CATHEDRAL BASILICA



TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

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 *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 directed to the rectory by calling 314-373-8202.

Cathedral Tours

Tours of our beautiful church 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

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Sept. 17th - Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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8:00 a.m.	Mike Seay				
10:00 a.m.	Anthony Nall				
12:00 p.m.	Mark Hendrickson				
5:00 p.m.	Nick Theiss				
Mon. Sept. 18	th - Weekday				
7:00 a.m.	Teresa & Francis Farrow & Family				
8:00 a.m.	Joseph & Kathryn Darpel				
12:05 p.m.	Protestants in Purgatory				
Tues. Sept. 19	th - St. Januarius				
7:00 a.m.	Paul Leible				
8:00 a.m.	Charles E. Whitten				
12:05 p.m.	Loren Dominic & Solana Clarissa				
Wed. Sept. 20	th - Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, and				
	Paul Chong Ha-sang, and				
	Companions				
7:00 a.m.	Sr. Marysia Weber, RSM				
8:00 a.m.	John William Partridge				
12:05 p.m.	Dorothy Hellman				
Thur. Sept. 21	st - St. Matthew, Apostle &				
	Evangelist				
7:00 a.m.	Martha Alberti				
8:00 p.m.	Franklin Whittlesey				
12:05 p.m.	Joseph & Kathryn Darpel				
Fri. Sept. 22n	d - Weekday				
7:00 a.m.	Ethan Young				
8:00 a.m.	Alberto Bustamante				
-	Regis Paul Najeski				
Sat. Sept. 23rd	d - St. Pius of Peitrelcina				
8:00 a.m.	Roderick Grosse				
5:00 p.m.	Patricia Kraft				
Sun. Sept. 24t	h - Twenty-Fifth Sunday in				
	Ordinary Time				
8:00 a.m.	Francis Farrow				
10:00 a.m.	William A. Allen				
12:00 p.m.	Cindy Weller				
5:00 p.m.	Nick Theiss				



FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Parishioners,

This past Thursday, September 14th, was the feast in our Church of the Exaltation of the Cross. This feast commemorates the recovery of the Holy Cross, which had been placed on Mt. Calvary, by St. Helena and preserved in Jerusalem.

After the death and resurrection of Christ, both the Jewish and Roman authorities in Jerusalem tried to obscure the Holy Sepulchre, Christ's tomb in the garden near the site of His crucifixion. The earth had been mounded up over the site, and pagan temples



had been built on top of it. The Cross on which Christ had died had been hidden (tradition said) by the Jewish authorities somewhere in the vicinity.

According to tradition, first mentioned by Saint Cyril of Jerusalem in 348, Saint Helena, nearing the end of her life, decided under divine inspiration to travel to Jerusalem in 326 to excavate the Holy Sepulchre and attempt to locate the True Cross. A Jew by the name of Judas, aware of the tradition concerning the hiding of the Cross, led those excavating the Holy Sepulchre to the spot in which it was hidden.

Three crosses were found on the spot. According to one tradition, the inscription Iesus Nazarenus Rex Iudaeorum ("Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews") remained attached to the True Cross. According to a more common tradition, however, the inscription was missing, and Saint Helena and Saint Macarius, the bishop of Jerusalem, assuming that one was the True Cross and the other two belonged to the thieves crucified alongside Christ, devised an experiment to determine which was the True Cross. In one version of the latter tradition, the three crosses were taken to a woman who was near death; when she touched the True Cross, she was healed. In another, the body of a dead man was brought to the place where the three crosses were found, and laid upon each cross. The True Cross restored the dead man to life.

The Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross reminds us of the centrality of the cross in our daily lives. As we are invited to each and every day take up our cross and follow in the footsteps of the Lord. Our strength and protection is the Sign of the Cross during our trials and temptations. At Baptism, we are sealed with the Sign of the Cross, signifying the fullness of redemption and that we belong to Christ.

Monsignor Henry Breier

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ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

To say 'yes' to Jesus, we have to say 'no' to some things

We need to grow in our ability to diagnose and treat problems for and with each other

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

No.

That's a word we need to learn to say. We need to say it skillfully and with gentleness. But we need to say it with clarity and strength, as well.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church says: "The beatitude we are promised confronts us with decisive moral choices" (CCC 1723). In other words: Heaven is offered to us! But accepting the offer requires us to say no to some things.

Contemporary culture suggests we can say "yes" to everything. But that's not going very well for us! And young people suffer more than anyone from our culture's inability to draw boundaries between right and wrong. We need to recover the ability to say "no" and to help each other live into that "no."

I'm thinking of this because we're reading from St. Paul's First Letter to Timothy this week. It's one of the "pastoral letters" that St. Paul wrote to Timothy and Titus after they became bishops in Ephesus and Crete. Were there many good things in those communities, and did St. Paul encourage them to say "yes" to those good things? Most definitely! But there were also problems in their communities, teachings and trends that were contrary to the Gospel. St. Paul named those problems. He instructed Timothy and Titus in saying "no" to them and in helping their communities live into that "no."

Think of what would happen if our physicians always told us: "There's nothing wrong with your health." They wouldn't be very good physicians! There are physical illnesses in the world. A good physician diagnoses them and charts a course of treatment. There are moral and spiritual illnesses in the world as well; they need diagnosis and treatment, too. It's moral and spiritual malpractice to always

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say, "there's nothing wrong with your soul."

We celebrate the feast of St. Padre Pio on Sept. 23. He was a great spiritual physician! He wasn't afraid to name moral and spiritual sicknesses for what they were, and to bring healing in the sacrament of penance.

We celebrate the feast of St. Matthew the Apostle this week as well, on Sept. 21. So often we think of the call of St. Matthew and how Jesus said to him: "Follow me." That was the great "yes" of Matthew's life. But part of following that call was also a "no." Jesus said to Matthew: "Leave those other things behind." Matthew was offered an intimate relationship with Jesus and confronted with a decisive moral choice: He said no to some things in order to say yes to Jesus.

That's a pattern in the Gospels and in our own lives. Jesus offers an intimate relationship to everyone. But in order to say "yes" to Him, we have to say "no" to some things. That's why the call has always been: "Repent, and believe in the Gospel." There's a "no" there, not just a "yes."

A good physician or coach names problems. Sts. Paul and Padre Pio named problems. Jesus named problems. We need to grow in our ability to do that for and with each other. Where do you need help saying "no" in your life, in order to say a deeper "yes" to Jesus? Where might a friend need that same kind of help? Let's help each other live into those places where we need to say "no."

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SAINT LOUIS CATHEDRAL CONCERTS

Voices of St. Alphonsus Sunday, September 24 2:30 PM



Join us for an afternoon of moving spiritual and gospel music performed by the acclaimed choir of St. Alphonsus Liguori "The Rock" Catholic Church directed by Danny DuMaine.

Welcomed by Coldwell Banker Realty - Gundaker and Paul & Amy Mittelstadt

This concert is free and open to the public. No Tickets Required.



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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. It is also open to anyone who is interested in learning more about what Catholics believe and why we believe it. You are invited if you've been Catholic all your life, if you have a passing interest in the Catholic faith, or if you are anywhere in between!

The 2023-24 RCIA session will begin in September. To register or for additional information, please contact Fr. Zac Povis at 314-373-8204 or email zacharypovis@archstl.org





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 26th at 6 PM.**

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

Many of our regular attendees are visitors to the Cathedral. We encourage both parishioners and visitors to share the joy of Christ through Adoration!

Adoration will begin promptly at 6PM. Confessions will be heard during Adoration.

All men are invited to drinks and dinner in Boland Hall immediately after the conclusion of Adoration. A suggested donation of \$20 is appreciated.

For dinner reservations, please contact Michael Weisbrod at 314.918.2893 or michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org by Monday, September 25th.



The Gospel of the Lord

Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord if my Brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times? Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times. That is why the kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who decided to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the accounting, a debtor was brought before him who owed him a huge amo<u>unt.</u> Since he had no way of paying it back, his master ordered him to be sold, along with his wife, his children, and all his property, in payment for the debt. At that, the servant fell down, did him homage, and said, "Be patient with me, and I will pay you back in full." Moved with compassion the master of that servant let him go and forgave him the loan. When the servant had left, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a much smaller amount. He seized him and started to choke him, demanding, 'Pay back what you owe.' Falling to his knees, his fellow servant begged him, 'Be patient and I will pay you back.' But he refused. Instead, he had his fellow servant put in prison until he paid back the debt. Now when the fellow servants saw what had happed, they were deeply disturbed, and went to their master and reported the whole affair. His master summoned him and said to him. 'You wicked servant! I forgave you your entire debt because you begged me to. Should you not have pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you? Then in anger his master handed him over to the torturers until he should pay back the whole

debt. So will my heavenly father do to you, unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart.

Matthew 21:21-35



A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

"Throughout salvation history, God has welcomed repentant sinners with special joy. Jesus concludes the parable of the lost sheep with these words: 'there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance' (Lk 15:7)*."

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USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Life Matters: Forgiveness and Healing After Abortion"





Believe

Join us at the Cathedral Basilica two Wednesdays a month, when Fr. Povis will present an in-depth theological reflection on the articles of the Apostles' Creed.

-6:30pm in Boland Hall

-50 minute presentation followed by social

-Feel free to bring food and drink -Designed for adults, but all are welcome!

Next Session

September 20: Recap:

Theology of Salvation

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 17, 2023 through September 24, 2023

Sunday:	130: Sir 27:30—28;7 Ps 103:1-4, 9-12
	Rom 14;7-9 Mt 18:21-35
Monday:	443: 1 Tm 2:1-8 Ps 28:2, 7-9 Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday:	444: 1 Tm 3:1-13 Ps 101:1-3, 5-6 Lk
	7:11-17
Wednesday:	445: 1 Tm 3:14-16 Ps 111:1-6 Lk 7:31-
	35 see 642A: Wis 3:1-9 or Rom 8:31b-
	<i>39 Lk 9:23-26</i>
Thursday:	643: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 Ps 19:2-5 Mt 9:9-
	13
Friday:	447: 1 Tm 6:2c-12 Ps 49:6-10, 17-20 Lk
	8:1-3
Saturday:	447: 1 Tm 6:13-16 Ps 100: 1-5 Lk 8:4-
	15 see 737-742, esp. Gal :19-20 (740.5)
	<i>Mt</i> 16:24-27 (742.6) [see Notitiae 435
	vol. 38 (2002) - Num 10, p. 551]
Sunday:	133: Is 55:6-9 Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18
	Phil 1:20c-24, 27a Mt 20:1-16a

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.

Roxanne Ali Linda Baldwin Janice Bashford Barbara Beckemeyer Edwin Ayala Padilla Pauline Price David Washington Dorothy Quinn Mary Leah Kovarik Janetta Williams Kelvin Ayala Reyes Mary Riley Nicole Pace Resy Sanchez Mickey Shears Mary Anne Work Betty Ytzaina Sharon Kay Moore William McCarty Therese Terri Svehla Deborah Lee Lawson Burford



STEWARDSHIP ALIVE!

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 on **Thursday**, **September 21st.** Our gathering begins with Holy Hour at 6:30pm (enter through the west door, by the playground). Afterward there will be dinner in Boland Hall. Please join us, in full or in part, to deepen your relationship with Christ and with one another.

Hours for Fr. Marco

Fr. Marco offers spiritual discussion and confession Wednesday - Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. You will find him just off the Narthex of the Cathedral. Walk-ins are welcome and no appointment is necessary.

Adoration in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

We invite you to take a few moments and spend some time in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel this month. These few moments in adoration are meant to give each one who participates in it a quiet moment with the Lord.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR The Weekend of 9/9/2023-9/10/2023

Offertory	\$6,210.74
Loose	\$2,883.52
Online Giving	\$4,059.00
Cathedral Candles	\$590.22
Cathedral Landscaping	\$31.00
Cathedral Maintenance	\$0.00
Catholic Education	\$435.00
The Catholic University of America	\$20.00



Weekly Thoughts on Giving

"For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's." – Romans 14:8

This is the essence of stewardship – everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God.We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts that God has given us, especially our very own lives. Pray to God, daily, and ask Him how He is calling you to the live the life that He intended for you.



Liturgical Ministers For September 23 & 24, 2023								
	Extraordinary	Lectors	Ministers of Care	Servers	Ushers			
5:00 p.m. (Sat)	No Cup Ministers At Any Mass This Weekend	Mary Ann Cheng Michael Pajor		Doug Weber	Bob Sutter Jerry Pastore Matt Colvin Chris Newgent			
8:00 am		Brian Ragen Linda Pallmann	Ragen, Klimpel, Hagen, Harper	Doug Weber Kevin Mattingly	Dave Meyer Frank Snyder Joe Schilli			
10:00 am		Rachel de Almeida Oliveira Jonathan Klimpel		TBD	Susan Metheny William Kasalko Dan Mangus			
12 Noon		Doug Weber Mark Burmester		TBD	Willie Stevens Vito Alu Lawanda Reason			
5:00 pm		John Stith David Parr		Brak Welby	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 or register for baptismal preparation classes for parents or godparents, 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

