

CATHEDRAL  
BASILICA



OF SAINT LOUIS



## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 7, 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

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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:sirons@cathedralstl.org)

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Sun. Sept 7 - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Pam Paulus  
10:00 a.m. Lynette Raidt  
12:00 p.m. Denny O'Leary  
5:00 p.m. Michael T. Sullivan

### Mon. Sept 8 - Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 a.m. Townsend E. Saunders  
8:00 a.m. James Hitchcock  
12:05 p.m. Dr. Salvador Alatorre

### Tues. Sept 9 - St. Peter Claver

7:00 a.m. Adele Hayes  
8:00 a.m. Norman Reeves  
12:05 p.m. Tommy Blake

### Wed. Sept 10 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. Matthew Arthur Unwin  
8:00 a.m. Wanda Terry  
12:05 p.m. Wesley Tyree

### Thur. Sept 11 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. Dr. Leah Czerniewski  
8:00 a.m. Victims of 9/11  
12:05 p.m. Veronica Gold

### Fri. Sept 12 - The Most Holy Name of Mary

7:00 a.m. Elaine Knapp  
8:00 a.m. Larry Williams  
12:05 p.m. Daniel Darian

### Sat. Sept 13 - St. John Chrysostom

8:00 a.m. Florentine Weber  
5:00 p.m. Connie Pritchard

### Sun. Sept 14 - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8:00 a.m. Brittany Fields  
10:00 a.m. Paul Raidt  
12:00 p.m. Maria da Conceicao Soares de Carvalho  
5:00 p.m. Jyothi Gadiparthi

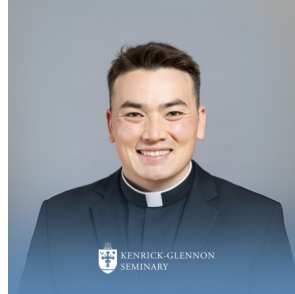




## FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend we are blessed to welcome two seminarians who will be serving with us on weekends throughout the academic year. **Deacon Koby Ngu-yen** was ordained to the diaconate on May 22 for the Diocese of Wichita. A native of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish in Wichita, Deacon Koby has been a student at Kenrick Glennon Seminary. He will join us at the Cathedral on weekends to assist at Masses and to continue growing in his vocation of service to the Church.



We also extend a warm welcome to **Alex Cammarata**, who is in his third year of Theology and is preparing for his ordination to the diaconate this coming May. Alex is a member of Immaculate Conception Parish in Dardenne, where he attended grade school. After graduating from St. Dominic High School in O'Fallon, Alex entered the seminary in 2018. During this academic year, he will assist with liturgies and parish life here at the Cathedral as he continues his formation for the priesthood.

This Sunday, our parish Church the Cathedral Basilica, will welcome First Responders throughout the Archdiocese. The first "Blue Mass" was celebrated in Washington DC a little over 85 years ago. It is a great opportunity to come together, share our faith in the Lord and ask the Lord for guidance and strength as these men and women fulfill their daily duties, which are difficult. The challenges of this job can take a toll on these men and women both emotionally, physically, and spiritually. To gather together this Sunday reminds us that faith keeps us going and gives these men and women strength to fulfill their duty with courage and strength.

Our Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) starts this Sunday and will again be led by Dr. Lawrence Feingold. We already have quite a bit of interest in the program, with over 30 registered participants so far. If you know of someone interested in becoming Catholic, please have them call the rectory for more information.

### PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL FOR FIRST RESPONDERS:

Lord, I ask you through St. Michael the Archangel, to watch over all of the men and women who so generously devote themselves to helping others. Grant them courage when afraid, wisdom when they must make quick decisions, strength when weary, and compassion in all their work. When the alarm sounds and they are called to aid both friend and stranger, let them faithfully serve you in their neighbors. Amen.

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## ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

### God Lifts Up the Small and the Lowly

The saints and readings provide a template for us to reestimate the small things in our lives

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Here's a great piece of Bible trivia:

*Who was Jesus' paternal grandfather?*

One of the great lines of the Scripture readings this week is from Colossians 3: "Your life is hidden with Christ in God." God seems to have a preference for the hidden and the small, and we see it all through salvation history. The paternal grandfather of Jesus (it's Jacob, by the way — see Matthew 1:15-16) is a good example.

This is one of the themes that shows up when we celebrate the birthday of Mary on Sept. 8. We hear this from the prophet Micah: "You, Bethlehem-Ephrathah, too small to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel."

In worldly reckoning, Israel was too small to be significant; even in Israel's reckoning, Bethlehem was too small to be significant. But God elevated the small, and the small became a linchpin in the salvation of the world. And so, this week, we celebrate the birth of a girl (deemed insignificant in the ancient world) in Nazareth (deemed insignificant in ancient Judaism).

As is so often the case, a fact of salvation history becomes a lesson for our own lives: God elevates the small.

We see it this week in the genealogy of Jesus. Joseph had a small role to play in the birth of Jesus. But that small role matters tremendously! Jesus falls into the Davidic line because of him.

We see it this week in Jesus' choice of the 12 apostles. These weren't men who mattered in the eyes

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of the world. But they became the foundation stones of the Church.

We see it this week when we celebrate the feast of St. Peter Claver (Sept. 9). He did small things for people who were enslaved: things that didn't matter in the eyes of the world, for people who didn't matter in the eyes of the world. But Peter Claver saw those small things and small people with God's eyes. Seeing them that way elevated their status in his eyes. And seeing the small that way is what made him a saint.

What about us — could we learn to reestimate the small?

Why should an hour of eucharistic adoration matter? It seems too small. Why should a decade of the Rosary matter? It seems too small. Why should an extra can of soup for the food pantry matter? It seems too small.

In St. Louis, we think big, and as Americans, we think big. And that's often a good thing! But God's "economy" works by a different set of rules. He chooses the small.

Maybe it's time to make Mary's Magnificat our own: to see and celebrate how God lifts up the lowly, and to reestimate the small things in the world and in our lives.

*Note: This column appeared in the St. Louis Review for Sept 7 - Sept 13 and may be read in the print edition or at <https://it.ly/3SejOXr>*



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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

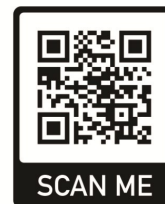
**Sunday, March 8, 2026 2:30pm**

### Three Italian Tenors

**Friday, March 27, 2026 7:30pm**

### The Tallis Scholars

**Friday, April 17, 2026 7:30pm**



Artists & Dates subject to change



**CathedralConcerts.org 314-533-7662**





## Catholic Charities

As our neighbors continue to rebuild following the May 16 tornado and other recent storms, Catholic Charities is shifting from immediate response to long-term recovery. The need continues to persist and our work is still in its early stages for these storm victims.

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!

The top 3 items needed are:

1. Non-perishable food items
2. Toiletries
3. Cleaning items

For questions or concerns, please contact your Parish Ambassador Pat at [playhousehf@yahoo.com](mailto:playhousehf@yahoo.com)

## Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary invites you to join our weekly meetings on Saturdays at 10 am. The Legion is an organization of Catholics whose purpose is the holiness of its members developed through prayer and the offering of service in union with Mary, the Mother of the Church for the spiritual welfare of souls.

Meetings are held in the outer office of the Cathedral School building. Questions, call 314.373.8202

## St. Patrick Center Casserole Program

Home-cooked casseroles and non-perishable foods provided by volunteers of the St. Louis Basilica Casserole Program provide one week of nutritious dinners for St. Patrick's Women's Night Program and/or canned goods for the community pantry. Volunteer coordinators will hold the next "drop off" of casseroles and pantry food on **Thursday, September 11, 2025 from 1-2pm** in the St. Louis Cathedral Basilica parking lot. This is a parish based group that benefits St. Patrick's Center.

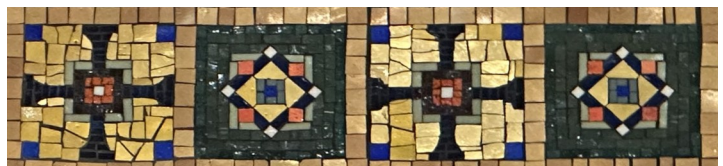
For anyone interested in joining our efforts, please call Skip or Nicki Batchelor at 916-834-4843 for more information. All volunteers are welcome.

## Sacrament of Marriage

Congratulations to **Colin & Sabrina Shreves** (pictured below) who were united in the Sacrament of Marriage at the Cathedral Basilica on Saturday, August 23, 2025 at 1:30 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





# OCIA

**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?**

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (or OCIA) enables those who are interested in the Catholic faith to “see what it is all about”.

Most often, people come because they are invited.

For Catholic parishioners: Pause and consider moments of grace you have experienced in your life – whether in prayer, in the sacraments, in moments of community and family life – these are gifts given by the Lord.

Consider: Is there anyone you know whom the Lord may want to invite receive these same gifts?

OCIA is for persons who have never been baptized, were baptized in another Christian tradition, or were baptized Catholic but have never celebrated Confirmation or received First Communion. It is also open to anyone who is interested in learning more about what Catholics believe and why we believe it. You are welcome if you have been Catholic all your life, if you have a passing interest in the Catholic faith, or if you are anywhere in between!



The 2025–2026 OCIA session will begin September 7<sup>th</sup>.

To register or for additional information, contact  
Fr. Charlie Archer at 314-373-8204 or [archer@cathedralstl.org](mailto:archer@cathedralstl.org)





## Save a Life: Donate Blood

- Every 2 seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood and or platelets.
- Approximately 29,000 units of red blood cells are needed every day in the U. S.
- Nearly 16 million blood components are transfused each year in the U.S.
- Sickle cell disease affects 90,000 to 100,000 people in the U.S. About 1,000 babies are born with the disease each year. Sickle cell patients can require blood transfusions throughout their lives.
- The average red blood cell transfusion is approximately 3 units.
- A single car accident victim can require as many as 100 units of blood.
- Blood and platelets cannot be manufactured; they can only come from volunteer donors.
- The blood type most often requested by hospitals is type O.
- One donation can help save more than one life

## Cathedral Basilica Blood Drive

Sunday, September 28  
9 am - 2 pm  
4430 Maryland Ave - Classroom 3

**DONATE BLOOD**



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



## 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 September 7, 2025 through September 14, 2025

Sunday: 129: Wis 9:13-18b Ps 90:3-6, 12-17  
Phlm 9-10, 12-17 Lk 14:25-33  
Monday: 636: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30 Ps  
13:6abc Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23  
Tuesday: 438: Col 2:6-15 Ps 145:1b-2, 8-11  
Lk 6:12-19  
Wednesday: 439: Col 3:1-11 Ps 145:2-3, 10-13b  
Lk 6:20-26  
Thursday: 440: Col 3:12-17 Ps 150:1b-6  
Lk 6:27-38  
Friday: 441: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14 Ps 16:1b-2a, 5,  
7-8, 11 Lk 6:39-42  
Saturday: 442: 1 Tm 1:15-17 Ps 113:1b-7  
Lk 6:43-49  
Sunday: 638: Nm 21:4b-9 Ps 78:1b-2, 34-38 Phil  
2:6-11 Jn 3:13-17

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR THE WEEKEND OF 8/30/2025-8/31/2025

Offertory	\$7,992.77
Online Giving	\$12,177.00
Loose	\$4,546.84
Cathedral Candles	\$532.85
Cathedral Landscape	\$269.00
Cathedral Maintenance	\$6.00
Catholic Education	\$20.00
Catholic University	\$5.00
SVDP	\$35.00





## STEWARDSHIP ALIVE!

### Mission Cooperation of Archdiocese

**“When I was hungry or thirsty, when I was naked, when I was a stranger, you helped me.”**

The weekend of September 20 and 21, Father Daniel Vogt, a Saint Charles native and a veteran missionary in Guatemala, will visit our parish, as part of the Missionary Cooperation of the Archdiocese of Saint Louis, to speak about the Casa de Migrante Beatos Tulio Maruzzo y Luis Obdulio Arroyo, located in the Apostolic Vicariate of Izabal in northeastern Guatemala.

The Casa was established to attend to the passing of migrants on foot from Central and South America on their way to the USA or more recently, deported or defeated on their way to their countries of origin. Each day an average of 75 persons, 70% men, 20% women and 10% children, receive attention with food, water, showers and bathrooms, used clothes and shoes, first aid among other services. Depending on the need, the migrants can stay overnight at the Casa, and in emergency cases a bit longer.

This service is a direct work of the Church in Izabal and receives the support of all of the parishes; until recent months some economic support was received by international agencies. Now more than ever, the Casa needs your support so that we can continue treat the migrants with dignity. Your important donation in the special collection will be appreciated. May the Lord multiply your generosity.

### 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
Guy Thomas	Chrystal Ray
Kelvin Ayala Reyes	Barbara Garrett
Wayne Eultgen	Tronda White

### 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, September 30 at 6 pm.

Summer is now behind us so we should turn ourselves toward self-improvement in anticipation of the upcoming Christmas season.

We encourage both parishioners and visitors to share the joy of Christ through Adoration! 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.

For dinner reservations, please contact Michael Weisbrod by Monday, September 29 at 314.918.2893 or [michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org](mailto:michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org)

### 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 **September 11, 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](mailto:AnimaChristiStL@gmail.com) or see the Anima Christi Facebook page for more details.



**LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR SEPTEMBER 13 & 14, 2025**

	Extraordinary	Lectors	Ministers of Care	Servers	Ushers
<b>5:00 p.m. (Sat)</b>	<b>No Cup Ministers At Any Mass This Weekend</b>	Phoebe Del Castillo Mitch Smith		Doug Weber	Bob Sutter Jerry Pastore Matt Colvin Pat McCann
<b>8:00 am</b>		Mary Ann Cheng Jonathan Klimpel	Klimpel Thompson Paul	Doug Weber Kevin Mattingly	Dave Meyer Frank Snyder Joe Schilli
<b>10:00 am</b>		Brian Ragen Denise Murphy			Sue Metheny Dan Mangus Roger Willis Vito Alu
<b>12 Noon</b>		Michael Murphy Mark Burmester		TBD	Willie Stevens Skip Batchelor Lawanda Reason Mark Burmester
<b>5:00 pm</b>		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](http://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

