

CATHEDRAL
BASILICA



OF SAINT LOUIS



SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 27, 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)

4431 Lindell Boulevard Saint Louis, Missouri 63108-2403



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 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 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

Mon. Jul 28 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. Linda Gerst
8:00 a.m. Maria & Christian Marquez
12:05 p.m. Dr. Salvador Alatorre

Tues. Jul 29 - Sts. Martha, Mary & Lazarus

7:00 a.m. Mr. & Mrs. CJ Venneman
8:00 a.m. Lynette Raidt
12:05 p.m. Mark Bruno

Wed. Jul 30 - St. Peter Chrysologus

7:00 a.m. Sr. Marysia Weber, RSM
8:00 a.m. Gregory Gross
12:05 p.m. Beatriz Cabrera Ramos

Thur. Jul 31 - St. Ignatius of Loyola

7:00 a.m. Margot Carr
8:00 a.m. Susan O'Connor
12:05 p.m. Denny O'Leary

Fri. Aug 1 - St. Alphonsus Liguori

7:00 a.m. El Vasil Misalko
8:00 a.m. Morgan Romines Poetz
12:05 p.m. Tom Fasl

Sat. Aug 2 - St. Eusebius of Vercelli & St. Peter Julian Eymard

8:00 a.m. Maria Marquez
5:00 p.m. Bill Hosna

Sun. Aug 3 - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Arnulfo Mario C. Lucena
10:00 a.m. Lynette Raidt
12:00 p.m. Beatriz Cabrera Ramos
5:00 p.m. Jacqueline Bell Gowan Rumble



FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Parishioners,

It was customary for a Jewish rabbi or teacher to provide his followers with a simple prayer they could use regularly. The disciples of Jesus made a similar request of their Rabbi, pointing out that John the Baptist had done the same for his own disciples. It would indeed be interesting to know what kind of prayer John taught, but that remains something forever hidden from us. One of the disciples said to Jesus, *"Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples."* It is worth noting that the disciples were not simply asking for a prayer to recite, but rather to learn *how* to pray.

We all truly need to learn how to pray. Jesus gave His disciples not only the words of the Our Father, but also the faith in a God who is not an abstract idea but a Father who deeply loves His children: *"When you pray, say 'Father,' Abba."* We can appreciate how shocking this would have been in the Jewish religious culture, where calling God by name was forbidden.

Jesus, however, goes further than simply teaching a prayer. He makes two additional points. First, He tells a parable about a man who goes to his friend at midnight asking for bread. Second, He reminds His disciples that they are dealing with a loving and compassionate Father. Even human fathers do not give stones when asked for bread, or scorpions when asked for eggs. Jesus concludes: *"How much more will your Father in heaven give good things to those who ask Him!"*

At first glance, this raises a question. If our Father cares for us so deeply, why must we ask so persistently? We continue to pray not because God needs to be reminded of our needs.

God does not need to be persuaded or to have his arm twisted to give us what we need. But he certainly does not always give us what we want, for our wants are often short-sighted and self-centred. The way we pray and what we ask for can be extremely revealing of where we are in our relationship with God, with people and with the world around us. Persevering prayer can help us become more aware of what we should really be asking for. It helps to purify our prayer, make clear our values and hopes, and lead us to ask for what is really in our very best interests. And those things we can be absolutely sure God wants us to have.

Msgr. Breier

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ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

Transfiguration Makes Visible Jesus' Divine Nature

This week, we can ask ourselves what we have to give up to be more available to those transfigured moments

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

The theologian and spiritual writer Father Jean Corbon (the principal drafter of the Catechism of the Catholic Church's treatment of prayer) had an interesting thesis about the Transfiguration: He said that it was the literary and theological center of the Gospels.

Now, I don't think that's right! The passion, death and resurrection of Jesus are the literary and theological center of the Gospels.

But what Father Corbon meant was this: In the Transfiguration, the hidden truth about Jesus — His divine nature — shines forth in a way that becomes visible to others, and that same thing is happening, though in more subtle ways, through every chapter of every Gospel. Understood that way, he's got a point!

I mention Father Corbon's idea both because we celebrate the Transfiguration on Aug. 6 and because the Transfiguration can provide a pattern for our growth in discipleship.

According to the Church's theological tradition, Jesus doesn't change during the Transfiguration. Rather, what is always already true about Him — that He is divine, that He is in constant conversation with the law (represented by Moses) and the prophets (represented by Elijah) — becomes, for a moment, visible to His followers. He's not changed; they are. For a moment, the veil is removed and they have eyes to see what's actually been in front of them the whole time.

In some way, that's what we see in the terrific lineup of saints we celebrate these weeks: Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Jesuits; Alphonsus Liguori, founder of the Redemptorists; John Vianney, patron of parish priests; Dominic Guzman, founder of the Dominicans;

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**SERVE THE LORD
WITH GLADNESS**

Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, convert, Carmelite and martyr of the concentration camps. Think of each of them as a "transfiguration" of humanity. In their lives, the veil is lifted: We can see, for a moment, what human nature is capable of when the life of Christ becomes the deepest truth of our lives. That deep truth shines forth in them.

But it's not just the saints. I think we all have "transfiguration moments" in our own lives. We find ourselves peaceful and trusting in God even in the midst of trials, patient even when faced with difficult people or clear and gentle when correction needs to be offered. These are moments when the power of Jesus flows into our lives and through our lives to others. Then, for a moment, the veil is lifted for us, too. The deepest meaning of our lives — what our lives could be and were meant to be — shines forth. Contact with Jesus transfigures us.

Then we come back down the mountain and ordinary, fallen life resumes!

The transfigured life is offered to us by God. We have glimpses of it, both in ourselves and in others. What does it take to live that transfigured life more often, more easily and more deeply? What do we have to do (like pray more often), or what do we have to give up (like "doom-scrolling" on the internet) to make our lives more available to those transfigured moments? That's how the gift of God's grace and the discipline of discipleship come together.

Let's ponder that coming together of grace and discipline. Let's help each other live into the mystery of the Transfiguration more deeply.

Note: This column appeared in the St. Louis Review for July 28 - Aug 10 and may be read in the print edition or at <https://it.ly/35ejOXr>



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Experience Great Music in a Great Space! 2025 - 2026 Season

Chamber Music Concerts

Our series of 3 **FREE concerts** that brings the great music to you.

The featured players in each concert are Kristin Ahlstrom, violin; Shannon Farrell Williams, viola; Bjorn Ranheim, cello; Matthew Mazzoni, piano

Friday, Sept. 12, 7:30pm
St. Joseph Catholic Church, Cottleville
1355 Motherhead Road, 63304

Sunday, Sept. 14, 7:30pm
St. Peter Catholic Church
243 W. Argonne Drive, 63122

Thursday, Sept 18, 7:30pm
Our Lady of Lourdes
7148 Forsyth Blvd., 63105

Chanticleer

Friday, October 3, 2025 7:30pm

Vienna Boys Choir

Monday, October 20, 2025 7:30pm

Stile Antico

Monday, November 17, 2025 7:30pm

Christmas at the Cathedral

with the St. Louis Archdiocesan

Choirs & Orchestra

Saturday, December 6, 2025 10:30am (NOTE TIME)

Sunday, December 7, 2025 2:30pm

Welcomed by Favazza's Restaurant
and Michael Bavlsik & Kathleen Skelly

Missouri State University Chorale

Friday, January 9, 2026 7:30pm

Estonian Philharmonic Chamber Choir

Tuesday, February 10, 2026, 7:30pm

VOCES8

Monday, February 23, 2026 7:30pm

Welcomed by Bruce & Linda Ryder

Vox Una with St. Louis Area High School Choirs

Sunday, March 8, 2026 2:30pm

Three Italian Tenors

Friday, March 27, 2026 7:30pm

The Tallis Scholars

Friday, April 17, 2026 7:30pm

Artists & Dates subject to change



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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"



Catholic Charities

St. Francis Community Services is a ministry of Catholic Charities that walks with our vulnerable neighbors to create opportunities, to build resiliency, and to advocate for justice through several support programs.

Catholic Legal Assistance Ministry (CLAM) provides legal aid to those in our region who cannot afford a lawyer. **Southside Center** welcomes families who recently arrived in St. Louis, assisting them with comprehensive support as they prepare for a new life here. **Pathways to Progress** offers long term mentorship and support to families in impoverished communities to work to change that trajectory of their generational story.

To learn more or to volunteer, 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.

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 pm, the Eucharist is displayed for prayer and adoration in public exposition in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel for 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 am, following the completion of the 8:00 am Mass, and concludes with Benediction at 11:45 am. Our next First Friday Adoration will be held **Friday, August 1.**



Stewardship Reflection

"Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you."
LUKE 11:9

Jesus assures us that if we ask, God will take care of what we need. The problem is that our culture often confuses what we really need with what we simply want. The truth is that many of us need very little. However, we usually want so much more! Stewardship is simply being grateful for all that we are and all that we have been given, and generously sharing all of our God-given gifts with others. Gratitude and generosity are gifts that opens doors to new relationships with others and with God.



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Most Reverend Mitchell T. Rozanski
Archbishop of St. Louis
requests the honor of your presence at the

Cathedral Basilica Gala

Benefitting the preservation and restoration
of the art and architecture in this great
monument of our faith

Saturday, August 23, 2025

Cocktails & Dinner
Old Warson Country Club
9841 Old Warson Rd
St. Louis, MO 63124
at 6 o'clock in the evening
Attire Coat & Tie Valet Parking

Individual tickets \$200
Tables of 8 for \$1,600

For More Information please call
Jennifer Stanard 314.373.8220

Liturgical Etiquette

External gestures of reverence can become a witness to the truths of our faith. The bow immediately before receiving Holy Communion should be done with the conscious recognition that it is the Lord Himself before Whom we bow. He is truly present in the Eucharist, in both the host and the cup, and in either of them. The extension of the hands must acknowledge our acceptance of a gift, not a grabbing for something owed us. The hands are completely empty, and both hands extended in the gesture of acceptance. The Lord should not be just another item among keys, papers, or assorted things. What is believed and held in our hearts ought to express itself outwardly.



Found in the Mosaics

This is one of the nine choirs of angels found in the sanctuary. The imagery of the nine choirs of angels with the symbols IC XC and the lily evokes a rich tapestry of Christian beliefs. It speaks to the heavenly hierarchy praising and serving God, Christ's divinity and triumph over sin and death, and the virtues of purity, hope, and new life found in faith. These mosaics were designed by George D Barnett.



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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 27, 2025 through August 3, 2025

Sunday: 111: Gn 18:20-32 Ps 138:1-3, 6-8
Col 2:12-14 Lk 11:1-13
Monday: 401: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34 Ps 106:19-23
Mt 13:31-35
Tuesday: 402: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28 Ps 103:6-13
Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday: 403: Ex 34:29-35 Ps 99:5-7, 9
Mt 13:44-46
Thursday: 404: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38 Ps 84:3-6a, 8a, 11
Mt 13:47-53
Friday: 405: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37
Ps 81:3-6, 10-11b Mt 13:54-58
Saturday: 406: Lv 25:1, 8-17 Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8
Mt 14:1-12
Sunday: 114: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23 Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17
Col 3:1-5, 9-11 Lk 12:13-21



OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR THE WEEKEND OF 7/19/2025-7/20/2025

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| Offertory | \$21,926.10 |
| Online Giving | \$6,477.00 |
| Loose | \$4,930.36 |
| Cathedral Candles | \$541.70 |
| Cathedral Landscape | \$35.00 |
| Cathedral Maintenance | \$449.00 |
| Catholic Education | \$5.00 |
| Peter's Pence | \$50.00 |
| Retired Priests | \$20.00 |



STEWARDSHIP ALIVE!

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 31, 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
Doreen Kelly
Linda Baldwin
Barbara Beckemeyer
Edwin Ayala Padilla
Dorothy Quinn
Mary Leah Kovarik
Shirley Brown
Guy Thomas
Kelvin Ayala Reyes
Wayne Eultgen

Nicole Pace
Resy Sanchez
Mary Anne Work
Betty Ytzaina
Therese Terri Svehla
Deborah Lee
Margaret Aubermann
Chrystal Ray
Barbara Garrett
Tronda White
Nancy Butler



LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR AUGUST 2 & 3, 2025

| Extraordinary | Lectors | Ministers of Care | Servers | Ushers |
|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| 5:00 p.m. (Sat) No Cup Ministers At Any Mass This Weekend | Mitch Smith Michael Pajor | | Doug Weber | Bob Sutter Jerry Pastore Matt Colvin Pat McCann |
| 8:00 am | Phoebe Del Castillo Mary Ann Cheng | Robinson Weisbrod Blatter | Doug Weber Kevin Mattingly | Dave Meyer Frank Snyder Joe Schilli |
| 10:00 am | Patricia Rice Denise Murphy | | | Sue Metheny Dan Mangus Roger Willis Vito Alu |
| 12 Noon | Mark Burmester Brian Davies | | TBD | Willie Stevens Skip Batchelor Lawanda Reason Mark Burmester |
| 5:00 pm | Nancy Butler David 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

