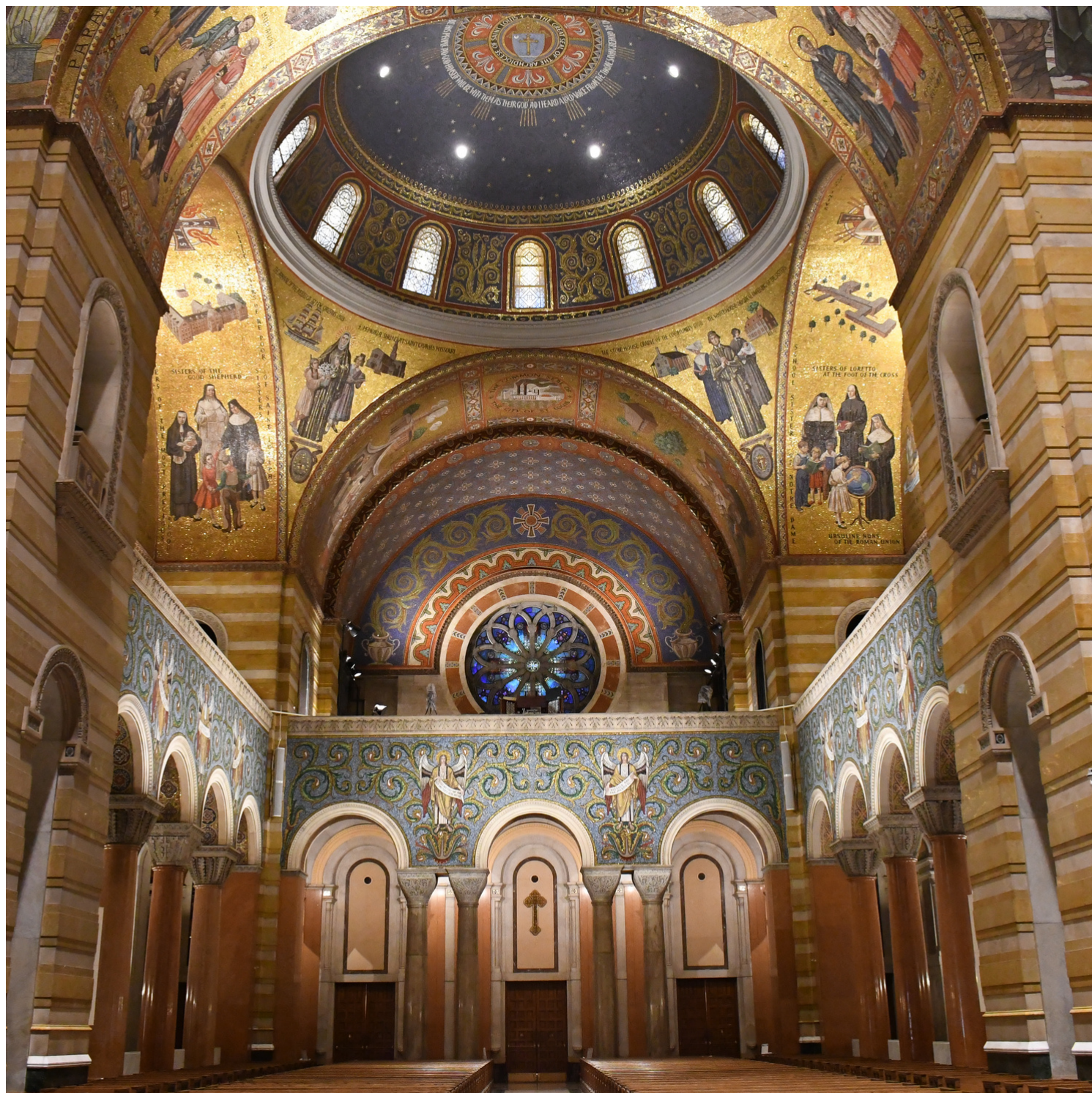




CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF SAINT LOUIS

August 23, 2026 | Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time



4431 Lindell Boulevard Saint Louis, Missouri 63108-2403 www.cathedralstl.org

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun Aug 23 - Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 a.m. Sr. Marysia Weber, RSM
 10:00 a.m. James G. Kemner
 12:00 p.m. Roxie Goia
 5:00 p.m. Maile Perez

Mon Aug 24 - St. Bartholomew

- 7:00 a.m. George H. Maley
 8:00 a.m. Louise Leckinger
 12:05 p.m. Debbie Matusiak

Tues Aug 25 - St. Louis, King of France

- 7:00 a.m. David
 8:00 a.m. Paula Abboud
 12:05 p.m. George Brohammer

Wed Aug 26 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

- 7:00 a.m. John J. Ebeling
 8:00 a.m. Amy Firestine
 12:05 p.m. Nicholas & Veronica Romanelli

Thur Aug 27 - St. Monica

- 7:00 a.m. Rowena Paz Del Castillo
 8:00 a.m. Brenda Stultz
 12:05 p.m. Jennifer Janson

Fri Aug 28 - St. Augustine

- 7:00 a.m. Farrah Mojica
 8:00 a.m. Riain Callahan-Gibson
 12:05 p.m. Frank Lunatto

Sat Aug 29 - The Passion of St. John the Baptist

- 8:00 a.m. Dr. Salvador & Vivian Alatorre
 5:00 p.m. James G. Kemner

Sun Aug 30 - Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 a.m. Rosemary Shaughnessy
 10:00 a.m. Roberta Clark
 12:00 p.m. Edward Fehlig
 5:00 p.m. Uchenna OG Buokiri

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.

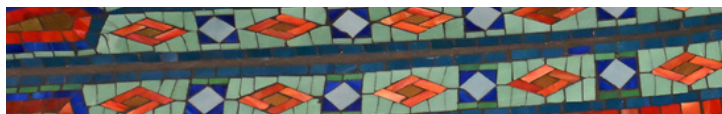
Please enjoy the beauty of this building dedicated to the glory of God and built for the inspiration of all who enter. Public tours of the Cathedral led by volunteer guides are available most weekdays, call 314.373.8205 for availability.

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 & 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 Cathedral Basilica Parish please go register at

<https://cathedralstl.org/new-parishioner-registration>

All contributions to the Cathedral Basilica parish, ministries, and maintenance are sincerely appreciated.



SCHEDULE

Masses on the Lord's Day

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

Confessions

7:30-8:00 am (Mon-Fri)
 3:30-4:50 pm (Sat)
 9:00-9:50 am (Sun)
 11:00-11:50 am (Sun)

Weekday Masses

7:00 am (Mon-Fri)
 8:00 am (Mon-Sat)
 12:05 pm (Mon-Fri)

Liturgy of the Hours

4:30 pm (Sat)
 Evening Prayer

Live Stream

10:00 am (Sun)
 8:00 am (Mon-Sat)

Perpetual Help Devotions

Following 8:00 am &
 12:05 pm Mass (Tues)

Eucharistic Adoration

3:30-4:30 pm (Sat)
 8:30-11:45 am
 (First Friday)

Hours

6:30 am - 5:00 pm (Mon-Fri)
 7:00 am - 6:00 pm (Sat-Sun)

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>

Dear Parishioners,

A week after the Solemnity of her Assumption into Heaven, the liturgy invites us to venerate the Blessed Virgin Mary with the title of "Queen". We contemplate the Mother of Christ crowned by her Son, in other words associated with his universal kingship, as she is portrayed in numerous mosaics and paintings.



The small and simple young girl of Nazareth became Queen of the world!

This is one of the marvels that reveal God's Heart. Of course, Mary's queenship is totally relative to Christ's kingship. He is the Lord whom, after the humiliation of death on the Cross, the Father exalted above any other creature in Heaven and on earth and under the earth.

Today, however, let us as God's children renew our devotion to the One whom Jesus bequeathed to us as Mother and Queen. Let us entrust to her intercession the daily prayer for peace, especially in places where the senseless logic of violence is most ferocious, to build the civilization of love. Maria, Regina pacis, ora pro nobis! Mary Queen of Peace, pray for us.

After preaching in Galilee, Jesus finds himself almost alone. He had tried to make the crowds who were following him the "new people" of God, but he had to face his first defeat: everyone had abandoned him. He finds himself alone, with that small group of disciples. He brings them to a deserted place, in the region of Caesarea Philippi, and asks them what the people think of him.

The disciples' answers to Jesus' question reflect the widespread uncertainty: some see in him the Baptist brought back to life, others Elijah, while others compare him to Jeremiah or other prophets. However, they all saw him as a great prophet. But certainly not as the one in whom God himself is speaking and acting. In reality Jesus wanted to know what they thought of him. He asks, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter speaks on behalf of them all. He answers with a profession of faith: "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." Every believer participates in the name, story, and vocation of Peter in order to build the spiritual house, the community of believers. First, we have to answer the question: Who do you say that I am?

Msgr. Henry Breier

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Returning to the Promised Land of Joy Involves Undoing the Habits of Sin

Rather than complaining, we should pivot into making an offering of the unfairness and frustrations that we experience

Dear brothers & sisters in Christ,

Can we talk about sin? I know it's not comfortable; but it's necessary and helpful.

Rather than start with a definition, however, let's start with our experience. When something goes wrong — someone cuts you off in traffic, you get sick, your flight gets delayed and so on: What's your first reaction, what's your best reaction, and how long does it take you to get from the one to the other? (Or, how often is your first reaction your only reaction?)

Our first reaction is typically to rail against the other driver, to grumble about the sickness, to complain about airlines and so on. Sometimes we aren't even sure what a best reaction would look like! (Hint: It involves turning the hardship into an offering.)

This is where it's helpful to talk about sin. The distance between our first reaction and our best reaction is the distance between the spiritual state we're living in and the kingdom of heaven. It gives us a sort of spiritual map of where we are, and the route we need to take to grow in holiness.

We're offered a series of readings from the prophet Ezekiel these weeks. He made his life a prophetic image of the consequences of Israel's sin: the exile. Then, when the exile happened, he became the prophet of return. Remember the dry bones coming to life? Certainly, that looks forward to the future resurrection. But in its original context it was also a prophetic image of return from the lifelessness of exile.

As Ezekiel's life and career were a lesson for ancient Israel, so the history of ancient Israel is a lesson in the spiritual life for us. We also undergo a spiritual exile from the promised land of joy because of our sins — each of us knows that from experience. We also long for return.

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SERVE THE LORD
WITH GLADNESS



Bringing our dry bones back to life involves undoing the habits of sin that have taken root in us.

We celebrate the feast day of St. John Eudes on Aug. 19, and he provides a beautiful meditation on what's needed. He says: "He [Jesus] desires that whatever is in Him may live and rule in you: His breath in your breath, His heart in your heart, all the faculties of His soul in the faculties of your soul." So, for example, all the sadness of Jesus (who wept over Jerusalem), and all His generosity (He gave His very life to us and for us) belong to us as members of His body. Do we use them?

The reactions of Jesus are like Christmas presents, already given, waiting to be unwrapped. Our progress in discipleship can be measured by our answer to three questions: Do you desire to unwrap those gifts? Are you working on using those gifts? How's it going in letting those gifts become habits? The answers to those questions give us a kind of roadmap: They tell us where we are, how far we have to go in the life of discipleship and what our next step is.

There are so many situations in life about which we can say: it's not fair! Even if that's 100 percent true, it still leaves us to ask a key question: Will we pivot on that unfairness into complaining, or will we pivot — as Jesus did — into making the unfairness an offering?

We celebrate the feast of the Queenship of Mary on Aug. 22 and the feast of St. Louis, King of France, on Aug. 25. Let's ask them to help us govern our lives more deeply, so we can move more quickly and easily from our first reactions to Jesus' own reactions to the frustrations of the world.

Note: This column appeared in the St. Louis Review for Aug 17 - 31 and may be read in the print edition or <https://www.stlouisreview.com/column/serve-the-lord-with-gladness/>

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Linda Baldwin	Edwin Ayala Padilla
Barbara Beckemeyer	Ron Pallman
Juliana Brown	Tiffany Pitts
Craig Campbell	Kelvin Ayala Reyes
Shamelia Clark	Resy Sanchez
Barbara Garrett	Mark Stephens
Doreen Kelly	Lily Ann Suiter
Mary Leah Kovarik	Michael Theiss
Deborah Lee	Guy Thomas
Judy McGrath	Tronda White
David Moss	Goldie Wirth
Andrew Nolen	Mary Anne Work
Nicole Pace	Betty Ytzaina

It is our responsibility in the Lord to remember the sick, who are especially close to the Redeemer in their suffering.

If you have someone to be added to the list, please call the rectory at 314.373.8202

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 August 23 - August 30

Sun:	121: Is 22:19-23 Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8 Rom 11:33-36 Mt 16:13-20
Mon:	629: Rv 21:9b-14 Ps 145:10-13, 17-18 Jn 1:45-51
Tues:	426: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17 Ps 96:10-13 Mt 23:23-26
Wed:	427: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18 Ps 128:1-2, 4-5 Mt 23:27-32
Thurs:	428: 1 Cor 1:1-9 Ps 145:2-7 Mt 24:42-51
Fri:	429: 1 Cor 1:17-25 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5 10-11 Mt 23:8-12
Sat:	430: 1 Cor 1:26-31 Ps 33:12-13, 8-19, 20-21 634: Mk 6:17-29
Sun:	124: Jer 20:7-9 Ps 63:2-6, 8-9 Rom 12:1-2 Mt 16:21-27

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

August 15-16, 2026

Offertory	\$5,700.69
Online Giving	\$6,669.00
Loose	\$4,336.35
Cathedral Candles	\$972.94
Cathedral Landscape	\$155.00
Cathedral Maintenance	\$25.00
Catholic Education	\$0.00
	\$0.00
	\$0.00

APPOINTMENT WITH FATHER MARCO

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



Experience Great Music in a Great Space!

2026 - 2027 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; Bjorn Ranheim, cello;
Jennifer Mazzoni, flute; and Matthew Mazzoni, piano

Tuesday, Sept. 1, 7:00pm
Immaculate Heart of Mary
8 West Highway D, New Melle, 63365

Thursday, Sept. 3, 7:00pm
St. Clare of Assisi Catholic Church
1411 Cross St., O'Fallon, IL 62269

Thursday, Sept 10, 7:00pm
Glendale Lutheran Church
1365 N Sappington Rd, 63122

Tickets on sale August 1.

VOCES8 with LYRA
Tuesday, October 6, 2026 7:30pm
Welcomed by Bruce & Linda Ryder

Vienna Boys Choir
Monday, November 2, 2026 7:30pm

St. Louis Chamber Chorus
Sunday, November 8, 2026 3:00pm

Tenebrae
English Vocal Ensemble
Saturday, November 14, 2026 7:30pm

Christmas at the Cathedral
with the St. Louis Archdiocesan Choirs & Orchestra
Saturday, December 5, 2026 10:30am (NOTE TIME)
Sunday, December 6, 2026 2:30pm
Welcomed by Favazza's Restaurant
and Michael Bawlik & Kathleen Skelly

The Aeolians of Oakwood University
Friday, January 15, 2027, 7:30pm

The King's Singers
Monday, February 15, 2027 7:30pm

Vox Una with St. Louis
Area High School Choirs
Sunday, February 21, 2027 2:30pm

The Boston Camerata
Songs of Mystic Spain
Friday, March 12, 2027 7:30pm



SCAN ME

Artists & Dates subject to change



CathedralConcerts.org 314-533-7662

Service Saturdays



Join us for 8:00am Mass at the New Cathedral. After, we'll break into teams and head to different service sites. At 11:30am, we'll reconvene for lunch at City Foundry.

Sock Angels

Drop Off **NEW** Socks in the Box
until October 31, 2026

Socks of various colors & sizes for men, women & children



The Curia's First Annual Sock Drive
Brought to you by Knights of
Peter Claver & Ladies Auxiliary



YOUNG ADULT MASS HIKE

Saturday, August 29 @ 8:00am
Eagle Valley Trail and Beulah Trail
Loop at Greensfelder Park

Led by Fr. Raymond Buehler

- > Meet at the trailhead at 8am
- > 9.4 mile hike
- > About 4 hours to complete
- > Mass celebrated on the trail
- > For those ages 18 - 39

With questions, email Christina Boul at christinaboul@archstl.org



Labor Day

Monday, September 7
Masses at 8am & 12:05pm

No 7am Mass
Parish Office is Closed



JOIN CATHEDRAL PARISHIONERS FOR



MEET FELLOW PARISHIONERS FOR AN EVENING OF JOYOUS FELLOWSHIP

Special A La Carte Menu – Separate Checks – Cash or Credit Card

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20
6:15 PM

Bartolino's
THE HILL

Hampton Ave at I-44

PLEASE REGISTER AT:
CATHEDRALSTL.ORG/SUNDAY-SUPPER



Cathedral Parish Fall Dinner

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, October 10
following 5pm Mass
Boland Hall

RSVP by October 2
Please bring a dessert to share!

Italian Feast

Register at
cathedralstl.org/dinner

WITNESS TO LOVE

Do you love your marriage, your faith, and helping
young couples grow into a strong marriage?

We are launching a new program, Witness to Love, that will
provide our engaged couples with one-on-one couples
mentoring to give the best foundation for their marriage.

Criteria to be a mentor:

1. 5+ years sacramentally married
2. Actively practicing the Catholic faith
3. Loving your marriage
4. Willingness to "be real" about the
graces & challenges of married life!

If you have interest in being a mentor, please email Father Archer
archer@cathedralstl.org

NEW TO ST. LOUIS?
WANTING TO GROW
DEEPER IN FAITH?

DESIRING COMMUNITY +
LASTING FRIENDSHIPS?



SALT
+
LIGHT

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SCAN THE QR CODE:
STLYOUNGADULTS.COM

Baptism

Congratulations and God's continued blessings on Eleanor Rose and the Dickason Family (pictured below) She was baptized on July 19, 2026.

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

Acts 22:16



Sacrament of Marriage

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Jacob & Hailey Zacha who were united in the Sacrament of Marriage at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis on Saturday, June 20, 2026 at 11 in the morning.

"Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous, is not pompous, it is not inflated. It is not rude it does not seek its own interests, it is not quick-tempered, it does not brood over injury, it does not rejoice in wrongdoing but rejoices with truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails."

- 1 Corinthians 13:1-8







BLUE MASS

FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT & FIRST RESPONDERS

SEPTEMBER 13, 2026

10:00 AM MASS

LAW ENFORCEMENT, FIRST RESPONDERS & THEIR FAMILIES

Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis

4431 Lindell Blvd - St. Louis, MO 63108

Reception to Follow

Men of the Cathedral

Catholic men, both Cathedral parishioners and guests; are you looking for a way to come closer to Jesus? Are you also looking to find other Catholic men who share your desire to praise God?

If so, you are invited to join the Men of the Cathedral to monthly Adoration and Dinner on Tuesday, August 25 at 6pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

Thirty minutes of Adoration beginning at 6pm, followed by dinner at Boland Hall.

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 Catholic men seeking religious fulfillment.

Please RSVP to Michael Weisbrod at michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org by Monday, August 24.

The cost is \$20 per person at the door and includes dinner and beverages.

Women of the Cathedral

Meetings for the Women of the Cathedral group are back! We will have gatherings the second Saturday of the month. We plan on beginning each gathering with Mass at 8am. We will follow Mass with discussion and snacks. At gatherings we will have discussions to focus on the pillars we are basing the group on, they are - Spirituality, Fellowship, and Service.

Please save the date for our next meeting on Saturday, September 12.

Questions contact Phoebe at pdcl33@gmail.com

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 August 27, 2026. 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.

Cathedral Basilica & Rosati Kain Blood Drive

Sunday, September 27

9 am - 2 pm

Rosati Kain Academy Cafeteria
4389 Lindell Blvd

DONATE BLOOD



To Schedule: Scan or
Call (800) RED-CROSS



OCIA

New session begins 8/30/26

- Have you ever thought about becoming Catholic?
- Do you know someone who might be interested in the Catholic faith?
- Are you Catholic, but have not received First Communion or Confirmation?

Interested? email OCIA@cathedralstl.org

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

August 29 & 30, 2026

5:00 pm (Sat)

Lectors:

- Annie Joseph
- Phoebe Del Castillo

Ushers:

- Bob Sutter, Jerry Pastore
- Matt Colvin, Pat McCann

8:00 am

Lectors:

- Jonathan Klimpel
- Brian Ragen

Ushers:

- Dave Meyer, Frank Snyder
- Joe Schilli

Ministers of Care:

- Ragen, Klimpel, Weisbrod

10:00 am

Lectors:

- Mike Roth
- Nick Uxa

Ushers:

- Sue Metheny, Dan Mangus
- Roger Willis, Vito Alu

12:00 Noon

Lectors:

- Stephen Lebak
- Mark Burmester

Ushers:

- Willie Stevens, Skip Batchelor
- Lawanda Reason, Mark Burmester

5:00 pm (Sun)

Lectors:

- Claire Sommers
- Alex Burkart

Ushers:

- Willie Kelsey, Charlie Hapke, Don Burns
- Pat McCann, Krystle Hatter

Registration in Parish

To join our parish, please register online at <https://cathedralstl.org/about-basilica/parish-life>

Online Giving

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

Order 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

