thrown into the sea. The world is like a farmer’s field when an enemy has sown weeds into it.

Images — we get that! Just like the Scriptures we read this week, our culture is filled with images. The Arch, the Cathedral Basilica of Saint Louis, the Twin Towers. Mother Teresa, John Paul II, Michael Brown and George Floyd. Peaceful protests that pierce the conscience of a nation; rage and destruction that deepen the divide. Some images teach us by example, showing us what’s right in the world. Some images teach us by counter-example, showing us what’s broken in the world. Both are important lessons.

One of the most powerful images of recent months came from Dr. Marie Paul Lockerd, a Religious Sister of Mercy and a physician. When almost all of the retired priests of Regina Cleri came down with COVID-19, she moved into the building, quarantined herself with them and served as their physician. She was the proverbial firefighter: running into the burning building rather than away from it.

You might say: “that’s crazy!” You might say: “that’s heroic!” I think she would say: “I consecrated myself to bring the mercy of God into the world. I was just living my vocation.”

I say: that’s a living image of faith in action.

The world needs more of that from us. St. John Henry Newman taught that images make the difference between a faith that’s purely theoretical and a faith that moves people to act. St. Peter Chrysologus once said: “God has made you in His image that you might, in your person, make the invisible creator present on earth.” He lived 1,400 years before Newman, but he grasped the same point: the world needs images. It needs us to be living images of God’s love.

There’s an inscription above the back entrance to the Saint Louis Art Museum. It says: “Art still has truth. Take refuge there.” In a world that has given up on theory, there’s another path to truth. Beauty can pierce people’s defenses when they’ve given up on words.

The same is true of faith. We should never give up presenting the faith in words! But a living image of faith can move the heart in a way that words can’t.

Let’s do something with our lives and with our faith that captivates the imagination of today’s world.

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Archdiocese of St. Louis Schools Update on 2020-2021 School Year

ST. LOUIS - As school re-opening guidelines from the CDC and local county health departments regarding the COVID-19 pandemic are updated on a regular basis, the Office of Catholic Education and Formation has been closely monitoring the information to ensure all health and safety guidelines are being communicated and addressed for the 2020-2021 school year. The Archdiocesan Transition Task Force provided guidance on Faith Formation and Community Building, Teaching and Learning, and Operations and Logistics to all schools and religious education programs.

At this time, students, faculty and staff of more than 100 Archdiocese of St. Louis Schools—spanning 11 city/county jurisdictions—intend to return to campus buildings at the beginning of this upcoming school year contingent upon any new information disseminated over the next few weeks. Schools will only return to campus buildings after executing thorough planning in order to deliver instructional, co-curricular, and faith formation programs within the context of social distancing, health/safety procedures, educational best practices, and mission-fulfillment.

Each individual school will continue to follow the directives and guidelines of its local government and county health department regarding opening/closing of school buildings as well as social distancing, health, and safety procedures and protocols. All schools are developing individualized plans based on location, enrollment numbers, facility size and design, constituents served, and information from local authorities. The administration of each school will communicate specific plans with their school and parish communities.

More information about Archdiocese of St. Louis Schools can be found at archstlcatholicschools.org.

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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.

William H. Bachmann
Alex Burns
Sydney Cole
Sandy Dubuque
Sidney Edwards-Cole
Alvin Griffin
Paula Littleton
John Mangogna, CM
Lenore Molloy
Marie Mosher
Janice Noack

Dorothy Quinn
Terri Reason
Teresita Sanchez
Sr. Patricia Sevik
Rita Sheftall
Rose Teran
Darlene Throop
Willa Washington
Richelle Weisbrod
Mary Anne Work
Betty Ytzain

Annual Wedding Jubilee Mass

All couples celebrating 25, 50, or more years of marriage this year are invited to register for the Annual Archdiocesan Silver & Gold Wedding Jubilee Mass. The Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop-elect Mitchell T. Rozanski on **Sunday, October 11**, here at the Cathedral Basilica. Couples registered by September 11 will have their names and wedding date printed in the Mass Program. For details or to register, visit archstl.org/jubilee or call (314) 792-7598.

The Kingdom of Heaven

Jesus Christ applies beautiful parables to describe the Kingdom of Heaven to His disciples and emphasizes the truth that nothing is as precious as our heavenly homeland. Nothing is too important not to let go of on earth in order that we attain eternal beatitude with God. Heaven is the pearl of greatest price on which we must fix our eyes as we journey through this vale of tears. We experience many distractions, especially in our culture today, such as an inordinate appreciation of wealth, prestige, honor, fame, and status. How often we care too much about sports, our grades, our jobs, or the latest technology. Simplify. Simplify. There is only one thing that matters. Are we willing to seek above all else the Kingdom of Heaven (Mt 6:33)?

For more, visit archstl.org/live-the-faith.

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 26, 2020 through August 2, 2020**

**Sunday:**
1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12  Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130  Rom 8:28-30
Mt 13:44-52  or 13:44-46

**Monday:**

**Tuesday:**
Jer 14:17-22  Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13
Mt 13:36-43

**Wednesday:**
Jer 15:10, 16-21  Ps 59:2-4, 10-1, 17-18
Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

**Thursday:**
Jer 18:1-6  Ps 146:1-6  Mt 13:47-53

**Friday:**
Jer 26:1-9 (or 1 Cor 10:31--11:1)
Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14
Mt 13:54-58 (or Lk 14:25-33)

**Saturday:**
Jer 26:11-16, 24 (or Rom 8:1-4)
Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34
Mt 14:1-12 (or Mt 5:13-19)

**Sunday:**
Is 55:1-3  Ps 145:8-9, 15-18
Rom 8:35, 37-39  Mt 14:13-21

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, August 15**.

A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

“Because of our belief and hope in the Resurrection, we can face death not with fear, but with preparation. We prepare for eternal life by choosing to love and follow God now, in our daily lives and decisions.”

Read more at www.respectlife.org/end-of-life-considerations.

**USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities**

“Catholic Considerations for Our Earthly Passing”
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.

To promote social distancing and limit time away from home, Cathedral casserole organizers are hosting "touchless" drop-offs in the parish parking lot. Our next drop off will be on Thursday, August 13 from noon until 1:00 p.m. If you are unable to make this new time, please call Skip or Nicki Batchelor at 916-834-4843 to make other arrangements.

Thank you for your continued support of this most worthy program!

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, July 30. Our revised summer schedule begins with Adoration and confessions in the church 6:30 pm (enter through the west door by the playground), followed by an outdoor dinner at 7:30 pm. Please join us, in full or in part, to deepen your relationship with Christ and with one another. For more information, please e-mail AnimaChristiStL@gmail.com.

Eyeglass Drive
"The Respectacle Project”, an eyeglass recycling program, will be accepting donations of quality used eyeglasses next Sunday, August 2, in the baskets near the sanctuary at the side aisles.

St. Vincent de Paul Membership
Members of the Cathedral St. Vincent de Paul Society meet weekly. 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.

For the Poor
On the first Sunday of every month, the Cathedral Parish collects foodstuffs and canned goods (non-perishable items only, please!) for delivery to food pantries in the area. Our next parish food drive will be held next Sunday, August 2.

Are you Part of the Flock?
Are you getting all of the latest parish news? If not, join the “flock”!
Flocknotes is the email distribution platform utilized by the Cathedral Basilica to keep in touch with our parishioners. It’s faster and much more economical than a regular mailing. If you are not currently receiving weekly news updates and advance notices for Mass Sign Ups, then you need to get signed up for Flocknotes! Text, logon, or simply call the parish office at 314-373-8202…. Easy peezy!!
Midweek Music Series -
Wednesday at 3:00 pm

Each Wednesday, immediately following the 3:00 pm Rosary Prayer, the Cathedral will present a "Midweek Music" series. These weekly short recitals will feature 20-30 minutes of music on our magnificent Cathedral organ. We invite you to join us online or in person (social distancing guidelines remain in effect!).

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 arrange to be properly instructed in preparation for it. If you are a registered parishioner who is or is about to become a parent or godparent, please contact the rectory at 314-373-8202 to schedule a baptism.

Have You Considered Online Giving

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) and click on the bright red DONATE button on the home page. Watch the 5 minute “Watch Help Video” 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. All of information is encrypted and stored securely.
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ELECTRONIC GIVING

**Offertory Collection for The Weekend of 07/19/2020**

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Weekly Thoughts on Giving

“We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose.” (Rom 8:28)

Do you really trust God? Do you really believe that God will provide all that you need? Faith is a challenge for everyone at times. Putting our trust in God, in everything we do, in good times and in bad, means that God’s plan for our lives may be quite different than what we planned. When one door closes, another one opens. Trust in God, His plan is always better.

**Option 1**

Text-To-Give is a platform offered by Our Sunday Visitor, the same good people who manage the Cathedral’s parishioner envelopes and our OnLine Giving portal.

Text-To-Give works this way: text the amount of your donation and the word "give" (example: 10 give) to 314-501-6586

Confirmation of your donation will be sent right to your phone!

**Option 2**

Make a donation via Bloomerang, the Cathedral’s Donor Management Software. Simply scan the QR code below with your Smartphone; you’ll be taken to the Bloomerang website to make a donation via a secure connection.
Liturgical Ministers August 1-2, 2020

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<td>No Cup Ministers At Any Mass This Weekend</td>
<td>Luke Koebbe George Capps</td>
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Parish Information

Registration in Parish
To join our parish, please fill out a registration card (found at entrances to church) or contact the parish rectory at 314-373-8202.

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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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