

CATHEDRAL  
BASILICA



OF SAINT LOUIS



TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
SEPTEMBER 24, 2023

**MASSSES 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)

**EUCCHARISTIC  
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 Irons at [susie.iron@cathedralstl.org](mailto:susie.iron@cathedralstl.org)

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Sun. Sept. 24th - 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

### Mon. Sept. 25th - Weekday

7:00 a.m. Teresa & Francis Farrow & Family  
8:00 a.m. Joseph & Kathryn Darpel  
12:05 p.m. Charles E. Whitten

### Tues. Sept. 26th - Sts. Cosmas & Damian

7:00 a.m. Sr. Susan Marie Kruggs  
8:00 a.m. Luis Actis  
12:05 p.m. Arlen Erdahl

### Wed. Sept. 27th - St. Vincent de Paul

7:00 a.m. Paul Leible  
8:00 a.m. Charles E. Whitten  
12:05 p.m. Vianney Chapman

### Thur. Sept. 28th - St. Wenceslaus; St. Lawrence Ruiz & Companions

7:00 a.m. Felicity Aryco  
8:00 p.m. Ceciro Librando  
12:05 p.m. Rosemarie Bergholtz

### Fri. Sept. 29th - Sts. Michael, Gabriel, & Raphael

7:00 a.m. Urlakis Family  
8:00 a.m. Vivian Alatorre  
12:05 p.m. Magdalene Monis

### Sat. Sept. 30th - St. Jerome

8:00 a.m. Wilfred Wiley  
5:00 p.m. Joseph & Kathryn Darpel

### Sun. Oct. 1st- Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Richelle Weisbrod  
10:00 a.m. Thom M. Digman  
12:00 p.m. Bob & Shaunna Mann  
5:00 p.m. Joseph & Kathryn Darpel





## FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Parishioners,

In our Gospel this Sunday, Jesus recounts the parable of the owner of the vineyard who, at different hours of the day, hires laborers to work in it. And in the evening he gives them all the same wages, one denarius, provoking protests from those who began work early. That denarius clearly represents eternal life, a gift that God reserves for all. Indeed those who are considered the "last", if they accept, become the "first", whereas the "first" can risk becoming the "last".

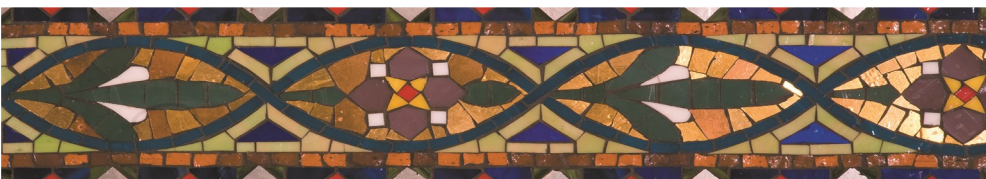
It is St. Matthew who recounts the parable found in this Sunday's Gospel, and whose liturgical feast day we celebrated on September 21. Before Jesus called him, he worked as a tax collector and was therefore seen as a public sinner and excluded from "the Lord's vineyard". But everything changed when Jesus passed by his table, looked at him and said to him: "Follow me".



Matthew rose and followed him. From a publican he immediately became a disciple of Christ. From being "last" he found himself "first", thanks to God's logic, which - for our good fortune! - is different from the logic of the world. "My thoughts are not your thoughts", the Lord says, speaking through the mouth of Isaiah, "neither are your ways my ways" (Is 55: 8).

St. Paul also experienced the joy of feeling called by the Lord to work in his vineyard. And what a lot of work he accomplished! Yet, as he himself confessed, it was God's grace which worked in him, that grace which transformed him - from persecutor of the Church into an Apostle to the Gentiles, to the point of saying: "For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain". Paul clearly understood that working for the Lord is already a reward on this earth

**Monsignor Henry Breier**



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## ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

### Rebuilding involves both external and internal dimensions

As we rebuild parish boundaries, we need to also look at rebuilding our internal sense of mission

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

It's time to rebuild!

That's the message of the readings this week, which are situated during the time of ancient Israel's return from the Babylonian Exile.

When the Jewish population returned to Jerusalem after the exile, they had to rebuild the Temple from the ground up. The prophet Ezra tells us about the external problems they faced in doing so, including interference from other nations in the project. The prophet Haggai tells us about the internal problems they faced in doing so, especially a lack of motivation from the population of Jerusalem itself. (Though, as Haggai points out, they had no problem with motivation when it came to building their own homes!)

The project of rebuilding the Temple was complicated enough! But there was another project for the post-exilic community that was even more complex: re-establishing their observance of the covenant with God in their daily lives. When all was said and done, rebuilding the Temple was simply an external project (even if a very important one!). The establishment of habits and patterns of relating to God and each other was the deeper and more complex "rebuilding" project.

There are some lessons there for our own situation!

Some parishes are rebuilding parish boundaries these days. Those communities, like the ancient Israelites, face external and internal difficulties in doing so. The task can look simple enough on paper, but the actual work is complex and takes time!

Even deeper than that, however, is our own version of the second task: to rebuild our sense of mission. What did it mean for ancient Israel to become, again, in their daily lives, a people of the covenant with

### ARCHBISHOP MITCHELL ROZANSKI

SERVE THE LORD  
WITH GLADNESS



God after the exile? What does it mean for us, today, to follow Jesus' call to go out to all people with the Good News and make disciples?

We haven't faced a disruption like the exile, to be sure — and thanks be to God for that! But contemporary culture has produced its own kind of disruption to religious life, so we have our own kind of rebuilding work to do.

It's interesting to think about a parallel here. The ancient Jewish community went through exile, the return from exile and rebuilding after the return. Similarly, Jesus went through death, which was a kind of exile; resurrection, which was a kind of return; and the sending of the Spirit, which built the Church. We're experiencing our own version of that pattern today. It can be comforting to know: The pattern is not a new one for God's people.

As we rebuild, what are some things we need to put in place to build well? St. Jerome, whose feast we celebrate this week (Sept. 30), might say we could stand to study Scripture more deeply. St. Vincent De Paul, whose feast we celebrate this week (Sept. 27), might say we could stand to serve the poor more personally. St. Augustine, whom we read in the Office of Readings this week, speaks of seeking out the lost with greater determination, even when they're not sure they want to be found!

As we talk to each other this week, let's not just talk about the superficial things. Let's talk about this: As you think of rebuilding, what's the Lord placing on your heart as a point of focus?

*Note: This column appeared in the St. Louis Review for September 23-24 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! 2023 - 2024 Season

### Chamber Music Concerts

Our series of 3 **FREE concerts** that brings the great music to you.  
The featured players in each concert are Jennifer Mazzoni, flute; Kristin Ahlstrom, violin;  
Shannon Farrell Williams, viola; Bjorn Ranheim, cello; Matthew Mazzoni, piano

**Friday, Sept. 8, 7pm**  
**Mary Queen of Peace**  
676 W. Lockwood, 63119

**Sunday, Sept. 10, 3pm**  
**Immaculate Heart of Mary**  
8 West Highway D, New Melle, 63365

**Tuesday, Sept 12, 7pm**  
**Peace Lutheran**  
737 Barracksview Road, 63125

### Voices of St. Alphonsus

*Danny DuMaine, Director*

**Sunday, September 24, 2023 2:30pm**  
Welcomed by Coldwell Banker Realty - Gundaker  
and Paul & Amy Mittelstadt

### VOCES8

**Friday, October 20, 2023 8:00pm**  
Welcomed by Bruce & Linda Ryder

### Vienna Boys Choir

**Monday, November 13, 2023 8:00pm**

### Christmas at the Cathedral

*with the St. Louis Archdiocesan  
Choirs & Orchestra*

**Saturday, December 2, 2023 10:30am (NOTE TIME)**  
**Sunday, December 3, 2023 2:30pm**  
Welcomed by Favazza's Restaurant  
and Michael Bavlsik & Kathleen Skelly

### Missouri State University Chorale

*Cameron LaBarr, Director*

**Friday, January 12, 2024 8:00pm**

### North City Deanery Choir

*Simeon A. Layne, Jr., Director*

**Friday, February 2, 2024 8:00pm**  
Welcomed by Coldwell Banker Realty - Gundaker  
and Paul & Amy Mittelstadt

### St. Louis Symphony & Chorus

**Wednesday, February 28, 2024 8:00pm**

### Chanticleer

**Monday, April 8, 2024 8:00pm**

### The Boston Camerata

**Friday, April 19, 2024 8:00pm**

Artists & Dates subject to change



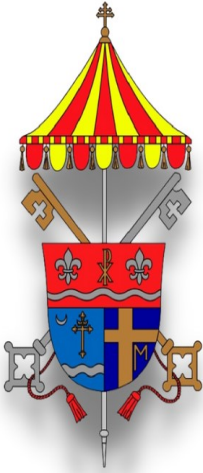
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# RCIA

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. 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](mailto: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](mailto:michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org) by Monday, September 25th.

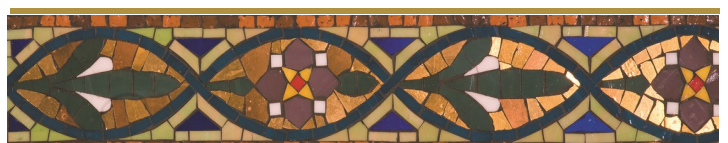
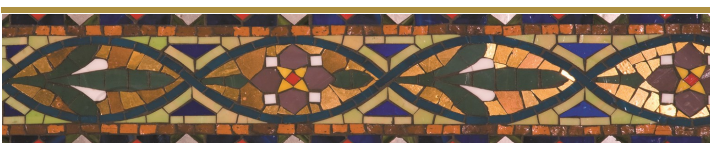


## Sacrament of Marriage

Congratulations to **Clay & Shelby Stuart** who were united in the Sacrament of Marriage at the Cathedral Basilica on Saturday, July 15, 2023 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





## A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

“Suicidal individuals—with or without a terminal illness—typically do not want to die... The patient requesting assisted suicide is often asking, ‘Does anyone want me to be alive, or care enough to talk me out of this request and support me through this difficult time?’”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities  
“Every Suicide is Tragic”

## What Catholics 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 24, 2023 through October 1, 2023

Sunday: 133: Is 55:6-9 Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18  
Phil 1:20c-24, 27a Mt 20:1-16a  
Monday: 449: Ezr 1:1-6 Ps 126:1-6 Lk 8:16-18  
Tuesday: 450: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20 Ps 122:1-5  
Lk 8:19-21  
Wednesday: 451: Ezr 9:5-9 (Ps) Tb 13:2, 3-4, 7-8 Lk 9:1-6 *see 645: 1 Cor 1:26-31 Mt 9:35-38*  
Thursday: 452: Hg 1:1-8 Ps 149:1-6, 9 Lk 9:7-9  
Friday: 647: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a  
Ps 138:1-5 Jn 1:47-51  
Saturday: 454 Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a (Ps) Jer 31:10-13  
Lk 9:43b-45 *see 648: 2 Tm 3:14-17 Mt 13:47-52*  
Sunday: 136: Ezr 18:25-28 Ps 25:4-9 Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5 Mt 21:28-32

## 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 28th**. 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 9/16/2023-9/17/2023

Offertory	\$7,507.25
Loose	\$5,692.00
Online Giving	\$4,059.00
Cathedral Candles	\$161.12
Cathedral Landscaping	\$406.75
Cathedral Maintenance	\$50.00
Catholic Education	\$5.00

### Catholic Charities

**Since 1998, Ignatian Spirituality Project (ISP)** has been bringing the healing, help, and hope of Jesus Christ to those in need with a compassionate and caring presence. Catholic Charities serves our community through nine ministries which are: Cardinal Ritter Senior Services, Good Shepherd Children & Family Services, LAMP, Marygrove, Queen of Peace Center, Saint Louis Counseling, Saint Martha's, St. Francis Community Services, and St. Patrick Center.

For more information or to get involved, please contact your Parish Ambassador, Alisa Goessling at 314-256-5904 or agoessling@ccstl.org



### Weekly Thoughts on Giving

*"Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last".- Matthew 20:16*

You've heard the saying "it's not where you start, but how you finish." This certainly applies to this Bible passage. We have a responsibility not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well. We are called to generously share our gifts with others, not hoard them for our own use. Our sincere gratitude and cheerful generosity will help us live "God-centered" lives and not "self-



**LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR SEPTEMBER 30 & OCTOBER 1, 2023**

	Extraordinary	Lectors	Ministers of Care	Servers	Ushers
<b>5:00 p.m. (Sat)</b>	<b>No Cup Ministers At Any Mass This Weekend</b>	John Willard David Parr		Doug Weber	Bob Sutter Jerry Pastore Matt Colvin Chris Newgent
<b>8:00 am</b>		Michael Pajor Jonathan Klimpel		Doug Weber Kevin Mattingly	Dave Meyer Frank Snyder Joe Schilli
<b>10:00 am</b>		Red Mass		TBD	Susan Metheny William Kasalko Dan Mangus
<b>12 Noon</b>		Phoebe del Castillo Mary Ann Cheng		TBD	Willie Stevens Vito Alu Lawanda Reason
<b>5:00 pm</b>		John Stith Erin Heathman		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](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 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

