CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF SAINT LOUIS

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

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 am (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)
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 by appointment, as is access to the Cathedral Gift Shop.

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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GIFT SHOP & 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 directed to the rectory by calling 314-373-8202.

Cathedral Tours
Small tours of our beautiful church are once again being offered at various times by appointment 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.
FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Parishioners,

This past week, I had the most wonderful opportunity to take part in the Serra Club Night at the Ballpark with over 400 priests, deacons, religious and seminarians from Kenrick-Glennon Seminary. It was a night with great excitement as Albert Pujols stepped inside the batter’s box with the crowd on their feet for an ovation. There was also much excitement in the stands, where many of the priests and religious men and women connected with each other throughout the game. The evening was made possible by the Serra Club of St. Louis, which is a lay apostolate that supports and promotes vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life.

As our country calls to mind the 20th Anniversary of the 9/11 attack on our country, our parish church welcomes First Responders throughout the Archdiocese for the Annual Blue Mass this weekend. The first “Blue Mass” was celebrated in Washington, DC, a little over 82 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.

While riding my bike last Saturday, I was overwhelmed by the Flags of Valor event on Art Hill. The emotion I felt is hard to explain. It was a solemn experience of rows and rows of flags, each equidistant, paying tribute to a person who fought the War on Terror and was taken too soon from us. Standing at the base of Art Hill, you hear the whisper of the American flags and the clinking of dog tags. It is as if each of those men and women is softly speaking to you.

Monsignor Henry Breier

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Jesus and Mary show suffering can bring about glory

The cross shows us that "self-emptying" is a better way to deal with suffering than the world's ways

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

We celebrate two important feasts this week: the Exaltation of the Holy Cross (September 14) and Our Lady of Sorrows (September 15).

These feasts say something important to the general cultural attitude that everything needs to be happy and comfortable — and if anything is not we either need to end it immediately or deny that there’s a problem. This is the world’s way of dealing with suffering, but it’s not working and it won’t ever work. The feasts this week show us a better way.

In Philippians 2, St. Paul speaks of Christ “emptying” Himself. The Greek word there is “kenosis.” “Self-emptying” is the best translation of the Greek word. But self-humbling and self-gift are important elements of what the term means with reference to Jesus’ life.

St. Paul says that because Christ underwent kenosis — emptying Himself, humbling Himself, making a gift of Himself even to the point of death — God exalted Him. Kenosis is, paradoxically, the path to glory.

We see this in the Gospel of John as well. John’s Gospel has two parts: the book of signs (chapters 1-12) and the book of glory (chapters 13-20). The centerpiece of the book of glory is, paradoxically, the cross. Following the rules of the world this doesn’t make any sense — the cross is a one way ticket to misery. Following the rules of God, however, it makes perfect sense — the cross is the path to glory. As a note in The Great Adventure Bible says, suffering is “the divinely appointed means of progress toward God.”

The feast of Our Lady of Sorrows sheds important light on our approach to suffering as well. One of the options for the day is to read (or sing) the sequence known as the “Stabat Mater” — frequently sung as “At the Cross Her Station Keeping.” Mary stands by the cross. She can’t make her son’s suffering stop. But she doesn’t turn away, or attempt to minimize it. She never gives in to the covert denial of the platitude: “It’s all good.” She gives strength to her son, and helps Him endure His suffering, by standing by Him. It’s the same kind of strength that Blessed Franz Jaegerstaetter’s wife gives to him in the film “A Hidden Life”: in standing by him, she gives him strength to see his trials through to the end. It’s a spiritual kind of labor pain, and it’s very fruitful.

This pattern is reflected in the first beatitude: Blessed are the poor in spirit — those who humble themselves; the kingdom of heaven is theirs — they will be exalted. The beatitude contains an invitation: the relationship between kenosis and exaltation isn’t just something that happened to Jesus, it’s meant to be the pattern of every Christian life. As the Catechism says, Jesus wants us to live the mysteries of His life, and He wants to live them again in us. (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 521)

This week, let’s think about the passion of Jesus and the compassion of Mary. Together they offer us a more fruitful way to deal with suffering. They show us that suffering, rather than being a one way ticket to misery, can actually be a bridge to glory.

Note: this column appeared in the St. Louis Review for September 13–19 and may be read in the print edition or at https://bit.ly/35yj0Xr.
**St. Joseph PSR**

Religious education is an important component for forming children in the teaching of the Catholic Faith. Consider St. Joseph in Clayton for religious education, sacramental preparation, and family formation. PSR is offered from 9:30-10:45 am each Sunday morning. Online registration is available by emailing ekopff@stjosephclayton.org, or stop by the St. Joseph parish office to receive a paper form.

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**A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life**

“By our baptism, we are members of Christ’s body and sharers in his mission. Imitating Christ, we must care for all members of our communities, honoring each person as unique, sacred, and created in the image of God.”

*USCCB, “Open Wide Our Hearts”*

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**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, September 18**.

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**Welcome Back Students**

Among those who regularly join us at the Cathedral, especially on Sundays though often during the week as well, are students from the nearby universities, medical schools, and the College of Pharmacy. With the new school year commencing, our students have returned and we welcome them back.

Students, your youth and your prayerful faith witness is appreciated. Please know the Cathedral Staff and parish is here for your assistance, now and at all times throughout the year. Welcome back!
Cathedral Parish

Octoberfest

Sunday, October 3, 2021
1:00 - 4:00 pm
A Parish picnic of bratwurst, hot dogs, potato salad, potato chips, beverages, & desserts
Outside on the East Lawn of the Cathedral
Brought to you by the Cathedral Parish Council
Offertory Collection for The Weekend of 09/05/2021

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Weekly Thoughts on Giving

“Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.” Mk 8:34

Living a stewardship lifestyle means not only being responsible for my own life, but for the lives of others as well. We realize that our gifts are not intended for ourselves, rather they are meant to be shared with others. “Taking up my cross” means doing things when someone else needs me and not when it’s convenient for me.

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, September 16. We begin with Adoration and confessions in the church at 6:30 pm (enter through the west door by the playground), followed by dinner in Boland Hall at 7:30 p.m. Please join us, in full or in part, to deepen your relationship with Christ and with one another. For additional information, please e-mail the group at AnimaChristiStL@gmail.com.
David Ball
Organist
Sunday, September 19, 2021
2:30 PM

St. Louis native and Juilliard-trained organist David La’O Ball (BM ’14, MM ’16) serves as Cathedral Organist and Head of Music Ministry at Christ Cathedral in the Diocese of Orange, California (formerly Crystal Cathedral). David is a recognized and well-lauded young performer. David has performed solo and collaborative recitals across the country, including duet recitals with Dr. John A. Romeri on the largest musical instrument ever built: the Boardwalk Hall Organ in Atlantic City. In recognition of his accomplishments, David was named one of The Diapason’s 2017 Class of 20 under 30, a peer-selected group of young people at the forefront of the organ field.

This concert is free and open to all. Doors will open at 2:00pm. There is plenty of room inside the Cathedral to sit where you feel most comfortable. Since the City of St. Louis has a mask mandate for indoor gatherings, masks will be required.

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RCIA

Have you ever thought about becoming a Catholic?
Do you know someone who might be interested in becoming Catholic?
Are you interested in finding out more about the Catholic Church?

Is your spouse, fiancé, neighbor, or friend interested?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (or RCIA) enables those who are interested in the Catholic faith to “find out what it is all about”. Most often, people come because they are invited.

Be the voice of Christ and offer the first invitation to someone you know who might be interested in the Catholic faith!

RCIA 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.

Anyone who is interested in deepening their understanding of the Catholic faith is also invited to attend!

The 2021-22 RCIA session will begin on Sunday, September 12.
To register or for additional information, please contact
Fr. Zac Povis at 314-373-8204 or email zacharypovis@archstl.org

Association of Hebrew Catholics

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The Messiah of Israel

A free lecture series on Christology given by Dr. Lawrence Feingold, Associate Professor of Philosophy and Theology, Kenrick-Glennon Seminary

This virtual series (via Zoom) begins

Sunday, September 12, at 3:30 pm

with hour-long lectures presented on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of every month

A Q&A session will follow each lecture until 5:00 pm

All are welcome to attend any or all lectures in the series

To participate, you must register on the AHC website at https://bit.ly/AHCLectures
For questions or additional information, please call 314-535-4242
or email dmoss@hebrewcatholic.org
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**Parish Information**

**Registration in Parish**
To join our parish, please register online at [https://cathedralstl.org/about-basilica/parish-life](https://cathedralstl.org/about-basilica/parish-life) or contact the office at 314-373-8202.

**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 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 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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